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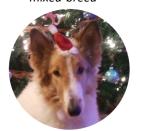
Emme, 7-year-old yellow lab



Morgan, 7-year-old Bernese Mountain Dog



Casey, 7-year-old mixed-breed



Charm, 4-year-old collie

Tails to Read

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Library pairs kids, dogs for reading

♣ Beginning in April, man's best friend will become a kid's best reading pal as the library kicks off "Tails to Read."

Tails to Read invites children ages 6-12 to read to one of four certified therapy dogs at the Asheboro library.

On Saturday mornings beginning April 14, each child participating will spend 15 minutes getting to know and reading to one of the dogs, with dog owner-handlers nearby.

The program is free, but registration is required. To sign up a child, visit the library's Children's Room or call 318-6804.

Studies show that reading aloud to dogs has positive effects on children's desire and ability to read. The loving, non-judgmental canine audience-of-one increases a child's engagement with reading and helps build confidence.

Each child participating will receive a "PAW-some Reader" dog tag or wristband after the first session; those who continue



Addisyn Wright reads to Morgan, a 7-year-old Bernese Mountain Dog.

for five sessions will receive a free book.

Thursday evening sessions may be added as more dogs can participate.

Learn more at Tails to Read kickoff

Meet our dogs and learn more about Tails to Read at a special kickoff, 4 p.m. Wednesday, March 28, Asheboro library.

Children's Room invites kids, families to "Hop to It"

The Asheboro library Children's Room will host "Hop to It!" at 3:30 p.m. Wednesday, April 4. This special storytime will include springtime crafts, prizes, a visit from the Easter bunny and end with an egg hunt at the library. The program for children 0-12 is free and families are encouraged to attend. For more information call 336-318-6804.

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

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

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

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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

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from the director

Ross A. Holt



Walk around the world!

♣ Want to circumnavigate the globe without leaving town?

Then take up the 2012 Mayor's Spring Fitness Challenge and join Asheboro's Virtual Walk Around the World.

The idea sprung from the fall fitness challenge, when local residents reported walking or running 46,437 miles — enough to circle the equator twice. A3 Asheboro, the city-sponsored commission that promotes health and wellness, decided to make the spring challenge a week-by-week journey, focusing on a different country each week.

Mayor David Smith will inaugurate the spring challenge during a a kick-off event at 9 a.m. Saturday, March 24, at Bicentennial Park in conjunction with The Human Race, a nationwide community fundraising event for nonprofit organizations.

Walkers can participate in the Mayor's Fitness Challenge individually or in teams, with each person or team signing up with city Fitness Coordinator Lisa Park (lpark@ci.asheboro.nc.us or 626-1240).

Participants can walk at many local venues, including the downtown sidewalk trails, the new walking path at the Asheboro/Randolph YMCA, and the track at South Asheboro Middle School. Treadmills count too, and runners are welcome to participate.

A3 Asheboro also will hold group walks departing from the Downtown Farmers' Market on South Church Street, 9 a.m.

Mondays-Thursdays and 6 p.m. Tuesdays and Thursdays beginning March 27.

Then, each week will represent a leg of the walk around the world, and walkers or teams will report their mileage each Saturday to the Fitness Coordinator Park.

March 24-30 will take walkers from Asheboro to Brazil. From March 31-April 6, it's on to Antarctica.

On April 7, trek from Antarctica to Botswana, then from April 14-20, hit the road to Spain. From Spain, head to China during the week of April 21-27; and journey from China to Australia during the week of April 28-May 4.

After that , it's one more leg to Russia for May 5-11, then home to Asheboro from May 12-18.

During the journey, the Asheboro library will feature maps, displays and books about the various nations, and articles about each area visited will appear in *The Courier-Tribune*.

Handouts with all the fitness challenge details are available at the library and at the Asheboro Municipal Building. Maps of downtown walking routes can be found at www. asheboronc.gov.

