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Ongoing & Upcoming

Monday, October 24

Movie Monday: *The Skinwalkers*, 2 p.m., Asheboro library. Free.

Tuesday, October 25

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Luna Book Club: *Emma* by Jane Austen, 7 p.m., Asheboro Library. Free.

Thursday, October 27

Vampirologist, author Theresa Bane, 7 p.m., Asheboro library. Free.

Thursday, November 3

E-Readers 101, 6-8 p.m., Asheboro library. Free.

Friday, November 4

Friends inventory clearance book sale preview, 6-9 p.m., Asheboro library. \$5 admission.

Saturday, November 5

Friends inventory clearance book sale, 9 a.m.- 5 p.m., Asheboro library. Free.

Monday, November 14

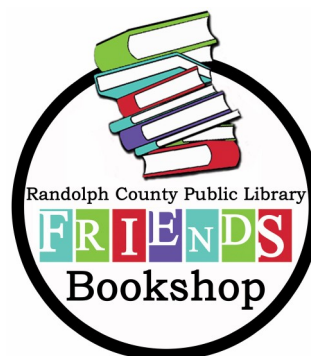
Movie Monday: *Defiance*, 2 p.m., Asheboro library. Free.

Tuesday, November 8

Understanding Your Credit Score, Noon-1 p.m., Archdale library. Free.

Friends to hold big book sale inventory blowout!

♣ **The Friends of the Library Bookshop stock room is stuffed to the gills, and construction on the adjoining Sunset Theatre starts soon.**



So from 9 a.m.-5 p.m. Saturday, November 5, the Friends will hold a giant inventory clearance book sale at the Asheboro Public Library.

Hardbacks will go for \$1, and buyers can get two paperbacks for \$1.

There will be a preview sale, 6-9 p.m. Friday, November 4, also at the Asheboro library. Admission to the preview is \$5.

Proceeds go to the library's book budget.

Business at the bookshop, at 226 Sunset Avenue, will go on as usual. Hours are 10-2 Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday.

But the library sale will help prepare for the Sunset renovation, which will claim a portion of the

bookshop's sorting space and require some remodeling of the bookshop itself.

The bookshop will remain open as long as possible when construction begins, and reopen as soon as possible after it is complete.

Vampirologist Terry Bane to speak

♣ **Author Theresa Bane, whose expertise on all things vampire has landed her on national television programs, will talk about her work at 7 p.m. Thursday, October 27 at the Asheboro library.**

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

Bane is author of *Encyclopedia of Demons in World Religions and Cultures*,

The Encyclopedia of Vampire Mythology, Actual Factual: Dracula, Haunted Historic Greensboro, Ghost Stories and Folklore of the Piedmont, North Carolina, and more.

She has been featured on Discovery Channels' "Twisted History: Vampires" as well as E!'s "10 Sexiest Vampires" for her knowledge and expertise on the undead.

She also recently published the darkly humorous *The Bloodthirsty Weasels: On the Loose and Buck Wild*,

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10433 S. Main St.
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Sat 10-3

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336-318-6833

*from
the
director*

Ross A. Holt



The library changes lives

♣ “There are eight million stories in the naked city....”

So ended each episode of a 1950s cop show. Every day, more than 1,800 people walk through the doors of the Randolph County Public Library, and every one of them has a story, too.

Libraries are great at quantifying the way people use us. We can tell you how many times people log onto the Internet in a year; how many books, DVDs and other items people check out in that same year; and how many people cross the threshold. We know how many people attend how many library-sponsored programs, and how many requests for reference assistance we answer.

What we have a more difficult time with is the stories, how those raw counts translate into transformed lives. We know those counts hide the *accounts*, those 1,800 stories each day.

We hear anecdotes and receive compliments, but we haven't quite figured out how best to tie those outcomes into our copious outputs. Now we have a start.

For three weeks in September we participated in a national survey of computer use in libraries. The aim of the U.S. Impact Survey was to assess the impact that free access to computers and the Internet in public libraries had on people's lives in the past year. Our local results were stunning.

We had 134 responses to the voluntary

survey, quite good since people were giving up minutes of Internet access to take it. Of the respondents, 82% used library computers for searching online; 82% for email; 70% for printing; 52% for social networking; and 37% for watching video.

