RANDOLPH COUNTY PUBLIC LIBRARY







volume xxvi no. 8

February 2019

randolphlibrary.org

American heroes come to life

One-woman show captures 'The Spirit of Harriet Tubman'

Experience history through "The Spirit of Harriet Tubman" as Gibsonville performer Diane Faison brings the famed abolitionist to life at 7 p.m. Tuesday, March 26, at the Asheboro library.

The one-woman show is

sponsored by the Friends of the





Performer Diane Faison transforms into Harriet Tubman.

She studied Tubman's life and

developed her one-woman play, which her husband, a history teacher, asked her to perform for

An art teacher in North Carolina and Virginia for 25 years

before retiring, Faison wanted

students to feel history, rather

than just researching it.

his students.

Since then, she has performed multiple times each

the public is invited. month for close to 30 years in schools, colleges, libraries, churches and retirement homes. A Winston-Salem native, Tubman, born in 1822, escaped a brutal existence as a slave to found the Underground Railroad and advocate Faison holds a bachelors of arts in art appreciation from tirelessly for abolition. She served in the United States North Carolina Central University. She has received grants from the Winston-Salem and Alamance arts councils, and Army during the Civil War, and afterwards became an advocate for women's suffrage. the Puffin Foundation.

Author Randell Jones follows in Daniel Boone's footsteps

♣ Go "In the Footsteps of Daniel Boone" with author Randell Jones at 6:30 p.m. Tuesday, March 12, at the Asheboro library.

Boone led one of the fullest and most eventful lives in American history as a hunter, frontier guide, wilderness scout,

militia leader, woodsman, land speculator, merchant and more — including 21 years in North Carolina.

Library in honor of Women's History Month. It is free and

Jones will trace the life of Boone by placing Boone's





Randell Jones and Daniel Boone

adventures on the landscape and taking the audience to some of the 85 sites across 11 states, from Pennsylvania to Missouri, where the pioneer hero left his mark.

"In the Footsteps of Daniel Boone" is based on Jones's book by the same title.

Jones's appearance, part of the Road Scholar series, is made possible by funding

from the North Carolina Humanities Council, a statewide non-profit and affiliate of the National Endowment for the Humanities, and the Friends of the Library.

The Cat in the Hat!

Featuring Illusionist and Storyteller CALEB SIGMON • All libraries March 5-8

Archdale: 7 p.m. Tuesday, March 5 Asheboro: 6:30 p.m. Friday, March 8 Franklinville: 4 p.m. Thursday, March 7 Liberty: 3:30 p.m. Wednesday, March 6 Ramseur: 10:30 a.m. Thursday, March 7 Randleman: 3:30 p.m. Friday, March 8 Seagrove: 1 p.m. Tuesday, March 5 FREE—bring the whole family!



Archdale

336-431-3811 Fax 336-431-4619 10433 S. Main St. Mon-Thur 9-8; Fri 9-6; Sat 9-5

Asheboro

336-318-6800 Fax 336-318-6823 201 Worth St. Mon-Thur 9-9; Fri 9-6; Sat 9-5

Randolph Room

336-318-6815 Mon-Tues 9-8 Wed-Fri 9-6; Sat 9-5

John W. Clark

(Franklinville) 336-685-3100 111 Sumner Place Mon, Tue, Thur, Fri 2-6; Wed 10-2; Sun. 2-5

Liberty

336-622-4605 Fax 336-622-4605 239 S. Fayetteville St. Mon, Wed-Fri 9-5; Tues 9-7; Sat 9-1

Ramseur

336-824-2232 Fax 336-824-2232 1512 S. Main St. Mon-Fri 8:30-5

Randleman

336-498-3141 Fax 336-498-1139 142 W. Academy St. Mon, Thur, Fri 9-6; Tues-Wed, 9-7; Sat 9-1

Seagrove

336-873-7521 530 Old Plank Rd. Mon-Thur 1-7; Fri 12-6; Sat 10-3

Extension Service

336-318-6816 or 336-318-6817; Mon-Fri 9-5

from the director

Ross A. Holt



Resources address opioid crisis

♣ Randolph County, like much of the country, is in the midst of an epidemic of opioid abuse.

With a rate of overdoses among the highest in the state — and essentially doubling from 2017 to 2018 — the crisis has become a major focus of multiple local government agencies, from Emergency Services, Social Services and Public Health to law enforcement and others.

Over the past several months, the library has developed a carefully curated selection of books (and a few DVDs) on the opioid epidemic from several angles, oriented toward a general readership but also of interest to policy makers and professionals in fields that deal with the crisis on a daily basis.

