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UNCG professor to discuss Lakota Sioux history

★ Learn about the history of the Lakota Sioux in a talk by UNC-Greensboro history professor Dr. Greg O'Brien at 6:30 p.m. Tuesday, October 23, at the Asheboro library.

The talk, sponsored by the Friends of the Library, is free and the public is invited.

O'Brien will delve into Lakota story from the era of Custer and the Little Bighorn to modern-day protests against construction of the Dakota Access Pipeline (#NoDAPL), which passes through the Standing Rock Reservation and ancestral territory of the Lakota Nation.

Teens: learn to manage stress through Yoga

♣ School, relationships, jobs and even play can be stressful. One effective method of dealing with stress is Yoga.

Teens are invited to join instructor jacquie Reininger for "Stress-Buster Yoga for Students," a series of classes at the Asheboro library that will teach Yoga basics and stress management.

Classes will take place at 6 p.m. Thursdays, October 4 and 25, and November 1 and 8. They are free and all teens are welcome.

Sessions include: October 4, "Change Your Posture"; October 25, "Yoga Will Grow on You!"; November 1, "The Zen Zone"; and November 8, "Yoga Math."

Participants can attend any or all classes; be sure to wear comfortable clothes. Call 336-318-6803 to sign up.

O'Brien is an associate professor in the Department of History at UNCG, and currently serves as associate head of the department.

He holds a Ph.D. from the University of Kentucky, a masters degree from James Madison University and a B.A. from Randolph-Macon College. His areas of research include American Indians of the southeast, American environmental history, and the American revolutionary era.

He is author of *The Native South: New Histories and Enduring Legacies*, and numerous other books, chapters and articles.

Grave Encounters' Learn how find ancestors' gravesites

♣ Go on some 'Grave Encounters' as you learn how to find your ancestors in cemeteries, in a genealogy class from 6:30-8 p.m. Thursday, October 11, at the Asheboro Public Library

Librarian and genealogist Ann Palmer will discuss how to get as much information as you can from a cemetery visit.

"Nothing in your genealogical research will connect you to your ancestors more than to stand where they are buried and to see important pieces of their life carved into stone," Palmer says.

Topics to be covered include locating your ancestor's gravesite; reading and recording tombstone engravings; finding unknown ancestors; and photography tips. A handout will be provided with a bibliography and web links. The class is free and the public is invited.

Is your house haunted? Consult with paranormal investigators!

Are you hearing things that go bump in the night? Piedmont Triad Paranormal Investigations founder Rick Aiken will visit the Asheboro library at 6:30 p.m. Monday, October 15, to talk about what it takes to be a paranormal detective, and show off equipment he and his team use to suss out the otherworldly in haunted houses. The haunting is free and the public is invited; Aiken and colleague Brenda Laws will tell ghost stories if time permits.



Dr. Greg O'Brien

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Going mobile (again)

★ Many people in Randolph County fondly remember their first library experiences taking place not in a building, but in a bookmobile.

One of the first jobs of the Randolph County Public Library when it was established in 1940 — even before hiring a professional librarian as director — was to establish a bookmobile to serve areas of this large county that were out of the reach of one of the community libraries.

In 1943, the bookmobile service was initiated with a 1938 Ford truck retired from the Works Progress Administration. In 1956, the library replaced the Ford with a purpose built Gerstenschlager bookmobile and the popular service continued until 1972.

By that time, Archdale and Seagrove were preparing to open library branches to join Asheboro, Franklinville, Liberty, Ramseur and Randleman. This meant that no one in the county was more than a 10- or 15-minute drive from a library.

The library also had established the Extension Services department, which delivered library materials to people who were homebound or in care institutions.

With the bookmobile at the end of its life, and too costly to replace or to keep on the road, the service was ended.

Now, 46 years after the bookmobile, we've become aware of a need, once again, to take a small library experience to places where people gather – children, primarily but not exclusively – who are not easily able to visit a library, or not able at all – but who will benefit greatly from this kind of library exposure. We don't need a bookmobile, a full service library branch that goes to a region of the county, but we do need a versatile mobile library that can deliver books, Internet access via mobile hotspots, storytimes, hands-on activities for kids, computer classes for adults and more, to sites in the community.

I'm thrilled to announce that soon we will meet this need and launch our new mobile library. As I write this, a retired Randolph County ambulance is being converted into a small bookmobile by Mickey Truck Bodies of High Point.

Randolph County Emergency Services provided the Chevrolet G4500 diesel truck, which was taken out of service in November. With the ambulance body removed and replaced with a bookmobile body, the vehicle will offer space for a book collection and technology.

All of this is made possible by two generous, longtime library benefactors: the **Acme-McCrary and Sapona Foundation** and the **Asheboro Public Library Foundation Inc.** The McCrary foundation, seeking to fund initiatives related to early childhood literacy, provided the seed money with a commitment for sustained funding over five years; the Asheboro Library Foundation provided the rest of the start-up funding.

Our Extension, Children's and Teen librarians will deploy the mobile library in their existing outreach, and expand its services as opportunities become available.

Look for more details in future newsletters as the mobile library, and the library experiences it can provide, develop.



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Meet Elephant and Piggie at Fall Festival ...and other exciting events for all ages around the county

✤ Popular characters Elephant and Piggie from the Mo Willems book series will be hanging out at the library's booth at Asheboro's Fall Festival on Saturday, October 6.