Employment

- 60% of users looked for a job.
- 47% applied online or sent out a resume.
- 22% got an interview.
- 10% got jobs.

Health and Wellness

- 58% used library computers learn about a medical condition.
- 53% used library computers to find out about diet and nutrition.
- 35% made diet changes.
- 38% used library computers to learn about exercise and fitness.
- 33% made changes in exercise habits.

Education

- 12% used library computers to apply for a degree or certification program.
- 6% were admitted to the program.
- 14% applied for financial aid.
- 6% received financial aid.

These are just a few of the results — the true return on the community's investment in the library. Check out the survey results for much more rich detail at randolphlibrary.org/impactsurvey.pdf.

And it's worth noting that the survey looked only at computer use — not all the other reasons people visit the library.

Every day, there are 1,800 stories at the Randolph County Public Library.

E-Readers 101

6-8 p.m. Thursday, November 3
Asheboro Public Library

Nooks, Kindles and iPads, oh my!

If you want to purchase an e-reader but are overwhelmed by the choices, this program is for you!

You will also learn how to download the library's free ebooks to your device.
Refreshments provided.

Call 318-6808 for details.



Sponsored by:



Book Break returns to Archdale library, ushers in fall programs

♣The Archdale Public Library's popular monthly Book Break Book Club returns from 2-3 p.m. the third Tuesday of each month.

Upcoming titles include:

- *The Man Who Loved China* by Simon Winchester, October 18;
- *Low Country Summer* by Dorothea Benton Frank, November 15;
- *The Christmas Quilt* by Jennifer Chiaverini, December 20.

Anyone who wants to discuss the book is invited; refreshments are served.

Other programs and events at the Archdale library include:

- "Understanding Your Credit Score" with Sabrina Williford of RBC Bank, noon-1 p.m. Tuesday, November 8 (bring a bag lunch);
- "Priceless Gifts Without Price: Keeping Our Stories and Passing Them On" featuring Jamestown writer Julia Ebel, 7 p.m. November 15;
- Archdale library semi-annual book sale, 9-4 Saturday, November 19; 9-6:30 Monday, November 21; and 9-2 Tuesday, November 22.

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and is associate producer of audiobooks produced by Buzzy Multimedia.

When not writing, Bane travels to educate audiences about the differences

between traditional mythology and horror fiction. Originally from the New York/New Jersey area, she resides in North Carolina with her husband, T. Glenn Bane. For more information, visit www.theresabane.net.

**Library staff member
Farlow releases
third novel**

Jonathan Farlow of the Archdale Public Library has released his third novel, *Stuck in the Middle*, in electronic format. It is available for Kindle at Amazon.com for \$2.99, and

free at jonfarlow.webs.com. It soon will be available for checkout as a library ebook.

Look for more details in next month's newsletter.

Book discussions

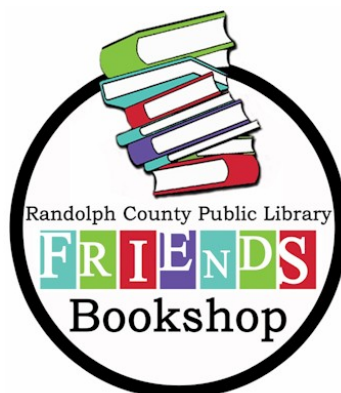
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Archdale Book Break: *Low Country Summer* by Dorothea Benton Frank, 2 p.m. Tuesday, November 15.

Liberty Book Club: Fourth Tuesday, Liberty library. Call 622-4605 for details.

Library discussion groups are free and open to all. Refreshments are served.



**10 a.m.-2 p.m.
Tues., Thurs., Sat.**

**226 Sunset Ave.,
Asheboro**


629-1536

*Donations accepted at
the bookshop*

**Randleman Public Library
BOOK SALE**

**10 a.m.-1 p.m.
Third Saturday
of each month**

**124 Commerce Pl.
next to the library.**



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

Mail to: Friends of the Library
P.O. Box 2806
Asheboro, NC 27204
Memberships are tax deductible

NAME _____

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<input type="checkbox"/> Student	\$5	<input type="checkbox"/> Benefactor.....	\$250
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