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## Ongoing & Upcoming

#### Tuesday, January 25

**Asheboro Reads:** *The Good Earth* by Pearl S. Buck, 2 p.m., Asheboro library. Free.

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**Luna Book Club:** *Rebecca* by Daphne Du Maurier, 7 p.m., Asheboro library. Free.

#### Monday, February 14

Movie Monday: Eat, Pray, Love, 2 p.m., Asheboro library. Free.

#### Monday, February 21

**Longrifles:** William Ivey debuts his book *North Carolina Schools of Longrifles*, 1765-1865, 7 p.m., Asheboro library. Free.

#### Tuesday, February 22

**Asheboro Reads:** *Snow Day,* 2 p.m., Asheboro library. Free.

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**Luna Book Club:** *Cleopatra* by Stacy Schiff, 7 p.m., Asheboro library. Free.

#### Thursday, February 24

**Luncheon featuring author Susan Kelly:** Noon, Pinewood Country Club. Price TBD.

#### Monday, February 28

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

## Friends to host author Susan Kelly

♣ Novelist Susan S. Kelly will speak at a Friends of the Library luncheon, Noon Thursday, February 24, at Pinewood Country Club.

Tickets cost \$15 and can be reserved at the Asheboro library Circulation Desk until February 17.

Kelly, a native of
Rutherfordton, is the author of the
novels By Accident, Now You Know, The
Last of Something, Even Now and How
Close We Come, which won the Carolina
Novel Award and was a Book-of-the-



Susan S. Kelly

Month Club alternate selection.

After a career doing legal research and summarizing depositions, Kelly took up the pen as a creative writer at age 40, and earned a master of fine arts degree from Warren Wilson College.

How Close We Come, her first novel, explores a lifelong friendship between two

women. Her most recent, *By Accident*, looks at a suburban mother's grief at the loss of her teenage son.

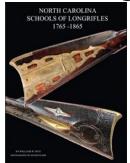
Kelly, also a graduate of UNC-Chapel Hill, lives in Greensboro.

## Ivey to debut N.C. longrifle book

♣A 27-year labor of love has come to fruition for Asheboro attorney William Ivey with publication of the authoritative book on North Carolina longrifles.

Ivey will debut North

Carolina Schools of Longrifles 1765-1865
with a talk, slide show and signing at
7 p.m. Monday, February 21, at the
Asheboro library. The event, sponsored



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

Ivey collects North Carolina furniture, pottery and textiles, but his favorite art object is the longrifle. "I am interested in the North Carolina longrifle as an art form with its added historical significance that

should be studied, collected and preserved," he says.

The 392-page book depicts 213 rifles in over 1,200 photographs by Trinity

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### Suzanne Tate receives Order of the Long Leaf Pine

Retired Library Director Suzanne Tate was awarded the Order of the Long Leaf Pine — North Carolina's highest civilian honor — during the Randolph County Board of Commissioners meeting January 3. Recipients of the prestigious award, conferred by the governor, have a proven record of service to the state and to their organizations. Past recipients include Tate's predecessor as library director, Charlesanna Fox. More about Suzanne's retirement on page 2.

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## from the director

Ross A. Holt



## **Suzanne's an institution!**

Readers of this newsletter already know about Suzanne Tate and her career with the library.

Just the facts are impressive enough: 36 years at the library; head of reference; Asheboro Librarian; a stint as interim director; assistant director; director; the William H. Roberts Distinguished Library Service Award.



**County Manager Richard Wells** presents Suzanne Tate with the Order of the Long Leaf Pine.

over 36 years.

When I needed a summer job during school, the library really was the only place I wanted to work, and but for a month after I landed the job, Suzanne was my boss. She had this extraordinary ability to make the workplace relaxed, even fun, but also highly productive, providing the highest standard of public service.

At one point or another, she has done every last job there is to do in the library system - from presenting the budget request to county commissioners, to emptying and checking in the night drop.

And she has rescued a lot of abandoned or wounded animals along the way, both in her role with the Humane Society and on her own!

Now, she's going to spend time with her grandchildren, and do a lot of reading especially children's books. She says what she will miss most about the library is its people – the patrons and the staff.

I just don't have the words to sum up Suzanne's career and her contribution to the library and to the people of the county. Like Charlesanna, she's an institution, and I can't imagine the library without her.

But I would like to note a couple of things from a personal point of view.

I'm dating both of us when I say this, but Suzanne has been a part of my life since I was 11 years old. She started work at the library as the first professional librarian that our longtime legendary Library Director Charlesanna Fox hired, about the time I ventured from the Children's Room into the more grown up areas of the library.

When you're 11, everything can change completely in two weeks or so, and my first memories of Suzanne are of this kind, "new" young woman at the Reference Desk who, every couple of weeks, patiently helped me find everything the library had on Bigfoot, UFOs and the Loch Ness Monster.

The kindness and patience she showed with me has characterized her interaction with every library patron she has dealt with



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## **Exhibit shows state's faces, places**

♣"Celebrate North Carolina Faces & Places," a traveling photography exhibit, is on display at the Asheboro library through January 26.

The exhibit includes 30 images in three categories:

- Member of the North Carolina Press Photographers Association, whose photos capture the diversity of the state;
- Scenes from the State Archives on exhibit for the first time — taken between 1891 and 1954, which show North Carolinians at work and play; and
- State Fair 2009 blue ribbon winners.
   One of the photographs, "Break Time"



by Press Association photographer Alice Dull, was taken in downtown Asheboro.

The exhibit, which will tour some 30 libraries and museums across the state, moves next to the Cameron Village library in Raleigh.

## **Library becomes 1:1 "help desk"**

♣ Asheboro High School students who need a wifi connection or assistance outside school hours with their laptops have a new "help desk": the Asheboro Public Library.

As readers receive this newsletter, 1350 AHS students and faculty are being issued Hewlett Packard laptops to call their own.

In addition to the library's wifi connection, Asheboro Reference librarians will provide assistance with Moodle, the virtual classroom software that students will use to communicate with teacher and each other and to submit classwork.

Librarians also will — as usual — provide homework help and research assistance.

The library also is preparing its physical space. The City of Asheboro Maintenance Department has installed seven additional quad electrical outlets in the library's public service areas, and the library will add in more laptop-friendly furniture using memorial and foundation funding.

Look for more details about the new furniture in upcoming newsletters.

## Ivey to debut new NC longrifle book

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photographer Kenneth Orr. It differentiates
the rifles by schools, or characteristics that
place them in a common location.

For example, Ivey notes that most rifles made in the Salem area are decorated with an engraved eagle on the patch box, an

ornamental compartment on the stock where oil and tallow were stored.

Ivey approaches the guns from their artistic aspect, but he says his book also will appeal to anyone interested in history, long guns or decorative arts of the mid-18th to mid-19th centuries.

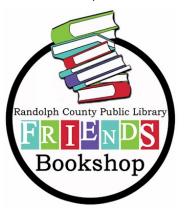
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**Liberty Book Club:** Fourth Tuesday, Liberty library. Call 622-4605 for details.

**Library discussion groups** are free and open to all.



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

226 Sunset Ave., Asheboro

629-1536

**Donations** accepted

## Randleman Public Library BOOK SALE

10 a.m.-1 p.m.

Third Saturday

of each month

124 Commerce Pl.

next to the library.

Colorful new library cards are now available Your redesigned library card is here! Choose from among six vibrant colors. As always, first-time cards are free. Current cardholders can trade their old cards for 50 cents. Lost cards still cost \$1 for the first replacement and \$5 for each replacement thereafter.

The cards feature a logo designed by local graphic artist Rich Powell.

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