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Library, Arts Guild team for personalized poems

♣ How would you like to create a poem and have it acted out for you, or have a poem written especially for you?

Now you can, during a two-part event called “Poetry While You Wait” on Tuesday, October 15, at the Asheboro Public Library for children and teens, and later at Lumina Wine and Beer for adults.

Both sessions are free and are sponsored by the Friends of the Library and the Randolph Arts Guild. They are part of the Guild’s quarterly Literary Night series, which celebrates the art of words.

The first part of the event for children and teens will take place at 4 p.m. at the library. Be thinking of a topic,



and collaborate with other participants and an array of local wordsmiths – including Micki Bare, Dave Bare, Sue Farlow, Kyle Thomas, Philip Shore and Les Caison – to create a poem. Then Operation Improv!, the local high school improvisational theatrical group, will act out the poems with the audience and demonstrate improvisational acting techniques.

At 7 p.m., the second part of the event for adults will take place at Lumina, with the poets crafting personalized poems at the request of

audience members.

For further information, call the library at 318-6803 or the Arts Guild at 629-0399. Lumina is located at 152 Sunset Avenue.

Author Terrance Zepke to tell NC ghost stories

Evening with writer of scary stories to feature Halloween costume contest

♣ Hear about headless ghosts, mischievous specters, boo hags, conjurers, swamp specters, strange phenomena, superstitions and more — all close to home — as author Terrance Zepke tells scary tales at the library.

Zepke will present “N.C. Ghosts Galore: Spooky Tales for All Ages” at 6 p.m. Thursday, October 24 at the Asheboro library.

The event will open with a costume contest, which Zepke will help judge. Attendees are invited to don their most inventive and creative Halloween costumes.



Terrance Zepke

Her appearance, sponsored by the Friends of the Library, is free and the public is welcome. Refreshments will be provided.

Zepke is author of 19 books about ghosts of the United States, the southeast and the Carolinas, as well as books about pirates and lighthouses. *Her Encyclopedia of Cheap Travel* is in its second edition and was praised by *The Washington Post*, the *Associated Press* and CNN.

She holds a masters in mass communications from the University of South Carolina, and has traveled every continent and lived all over the world.

She says she always returns to the Carolinas.

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Ross A. Holt



A skeleton crew, but not a scary one

♣ **If you find a skeleton crew on duty during the week of October 14, it has nothing to do with Terrance Zepke's upcoming ghost story appearance.**

That's the week of the North Carolina Library Association's (NCLA) 60th Biennial Conference, and we encourage as many of our staff as possible to attend, even if only for a day.

The NCLA is the primary professional association for librarians in North Carolina. It gives us the opportunity to exchange ideas and stay current with library trends.

It serves librarians from all types of libraries, and those involved in all types in activities in the profession, such as literacy, special collections, management, youth services and more.

Participation in the North Carolina Library Association is a tradition at the Randolph County Public Library. Former Library Director Charlesanna Fox served as president from 1953-1955, and I had that honor from 2001-2003.

Many staff have served on various NCLA sections and committees. While a librarian in Forsyth County, Assistant Director George Taylor attended and later chaired the prestigious NCLA Leadership Institute.

Former staff member Jonathan Farlow also attended the institute, and later chaired NCLA's Reference and Adult Services Section.

So when fall of an odd-numbered year rolls around, we make space in our schedule

for the NCLA conference. Writing this same kind of column 20 years ago, then-Library Director Richard Wells put it this way:

"The conference allows all the librarians in the state to meet and basically get their batteries charged. The speakers, workshops, awards, vendors and, yes, socializing, all make those who attend realize that the profession is alive and well. Upon returning from the conference, librarians bring with them ideas and opportunities for improved services."

This year's conference offers more than 100 programs over four days. The vast array of topics to choose from includes digital reference, community partnerships, new supervisors, public libraries and grade-level reading, organizing a job fair, libraries and the homeless, strategic planning and community needs analysis, fair use and copyright, emergency preparedness, innovative genealogy and very many more.

There's a session on helping patrons trace descendants of African-American Civil War veterans, and one led by N.C. Poet Laureate Joseph Bathanti on hosting poetry discussions in the library.

