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Clockwise from top left: In *World War I France*, Lt. Wright Dixon and his brother, Capt. Ben Dixon (Patrick Osteen and Scott Thomas), remember better times; actress Dayna Tietzen explores the role of women in the war; the men of *Company K* (portrayed James Alton, Scott Thomas, Patrick Osteen, Isaac Klein and Chance Carroll), led by Capt. Dixon, prepare to go “over the top”; Alton uncovers the African American experience; and the war’s impact hits home for Asheboro citizens (Alton, Tietzen and Osteen). Photos by Andrea Akin.

## ‘Company K’ returns to Sunset stage

♣ By popular demand, *Company K: From Asheboro to the Fields of France* will return to the Sunset Theatre in August.

Showtimes are 7:30 p.m. Friday, August 23, and Saturday, August 24; and 2:30 p.m. Sunday, August 25. Tickets are \$10 and can be purchased in advance at [rhinoleap.com](http://rhinoleap.com) and Vintage Cottage at 150 Sunset Avenue, or at the door.

The play, by Barbara Presnell, uses letters home and other original documents to tell the story of Randolph County’s Company K of the State Militia (later the National Guard) from its formation in 1911 through World War I, when it was sent to France and into battle.

Produced by Rhinoleap Productions in conjunction with the City of Asheboro and the library, and directed by Rhinoleap Artistic Director Jeremy Skidmore, the play features original music by Mark Dillon. The cast is an ensemble of six actors who perform multiple roles.

*Company K* was originally planned as a one-time only event on September 29, 2018, in commemoration of the 100th anniversary of the pivotal battle of Bellicourt.

The Randolph County unit was in the vanguard of an Allied attack that ultimately broke the German Hindenburg Line defensive position and hastened the end of the war. The company suffered heavy casualties, including 23 killed — a shocking loss to the small communities of Randolph County.

## ***MESDA curator to explore patriotism in early American samplers***

How was patriotism in the early United States channeled through needlework by young girls? Join Jenny Garwood of the Museum of Early Southern Decorative Arts (MESDA) as she addresses the topic in “Expressions of Freedom in Southern Needlework Samplers” at 6:30 p.m. Tuesday, July 16, at the Asheboro library. The talk, sponsored by the Friends of the Library, is free and the public is invited. Samplers were typically worked by girls as part of their early education; they included symbols such as eagles and U.S. maps. Garwood will explore the patriotic fervor that was revealed through needlework from the 18th and 19th century South, and the stories of the girls who stitched them.





## Summer Reading continues with magical story artist Yasu Ishida

♣ Prepare to be amazed, dazzled and bewildered as “Yasu Ishida’s Story Circus” anchors the second month of “A Universe of Stories,” the library’s summer reading initiative, with performances at all libraries.

Yasu’s highly visual storytelling includes balloon haiku, in which balloon animals come to life through poetry; “Storygami” — stories illustrated by Origami; magic; and lots of audience participation. Afterwards, kids in the audience can make a simple Origami craft that they can use to perform their own stories.

Yasu will appear as follows:

- Archdale, 10:30 a.m. Wednesday, July 17;
- Asheboro, 2 p.m. Thursday, July 11;
- Franklinville, 2 p.m. Wednesday, July 17 at Franklinville School;
- Liberty, 3:30 p.m. Thursday, July 18;
- Ramseur, 10:30 a.m. Thursday, July 18 at the Ramseur Municipal Building;
- Randleman, 10:30 a.m. Thursday, July 11;
- Seagrove, 1 p.m. Tuesday, July 16.

There’s much, much more at each library — for a complete schedule of events for children, teens and adults, visit [www.randolphlibrary.org/summer](http://www.randolphlibrary.org/summer).

## Asheboro adds ‘Skill Toys Club’ for older kids

♣ Kids age 10 and up can impress their friends and become YouTube sensations as “Skill Toys Club” gets underway at 4 p.m. on the first Friday of every month beginning August 2.

The club — open to all — will offer hands-on fun with spinning plates, juggling, flower sticks and more tests of dexterity.

The new event joins Asheboro’s

ongoing events, including Mondays featuring KinderPrep or Music and Movement at 10 a.m. for ages 3-5; School-Aged Wednesdays featuring a different activity at 4 p.m. each week; Toddler Time at 11 a.m. Thursdays; and Let’s Speak Spanish at 4 p.m. Thursdays.

Also featured at 4 p.m. Monday, August 12, will be a 3D printing session using Tinkercad and Cura for kids age 10 and up.

## Book discussions

**Asheboro Reads:** *The Last Romantics* by Tara Conklin, 2 p.m. Tuesday, July 30.

### Junior Book Club

**(Asheboro):** *How Tia Lola Came to Visit/Stay* by Julia Alvarez, 4 p.m. Tuesday, August 27. (Children ages 8 and up).

**Liberty Book Club:** *The Suspect* by Fiona Barton, 6 p.m. Thursday, August 15.

## Genealogy classes

Genealogy classes at Asheboro will feature the virtual and the real.

Find out how to navigate two indispensable online resources in “Hands-On Ancestry and FamilySearch” at 7 p.m. Thursday, July 11.

Meanwhile, learn about the trove of resources available at the library in “Welcome to the Randolph Room” at 7 p.m. Thursday, August 8. Staff member Kendra Lyons will talk about the room and tour its collections.

Both classes are free and the public is invited.

## Seed saving

Learn tips and tricks for saving seeds from your garden with Randolph County Cooperative Extension at 6:30 p.m. Tuesday, August 13, at the Asheboro library. Learn how to start a seed collection and how saving seeds can save on next year’s gardening costs.

## ‘Breastfeeding Basics’ returns to Asheboro library

Join WIC Nutritionist Jodi Meyer and local advocates for “Breastfeeding Basics” at 10:30 a.m. Saturday, August 3 at the Asheboro library. Topics for the family-friendly event range from

the basics to working while breastfeeding, and increasing community support for breastfeeding families. Bring your questions and share your stories.



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**7 p.m. Saturday  
September 21**

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# memorials & donations

- In Memory of: Babs Chardnoff  
By: Asheboro Reads Book Club  
Rick Bailey
- In Memory of: Larry Davis  
By: Ed and Nancy Bunch
- In Memory of: Mary Peele Gooch  
By: Janice Scarboro

## To the Friends of the Library

- Frank and Robin Necci  
*In honor of Steve Wrenn*
- Deborah and Miltom Petty
- Alpha Upsilon Chapter  
of Delta Kappa Gamma  
*For Books for Babies*
- Randolph Rotary Club  
*For Books for Babies*
- St. John's Lutheran Church  
Service Committee

**Randleman Public Library**

**USED BOOK SALE**

**Wednesday, August 14, 9-6**  
*\$1 or less per book*

**Thursday, August 15, 9-5**  
*\$3 per bag*

**Friday, August 16, 9-5**  
*\$2 per bag*

**Saturday, August 17, 9-noon**  
*\$1 per bag*

*Cash sales only; bags provided*