The collection includes some 90 books in four categories: the origin of the epidemic and related public policy issues; addiction, treatment and recovery for individuals and families; non-drug pain therapies; and personal narratives of those who have experienced addiction themselves or in their families.

We've created a web page for easy access to the collection at www. randolphlibrary.org/opioid.htm. The titles are displayed in a carousel: pick one of the overall topics at the top, then scroll through the display of books. When you see one you are interested in, click on it to jump to our catalog to retrieve it or place a hold on it.

There's much more on the new webpage. We've included video of the entire Elected Officials Opioid Forum in



Some of the new titles available at www.randolphlibrary.org/opioid.htm.

February, 2017 — Randolph County government's groundbreaking response to the crisis which brought all the stakeholders together and resulted in the ongoing Opioid and Drug Community Collaborative.

There's also a list of community resources for those who are experiencing addiction themselves, or who are helping someone who is. Links to other sources include statistics, information about Naloxone (Narcan), and the series of articles in *The Courier-Tribune*'s fall 2018 series "Opioids: Rising to the Challenge."

Many more resources are available with your library card through our research portal, www. randquest.org, including magazine articles, newspaper stories, peer-reviewed articles and more (public school students can access these same resources with their student ID numbers via the REAL2 portal, www. randolphlibrary.org/real2).



The **Randolph County Public Library NEWS** is published monthly by the Asheboro Randolph County Public Library and the Friends of the Library. To subscribe, join the Friends by returning the membership application on page 4.

Liberty re-launches popular book club

...and other exciting events for all ages around the county

♣ The Liberty Book Club will resume after a six-year hiatus at 6 p.m. Thursday, March 28, at the library.

The first session will be a discussion of the novel *Where the Crawdads Sing* by Delia Owens. Subsequently, the group will meet on the third Thursday of each month.

ALSO AT LIBERTY

The Cat in the Hat: 3:30 p.m. Wednesday, March 6.

Introduction to Genealogy: 6 p.m. Tuesday, March 19. Learn basic research techniques and find out about the resources available free through the library.

Get Creative, 3:30 p.m. Thursday, March 21, teens and adults. Macramé hanger for a terracotta pot.

STEAM Drop-In and Free Time, 2-4:30 p.m. Thursdays. Kids — experiment with LEGOS, art, robots and more; watch a 3-D Printer in action.

ARCHDALE

Family Film Nights, 7 p.m. Fridays, refreshments provided. **March 1:** Puss In Boots; **March 8:** Born in China.

The Cat in the Hat, 7 p.m. Tuesday, March 5.

RANDLEMAN

*requires sign-up; call 336-498-3141
Winter Reading Advisory continues! Thru
March 30. Read for chances to win a Kindle Fire
or a \$50 Walmart gift card. Register at the
library. Randleman only!

Full STEAM Ahead,* 3:30-4:30 Fridays March 1 and 15. March 1 (ages 3rd to 8th grade) — Snap Circuits! March 15 (ages K-5th grade) — Coding with Botely the Robot.

Connie's Crafting Corner,* 3:30-4:30 p.m. Tuesday, March 5. Create a message board.

Bedtime Math's Crazy 8's Clubs,* 3:30-4:30 p.m. March 7-April 25, grades K-2 and 3-5.

Living Well with Chronic Condition:* 9:30-noon Wednesdays, March 6-April 17. Dealing with chronic pain? Learn practical strategies for managing chronic pain and techniques for dealing with frustration, fatigue, isolation and other symptoms of pain. Free.

Cat in the Hat, 3;30 p.m. Friday, March 8.
Teen & Tween: Code and Go Dance Party"*
3:30-4:30 p.m. Tuesday, March 12, ages, 11-15.
Mystery Science: "How is a Rainbow Made?,"*
3:30-4:30 p.m. Tuesday, March 19, ages K-5th grade and 6-8 grades.

"Let's Go Fly a Kite!"* 3:30-4:30 p.m. Tuesday, March 26, ages K-5th grade. Design and decorate your own paper kite.

ASHEBORO

Five and under Mondays — Music and Movement: 10 a.m. Mondays March 11 and 25, ages 3-5. Kinder Prep: 10 a.m. Mondays, March 4 and 18, ages 3-5. Learn and Play: 4 p.m. Mondays, ages 0-5. Story time, songs, play time. School Aged Wednesdays: 4 p.m. March 6 — Crafternoon: Pointillism Art. March 13 — Movie: "Ralph Breaks the Internet." March 20 — LEGO Challenge: Animals. March 27 — STEM Challenge: Hand-made Wave Machines. Let's Speak Spanish! 4 p.m. Thursdays, children ages 5 and up. Learn and practice Spanish in a

The Cat in the Hat, 6:30 p.m. Friday, March 8. Junior Book Club, 4 p.m. Tuesday, March 26, ages 8 and up. Tuesdays at the Castle by Jessica Day George.

supportive environment.

