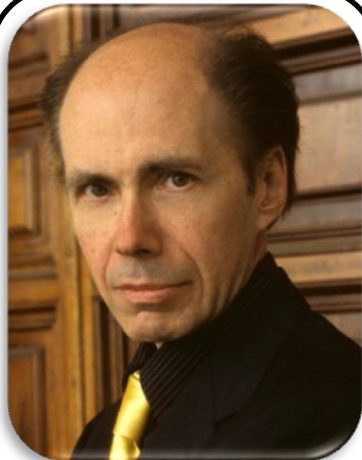


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Jeffery Deaver's greatest hits

***Carte Blanche*:** new James Bond, no. 1. international best seller.

***XO*:** Kathryn Dance thriller accompanied by a album of country-western songs.

***Bodies Left Behind*:** Novel of the Year, International Thriller Writers Association.

***The Bone Collector*:** the first Lincoln Rhyme thriller; multi-award-winner; major motion picture starring Denzel Washington and Angelina Jolie.

***A Maiden's Grave*:** Adapted into an HBO movie starring James Garner and Marlee Matlin.

Deaver... Jeffery Deaver

Friends to host no 1. internationally best selling author, new James Bond scribe

♣ Acclaimed author and Chapel Hill resident Jeffery Deaver will keynote the Friends of the Library annual meeting at 7 p.m. Thursday, May 2, at the Historic Randolph County Courthouse.

The event is free and the public is invited. It's sponsored by the Friends with funds donated in memory of Mary Parker, a lifelong library patron and avid reader.

Reserved seating will be available for Friends of the Library members, who are asked to arrive by 6:50 p.m.

Already a best selling novelist, Deaver was selected by the Ian Fleming family to pen the new James Bond novel, *Carte Blanche*, which became a number one international best seller on its release in 2011.

Deaver also writes the Lincoln Rhyme series of thrillers, which began with *The Bone Collector* in 1997 and continues in June with *The Kill Room*. In the Lincoln Rhyme novel *Cold Moon*, Deaver

introduced state investigator Kathryn Dance, who anchors a new series. The latest is *XO*, published in 2012.

He also has authored previous series and stand-alone novels, as well as short stories and non-fiction works. His books are sold in 150 countries and have been translated into 25 languages.

Deaver is a former journalist, folksinger and attorney. To accompany thriller *XO*, he wrote an album of country-western songs which is available on iTunes and as a CD.

He has received the Novel of the Year award from the International Thriller Writers Association, and the Steel Dagger and Short Story Dagger awards from the British Crime Writers Association. He's also a recipient of the Nero Wolfe Award and a three-time winner of the Ellery Queen Readers Award for Best Short Story of the Year.

Born near Chicago, he has a bachelors degree in journalism from the University of Missouri and a law degree from Fordham University.

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*from
the
director*

Ross A. Holt



Citizen advocates back libraries

♣ **It's an oft-told story in these pages, how a game of bridge in 1935 led to the creation of the Asheboro Public Library.**

The group of young women who got together that September evening in short order had formed the Randolph Library Club. Their immediate goal was establishment of an Asheboro library, but their vision was countywide library service.

The same sort of thing happened in Ramseur, Franklinville, Randleman, Liberty, Archdale and Seagrove: members of the community came together and said, "We want a library!" and worked tirelessly to create their own.

Fundraisers and red wagon book drives served well to establish the libraries, but could not sustain them over the long term. So advocates worked with local governments to provide steady funding.

The same thing happened at the state level. Last month I wrote about the General Assembly's century-plus commitment to libraries. That commitment came about as citizens, both as individuals and in organized groups, petitioned for support of libraries.

The General Assembly created the North Carolina Library Commission in 1909 to promote library development across the state, but as early as 1906, the North Carolina Library Association (NCLA) was advocating for a such commission, joined by the N.C. Federation of Women's Clubs. Flyers and brochures went to legislators as the 1909 session got underway: "The work

now being done in a small way by private parties can be done better, done for all sections of the State, done with more system, done with more honor to the state, by a Commission...."

As rural library development lagged in the 1920s, another push began with the Citizens Library Movement. Organized by NCLA with 200 leading citizens from across the state, groups rallied statewide, declaring "The citizens of this movement have an axe to grind for the children, for the people both in town and on the farms, and for the future of North Carolina."

When the effort began in 1925, 35 percent of North Carolinians had access to a public library; by 1942, the number had risen to 85 percent. The Citizens Library Movement also spearheaded the effort to realize state aid for public libraries, funded for the first time in 1941.

The tradition of advocacy continues today as library supporters from around the state call on their legislators to keep the Aid to Public Libraries fund strong. On Library Legislative Day, March 26, ten Randolph County library advocates made the trek to Raleigh: Patricia and Harold Clapp, Linda Covington, Sue Farlow, Steve Grove, Ralph Hardison, Louise Hudson, Ray Isley, Janet Jones, and Rita Minick (along with Matt Shaw and me as drivers).

