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One World, Many Stories



MARK DANIEL MAGICAL STORYTELLER

Asheboro

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Sunset Theatre

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Franklinville

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Liberty

11 a.m. Tuesday, July 26

Ramseur

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Ramseur Municipal Building

Randleman

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SUMMER READING PROGRAM 2011

FREE!

MORE INSIDE...

Library to begin offering ebooks by late summer

♣ **Much in-demand downloadable ebooks will be available to library patrons by early September.**

The initial collection will consist of between 400 and 600 titles, with more to be added through regular purchasing.

"While print books aren't going away anytime soon, ebooks are beginning to rival print in popularity," says Library Director Ross Holt.

"It's a seismic shift that libraries can't ignore. We're now getting questions about ebooks every day."

To check out ebooks, patrons will visit the Randolph County Public Library "Digital Depot," a website created for the library by the library's ebook vendor, OverDrive. Each user will create an account, install a small program and begin checking out.

Once checked out and downloaded to a personal computer, ebooks can be transferred to a e-reader. An OverDrive app for iPads, tablet computers and smartphones also will be available.

The ebook collection will be searchable via the library catalog or directly at the Digital Depot.

Due to copyright limitations, most ebooks behave like print books in a library setting. Each copy of a title can be

checked out by one reader at a time, and if all copies are checked out, a hold can be placed.

When the reader is finished with the ebook, he or she can return it via the program or let the checkout period expire, when the file containing the book is automatically disabled.

"There's a learning curve, but it's easy once it becomes routine," Holt says.

The library is now working with OverDrive to establish the ebook website, select the initial collection and set parameters such as checkout periods.

Initially, borrowers will be able to have three ebooks checked at any one time, and can keep them for 21 days. At checkout, however, borrowers can select a checkout period of seven or 14 days if they expect to finish their books sooner, getting books back into circulation faster.

Borrowers will be notified by email when books they have placed on hold become available, and will have three days to check them out.

Currently, OverDrive does not offer ebooks for Amazon's Kindle e-reader, but that is expected to change by December. Other changes – such as collections of ebooks that can be checked out by any number of borrowers at the same time, are expected soon.

Archdale to host dinosaur expert

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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



The time for ebooks is now!

♣ "When is the library going to have ebooks?"

I've fielded the question at lunch, at speaking engagements and twice on Facebook. It's also frequently asked of library staff around the county.

As I spoke at recent book club luncheon, the words about our new ebook service were barely out of my mouth when the room erupted with questions and a lively discussion. Clearly, there's a local demand for ebooks.

If that weren't enough, the American Association of Publishers recently released sales figures comparing books sales in February 2011 and February 2010.

Ebook sales grew by 202 percent, while sales of adult trade (hardcover, paperback and mass market) print books fell by 34 percent. Even more startling, sales of adult trade print books totaled \$157 million, while ebook sales totaled \$90 million — in other words, the market for ebooks is now close to 60 percent of the market for print. The market penetration of ebooks, by the sales figure, is even more impressive when you consider that an ebook usually costs about one-third the cost of a hardback.

Meanwhile, Amazon.com reported recently that it is selling 105 ebooks for every 100 hardcover books sold, and 115 ebooks for every 100 paperbacks.

As you might expect, as ebook sales increase, library demand has gone through

the roof. A colleague at Wake County Public Libraries tells us that two-thirds of that library's 3,800-title ebook collection is checked out right now, and the waiting list for those titles numbers close to 6,000.

Given the articulated demand locally and the indisputable sales figures, it's time for the library to make the investment in ebooks.

Our vendor, OverDrive, will provide us with a web-based platform (we're calling it the "Digital Depot") that allows you to search, checkout and place holds on titles. You will be able to visit the Depot directly, or search for ebooks in our catalog and link to them from there (a benefit of accessing ebooks through the catalog is that you also will be able to see if copies in print, large print or audio formats also are available).

Initially, ebooks offered will be compatible with all e-readers except for Amazon's Kindle. OverDrive recently entered into an agreement with Amazon, however, and is expected to begin providing access for library patrons to Kindle ebooks later this year.

As we get the new service up and running, we will offer informal classes on how to sign up with OverDrive and begin checking out ebooks, and also e-reader "petting zoos" that will enable you to test drive some of the devices.

Ebooks truly are a revolution for publishing, reading and libraries, and we are delighted to venture into this new world.