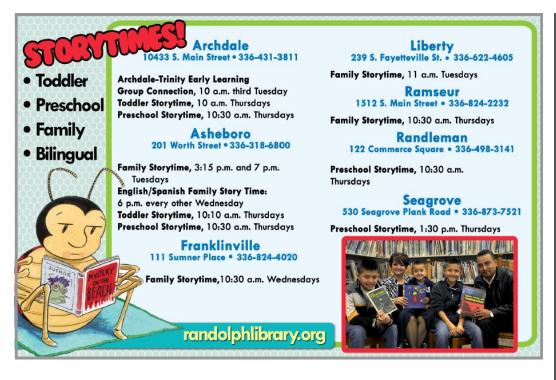
Downtown Fitness Walk t-shirts and hoodies can be purchased at the Randolph Arts Guild.

For more about A3 Asheboro, visit www.a3asheboro.com or "like" the A3 Facebook page.

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Poe couple visits 100 courthouses

♣ Avid travelers David and Barbara Poe will present "North Carolina Counties, County Seats and Court Houses" at 7 p.m. Thursday, April 19, at the Asheboro library.

The travelogue will document the couple's visits to all 100 of state's courthouses, focusing on about 30 key

buildings. The Poes will share unique bits of information they learned and interesting tales from their travels.

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

The Poes live in Asheboro. David is a retired educator, and Barbara retired after working in a variety of fields from textiles to real estate.

Job Club to meet at Asheboro library

♣Looking for work in today's job market?

Join the Job Club, which will meet from 5:30-6:30 p.m. on the first Thursday of each month, beginning April 1, at the Asheboro library.

The club, sponsored by the Randolph County JobLink Career Center and the library, will focus on topics such as building your network, learning about the job market, learning about job hunting resources and more.

The club is free, but completion of JobLink's Interviewing & Application and Resume workshops, and completion of Career Readiness Certification, is required. For more information about these requirements or the club, call Vickie Oldham at 633-0388 or visit Randolph Community College, 629 Industrial Park Ave. in Asheboro.

Book discussions

Asheboro Reads: *The Night Train* by Clyde Edgerton, 2 p.m. Tuesday, March 27.

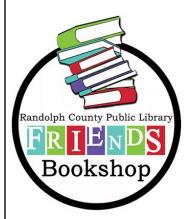
Luna Book Club: Lake of Dreams by Kim Edwards Ogawa, 7 p.m. Tuesday, March 27.

Archdale Book Break: Road to Devotion by Cameron Kent, 2 p.m. Tuesday, April 17.

Men in Black Book Club:

Princess of Mars by Edgar Rice Burroughs, Noon, Thursday, April 19.

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



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

226 Sunset Ave., Asheboro

629-1536

Randleman Public Library BOOK SALE

10 a.m.-1 p.m. Third Saturday of each month 124 Commerce Pl. next to the library.

Glenn Davis Memorial Concert set for April 17

The 13th Annual Glenn Davis Memorial Concert, featuring Larry G. Davis and friends, will take place at 7 p.m. Tuesday, April 17, at the Sunset Theatre. Admission is free.

The concert, which recognizes the noted local banjo player, is sponsored by Furr Enterprises with sound by Monroe Music.

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Ongoing & Upcoming

Tuesday, March 20

Computer Class: Word Basics, 9:30 a.m., Asheboro Library. Free.

Tuesday, March 20

Book Break: *River of Doubt* by Candice Millard, 2 p.m., Archdale Library. Free.

<u>Wednesday, March 21</u>

Container Gardening: 3 p.m. Archdale library. Free.

Thursday, March 22

Author Ashley Memory: 7 p.m. Asheboro Library. Free.

Friday, March 23

Movie: *Smurfs*, 7 p.m., Archdale library. Free.

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Monday, April 9

Movie Monday: *Schindler's List*, 2 p.m., Asheboro library. Free.

Friday, April 13

Movie: *Aladdin,* 7 p.m., Archdale library. Free.

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