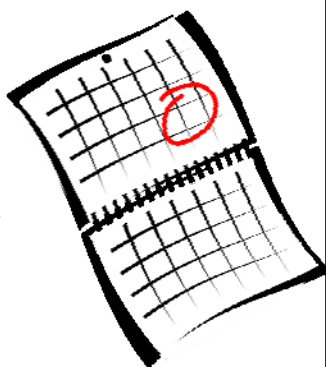


THANK YOU

A Special Thank You to Genevieve Ballie for preparing the impressive World War II display in the glass case in the library in conjunction with the Wilson Reads! events. We are especially grateful to Jerry Judd and Cindy Heacox (in memory of her father) for sharing their collections of World War II memorabilia for the exhibit. Be sure to stop by the display case often to see the changing array of collections.

SAVE THE DATE

Friends of the Wilson County Public Library are happy to welcome Settle Plyler Monroe as she presents a program on her work as an author/blogger. Her touching, comforting writing has been included in THE NEWS & OBSERVER and WALTER, RALEIGH'S LIFE AND SOUL. Her family ties to the library and to Wilson are many. Please mark your calendar for Thursday, February 6th, 2014, 6:30pm, in the Assembly Room of the library. Admission is free and open to all.



For a library at your fingertips, visit www.NCLIVE.org. Use your WCPL library card to keep hundreds of newspapers and magazines and other reference materials available 24-7.

FRIENDS

of the Wilson County Public Library

NEWSLETTER - December 2013

Announcing the Annual Meeting of FRIENDS OF THE WILSON COUNTY PUBLIC LIBRARY Thursday, January 23, 2014, 6:30pm

In the Assembly Room
of the Wilson County Public Library.

Please use the Jackson Street entrance.

The agenda will include a recap of 2013 FOL activities, election of 2014 officers, and recognition of individuals whose volunteer service has positively shaped Friends.

Please mark your calendar to attend.

FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY WIN THE FRANCES B. REID AWARD

The Friends of the Wilson County Public Library were awarded the Frances B. Reid Award from the Friends of North Carolina Public Library for their outstanding service to their library and community for 2013. The award included a \$200 check to first place winners and a framed recognition certificate which was presented at the FONCPL Annual Meeting which was held at the Durham County Library on Saturday, October 26th.

Frances B. Reid was the guiding force in organizing and establishing the Friends of North Carolina Public Libraries (FONCPL) organization in 1980. As a consultant in Library Development at the NC State Library, she encouraged volunteers, helped draft organization by-laws and was always there when questions needed answers. She exhibited wit and wisdom that was needed to bring FONCPL into fruition. We recognize our debt of gratitude to her by the establishment of the annual Frances B. Reid awards, given to outstanding Friends groups in our state.

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FUNDRAISER HELD AT THE WHIRLIGIG FESTIVAL

The Friends of the Library had a very successful fundraiser at the 9th Annual Whirligig Festival held on November 2 & 3. Used books were sold from the Wilson County Public Library's Bookmobile with all items priced at \$1.00 or less. The fundraiser raised \$1,154.50 with proceeds going to the purchase of new materials for the library.

David Snider, Bookmobilitist, has been sorting books for the fundraiser since he took the position as Bookmobilitist on August 1st. During the week of the event, all of the bookmobile's regular items are removed from the vehicle and it is loaded with used books for the sale. During the week after the event, the process is done in reverse. Members of the Friends of the Library and staff members are involved in making this event a success. During the Whirligig Festival visitors commented that they came to the event specifically to purchase bargain books!

LIBRARY STAFF MEMBERS PARTICIPATED IN SPELLING BEE

The library team consisting of Elizabeth Dunn, Megan Proctor, David Snider and Katie Whetzel participated in the 19th Annual Wilson Education Partnership Adult Spelling Bee held at Beddingfield High School on November 7th. The library team, which was sponsored by the Friends of the Wilson County Public Library, made it to the third round of competition and had a great time competing in the event.

Forty teams participated in this year's event and the winning team was from Darden Middle School. They competed in a spell-off against Wilson County Schools Senior Administrators (Supt. Bulson and Asst. Supts. Bullock, Davis, & Vogelmann) and won by correctly spelling "brodequin" (a high shoe once worn by women).

RECIPROCAL BORROWING AGREEMENT WITH BARTON COLLEGE'S HACKNEY LIBRARY

There is now a reciprocal agreement with the Hackney Library at Barton College which allows all of the Wilson County Public Library customers (age 16 and up) who are in good standing with the public library to check out books free of charge from the Barton Library. This agreement started this summer and offers a checkout period of three weeks, with one renewal, just like at the public library. If you need additional information, call the library: 237-5355.

LUCAMA BRANCH LIBRARY HAS EXTENDED HOURS

The Lucama Branch Library has increased its hours so that it is now open to the public 40 hours per week. Effective November 1, the new hours are 10:00am to 6:00pm Monday through Friday. Lindsay Shockley has joined the Branch Manager, Alison Howard, to provide programming and services in Lucama.

FACTS ABOUT THE WILSON COUNTY PUBLIC LIBRARY

Did you know that the library's catalog is also available as a mobile application? LS2 Mobile is a smart-phone application that allows patrons to connect with the library using any mobile or WI-FI Internet service. Users can search the library's catalog, reserve titles, cancel holds, and check their account balances with this application.

Did you know that library customers can also receive email messages or text messages concerning arrived holds, pre-minders for items coming due, overdue items and receipts for items currently checked out? You do not need to receive paper copies of any messages anymore.

Did you know that library customers can fax items in the reference department for a nominal fee? (They cannot receive faxes—only send.)

Did you know that the Wilson County Public Library proctors online tests for college students for free? Staff members in our reference department are certified proctors. All we ask is that you call in advance to schedule a test.

Did you know that the Wilson County Public Library offers computer classes to the public for free? Sessions are usually an hour and a half long and are hands-on.

Did you know that the Main Library has 34 timed computer stations to help you with your research and Internet needs? All users can print for \$0.20 for black & white or in color for \$0.50 per page. All Internet users must be Wilson County Public Library patrons in good standing. Visitors who are not library customers may apply at the Reference Desk for guest privileges with limited Internet access for 30 minutes.

Age	Restrictions
5 to 12	Parent, guardian, or another designated adult family member must personally conduct/supervise all Internet sessions
13 to 17	Parent or guardian must authorize Internet use but does not need to be present.
18 or older	User is responsible for Internet use.

Did you know the Main Library has a **Career and Test Prep Collection, housed on the second floor in the Adult Services area**? The collection includes resources on business, careers, tests, colleges, scholarships, science, math, and more. This collection is located on the second floor in the Adult Services area.

This collection was supported by grant funds from the Institute of Museum and Library Services under the provisions of the federal Library Services and Technology Act as administered by the State Library of North Carolina, a division of the Department of Cultural Resources.

Did you know that the library had 228,840 visitors for FY2012-13?

Did you know the library circulated 259,222 print items for FY2012-13?

Did you know the library circulated 8,777 audio books (books on CD)?

Did you know the library circulated 40,850 videos?

Did you know the library held 313 children's programs with 10,036 children in attendance?

Did you know the library held 46 programs for adults with 557 in attendance?

Did you know the staff answered 27,168 questions from library patrons?