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FRIENDS' BOOK TOTES

You can't miss the "friendly" blue tote bag displayed at the circulation desk in the Main Library – and you can now have one for your very own! These handy book bags feature the Friends of the Library logo and are sturdy enough to hold a month's worth of reading. They also have a variety of other uses – at the beach, at the grocery store, at any time you need that extra hand to help carry. Profits go to support FOL programs, so proudly display your affiliation. The bags are available at the circulation desk in the Main Library and at all the branches for \$5.

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NEWSLETTER - MAY, 2011

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THE PRESIDENT'S CORNER

Nearly half the year has flown by – or maybe time seems to go faster because I'm going slower. We've had some excellent programs to date. March saw a delightful dramatization of an interview with Olive Kitteridge. In April, Shelby Stephenson presented an amazing poetry reading and blue grass jam. If you didn't attend these programs, you missed some very worthwhile entertainment.

Freedom, Sacrifice, Memory: A Civil War Sesquicentennial Photography Exhibit will continue to grace our lower lobby until the end of May. If you haven't viewed this yet, be sure to stop by the library and take a look. The Art Department at Barton College was kind enough to loan us some of their moveable walls to use in mounting this exhibit and the results are very professional looking. We owe many thanks to both our library staff and Barton for getting this in place. While the walls are moveable, they are not easily moveable, since each weighs 700 pounds and is too large to go through our doors without modifying the openings.

The programs for May and June will be discussed below. I hope we can have standing-room-only for these offerings. We're trying to cover diverse topics, hoping to appeal to the interests of a broad spectrum of our members. If you have any topics to suggest, please contact me at merry@myglnc.com. Be sure to put FOL in the subject line so your email doesn't disappear in the general clutter. For those of you who are happier phoning, my number is 243-7374. I look forward to getting your ideas. Your Friends organization wants to meet all our members' needs.

And don't miss the wonderful summer reading programs. A list appears in the center section of this newsletter. The Friends of the Library financially supports some of these offerings.

I look forward to seeing many of you at the upcoming events.

Merry Simmons

UPCOMING PROGRAMS

Mark your calendars for these not-to-be-missed events

Thursday, May 25th - 7 PM
Wilson County Public Library Assembly Room

The Italian Civil War Connection

One of the least known aspects of the history of the Civil War is the participation of Italian soldiers. These patriots, who had fought to liberate Italy from Austria and from the Bourbons in southern Italy, enlisted by the thousands into the Union army.

President Lincoln so admired Giuseppe Garibaldi, who had united Italy and was a hero of the Italian Resurgence, that he invited the Italian to become commander in chief of the Union Army. Learn more about this fascinating moment in Italian/American relations from Prof. Andrea Barattolo. Dr. Barattolo was Professor of Archaeology and History at University of Macerata (Italy) for thirty years.

Thursday, June 23rd - 7 PM
Wilson County Public Library Assembly Room

The World of Romance

More Romance titles are published each year than any other type of novel. What is it about this often maligned genre that makes it so popular? Katharine Ash, whose second historical romance, *Captured by a Rogue Lord*, was published this March by Avon, will try to answer this question. *Booklist* named Ashe "one of the new stars of historical romance," and her novella, *A Lady's Wish*, was chosen to lead off Avon's new online offering, Avon Impulse. When not writing, Katharine is a Professor of European History at Duke University.