The booth will be located outside the Friends of the Library Bookshop at 226 Sunset Avenue. Information about services and materials that the library offers for children and parents will be on display, and librarians will be present to chat with visitors.

Parents who respond to a short survey about library children's services will win a prize for their children.

ALSO AT ASHEBORO

Arts & Crafts, 3:30 p.m. Thursday, October 4, ages 5 and up. Cheesecloth Ghosts. Homeschool Meeting, 10 a.m.-2 p.m. Saturday, October 6. A trip to Heritage Day at Nichols Pine Preserve in Montgomery County with the NC Zoo KidZone Nature Club. Meet at the preserve, 3239 NC Hwy 134, Troy. Please RSVP to Kathy Osborne, kathy.osborne@nczoo.org, by October 1. Call 336-318-6804 for more information.

Family Movie, *4 p.m. Wednesday, October 10.* "Frankenweenie." Free popcorn.

Pumpkinfest, 4-6 p.m. Monday, October 22. Games, prizes, pumpkin decorating, costume contest, and short film Toy Story of Terror; Pee Wee play area.

ARCHDALE

Family Film Nights: 7 p.m. Fridays. October 5: Bears (Disneynature); October 12: Lady and the Tramp; October 19: Tangled; October 26: Cinderella (live action); November 2: Beauty and the Beast (live action). Free refreshments! Teddy Bear Tea Party: 10 a.m. Thursday, October 4, toddlers & preschoolers. Bring your teddy bear for crafts, stories and refreshments. Musical instruments, puppets and lots of fun!

RANDLEMAN

requires sign-up; call 336-498-3141 Connie's Crafting Corner: Hello Fall! 3:30-4:30

> Archdale carpet installation to begin September 24

p.m. Tuesday, October 2, ages 16 and up. Tea stained tray, scrapbook pumpkin, harvest angel. **Bedtime Math's Crazy 8s Club:*** 3:30-4:30 *p.m. Thursdays thru October 25, grades K-2nd grade and 3rd-5th grades.*

Full STEAM Ahead:* 3:30-4:30 p.m. Fridays October 5 and 19, ages 3rd-8th grade. Program Ozobots, miniature robots that read color code; Build LEGO projects; bring them to life. Teens & Tweens: A Little Ghost Science: 3:30-4:30 p.m. Tuesday, October 9, ages 11-15. Mason jar luminary; the science behind invisible ghost eggs.

Mystery Science: Animals through Tme:* 3:30-4:30 p.m. Tuesday, October 16, ages K-5th grade. Learn about dinosaurs; dig for fossils. Laptops for Learning: Ancestry.com Basics:* 3:30-4:30 p.m. Wednesday, October 17, ages 16 -up. With librarian/genealogist Ann Palmer. Glitter Slime Monsters!:* 3:30-4:30 p.m. Tuesday, October 23, ages K-5th grade. Make a slimy, but not-too-scary, monster.

Happy Halloween with Balloon Magician Clark Sides: 3:30-4:30 p.m. Tuesday, October 30, all ages. Magic, audience participation, music and balloon art.

FRANKLINVILLE

Celebrate "Talk Like a Pirate Day": 4-5 p.m. Wednesday, September 19. Learn about pirates with Celia Harris; build a pirate ship. **Family Storytime**, 4 p.m. Thursdays. Stories, music, activities. For more information, call 336-685-3100.

LIBERTY

Get Creative, 3:30 p.m. Thursday, October 18. Fall Potpourri — usher in the fragrance of fall using natural ingredients to mix your own potpourri reminiscent of the fall season. **Kids Can Create**, 3:30 p.m. Thursdays. October 4: STEAM activity — Simple Machine Marble Run Challenge. October 11 and 25: LEGO Free Build. October 18: STEAM activity — assemble an object printed with the 3D printer.

WEEKLY STORYTIMES

Baby, toddler, preschool and family storytimes are offered weekly countywide. Find schedules at www.randolphlibrary.org/storytimes.

Installation of new carpet and other flooring at the Archdale library will begin on September 24 and continue through the first few days of October.

Book discussions

Asheboro Reads: The Sympathizer by Viet Thanh Nguyen, 2 p.m. Tuesday, September 25.

Book Break (Archdale): *The Code Girls* by Liza Mundy, 2 p.m. Tuesday, October 16.

Randleman hours

The Randleman library has extended its hours, opening at 9 a.m. each morning instead of 10 a.m. and adding evening hours on Tuesdays and Wednesdays. New hours will be Monday, Thursday and Friday, 9 a.m.-6 p.m.; Tuesday and Wednesday, 9 a.m.-7 p.m.; and Saturday, 9 a.m.-1 p.m.

Maurer rescheduled

The Friends of the Library Sunset Signature Series talk by journalist Kevin Maurer has been rescheduled to 7 p.m. Friday, October 5, at downtown Asheboro's Sunset Theatre.

The event was postponed due to Hurricane Florence.

Maurer was embedded with U.S. Troops in Iraq, Afghanistan, east Africa and Haiti. He co-authored the bestseller *No Easy Day: The Firsthand Account of the Mission that Killed Osama bin-Laden* with Navy SEAL Mark Owen, who confronted bin-Laden during the raid.

The Sunset series is sponsored by the Heart of North Carolina Visitors Bureau, the City of Asheboro and the Friends.

The library is expected to remain open during the project, with sections blocked off while work proceeds.

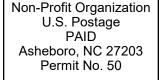
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