Archdale to host fossil expert

♣ "Digging for Dinosaurs: How It's Done and What to Do With Them Afterwards," is the topic of a talk at the Archdale Public Library, 7 p.m. Thursday, August 11.

The program is free and the public is invited.

Dr. Phil Senter, associate professor of biology at Fayetteville State University, will discuss finding fossils and show some examples of his work.

◀ Dr. Phil Senter excavates.

Library gets federal LSTA grant to replace aging computers

♣ The library will replace 26 public Internet computers that are four years old or older thanks to a federal Library Services and Technology Act grant.

The \$17,910 grant, matched by \$4,500 in local funds, will enable the library to retire older computers at five libraries.

Asheboro will receive nine replacements; Archdale, five; Liberty, two; and Randleman, six. All four of Seagrove's computers will be replaced.

Franklinville and Ramseur libraries

have no PCs in the age range of those to be replaced.

The project will take place after the start of the new fiscal year. The new computers are expected to be in place in September.

This grant is made possible through funding from the federal Institute of Museum and Library Services (IMLS) under the provisions of the Library Services and Technology Act as administered by the State Library of North Carolina, a division of the Department of Cultural Resources.

Author to visit Ramseur storytimes

♣ The Ramseur library will host author Jones Howell for book signings during storytimes on July 7 and 14.

Howell's novel *Deep River* relates his childhood experiences in Ramseur, losing a

parent and finding solace in Little League. It also touches on the production of Dick Clark's movie *Killers Three*, which took place in and around the town.

The storytimes are at 10:30 a.m. each day at the Ramseur Municipal Building.

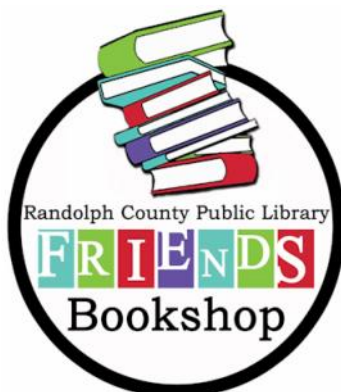
Book discussions

Asheboro Reads: *Father of Rain*, 2 p.m. Tuesday, July 26. *The Sisters from Hardscrabble Bay* by Beverly Jenson, 2 p.m. Tuesday, August 30.

Luna Book Club: *Ladies of Liberty*, 7 p.m. Tuesday, July 26. *The Joy Luck Club* by Amy Tan, 2 p.m. Tuesday, August 30.

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

629-1536

*Donations accepted at
the bookshop*

Randleman Public Library

BOOK SALE

10 a.m.-1 p.m.

*Third Saturday
of each month*

124 Commerce Pl.
next to the library.

Janet Graves, former library staff member, dies

Janet Lucas Graves passed away on Friday, June 10. She served as library secretary/bookkeeper from 1976-1978, and returned from 1982 to 1986, working in several capacities

including administrative assistant, technical services assistant and law librarian.

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Ramseur.....824-2232
Randleman....498-3141
Seagrove.....873-7521

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NOVEL *Destinations*

ADULT SUMMER READING PROGRAM

Author Appearances

Couponing Workshop with Angela Newsom, coupon guru from coupon-makeover.com; 6 p.m. Monday, July 11, Asheboro library

Asheboro

Anyone 18 and over can participate. First 200 who register will receive a 2011 North Carolina Travel Guide, Friends bookshop coupons and more. Submit a form for each book read to win valuable weekly prizes from local merchants.

Randleman

For each book read, a chance for a \$20 Books-A-Million gift card. One drawing more drawing in July.

Book Clubs

Asheboro Reads: *Father of Rain*, 2 p.m. Tuesday, July 26.
Luna Book Club: *Ladies of Liberty*, 7 p.m. Tuesday, July 26.

www.randolphlibrary.org/summerreadingadults.html

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TEEN SUMMER READING PROGRAM

Special Events

10 a.m., Asheboro library

Journaling with Melissa Walker, Friday, July 15*

Painted Pots/Container Gardening, Wed., July 20*

3rd Annual LEGO MANIA Competition,

Wed., July 27*

**registration required — call 318-6824*

Harry Potter Film Festival

4 p.m. Wednesdays, Asheboro library

July 6: *Harry Potter and the Half-Blood Prince*

July 13: *Harry Potter and the Deathly Hallows: Part 1*

Randleman Library

Read with us this summer! Every library book you read gives you a chance to win a \$20 gift card to Books-A-Million. Drawings for June and July, so sign up today!

