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Illusionist Caleb Sigmon to perform August 15

♣ Storyteller and illusionist Caleb Sigmon will materialize with an unexpected coda to “Build a Better World,” the library’s Summer Reading initiative, at 2 p.m. Tuesday, August 15, at the Asheboro library.

His performance, sponsored by the Friends of the Library, is free and children of all ages and their families are invited.

Sigmon says he uses magic to share his story, his passion and his heart with others.

Born in the Blue Ridge Mountains of North Carolina, he spent his childhood playing inside cardboard boxes, fighting



Illusionist and storyteller Caleb Sigmon

dragons and playing Cowboys and Indians in his backyard. Now, he has made it his career.

He graduated from one of the top 10 national arts schools and immediately went to work forging his own way with a unique blend of magic, drama and storytelling. He performs over 150 shows annually in

schools, libraries, churches and performing arts centers, and has appeared at venues ranging from the Virginia Beach Boardwalk to the Johnny Carson Theatre in Lincoln, Nebraska.

Sigmon was originally scheduled to perform on June 21, but was unavoidably detained elsewhere.

Find out how women in NC ‘did their bit’ in WWI

♣ When World War I broke out in 1914, women on North Carolina’s home front stood poised to support war-ravaged Europe because they already were organized to provide resources to the needy and vulnerable in their own communities.

Learn about their unique contributions in “North Carolina’s Women ‘Do Their Bit’ During WWI,” a talk by historian and educator Dr. Angela Robbins at 6:30 p.m. Thursday, August 17, at the Asheboro library.

Sponsored by the Friends of the Library, Robbins’ appearance is free and the public is invited.

When the U.S. entered the war in 1917, women encouraged and supported one another to “do their bit,” coordinating the efforts of local groups with newly-formed state and national organizations to provide care packages for soldiers, grow and preserve food in the wake of severe

shortages, raise funds through Liberty Bond drives, collect supplies for the Red Cross, and more.

After the war, their activism helped empower them to claim the right to vote and shape their own destinies.

Robbins is an instructor at UNC-Greensboro and Salem College. She holds a Ph.D. in History from UNCG and a masters in Museum Studies. She has worked in education and collections management at the International Civil Rights Center and Museum, the Greensboro Historical Museum, Blandwood Mansion and the Museum of Early Southern Decorative Arts.

Mark your calendars

Mark your calendars for two more history-related talks: **Nazi POWs in the Tar Heel State, 1942-1946**, 6:30 p.m. Thursday, September 14; and **Becoming Men of Some Consequence: Youth and Military Service in the Revolutionary War**, 6:30 p.m. Thursday, September 28.

Get cooking with Cooperative Extension in August— see page 3

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Randolph Room reorganizes

♣ **One thing is certain about a library's local history and genealogy collection: it never gets any smaller.**

Unlike other library collections, which can be weeded of outdated material or items no longer of interest, the books, files, microfilms, clippings, maps, photographs, artifacts and other items that tell the story of Randolph County and its families remain — and grow. In spite of space concerns, we want more and welcome contributions of appropriate material.

Most of these resources are housed in the Randolph Room, crammed into 1,125 square feet on the ground floor of the Asheboro library. Another tranche of material that does not need to be immediately accessible is in offsite storage.

The Randolph Room, nonetheless, must remain accessible and useful to the public. Recent moves to reorganize the collection and maximize the use of space are extending the life of the room and making its resources easier to find, both physically and through the library catalog.

The linchpin that enabled us to clear floor space and add shelving was the Asheboro Public Library Foundation Inc. purchase of two new microfilm reader/scanners. The fact that these readers use a computer monitor, rather than a projected image, meant that they don't need a darkened nook for easy use.

This enabled us to free the back wall for more shelving, to expand the book collection and give it room to breathe.

At the same time, librarian Ann Palmer drew on her lengthy experiences in other library genealogy departments to re-classify the collection. Now, for example, all the Randolph County material is together; books about other counties and states run in alphabetical sequence; and books about the country's various wars are grouped together.

We weren't aware of how many books we had on African American and American Indian history and genealogy until Ann's reorganization put them in groups; they previously had been spread throughout the usual library Dewey Decimal sequence.

Following on the heels of this huge initiative, department head Mac Whatley and librarian Rachel Kuehl have embarked on a project to revamp our system of family files and folders of Randolph County related subjects. In addition to making sure that researchers need only go to one place to find like material, this project also involves creating finding aids to describe each file or folder, and adding the information to the library catalog.

These efforts also have enabled us to remove unneeded furniture and fixtures, opening up the room, breaking down barriers and making it easier to move around in the relatively confined space.

Once complete, the entire initiative will better enable patrons — who come from all over the country — to target their searches, conduct more effective research and do so in a more comfortable environment.