Homeschool Meet-Up, 10:30 a.m. Wednesday March 13. Hike the Ridges Mountain Nature Preserve. Call the library at 336-318-6804 or email scolwell@randolphlibrary.org for details.

FRANKLINVILLE

The Cat in the Hat, 4 p.m. Thursday, March 7. Seussational Storytime, 10:30 a.m. Wednesday, March 6. Birthday party featuring classic Seuss stories, party games, a craft and a snack. Singable Storytime, 10:30 a.m. Wednesday, March 20. Sing, dance, explore instruments! Hoopin' Good Family Fun: 4 p.m. Thursday, February 28. It's ACC Tournament time! Make your own mini-basketball game.

WEEKLY STORYTIMES

Baby, toddler, preschool and family storytimes are offered weekly countywide. Find schedules at www.randolphlibrary.org/storytimes, or visit your local library.

Book discussions

Asheboro Reads: White Houses by Amy Bloom, 2 p.m. Tuesday, February 26. Junior Book Club

(Asheboro): Tuesdays at the Castle by Jessica Day George. 4 p.m. Tuesday, March 26 (Children ages 8 and up).

Book Break (Archdale):

Unbroken by Laura Hillenbrand, 2 p.m. Tuesday, March 19.

Book Bites (Archdale) "Un-Book Club." Guests are invited to talk about the most exciting or interesting book they've read since the last meeting. 2 p.m. Tuesday, March 12.

Liberty Book Club: Where the Crawdads Sing by Delia Owens, 6 p.m. Thursday, March 28.

Breastfeeding

Join Laura Evans of the La Leche League of Greensboro for "Milk for Everyone: An Overview of Breastfeeding Benefits and Stages" at 10:30 a.m. Friday, March 8, at the Asheboro library. The talk is free and expectant/nursing mothers are invited. Evans will cover the benefits of breastfeeding for families, transition to work, introduction of solid foods and other topics, with time for discussion.

Evans is a working mother of two and a volunteer with the La Leche League of Greensboro.



Are you ready for your semester project paper? **Book an Appointment** with Teen Services Librarian Dave Bare to get advice on finding a topic, starting your draft, researching your topic, creating a bibliography and citing your sources. Meanwhile, play **Dungeons and Dragons** at 6 p.m. Thursday, March 21; for ages 12 and up, all skill levels welcome.

Randolph County Public Library Fig. 12 Library YES! I'd like to become a Friend and support the wonderful programs sponsored by the Friends each year.	NAME ADDRESS PHONE EMAIL	
Mail to: Friends of the Library P.O. Box 2806 Asheboro, NC 27204	□ Adult \$20 □ Family \$30	□ Patron
Memberships are tax deductible YES! I'd I	ke to help:Programs Ho	ospitalityBook SalesMembership

Randolph County Public Library

201 Worth Street Asheboro, NC 27203

THE F

Return Ser

vice Requested		Asheboro, NC 27203 Permit No. 50	
RIENDS LIBRARY	JIM AVETT 7 p.m. Friday March 15		

memorials & donations

In Memory of: Priscilla (Prissy) Welch Allen

Free!

See details inside

By: Liberty High School Class of 1959

In Memory of: Sheila Martin Beamon By: American Legion Auxiliary P.O. 81

In Memory of: Ruth Haigler Helsabeck By: Dianne and Steve Wrenn

In Memory of: Kelly (Vance) Ray By: Liberty High School Class of 1963

In Memory of: Ruth Swift By: American Legion Auxiliary P.O. 81

In Honor of: Neil Rankin By: Missy and Sam Rankin

To the Friends of the Library

In Memory of: Pat Wolfe

By: Steve and Rhonda Eblin Missy and Sam Rankin Randolph Health

Charitable Giving Campaign Donors Gold Circle

Charles Bliss

In Memory of Maria Bliss

Websters renew Randleman support

Non-Profit Organization

U.S. Postage **PAID**

Continuing a legacy that began in 2017, Dr. Paul Webster and his wife Betty Jean have donated funds to the Randleman Public Library for the purchase of books for children and teens. Their generosity is driven by Betty Jean's desire to give back to the library that allowed her to see beyond the boundaries of her hometown, and to allow the youth of the community to do the same. With this in mind, the library has established "Betty Jean's Corner" and invites children of all ages to stop by, curl up with a book and begin an adventure that just might change their lives forever.









