



Ongoing & Upcoming

Monday, April 26

Movie Monday: *Love Happens*, 2 p.m., Asheboro library.

Tuesday, April 27

Asheboro Reads: *The Help* by Kathryn Stockett, 2 p.m., Asheboro library.

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Luna Book Club: *The Nanny Returns* by Emma McLaughlin, 7 p.m., Asheboro library.

Thursday, April 29

"From Gene Autry to Woodstock to the Rock & Roll Hall of Fame: A Writer's Musical Journey" with Holly George-Warren. 7 p.m., Randolph Arts Guild, with pottery auction to benefit the library.

Thursday, May 6

"Hits and Misters" with Lane Ragsdale & Tom Liles: 7 p.m., Asheboro library.

Wednesday, May 12

Blood pressure screening for seniors: 4-7 p.m., Asheboro library.

Ragsdale brings two-man show "Hits and Misters" to library

♣ In a twist on his popular cabaret shows for the Friends of the Library, Lane Ragsdale will honor the Friends with a brand new show called "Hits and Misters: An Evening With Lane Ragsdale and Tom Liles" at 7 p.m. Thursday, May 6, at the Asheboro library.

The program is free and the public is invited.

The two-man show will focus on stories from Lane's travels to New York, Asheboro in 2010, and his love for jazz, of which Tom is a master. With these stories woven among songs like "St. Louis Blues," "Summertime," "Laura" and "After You've Gone," the show is a departure from past shows that have included multiple cast members and varied genres of music.

"We are in tough economic times and this show offers a threefold opportunity," says Ragsdale. "It will be a vivid and relaxing escape into the world of jazz and blues with some funny and poignant stories for the audience. For me, it will be an opportunity to honor the



Lane Ragsdale, joined by Tom Liles, will perform at 7 p.m. Thursday, May 6, at the Asheboro Public Library.

Friends of the Library, Arlene Smith and Ross Holt for their loving support over the past five years, and an opportunity to work with the brilliant Tom Liles on the style of music he has mastered, not merely at UNC-Greensboro but in travels and performances all over the world. I'm excited!"

Pottery auction to accompany George-Warren event

A silent auction of Owens/Owen family pottery to benefit the library will take place during the Holly George-Warren program "From Gene Autry to Woodstock to the Rock & Roll Hall of Fame: A Writer's Musical Journey," 7 p.m. Thursday, April 29, at the Sara Smith Self Gallery of the Randolph Arts Guild. Sponsored by the Friends of the Library, the program is free and the public is invited. For more information about the pottery auction, see page 2.



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Owens/Owen pottery to be auctioned

♣ Family ties and quality offerings will be foremost at a Friends of the Library program, 7 p.m. Thursday, April 29, at the Randolph Arts Guild as Holly George-Warren speaks about her recent work and her storied career as a music journalist.

Also that night, nine beautiful pieces of pottery from the Owen/Owens Family of Seagrove will be auctioned in a silent auction with proceeds benefiting the Friends of the Library.

Holly is, of course, the daughter of the late Martha George, longtime librarian, reader's adviser, teen advocate and sought-after book confidant at the Asheboro library, and the late Alvis George, architect for the original 1964 library building and its 1995 renovation. The entire George family grew up in the library and thrived in the cultural traditions associated with bibliophilia. Holly has written extensively for adults and children about several genres of music as well as penning a definitive biography of cowboy crooner Gene Autry.

The second annual Marjorie W. Memory Pottery Auction will take place that same evening. Following the death of Mrs. Memory, longtime librarian at UNCG and author of *A History of the Randolph Public Library, 1935-1967*, good friend and co-worker Stanley Hicks, now of Enid, OK, established the auction by donating two pieces of Jugtown pottery. This year, Stanley



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arranged for Earl Senger and his wife Frances Freeman Senger (formerly of Asheboro) to donate the pottery to be auctioned. The Sengers are premier pottery collectors in the Southeast. Pieces available include: a dishpan by Ben Wade Owen (1920s); a pie dish in tobacco spit glaze (1950s); two Chinese white rice bowls from Ben W. Owen, Jr. (1960s); a pitcher from M.L. Owens (1990s); a Vernon Owens blue vase (1998); a Pam Owens teapot (2003); and a bowl and vase from Ben Owen III (1999).

Please watch our website at www.randolphlibrary.org for photos and bidding information. We'll soon have fliers available for your perusal.

Library gets \$5K literacy grant for English language learners

♣ The library will expand services for low-literacy English language learners thanks to a \$5,000 grant from the American Library Association funded by the Dollar General Literacy Foundation.

The library was one of 70 in the nation to receive an *American Dream Starts @ your library* grant. The funding will support an initiative focusing on Spanish speaking adults who have a low literacy level in their native language, and seek to help them learn English while increasing literacy in both languages.

The effort, called *Lenguaje y Lectura @ your library*, gets underway in May. The aim is to provide a sustained, hands-on, verbal and visual learning experience for participants.

Participants will practice English using the ESL/Spanish module of the library's Mango Languages online resource

(www.randquest.org), and in doing so build computer literacy skills along with language and reading skills.

In addition to online learning, participants will join with volunteers and each other in learning games, and will be provided workbooks and picture dictionaries to keep.

Activities for children also will be provided so that families can participate without worrying about child care, and some activities will include the whole family. One emphasis of the program will be assisting parents to help their children succeed in school.

Community partners assisting with advice, volunteers and material selection include the Latino Coalition of Randolph County, Asheboro Parents as Teachers, Franklinville-Ramseur Parents as Teachers, Randolph Community College Basic Skills/ESL, Asheboro City Schools ELL Department and the Randolph County Schools ESL Parent Advocate.

Asheboro library hosts SCORE small business seminar

♣ "Succeeding in Tough Times" is the theme of a series of free small business seminars presented by Asheboro SCORE, one of which will be offered at the Asheboro library.

First up is "Business Rx: Get Your Cash Flowing," 8-11 a.m. Wednesday, April 21 at the Asheboro/Randolph Chamber of Commerce. Business owners needing help now will leave this session with a personal

plan to increase cash flow.

Call Amy Rudisill at the Chamber to register, 626-2626.

Next up, for anyone interested in starting a small business, is "Brave New World: Starting a Business in Tough Times," 9:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. Saturday, May 8, at the Asheboro library. Participants will learn what it takes to start a business, and how to make this crucial life decision.

Call 318-6801 to register. For more information, visit www.scoreasheboro.org.

Book discussions

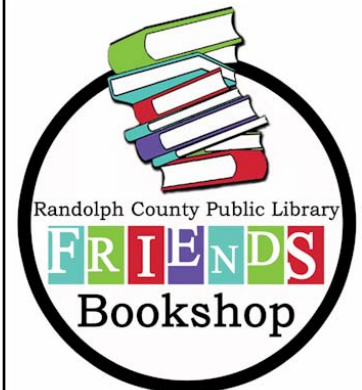
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Library discussion groups are free and open to all. Refreshments are served.

The Friends of the Library welcome the following business/corporate members:

- Randolph Rotary Club



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Randleman Public Library

BOOK SALE

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

Hospital to offer blood pressure screening at library

Randolph Hospital will offer blood pressure screening from 4-7 p.m. Wednesday, May 12, at the Asheboro Public Library.

The event is aimed at seniors, but

is free and the public is invited. Information on hypertension and diabetes will be provided.

For further information, contact Jonathan Farlow at 318-6827.



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