

Cookbook author Sheri Castle brings 'Taste of South' to Friends fundraiser

♣ A gourmet dinner and appetizers prepared on the spot will highlight "A Taste of the South," a fundraiser for the Friends of the Library, 7-10 p.m. Friday, October 14 at Pinewood Country Club.

The menu will feature recipes from *The New Southern Garden Cookbook: Recipes for Enjoying the Best from Homegrown Gardens, Farmers' Markets, Roadside Stands and CSA Farm Boxes* by Sheri Castle, who will talk about her book and, in a demonstration for attendees, prepare appetizers that will be served before the meal.

Tickets are \$50 per person and can be purchased at the Asheboro Public Library Circulation Desk. All proceeds go to Friends activities and programs.



Castle is a food writer and cooking instructor based in Chapel Hill. Her recipes and essays have appeared over many years in magazines including *Southern Living* and *Better Homes and Gardens*.

She teaches classes at markets including Whole Foods and A Southern Season, as well as private classes, and assists with recipe testing and development.

The New Southern Garden Cookbook focuses on the pleasures of fresh, local, seasonal food. It offers over 300 recipes for delicious, healthy, home-cooked

meals made possible by the diverse array of fruits and vegetables grown in the South, and most of the rest of the nation as well.

It was named a notable cookbook by *The New York Times*, and an editor's pick by *Southern Living*.

Friends event to feature 3rd Marjorie Memory Pottery Auction

Vintage pottery donated by two collectors will be sold during the 3rd annual Marjorie Memory Pottery Auction at the "A Taste of the South" fundraiser. Memory (1918-2009) was a librarian at UNC-Greensboro, and penned the official history of the Randolph County Public Library (to 1967) as her master of library science thesis. Her good friend and colleague Stanley Hicks, now of Enid, OK, initiated the auction, which this year includes pottery donated by Hicks and William Ivey. Proceeds go to support Friends programs and activities. The pieces are on view at the Asheboro library, and at randolphlibrary.org/memory.htm. Online bidding is available. Find a listing of the items on page 3.



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As much park as parking lot

♣ I returned to the Asheboro library on Friday, August 26, after a weary trek home from a three-day conference of North Carolina library directors.

I suppose I could have taken the rest of the day off, but there was something at the library I wanted to see. A couple of days earlier, Assistant Director George Taylor had texted me a photo of our new fountain — complete with running water.

As I walked to the library doors, a man in a straw hat was sitting by the fountain, contemplating. Later, from my office window, I noticed two teenagers sitting on the lip of the fountain, chatting.

As I left the library, two families were hanging out around it, one of the groups using it as a backdrop for pictures. When I returned later (everyone told me I should see the fountain lighted at night), three carloads of folks stopped by to check it out in the ten minutes or so I was here.

And so it has gone every day since.

With the flick of a switch that let water flow, the fountain became a focal point and gathering place for the community.

The fountain is the central element of the library's new parking lot, completed on Friday, September 2.

The parking lot, which provides a net gain of 35 parking spaces for a total of 100, and a net gain of two handicapped spaces for six total, has been a city-county effort over many years.

The City of Asheboro acquired one of

the houses north of the library on Cox Street, and Randolph County contributed to the city's acquisition of the second house.

The county also secured the property on the corner of Salisbury and Cox streets for courthouse overflow parking, turning it over to the city for the library project.

City staff planned the new lot, and city crews built it. City workers executed the project so that library visitors were inconvenienced as little as possible.

The crews were always accommodating when we discovered something we had overlooked in the planning, such as situating the book drop boxes most effectively, or close parking for library vans.

Although new flagpoles once were in the plan, we're sticking with the original pole that Adam Shirley, son of our Business Manager Linda Shirley, put in place in 1998 as his Eagle Scout project. It will be lighted so that we can fly the colors 24/7.

Finally, the parking lot — as much a park as parking lot — completes the vision of Alvis George, who designed both the award-winning original building in 1964 and its expansion in 1994. Forced by necessity to face the 1994 renovation into the center of the block, he envisioned, one day, a clear view from Salisbury Street, and indeed the new county courthouse was oriented with that expectation also.

And what an impressive, sweeping view it is.

Collectible pieces highlight auction

♣ Here are the items donated by Stanley Hicks and William Ivey for the Marjorie Memory Pottery Auction.

- A Burlon Craig (Catawba Valley, NC) swirlware butter dish.
 - Four miniature jugs by Dorothy Auman of Seagrove, circa 1949 and probably made in the shop of her father, C.C. Cole.
 - A capped salt and pepper set signed by Charlie Moore of Jugtown.
 - An M.L. Owens face jug.
 - A 12-piece child's tea set, each piece signed by Neolia or Cecilia Cole (all pieces— cups, pitchers, candlesticks — fit on a plate less than seven inches in diameter).
 - An early Jugtown pitcher.
 - A J.B. Cole candle dish in watermelon glaze.
 - An old Westmoore pitcher and lid with cobalt decoration made by David Farrell.
 - A salt glaze bowl by R.E. Albright, an old-time Seagrove potter.
 - A pitcher with blue bird decoration and lid by Marvin Bailey, a noted South Carolina potter.
- View the entire collection, including the marks, at randolphlibrary.org/memory.htm.

Holder to reprise jewelry ID event

♣ Antique expert Pat Holder will present a jewelry identification event at 7 p.m. Thursday, September 22, at the Asheboro library.

Sponsored by the Friends of the Library, it's free and the public is invited.

Holder invites attendees to bring jewelry heirlooms and hand-me-



Pat Holder

downs. She will not appraise the items, but will assess what types of metal and stones they contain, and provide any additional history.

Holder is an antique dealer with 24 years experience. Her specialties include oriental porcelains and estate jewelry.

She previously conducted a jewelry ID event at the library in 2007.

Library to participate in tech study

♣ Users of the library's online resources will be able to share their opinions in a national survey from September 12-30.

The U.S. Impact Study, sponsored by the University of Washington Information School and the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation, will collect data about the impact of free access to computers and the Internet in public libraries for purposes of evaluation and advocacy.

Library patrons can respond to the survey on the library's website at randolphlibrary.org, or when logging into a computer at the library. During the survey period, the library has added 10 minutes to Internet time limits to assist patrons in both completing the survey and getting their online work done.

The 10-15 minute survey is voluntary and confidential. It seeks information on how people use library computers for jobseeking, education and other topics.

Book discussions

Asheboro Reads: *Left Neglected* by Lisa Genova, 2 p.m. Tuesday, September 27.

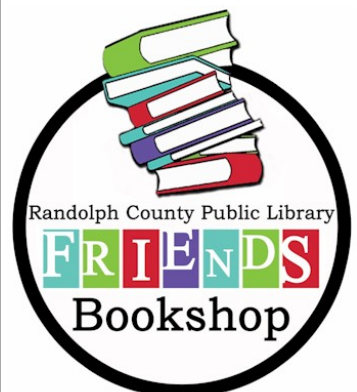
Luna Book Club: *Caleb's Crossing* by Geraldine Brooks, 7 p.m. Tuesday, September 27.

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

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

Shelsky to sign

Sci-Fi/Fansaty author Rob Shelsky will sell and sign copies of his books, 6-8 p.m. Friday, September 16 at the Friends Bookshop.



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**Coupon guru
Angela Newsom
to return to library**

If you missed coupon guru Angela Newsom's workshop in July, don't worry — she's back! Newsom will return with "Coupon Makeover" at 6 p.m. Monday, September 26.

She will talk about using coupons effectively to buy groceries for pennies on the dollar. The program is free and the public is invited, but registration is required. Call 318-6803 to register.



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