We are deeply grateful to this stalwart group, and all our other backers, for continuing the tradition of citizen advocacy for public libraries.

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Super Heroes and Tea for Two!

Children's Room to host mother-daughter tea

♣ Don your best tea party attire and come to "Tea for Two," a mother-daughter tea party at 3 p.m., Friday, May 3, at the Asheboro library.



The tea party is free, but space is limited. Call 318-6804 to sign up. It's sponsored by the Friends of the Library.

Be a Super Hero! — and make your own costume

♣ Ever wanted to be a Super Hero? Get a start as the Asheboro library Children's Room provides you with the makings of the first thing you need — a costume!

Come to "Be a Super Hero!" at 3 p.m. Thursday, May 2 to make your own cape and mask. All materials will be provided, and librarians will be wearing their own super hero get-ups.

It's free; all children are invited. Sponsored by the Friends of the Library.

Earth Day at library to feature *The Lorax*

♣ A round-robin of events for children will usher in Earth Day from 3-5 p.m. Monday, April 22, at the Asheboro Public Library.

The celebration, sponsored by the Friends of the Library, is free. Children and their families are invited.

Readings of Dr. Seuss's *The Lorax* will take place every 30 minutes. Meanwhile, children are invited to bring recyclables and upcycle them into crafts in "Wait, Don't Toss That!"

At the third station, kids can make the library greener by planting flowers in the library's outside planters.

Green living comes to Asheboro library

♣ Bees, herbs, chickens and worms all will be part of "Green Living at the Library," a series programs thru June at the Asheboro Public Library.

Sponsored by the library and Randolph County Cooperative Extension, the programs are free and the public is invited.

Space is limited so registration is required; call 318-6803 or 318-6000 to register. Slated:

Beekeeper Talk, 2 p.m. Saturday, April 20. George Byrum of the Randolph County Beekeeping Association will present an

introduction to beekeeping.

Herbs 101, 3 p.m. Tuesday, May 14.

Learn how to grow, dry, freeze, cook and creatively use herbs with Family and Consumer Extension Agent Katie Rangel and Master Gardener Vernece Willett.

Vermicomposting, 3 p.m. Tuesday, May 21. Master Gardener Ruth Held will talk about using worms in composting.

Backyard Chickens, 3 p.m. Tuesday, June 4. Learn about brooding care, purchasing the right breed for the backyard "farm," and forage management with Area Agricultural Extension Agent Dan Campeau.

Book discussions

Asheboro Reads: *The Aviator's Wife* by Melanie Benjamin, 2 p.m. Tuesday, April 30; *Quiet: The Power of Introverts in a World That Can't Stop Talking* by Susan Cain, Tuesday, May 28, 2 p.m.

Luna Book Club: *My Reading Life* by Pat Conroy, 7 p.m. Tuesday, April 30; *TBD*, May 28, 7 p.m. (Asheboro)

Men in Black Book Club: *Old Man's War* by John Scalzi, Noon Thursday, April 18; *Opening Atlantis* by Harry Turtledove, May 16. (Asheboro)

Archdale Book Break: *Miss Julia Rocks the Cradle* by Ann B. Ross, 2 p.m. Tuesday, May 21.

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

World Book Night

Local librarians will participate in international World Book Night by giving away free recent best sellers and other popular books in three community locations on Tuesday April 23:


- **Asheboro Walmart,**
- **12:30-2:30 p.m.**
- **Randleman Community Center,** 3-6 p.m.
- **Archdale YMCA,** 5-7 p.m.

The event celebrates and promotes the joy of reading. Find out more at www.us.worldbooknight.org.

**February One doc
to get screening at
Central Boys/Girls Club**

February One: The Story of the Greensboro Four will be shown at the Central Asheboro Boys and Girls Club, 621 Franks Street, at 5 p.m. Sunday, May 19.

Discussion will follow the free screening. The documentary profiles the four young men who organized one of the most pivotal events during the Civil Rights Movement.



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

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Take a Class!

Computer Classes (Asheboro)
Tuesdays, 9:30-10:30 a.m.
Email Basics, April 16
Excel Basics, April 30
Computer Basics, May 14
Word Basics, May 28

Social Media Safety for Parents and Children (Asheboro)
2 p.m. Thursdays, May 23 & May 30
 Learn how to use social media safely, how to use privacy settings and how to protect your identity.

Classes are FREE!
Call 318-6803 to sign up.

Save the date

Writer Angie Kinghorn to speak at library

Blogger/essayist Angie Kinghorn will talk about her writing at 7 p.m. Thursday, May 23, at the Asheboro library. Her talk, sponsored by the Friends, is free and the public is invited. Learn more at angiekinghorn.com.

