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Ongoing & Upcoming

Tuesday, December 20

Book Break: *The Christmas Quilt* by Jennifer Chiaverini, 2 p.m., Archdale Library. Free.

Monday, January 9

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

Thursday, January 12

Cedar Falls History: with the Cedar Falls Historical Society, 7 p.m., Asheboro library. Free.

Friday, January 13

Friday Evening Film: *The Help*, 7 p.m., Asheboro library. Free.

Friday, January 13

Movie: *Dolphin Tale*, 7 p.m., Archdale library. Free.

Saturday, January 14

E-Readers 101: 10 a.m., Asheboro library. Free.

Tuesday, January 17

Book Break: *Safe Haven* by Nicholas Sparks, 2 p.m., Archdale library. Free.

Wednesday, January 18

E-Readers 101: 11 a.m., Randleman library. Free.

Wednesday, January 18

Estate Planning: 3 p.m., Archdale library. Free.

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New NC LIVE resources debut in December

♣ **Whether you're fixing a lawn mower engine, settling an estate or starting a small business, new online research resources will be available to help on December 15.**

Access the new databases provided by NC LIVE, the state's online library, at radquest.org, the library's research website, or on computers at the library.

Among the eight new databases from publisher EBSCO are Small Engine Repair Reference Center, Legal Information Resource Center, Entrepreneurial Studies Source and

Small Business Reference Center.

Others include Art & Architecture Complete, Biography Reference Center, Environment Complete and Points of View.

The databases compile easily-searchable full-text articles and publisher-generated content to cover the topics sufficiently for in-depth research.

Several existing resources will get expanded content. These include Academic Search Complete (scholarly journals), Business Source Complete, Literary Reference Center Plus and Masterfile Complete (magazines).

Program to focus on Cedar Falls

♣ **Members of the Cedar Falls Historical Society will talk about the history of their community, and their efforts to preserve it, at 7 p.m. Thursday, January 12, at the Asheboro Public Library.**

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

Cedar Falls native Henry Bowers will present a brief history of the community, and of the Cedar Falls Community

Association/Historical Society.

He also will highlight restoration of the Cedar Falls Chapel, a 20-year project to preserve the state's oldest antebellum cotton mill village church, and plans for restoration of the Old Post Office.

Copies of the three volumes of *Water Under the Bridge: Cedar Falls Memories* will be available for purchase. The first two books in the set recently received the Willie Parker Peace History Book Award from the North Carolina Society of Historians.

New source for e-Audiobooks goes live Jan. 3—see page 3

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Tues, Thur 9-8; Sat 9-5

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*from
the
director*

Ross A. Holt



The jewel in NC's library crown

♣ **Some years ago, I fielded a question at the Reference desk from a woman and her adult daughter who wanted to start a family business.**

They wanted detailed information about start-up costs and the equipment they would need. But it was a unique enterprise in a niche market, and I knew the library's traditional resources would be limited.

We have lots of material related to starting small businesses, but comparatively little when it comes to specific kinds of businesses. So I went to Google, where I found similar operations that wanted to sell me stuff, but nothing about starting one.

Figuring there would always be a helpful trade association, I fell back on a tried and true print resource, *Encyclopedia of Associations*. Nada. I tried another standard print reference, the *Small Business Sourcebook*. Zilch.

Finally, I turned to NC LIVE, the massive collection of online research resources provided by the state's library community. Not holding out much hope, I plugged in a description of the business.

And there, among the first search results, was an article in a trade journal about a family in North Carolina that started the same kind of business. It detailed their start-up experiences and showed the kind of equipment they purchased, in addition to identifying the trade association in the field.

My patrons went away informed and happy.

Behold the power of NC LIVE.

Much of this month's newsletter promotes new resources joining the NC LIVE arsenal now or in January. New databases are ramping up libraries' abilities to support small business development and entrepreneurship, and providing a super-simple way to download audiobooks to mp3 players and iPods.

NC LIVE went live in 1998. A partnership of the state's public, university system, community college and private/independent college/university libraries, it harnesses the buying power of the whole library community to purchase online resources that few libraries could afford individually, and none could afford in the scope that NC LIVE provides.

It's founding ideal was that a public library user in the state's most rural area should have access to a base level of research resources that a student in one of the university system libraries would have.

