

RANDOLPH COUNTY PUBLIC LIBRARY *news*



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Ongoing & Upcoming

Thursday, February 24

Luncheon featuring author
Susan Kelly: Noon, Pinewood
Country Club. \$15.00.

Monday, February 28

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

Saturday, March 5

**Warner Williams Arrowhead
Show:** 9 a.m.-5 p.m., Asheboro
library. Free.

Monday, March 7

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

Monday, March 21

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

Tuesday, March 22

Dog training: Ally Thomas of
Southern Tails Dog School
presents obedience
demonstration, 7 p.m.,
Asheboro library. Free.

Tuesday, March 29

Asheboro Reads: *Maid to
March* by Deanne Gist, 2 p.m.,
Asheboro library. Free.

Tuesday, March 29

Luna Book Club: *On Agate Hill*
by Lee Smith, 7 p.m., Asheboro
library. Free.

Thursday, April 14

Poetry reading: , 7 p.m.,
Asheboro library. Free.

Williams, arrowheads to return

♣ Warner Williams will
bring his famous
arrowhead show back
to the Asheboro library
Saturday, on March 5.

On display will be
Williams' 64-year
collection of Indian
arrowheads, considered
to be one of the finest on
the east coast.

The popular event,
which is free, has drawn
almost 9,000 attendees
over the past 14 years.

Most of the arrowheads in the



Warner Williams

collection are from the
Randolph County area.
The collection has been
featured on UNC-TV's
North Carolina Now, in
Our State Magazine and in
Prehistoric American, an
official publication of the
Genuine Indian Relic
Society.

The Overstreet Indian
Arrowheads Identification
and Price Guide contains
over 200 exemplars from
Williams' collection.

The show will be open 9 a.m.-5 p.m.;
Williams will be on hand to talk with
attendees.

Friends to host dog training event

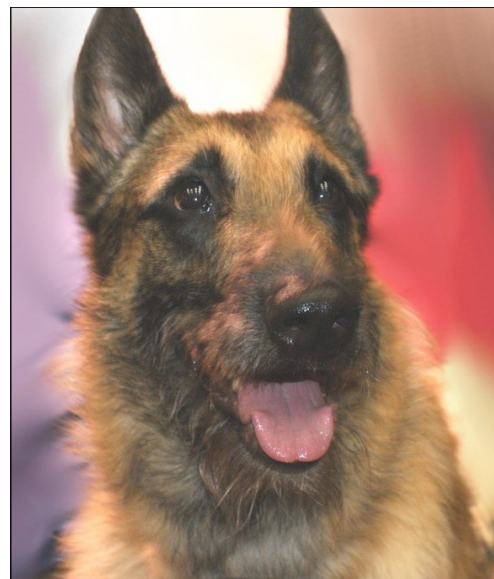
♣ Does your dog need a bit of
refinement?

Join the Friends of the Library for a
doggy obedience demonstration at 6:30
p.m. Tuesday, March 22, on the
Asheboro Public Library lawn.

The event is free and all dogs are
invited. Rain date is one week later.

Ally Thomas, owner of Southern Tails
Dog School, will present the program.
Bring your dog on a short, cloth leash (no
retractable leashes, please), and also
bring a lawn chair.

With Thomas will be Rory, her
Belgian hunting dog who starred in the
2009 RSVP production of *Annie*.



Rory

Liberty, Seagrove contests help promote reading —see page 3.

Archdale
336-431-3811
Fax 336-431-4619
10433 S. Main St.
Mon, Wed, Fri 9-6;
Tues, Thur 9-8; Sat 9-5

Asheboro
336-318-6800
Fax 336-318-6823
201 Worth St.
Mon-Thur 9-9; Fri 9-6;
Sat 9-5

Randolph Room
336-318-6815
Mon, Thur-Sat 9-5
Tues, Wed 9-9

John W. Clark
(Franklinville)
336-824-4020
111 Sumner Place
Mon-Fri 2-6; Sun. 2-5

Liberty
336-622-4605
Fax 336-622-4605
239 S. Fayetteville St.
Mon, Wed, Fri 9-5;
Tues, Thur 9-7; Sat 9-1

Ramseur
336-824-2232
Fax 336-824-2232
1512 S. Main St.
Mon-Fri 8:30-5

Randleman
336-498-3141
Fax 336-498-1139
122 Commerce Sq.
Mon-Fri 10-6; Sat 10-1

Seagrove
336-873-7521
530 Seagrove Plank Rd.
Mon-Thur 1-7; Fri 12-6;
Sat 10-3

Extension Service
336-318-6816 or 336-318-6817; Mon-Fri 9-5

Dial-A-Story
336-318-6833

*from
the
director*

Ross A. Holt



State aid helps libraries help people

♣ **Library supporters from around the state will visit Raleigh on Wednesday, February 23.**

We'll be carrying the message to our representatives in the North Carolina General Assembly about the critical importance of sustaining state funding for local libraries — not so much for the sake of libraries but for the sake of the people who rely on us in tough economic times.

Even in a tough budget year. Especially in a tough budget year.

At the Clef Hangers concert sponsored by the Asheboro Public Library Foundation to celebrate the Asheboro library's 75th anniversary, I talked about some of the people whose lives the library has changed:

A fourth grader who told us he was making Ds before he started coming to the library after school, but since was making As and Bs.