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CHILDREN'S SUMMER READING PROGRAM:

"ONE WORLD, MANY STORIES"

- Saturday, June 11th** @ 3pm - Kick Off with Magician, Jeff Jones
*** Monday, June 13th** @ 7pm - African Drummer, Obakunle Akinlana
Tuesday, June 14th @ 7pm - Anansi Tales
*** Monday, June 20th** @ 7pm - Frida Kahlo Traveling Art Exhibit/ Hispanic Cultural Performance
Tuesday, June 21st @ 7pm - Hispanic Stories
Monday, June 27th @ 7pm - International Community Panel
Tuesday, June 28th @ 7pm - Pourquoi Stories
Tuesday, July 5th @ 7pm - Craft: Make Your Own Mask
Monday, July 11th @ 7pm - Didgeridoo Down Under featuring Lindsey Dank - Supported by the Paul McRae Kushner Memorial
Tuesday, July 12th @ 7pm - Australian Tales
Monday, July 18th @ 7pm - Clogging Presentation with Jayne Treadwell
Tuesday, July 19th @ 7pm - Martial Arts Exhibit featuring Kuntaw Palace
Monday, July 25th @ 7pm - Magician, Rob Wescott Supported by The Friends of the Wilson County Public Library
Tuesday, July 26th @ 7pm - Author being featured by Wilson Times

*This project was supported by a grant from the Arts Council of Wilson through the North Carolina Arts Council Grassroots Arts Program with funding from the state of North Carolina, which believes that a great nation deserves great art.

ADULT AND TEEN SUMMER READING PROGRAM:

"NOVEL DESTINATIONS"

Programs will be held in the Assembly Room. Pre-Registration is required for all events.

*Movies are for ages 13 and up. Please call 237-5355 x 5074 for more information.

- Tuesday, June 14th** @ 7pm - Scott Pilgrim* 'N Canada Can-Do
Tuesday, June 21st @ 7pm - Scrapbooking with Christina Campbell
Tuesday, June 28th @ 7pm - Summer Slam---Spoken Word Art
Tuesday, July 5th @ 7pm - Baskets and Trouble (Dolls)
Tuesday, July 12th @ 7pm - Chocolat*, Coffee or Tea
Tuesday, July 19th @ 7pm - Beadworks
Tuesday, July 22nd @ 7pm - Letterboxing @ Your Library
Tuesday, August 2nd @ 7pm - Vietnam Then and Now with Tom Curran

STORYTIME SCHEDULE FOR SUMMER

Storytimes will be held on Thursday Mornings from June 16 through July 21.

Lapsit: for children from birth-2 years old 9:30am to 9:50am

Preschool: for children from 3-5 years old 10:00am to 10:30am.

POPCORN AND A MOVIE... OR TWO!

If you are 13 or older, join us in the Assembly Room on the first Saturday of the month as we show a classic movie at 12:30 and a current movie at 3:30.

JUNE 4

- 12:30 Murder on the Orient Express
3:30 Chronicles of Narnia: The Voyage of the Dawn Treader

AUGUST 6

- 12:30 Bullitt
3:30 The Fast and the Furious

From the Library Director:

THE WILSON COUNTY PUBLIC LIBRARY HAS A NEW ONLINE CATALOG AND WEBSITE! Please bear with us as we transition to our new online catalog and website. Our new address is <http://www.wilsoncountypubliclibrary.org>. Here you will be directed to our greatly improved "e-Library" online catalog which allows you to search the library's holdings and to login to your account just as you have done in the past.

In order to access the library's new "Enterprise" website from the online catalog, you must click on the link: "Go Back to Enterprise" which is located in the upper left corner of the page. While there, please use the Facebook link to sign up for news from the library! To navigate back to the online catalog (e-Library) from the library's homepage (Enterprise), you can click on the link: "My Account Login and Catalog" in the upper left corner of the page---or you can simply enter information into the Search box at the upper middle of the page.

In the very near future our new address <http://www.wilsoncountypubliclibrary.org> will take you to the library's Enterprise website first and from there you will be able to navigate to the online catalog. We will be using the Enterprise homepage as our temporary website, but we felt that we needed to move to the new online catalog as soon as possible. We apologize for any confusion caused by these changes and hope that you agree the new online catalog is much more user-friendly than the previous online catalog! For more information, please contact Becky Callison at 252-237-5355 ext 5024.



Part of the Civil War Photo Exhibit now on display.

Photo by Bob Wicker