Signature
Series \$2019

Jim Avett

An honest man shares his love of life and music

♣ The son of a Methodist minister and a classical pianist, Jim Avett grew up in a home full of love and music, where he learned the importance of hard work and honest living.

A lifelong songwriter and musician, Avett only turned to full time performing after retiring from a welding business he operated for 35 years to provide for his own family.

Now with four albums to his name and international acclaim, Avett will anchor the second installment of the 2019 Friends of the Library Sunset Signature Series at 7 p.m. Friday, March 15, in downtown Asheboro's Sunset Theatre.

Avett's performance is free and the public is invited. It is sponsored by the Heart of North Carolina Visitors Bureau, the City of Asheboro and the Friends of the Randolph County Public Library.

Avett's shows are a combination of beloved country tunes, his original ballads and stories he tells to introduce the songs.

A North Carolina native who now lives in Cabarrus

County, Avett released his first album, *Jim Avett and*Family, in 2008. It featured sons Scott and Seth — the Avett

Brothers — and daughter Bonnie.

Avett's performances in Cabarrus

Avett's

His next album, 2010's *Tribes*, featured original songs ranging from soulful love ballads like the title track to the more lighthearted "Fight with a Bottle of Booze" — and a murder ballad that will ring especially true with Randolph



Jim Avett's Sunset Series performance will feature country tunes, original ballads and stories.

County audiences, "Naomi."

Listeners could find classic country and early rock 'n' roll influences on *Second Chances* in 2010, in which Avett drew on his life experiences to write songs about love, boyhood memories and loss. He followed that with *For His Children and Ours* in 2017.

Avett's performances have been characterized as spending the evening on the front porch, singing and talking with a good friend.

Upcoming

The Sunset Signature Series will feature two more events in 2019: author **Jerry Bledsoe**, 7 p.m. Thursday, May 2; and UNC basketball titan **Eric Montross**, 7 p.m. Saturday, September 21. See Reverse for details.







We Are Charleston: Tragedy and Triumph at Mother Emanuel Authors

HERB FRAZIER, BERNARD E. POWERS JR. & MARJORY WENTWORTH

7 P.M. SATURDAY, JANUARY 26, 2019



At 9:05 p.m. on June 17, 2015, a 21-year-old white supremacist murdered nine churchgoers and wounded five others attending a prayer meeting at Mother Emanuel AME Church in Charleston, S.C. Journalist Herb Frazier (right), historian Dr. Bernard Edward Powers Jr. (left) and South Carolina Poet Laureate Marjory Wentworth (center) will share reflections from their book *We Are Charleston: Tragedy and Triumph at Mother Emanuel* in a powerful discussion of history, race, faith and forgiveness.

Country Music, Original Ballads and Stories

JIM AVETT

7 P.M. FRIDAY, MARCH 15, 2019



North Carolina native Jim Avett, who now lives in Cabarrus County, grew up singing gospel tunes with his preacher father and family. During his career as a welder, music remained a part of his life. After retiring in 2008, he recorded a gospel album, *Jim Avett and Family*, featuring sons Scott and Seth — the Avett Brothers — and daughter Bonnie. Since then he has recorded three more albums of original country ballads, including last year's *For His Children and Ours*, and has toured nationally.

New York Times Best Selling Author

JERRY BLEDSOE

7 P.M. THURSDAY, MAY 2, 2019



Catch up with New York Times Bestselling author — and local favorite — Jerry Bledsoe as he shares stories of his life as a writer from his new memoir, Do-Good Boy: An Unlikely Writer Confronts the '60s and Other Indignities. Known in these parts as the fabled Greensboro Daily News columnist, Bledsoe is author of true crime tales Bitter Blood, Blood Games, Before He Wakes and Death Sentence, as well as the nostalgic The Angel Doll and A Gift of Angels, and numerous compilations of his newspaper columns.

Tar Heel Basketball Titan

ERIC MONTROSS

7 P.M. SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 21, 2019



Hear firsthand about the "Glory Days With UNC Basketball" from All-American Eric Montross, part of the Tar Heel's 1993 NCAA championship team. After college, Montross was drafted by the Boston Celtics and selected for the 1995 Rookie All-Star Game. Before retiring, he played with several other NBA teams. He's now a color commentator for Tar Heel basketball, and co-founder of Vaccine Ambassadors, which provides vaccines for children in developing countries.

Sponsored by the Heart of North Carolina Visitors

Bureau ♦ City of Asheboro ♦ Triends of the Library

FREE • FOR MORE INFORMATION CALL 800-626-2672

SUNSET THEATRE

234 Sunset Avenue ♦ Asheboro, N.C.