

Wilson Reads Suggestion Form

Thank you for taking the time to share your ideas!

We need your book suggestions for next year's Wilson Reads. The goal of the Wilson Reads program is to foster a love of reading and to provide a community - wide forum for discussion.

Although the form asks for personal information, anonymous suggestions may also be submitted and will be considered. Of course, providing contact information allows for follow-up questions and discussion regarding the suggestion that has been submitted.

First Name _____ Last Name _____

Phone _____ Email Address _____

WHAT IS YOUR SUGGESTION?

Please let us know why you think this would be a good book for a community - wide discussion.

Author _____ Title _____

If you would like to email your suggestions, please email Lisa Anderson, Chair of Wilson Reads Committee, at lisa_northstar@yahoo.com, or Deborah Webb, Wilson County Public Library, at dwebb@wilson-co.com

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Dear FRIENDS,

Welcome to a new year of Friends of the Wilson County Public Library supported author programs and events. Thanks to the splendid work of our Wilson Reads Committee, we were off to a fine start on January 28th as many of us gathered in the Assembly Room at the Library for a discussion of Lisa Genova's STILL ALICE, an Alzheimer's focused novel. The second and final session of Wilson Reads was a panel discussion of the novel at WiMed on February 18th.

Coming events include a presentation by Marianne Gingham, editor of LONG STORY SHORT: FLASH FICTION BY SIXTY-FIVE OF NORTH CAROLINA'S FINEST WRITERS, on Tuesday, March 2nd; a celebration of Poetry Month with former North Carolina Poet Laureate Fred Chappel on Thursday, April 15th; and the return of Amanda Lamb discussing her new book, EVIL NEXT DOOR: THE UNTOLD STORIES OF A KILLER UNDONE BY DNA, on Thursday, May 20th. All programs will be held in the newly sound enhanced Assembly Room of WCPL at 7:00 p.m. Admission is free. Please plan to attend each of these programs, and make every effort to bring a friend.

Your membership contribution dollars make author programs and other literary events at WCPL possible. Thank you. Please encourage others to renew or become new FRIENDS. Membership cards are available at the Library and through our website, www.wilsonlibraryfriends.org.

Visit our Wilson County Public Library often. Enjoy the countless number of opportunities it provides to enrich, educate, and entertain us. What a treasure!

Sue Dail, FRIENDS' President

From the library director:

Dear Friends,

Most of you know your library is full of treasures of various sorts. From favorite books to wonderful staff members to the beautiful facility itself, the library is a joy to visit and use. Very few people, however, know all about everything the library has to offer. On one of my Saturdays, I helped a nice lady who had been using the library all her life, but wasn't aware the library had an extensive North Carolina collection- full of North Carolina books of all kinds. She was extremely pleased to learn of it, and that has kept me thinking that we need to have an ongoing process to spread the word about all the library has to offer, so that we can have more moments of positive revelation like the one just described. Now, many of you may be familiar with what I am about to tell you, but some won't, so let's see whether I can introduce some people to a wonderful resource we have to offer!

Have you heard of NCLIVE? NCLIVE stands for North Carolina Libraries For Virtual Education, which is why people just call it NCLIVE. In a nutshell, NCLIVE is a gold mine in the form of a huge collection of online databases that gives library users access to online magazines, journals, newspapers, electronic books, downloadable audio books and e-video, and more. You can find articles in everything from Southern Living magazine to the New York Times newspaper, access electronic reference books, download PBS videos- the list goes on and on. You can search any way your imagination allows- through a particular title like your favorite magazine, or just by keyword, searching hundreds of newspapers or magazines at once. Many of the articles are full text, complete articles that you can read, print out, and/or email to yourself or a friend. More and more of them are in pdf format- scanned in and looking exactly like the original! The service is free. O.K., nothing is free, but it is already paid for by your NC tax dollars, which in this case have been stretched extremely far to provide a huge benefit at minimal cost per taxpayer. You can use it anywhere you have internet access- at the library, at home, at work or school, any time, night or day.

NCLIVE has been around for about a decade now, and it has grown and improved much over time, and that process is ongoing. The website gets better and better- visit <http://new.nclive.org> to find out. If you access the service outside the library, you will need to choose Wilson County Public Library as your sponsoring institution. In the past, you had to first be given a password by the library staff- but now you should also be able to use your library card number to gain remote access. NCLIVE is definitely a treasure and something that can benefit everyone- from students of all ages doing research to people who just don't want to fill up their home with back issues of magazines, and everyone in between. You can find just about anything in NCLIVE. If you haven't tried it, you are in for a treat! To learn more, talk to a reference librarian: Peter, Debbie, Joetta and Rusty are our front line experts who use NCLIVE the most. Stop by, or call them at 237-5355, and select 3 for reference desk. They'll be happy to help you, and if you are in the library, they can give you a hands on demonstration of this fabulous resource. Happy searching everyone, and please help us spread the word!

Greg Needham

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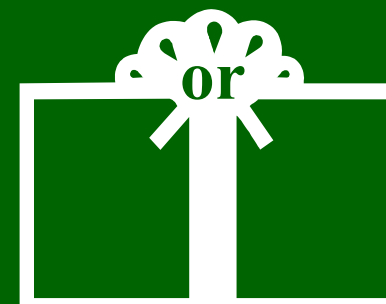
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