

# Hiroshima witness McGlohon to inaugurate new WWII collection

♣ Asheboro native John McGlohon's B-29 reconnaissance aircraft lifted off on August 6, 1945, for what he expected would be a routine flight.

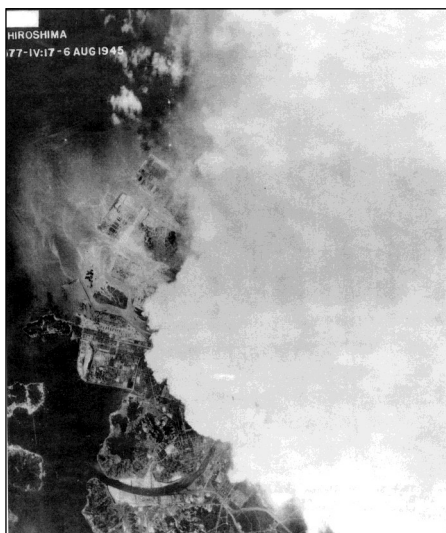
Something big was brewing, but orders to avoid a particular area of Japan did not reach his squadron. The day ended with photographer McGlohon having snapped the only directly-overhead images in the immediate aftermath of the Hiroshima atomic bomb blast.

McGlohon will talk about the events of that historic day at 6:30 p.m. Thursday, August 11, at the Asheboro library.

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

The event also inaugurates the Robert C. Taylor, Jr., Memorial World War II Collection, which the library received as part of a bequest from the estate of Mr. Taylor's wife, Randleman native Margaret Cashatt Taylor (see accompanying story). Books and DVDs from the collection will be on display and available for checkout during the program.

McGlohon returned home after the war and operated a photography business (many of the company's photos



*John McGlohon's photograph of the immediate aftermath of the Hiroshima blast. More: [www.tinyurl.com/mcgloh](http://www.tinyurl.com/mcgloh)*

## *Bequest yields books, funds, for World War II, cooking collections*

♣ Years ago, Randleman native Margaret Cashatt Taylor told librarian Louise Hudson that when she passed away, she would leave her books to the library.

Mrs. Taylor, who died in 2015 in Dearborn, MI, made good on her vow. She bequeathed her late husband Robert's World War II books and DVDs to the Randolph County Public Library, along with her books on cooking and culinary arts. The bequest also included funds to enhance and sustain the collections.

The World War II collection consisted of 322 high-quality books and 104 DVDs. The cooking collection consisted of 611 titles, mostly cookbooks.

Taylor's World War II books and DVDs that are added to the library's collection, and those purchased with the funds, will become part of The Robert C. Taylor, Jr., Memorial World War II Collection. Cooking-related books added and purchased will become part of The Margaret C. Taylor Memorial Culinary Arts Collection.

are included in the library's online collection). In 1955, he joined the Asheboro Fire Department, and served as Chief from 1961 to 1985.

After retiring, he served on the city council from 1987 to 2005.

*John McGlohon during wartime with his aerial reconnaissance camera.*



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# Marsha Haithcock retires

## ♣ Marsha Haithcock knows where the bodies are buried.

Literally!

As head of the Randolph Room — the library's genealogy and local history service — Marsha has helped thousands of visitors discover their family histories, and has made indispensable contributions to the preservation of local history. "I think I'll always remember how tears flowed when our patrons found their long lost ancestors. How grateful they were that *someone* was keeping their family history," she says.

In a typical response to one of our annual surveys, a Randolph Room patron observed, "Mrs. Haithcock was extremely helpful. Got all my research needs done and it was thanks to her!"

Marsha retired on July 1 after 37 years with the library as a county employee, plus two years prior as part of a federal jobs program.

A Sophia native and lifelong county resident, Marsha began her career in 1977 as manager of the newly-developing Archdale Public Library, and, when needed, filling in at the Asheboro library. After three years in Archdale, during which the library relocated from Archdale City Hall to a building on South Main Street, she came to Asheboro full time.

She served in the Reference Department, and in the Randolph Room with librarian Carolyn Hager. It was in the Randolph Room that she met a family researcher named Jeff Haithcock, who, in

1984 would become her husband.

When Hager retired in 1991, Marsha was named head of the Randolph Room.

One of her first projects in her new role was to begin indexing obituaries from *The Courier/The Courier-Tribune* newspapers. She and her staff scoured the microfilm of each newspaper issue beginning in 1903, meticulously recording names, dates of death and obituary dates.

The index is now complete to 1999, and is the only such resource available for most of the newspaper's time in publication.

It was on Marsha's watch also that the very popular online Randolph County Historical Photograph Collection was created. To date, over 5,800 images from as early as the late 1800s have been digitized and are available through the library catalog, with more being added each day.

It was Marsha who sifted through the photos to be scanned, identifying as many people as she could in each image.

During her career, Marsha met genealogists from all over the U.S. and attended a National Genealogical Conference. She is a member of the local Daughters of the American Revolution chapter, and with her family has participated in living history encampments around the state and at Gettysburg, PA.

Marsha also serves, and will continue, as a member of the Randolph County Historic Landmark Preservation Commission.

In retirement, Marsha plans to spend time with her son Jeff and his wife Erica — and at the beach with husband Jeff.

# 'REAL2' gives students access to library books and e-resources, via student IDs

♣ All 4,822 students in the Asheboro City Schools no longer need a library card to check out books or access online library resources.

They can use their student IDs.

The library and the school system this month launched REAL2 — Randolph Educational Access for Limitless Learning. The project imports students' information into the library's cardholder database, and makes their student IDs numbers behave like traditional library cards.

All a student has to do is log onto a



Randolph Educational Access  
for Limitless Learning



library resource with their student ID number and PIN, or verbally provide the ID number to check out an item.