Not to mention a brace of famous authors and library leaders, and just the joy of basking in and soaking up the experiences, ideas and innovations of our colleagues from across the state.

So if you hear the bones of our skeleton crew clattering in mid-October, rest assured that we will return recharged with brilliant ideas and big plans.

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Get help with ebooks, audio and e-magazines at “E-stuff on the Go”

♣ Asheboro library staff are offering “E-stuff on the Go” open help sessions during October and November to demonstrate how to download content from the library’s digital collections.

Sessions are open to all ages and will take place as follows:

- Friday, October 4, 10 a.m.
- Tuesday, October 24, 4 p.m.
- Thursday, November 7, 4 p.m.

• Saturday, November 16, 10 a.m.
Assistance will be provided on a first-come first-served basis.

More than 5,300 downloadable electronic titles are available with a library card. They include ebooks, audiobooks and magazines.

The digital content is compatible with computers and major devices such as iPads, Android tablets, smartphones, Kindles, Nooks and other portable devices.

Call 318-6803 for more information.

Friends to host discussion after *Serial Killer’s Daughter* reading

♣ The Friends of the Library will host a discussion with poet Pat Riviere-Seel following a staged reading of her collection of poems, *The Serial Killer’s Daughter*.

The reading, staged by RSVP Community Theater, will take place at 7 p.m. Thursday, October 3, at the Sunset Theatre. The discussion and refreshments will follow.

Another reading will take place at 2:30 p.m. Sunday, October 6, during

Asheboro’s Fall Festival. Both readings are free and the public is invited.

The Serial Killer’s Daughter explores the impact of the murders committed by Velma Barfield, and her subsequent execution, on Barfield’s daughter, and the daughter’s reflections. It received the Roanoke-Chowan Award for Poetry in 2009.

Riviere-Seel was one of the poets participating in the Poetry of Conservation project initiated in 2012 by the NC Zoo, the library and the Randolph Arts Guild.

Mayflower talk focuses on Pilgrims

♣ Local members of the Mayflower Society will present a program for children about the Pilgrim settlers from 3:30-4:30 p.m. Monday, October 4, at the Asheboro library.

The program is free and the public is

invited.

In addition to discussing the immigrants’ experiences, the program will focus on what it was like to try to survive in early colonial America.

Members of the society are descended from passengers on the Mayflower.

Friends Bookshop renovation to follow Sunset reopening

Renovations to the Friends of the Library Bookshop will begin after September 20, when the Sunset Theatre reopens, and will include wiring, HVAC and cleaning work, and

the addition of a dumbwaiter to enable storage on the second floor of the building.

No reopening date has been set.

Book discussions

Asheboro Reads: *Freeman* by Leonard Pitts, 2 p.m. Tuesday, October 29.

Luna Book Club: *TBD* 7 p.m. Tuesday, October 29. (Asheboro)

Men in Black Book Club: *Transmigration of Timothy Archer* by Philip K. Dick, Noon Thursday, October 17. (Asheboro)

Archdale Book Break: *A Step of Faith* by Richard Paul Evans, 2 p.m. Tuesday, October 15.

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

Credit Cards


Got fines and fees? Need to print out *War and Peace* at 20 cents per page? Charge it!

The Asheboro and Archdale libraries, as part of a Randolph County government initiative, are now accepting payment by credit card. The library will accept Visa, MasterCard and Discover credit cards, and debit cards associated with these brands.

There is a 2.67 percent convenience fee added to all charges.

Medicare Fraud

The N.C. Senior Medicare Patrol Program will present “Avoid Medicare Fraud!” from 2-3 p.m. Thursday, September 26, at the Archdale library. It’s free and the public is invited.



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

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P.O. Box 2806
Asheboro, NC 27204
Memberships are tax deductible

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Teen Talk & Text Afternoon

4 p.m. Wednesday, Sept. 25

Take a break from homework and tell us what you'd like to see the library doing!

FREE! Refreshments provided

ANIME CLUB

Teens & Tweens ages 10-18
4 p.m. Friday September 27
Asheboro library

KIDS! Meet

Johnny Appleseed

Celebrate the famed pioneer's birthday and learn about apples in America with history, stories and apple crafts.



3:30 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 26
Asheboro Library
~FREE!~

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