A worker who had spent his entire career in the field, but who had been promoted to a management position that required the use of computers; our computer classes gave him the ability to succeed in his new role.

A business executive, a non-reader, who became an avid reader of fiction because of a librarian who identified his interests and recommended books to suit.

In fact, nowadays not a day goes by that we don't help someone who may never have touched a computer to get an email address and fill out an employment

application that's only available online. In today's economy, libraries are a key link in helping people get back to work.

All of these examples relate, of course, to library materials — books, computers and the like; but they also involve the library's primary resource: its people.

The fourth grader studied in the library but he also sought homework help from children's and reference librarians. The worker took some of the free computer classes developed and taught by library staff members. The non reader was engaged by a librarian in her reader's advisory role. Jobseekers rely on reference and branch librarians to show them how the online application process works (and in many cases, how a computer mouse works!).

And that's where our share of state aid goes: to salaries and resources. It's truly a place where state support directly touches the average North Carolinian, returning value for the tax dollars invested.

More so in a bad economy. Libraries traditionally have been where people turn to save entertainment dollars, checking out books, DVDs, and children's materials. But now we're also the key hub for Internet access, communication and jobseeking — and a key place where people can gain new skills and make themselves more marketable to employers.

Maintaining the Aid to Public Libraries fund, even in an tough budget year, will pay off in the lives changed by libraries.

Arlene Smith to retire March 1

♣ **After over 30 tireless years with the library, Arlene Smith will retire on March 1.**

Smith began work part-time in 1976. She rose to head of the Circulation Department in 1987.

She also serves as Friends of the Library staff liaison and represents the library on many community boards. In 2007-2008, the Friends refurnished the library meeting room in her honor.

Look for a tribute to Smith in next month's newsletter.



Liberty, Seagrove projects promote reading for students in grades K-5

♣ **If you're an elementary school student in Liberty or the Seagrove area, checking out a book at the library could reap big rewards.**

Groups in both communities are running reading contests for the remainder of the school year with lucrative rewards for winners of drawings.

To enter the drawings, all students have to do is check out books.

In Liberty, the 100-Man Project, a non-profit, non-denominational Liberty-area men's group, is offering \$100, \$50 and \$25 Wal-mart gift cards to first, second and third place winners. The Seagrove Friends of the Library will give away monthly prizes and a \$100 savings bond grand prize.

"We believe that reading is the key to all knowledge, and we hope this will encourage and inspire your child not only to read more but also learn to enjoy and appreciate reading," says Liberty organizer Warren Dixon, who is also chair of the Liberty Public Library Board of Trustees.

The Liberty contest is tied in with a

school-based effort. At the library, anytime a Liberty Elementary School student checks out a book, his or her parent can alert the librarian and the child will receive an entry in the drawing. Visits to the Liberty Nature Research Library also earn entries.

Meanwhile, the class in each grade K-5 that reads the most books will receive an in-class pizza party.

The Liberty contest began January 3 and ends May 2.

Prizes are made available through funds raised in the community by the 100-Man Project.

Beginning February 1 in Seagrove, children will be entered in monthly drawings when they return their library books. A prize in each grade level will be awarded each month.

On June 1, the \$100 savings bond will be awarded to one lucky recipient. Prize winners will be announced monthly at Seagrove Elementary School and winners names will be posted at the library.

Prizes have been donated by Hardee's of Seagrove.

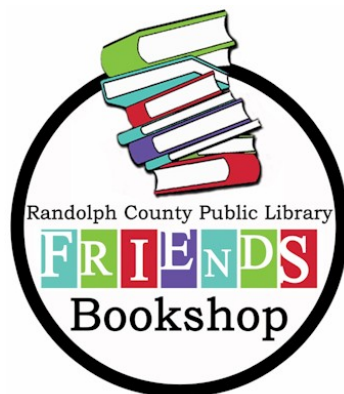
Book discussions

Asheboro Reads: *Snow Day* by Billy Coffey, 2 p.m. Tuesday, February 22. *Maid to Match* by Deanne Gist, 2 p.m. March 29.

Luna Book Club: *Cleopatra* by Stacy Schiff, 7 p.m. Tuesday, February 22. *On Agate Hill* by Lee Smith, 7 p.m. Tuesday, March 29.

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**

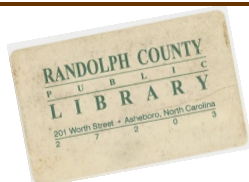
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Donations accepted

**Randleman Public Library
BOOK SALE**

10 a.m.-1 p.m.


*Third Saturday
of each month
124 Commerce Pl.
next to the library.*



**TRADE UP!
50¢**

**Trade your old
library card!
Choose from six
cool colors.**





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 _____

ADDRESS _____

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EMAIL _____

<input type="checkbox"/> Student	\$5	<input type="checkbox"/> Benefactor.....	\$250
<input type="checkbox"/> Adult	\$15	<input type="checkbox"/> Lifetime.....	\$500
<input type="checkbox"/> Family.....	\$25	<input type="checkbox"/> Corporate Sponsor...	\$ _____
<input type="checkbox"/> Patron	\$100		

YES! I'd like to help: ____ Programs ____ Receptions ____ Book Sales ____ Membership ____

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