There are no overdue fines (but students are responsible for lost material), and it doesn't matter if a student already has a card.

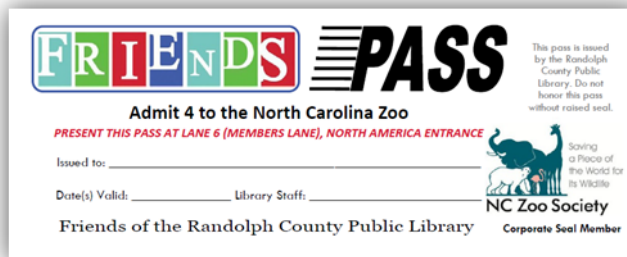
A special portal, [www.randolphlibrary.org/real2](http://www.randolphlibrary.org/real2), provides students with direct access to electronic resources and the catalog, with specific resources recommended for grades K-5 and 6-12. Students can also access resources via the library website, [randolphlibrary.org](http://randolphlibrary.org), and research website, [randquest.org](http://randquest.org).

## With free zoo pass, check out a polar bear!

♣ You've always been able to check out library books about polar bears and other animals.

Now you can check out the real things with a "Friends Pass" to the North Carolina Zoo. The passes provide free admission for up to four people, and are available at the Asheboro library circulation desk.

The Friends of the Library purchased a Corporate Seal membership in the North Carolina Zoological Society, enabling the Friends to provide up to four passes to library patrons.



Guidelines for using the passes were developed by the library, the Zoo Society and the Zoo.

Passes are available on a first-come first-served basis and are good for a visit on the day obtained or the next day. The passes cannot be reserved.

**FANCY CAT TOYS**  
Kids — make a fancy cat toy for your favorite feline friend!  
4 p.m. Thursday, August 25  
Asheboro library

Online reading and learning resources for children in grades K-5  
Find Tumblebooks [www.randolphlibrary.org/digitalmedia.html](http://www.randolphlibrary.org/digitalmedia.html)  
Log on with your library card or student ID.

## Discussions

**Asheboro Reads:** *The Constable's Tale* by Donald Smith, 2 p.m. Tuesday, August 30; *The Prime of Miss Jean Brodie* by Muriel Spark, 2 p.m. Tuesday, August 27.

**Max and Imaginary Friends Children's Book Club:** "A-Traveling We Will Go!" 3:30 p.m. *Archdale*: no August meeting; *Asheboro*: Wednesday, August 18; *Randleman*: Thursday, August 19.

## Get Creative!

The Liberty library's free "Get Creative" craft events for ages 12 and up continue on Thursdays from 3:30-4:30 p.m.; supplies provided. **August 4:** Adult Coloring. **August 11:** Masking Tape Art. **August 18:** Chalkboard Paint Message Board. **August 25:** Origami!

## Summer finale

The Archdale library will host an "End of Summer Reading Celebration" at 1:30 p.m. Thursday, August 11, featuring crafts, games, stories and ice cream. It's free but supplies are limited, so registration is required. Call the library at 336-431-3811 to sign up.

## Marley in Ramseur

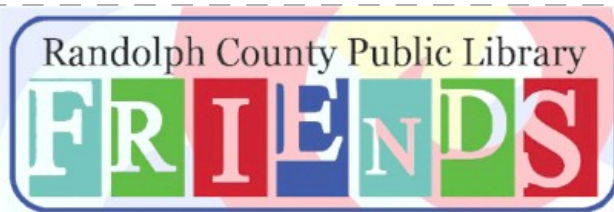
Author Tracey Marley will visit the Ramseur library, 2-4 p.m. Tuesday, August 9, for a talk and book signing.

**Loretta Luttman  
to talk butterflies  
at Asheboro library**

Loretta "The Butterfly Lady" Luttman will present "An In-Depth Look at Butterflies, Predators and Anomalies" at 6 p.m. Tuesday, August 2, at the Asheboro library.

She also will talk about congenial plants for butterflies.

Sponsored by the Friends, Luttman's talk is 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.**

**Mail to: Friends of the Library**

**P.O. Box 2806**

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*Memberships are tax deductible*

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## USED BOOK SALE



**Monday, Aug. 8-**

**Friday, Aug. 12**

**1-5 p.m.**

**Saturday, Aug. 13**

**10:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m.**

***Randleman Public Library***

***142 W. Academy St. • 336-498-3141***

## memorials & donations

**In Memory of: Maria Richardson Bliss**

By: Thursday Study Club

**In Memory of: June Cochran**

By: Reviewers Book Club

**In Memory of: Percy McLain Farlow**

By: Grant Andrews

Ann and Tommy Bostick

Susan Coltrane

**In Memory of: Alma Davis Grose**

By: Susan Coltrane and Jonna Libbert

**In Memory of: Nina Vaughn**

By: Joanne S. Morgan

**In Memory of: Leona Wood**

By: Steven and Dianne Wrenn

Thursday Study Club

**In Honor of: Marlo Francis**

By: Pam, Jimmy and Allie Hill

**In Honor of: Kim Markham**

By: Pam, Jimmy and Allie Hill

**In Honor of: Julie Moore**

By: Pam, Jimmy and Allie Hill

**In Honor of: Cynthia Pierce and Addi Routh**

By: Susan Coltrane

## TeenZone

*Thursdays, Asheboro library; Free!*

### Technology Bazaar!

**5 p.m. August 25.** Meet Edison, the library robot, and play around with coding and Minecraft using Raspberry Pi.

**Design a T-shirt: 4 p.m. August 4.**

Bring a t-shirt and iron on a design you print using library computers.

**Video Game Afternoon: 5 p.m.**

**August 11.** Wii and Wii U games.

**Teen Zone Jam Session: 5 p.m.**

**August 18.** Make some music!

## Talk