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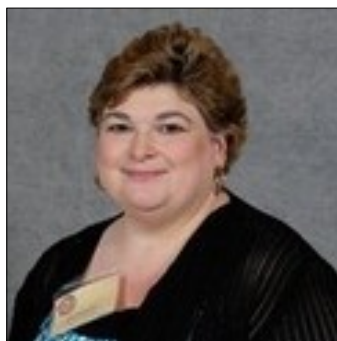
Learn about grilling, cooking with herbs, in culinary classes at Cooperative Extension

♣ **Begin and end August with classes on grilling and using herbs in your recipes with Randolph County Cooperative Extension Agent Jeannie Leonard.**

Sponsored by the library's Margaret C. Taylor Memorial Culinary Arts Collection, the classes will

take place at Cooperative Extension's new headquarters in Hillside Shopping Center, 1003 S. Fayetteville St. in Asheboro.

In **Get Your Grilling On**, a demonstration class at 6:30 p.m. Thursday,



*Family and Consumer Services
Extension Agent Jeannie Leonard*

August 3, Leonard will provide information on making healthy, nutritious meals on the grill, including meats and side dishes.

In **Cooking with Herbs**, a demonstration class at 6:30 p.m. Thursday, August 31, Leonard will discuss the differences between herbs and spices, and how to buy, store and prepare each to

maximum advantage. She also will talk about the distinctive flavors of various herbs and spices.

Both classes are limited to 25 participants. Call 336-318-6803 to sign up.

View the August eclipse... carefully and other exciting events for all ages around the county

♣ **Kids can learn how to catch a safe glimpse of the August 21 solar eclipse in "Look Up... Carefully" at 2 p.m. Monday, August 14, at the Asheboro library.**

Providence Grove science teacher Justin Tarlton will explain what a solar eclipse is and how to view it safely. All attendees will receive free viewing glasses.

More Asheboro Children's Activities

Arts & Crafts, 3:30 p.m. Thursday, August 3, all ages: Build a Sierpinski Triangle.

P.A.L. (Play and Learn) Club, 10:30 a.m.

Wednesday, August 9, ages 0-5: Review letters and colors, make a marker/crayon holder, practice writing your name in different ways.

Family Movie, 2 p.m. Thursday, August 10, all ages: "Smurfs: Lost Village."

Look Up... Carefully: 2 p.m. Monday, August 14, all ages.

Illusionist Caleb Sigmon, 2 p.m. Tuesday, August 15, all ages (see front page).

You Build It, 2 p.m. Tuesday, August 22, all ages. Craft Stick Puzzles.

At Liberty

Culinary Kids: A new round of weekly Culinary Kids programs will begin at the Liberty library at 3:30 p.m. Tuesday, August 15 and run through September 12. The theme is Cooking with Kids.

Culinary Kids is part of Recipe for Success, an educational nutrition initiative of the UNC-Greensboro Anthropology Department.

Get Creative: The Liberty library's free craft events for ages 12 and up continue on Thursdays at 3:30 p.m.; supplies provided.

August 3: String Art. **August 10**: Beaded Key Chain. **August 17**: Decoupage Coasters.

August 24: Can Tab Bracelets. **August 31**: Coloring for Grown-Ups.

Book discussions

Asheboro Reads: *The Lost Girls* by Heather Young, 2 p.m. Tuesday, July 25; ***Maud's Line*** by Margaret Verble, 2 p.m. Tuesday, August 29.

Book Break (Archdale):

Returns at 2 p.m. Tuesday, September 19, with *The Whistler* by John Grisham.

Dig up ancestors

Get to know your relatives — at the cemetery.

Join librarian and genealogist Ann Palmer for **A Grave Encounter**, at 2:30 p.m. Saturday, August 12 at the Asheboro library. Palmer will present pointers on cemetery research for those exploring their family history. She will talk about what information the records reveal, how to prepare for a cemetery visit, and what you can find online.

Genealogy online

Librarian Rachel Kuehl will reprise her popular workshops on using library genealogy databases Heritage Quest and Ancestry Library Edition.

Genealogy with Heritage Quest will take place at 6:30 p.m. Tuesday, August 15.

Genealogy with Ancestry Library Edition will take place at 6:30 p.m. Tuesday, August 22.


Call 336-318-6803 to sign up.

Randleman library gets Dart grant for training laptops

The Randleman Public Library has received a \$5,000 "Laptops for Learning" grant from the Dart Foundation. The funds will be used to purchase 10 laptop computers, a

charging cart and other essentials for monthly computer training classes.

The Dart Foundation is associated with Dart Container Corp., which has a location in Randleman.



YES! I'd like to become a Friend and support the wonderful programs sponsored by the Friends each year.

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To the Friends of the Library

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TeenZone Talk

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2-4 p.m. Friday, August 11
Ages 11-18 • Call 318-6803 to sign up
*Build a world or tell a story using
imagination and teamwork. Judges will
evaluate final projects and award prizes.*

**John Czop Art Class Final
Reveal, 4 p.m. Thursday,
August 10.** The public is
invited as artists show
their work.



Thursdays at the Asheboro library
Final John Czop Art Class, 2 p.m.
August 3.

Are You Ready for School? 4 p.m.
August 17. Review the library's
online resources, find out about
homework help and plan to make
2017-2018 an excellent year.

**First Week of School Stress
Relief! 4 p.m. August 31.** Relax
with snacks and talk about school
-related issues.