www.randolphlibrary.org/summerreadingteens.html





ASHEBORO

Mark Daniel, Magical Storyteller

1:30 p.m. July 27, Sunset Theatre

Storytimes

School-Age Storytime, 3:15 p.m. Tuesdays

Spanish Storytime, 5 p.m. Tuesdays

Family Storytime, 7 p.m. Tuesdays

Toddler Time, 10:10 a.m. Thursdays

All ages, 10:30 a.m. Thursdays

School-Age Programs

10 a.m. and 1:30 p.m. Wednesdays

July 6: Staff programs, 10 a.m. and 1:30 p.m.

July 13: Veronica Gutierrez, 10 a.m.; Native Americans, 1:30 p.m.

July 20: Macon Martial Arts, 10 a.m. and 1:30 p.m.

July 27: Play, "Leopard's Drum," 10 a.m.; Mark Daniel, 1:30 p.m.

August 3: Danish Stories with Jonna Libbert, 10 a.m.; Mr. Knezevic, World Traveler, 1:30 p.m.

Family Movie Fridays— 6:30 p.m.

July 15: Toy Story 3

August 5: The Karate Kid (2010)

ARCHDALE

Mark Daniel, Magician/raffle for child's bike

10:30 a.m. Wednesday, July 27

Storytimes

All ages: 3:30 p.m. Tuesdays

Toddlers: 10 a.m. Thursdays

2+: 10:30 Thursdays

Ages K-8; 10:30 Wednesdays at Archdale Parks & Recreation Gym (behind the library)

July 6: Macon's Martial Arts & Leadership Academy

July 13: Ronald McDonald – Book Time

July 20: North Carolina Zoo

July 27: Mark Daniel, Magician; bike raffle

FRANKLINVILLE

2 p.m. Tuesdays

Mark Daniel, Magical Storyteller

2 p.m. Tuesday, July 30

July 14: Native Americans

July 21: Fun Around the World

July 28: Mark Daniel, Magical Storyteller

LIBERTY

11 a.m. Tuesdays

The Magic of Mark Daniel

11 a.m. Tuesday, July 26

July 5: All-a-Flutter Butterfly Farm

July 12: Collecting Stories, Collecting Friends: Liberty Shares Its Collections

July 19: Far East Tour: Visit China with Miss Ann Origami – Irene Smith

July 26: The Magic of Mark Daniel

July 28: (Thursday): Hooray for the World Finale Ice Cream Party

RANDLEMAN

Ages 5 and up, Thursdays

Magician Mark Daniel

10:30 a.m. Thursday, July 21

July 7: Local Legends with a Local Lady, 10:30 a.m.

July 7: Movie & Popcorn, Open Season, 4 p.m.

July 14: Birdman Dave, 10:30 a.m.

July 14: Movie & Popcorn, Yogi Bear, 4 p.m.

July 21: Mark Daniel, 10:30 a.m.

July 21: Movie: Gnomeo & Juliet, 4 p.m.

Scholastic Book Fair

Monday, July 25-Saturday, July 30

RAMSEUR

10:30 a.m. Thursdays, Ramseur Municipal Building unless otherwise noted

Magical Storyteller Mark Daniel

10:30 a.m. Thursday, July 28

July 7: Carol Kendall, Nature Research Library

July 14: Danish Fairy Tales with Jonna Libbert

July 21: The Gullions, a Chinese Treasure

July 28: Magical Storyteller Mark Daniel

SEAGROVE

Tuesdays at 1 p.m. unless otherwise noted

Mark Daniel

2 p.m. Tuesday, July 26

July 5: Fairytales from Denmark

July 12: Susan's Indian Show

July 19: Macon Martial Arts

July 26 (2 p.m.): Mark Daniel

memorials & donations

In Memory of: Henry F. Allred
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By: Wally and Sandy Jarrell

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By: Wally and Sandy Jarrell

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By: Susan Coltrane

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Linda Cockerham

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Jimmy, Pam and Allie Hill

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Jimmy, Pam and Allie Hill

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Jimmy, Pam and Allie Hill

In Honor of: Arlene Smith
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