You can visit NC LIVE at nclive.org, but because of the diversity of databases and other resources, we have provided a gateway via randquest.org that features in-demand databases plus some to which we subscribe independently of NC LIVE, as well as access to NC LIVE as a whole.

All you need is a library card.

LATE BREAKING: NC LIVE Executive Director Tim Rogers will speak at an Asheboro/Randolph Chamber of Commerce Lunch and Learn, 11:30 a.m. Thursday, January 26. Details in next month's newsletter.

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Downloadable audiobook resource to go live Jan. 3

♣ **OneClick Digital, a new source for downloadable audiobooks, will be available on January 3.**

The service, accessible via randolphlibrary.org and randquest.org and provided by NC LIVE, the state's online library, will make available more than 1,250 electronic audiobooks compatible with all players, including iPods.

Titles focus on classic literature, history, biography and language learning, along with a growing selection of recent, popular fiction provided by the North

Carolina Shared e-Audio Library (NC SeAL), a statewide consortium of libraries.

Books from the NC SeAL collection include an eclectic array of titles such as *Cold Sassy Tree*, *A Game of Thrones*, the *Twilight* series and *Waiting to Exhale*, and authors such as James Patterson, Stieg Larsson, Lee Child and Nora Roberts.

Many of the OneClick Digital titles were formerly available via NC LIVE's MyiLibrary Audio, but access was not user-friendly. The OneClick Digital gateway simplifies the process of downloading audiobooks.

Men in Black book club to launch

♣ **The Men In Black Sci-Fi/Fantasy Book club is ready to go where no book club has gone before.**

Submitted for your approval: library staff members Dave Bare and George Taylor will launch a book club that caters to the Martian, Hobbit, space explorer, zombie, adventurer and wizard in all of us.

The discussion group will meet at noon on the third Thursday of each month at the Asheboro Public Library, with its first meeting on January 19. Participants are

welcome to bring a lunch.

The first book up for consideration is *World War Z* by Max Brooks, a tale about a post-apocalyptic world ravaged by a zombie plague in which the intrepid narrator interviews people from around the world about their experiences during the zombie war.

Copies of the book are available for checkout and an ebook is available from the Digital Depot (via randquest.org).

At the first meeting, participants will plan titles for the rest of the year.

Call 318-6803 for further information.

'E-Readers 101' workshops continue

♣ **Popular E-Readers 101 workshops will continue at three libraries.**

The free introductions to e-readers and ebooks will take place at 10 a.m. Saturday, January 14 at the Asheboro library; 11 a.m.

Wednesday, January 18 at the Randleman library; and 10 a.m. Saturday, January 21 at the Liberty library.

Included are a how-to on using the library's Digital Depot ebook website, tips for purchasing e-readers and hands-on experiences with Kindles and Nooks.

Book discussions

Asheboro Reads: No December meeting; *Anne of Green Gables* by L.M. Montgomery, 2 p.m. Tuesday, January 31.

Luna Book Club: *Jane Eyre* by Charlotte Bronte, 7 p.m. Tuesday, January 31.

Archdale Book Break: *The Christmas Quilt* by Jennifer Chiaverini, 2 p.m. Tuesday, December 20; *Safe Haven* by Nicholas Sparks, 2 p.m. Tuesday, January 17.

Men in Black Book Club: *World War Z* by Max Brooks, Noon, Thursday, January 19.

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

E-reader help

Expecting to unwrap a Kindle, Nook, iPad or other ebook reader at Christmas? The Asheboro library will reopen after the holidays at 9 a.m. Tuesday, December 27, with staff standing by to show you how to master your e-reader and begin checking out from the Digital Depot, library's ebook website.

One-on-one guidance for all types of e-readers will be available.

Friday Evening Film

The Help


7 p.m. January 13
Asheboro Library
Free

**Asheboro library
computer classes
continue in January**

The Asheboro library's one-time, one-hour computer classes will continue into the new year, with Computer Basics offered at 9:30 a.m. Tuesday, January 3; Internet Basics at

9:30 a.m. Tuesday, January 17; and Word Basics at 9:30 a.m. Tuesday, January 31.

Space is limited, so call 318-6803 to sign up for a class.



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

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P.O. Box 2806
Asheboro, NC 27204
Memberships are tax deductible

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Movie: *The Lion King*, 7 p.m., Archdale library. Free.