

Get A Clue @ Your Library

Super sleuths and daring detectives are invited to join the 2007 Summer Reading Program at the New Bern-Craven County Public Library. The children's reading program is open to young people, toddler through sixth grade, with story-times, prize drawings, a reading club and more.



Early registration begins Monday, June 25. We will kick-off July's Summer Reading Program on Thursday, June 28 with two performances by *Rags To Riches: Theatre For Young Audiences* at 5:00 p.m. and 7:00 p.m. in the library auditorium. Children will need a ticket to attend this special event. Free tickets will be available in the Children's Services Department beginning June 11.

Children who have completed grades K-6 participate in the Summer Reading Club, set their own reading goal, and may read any books on their reading level that are in the Craven-Pamlico-Carteret Regional Library System. Any child who is not reading independently, may be read to by another reader.

The Read-To-Me program is especially for toddlers and preschoolers. Any books read to these young people during July may count toward their reading certificate. A program schedule and rule sheet will be given to each participant at registration.

The library welcomes children of all abilities. All programs are free of

charge. The story-times and club sessions are designed for individual children. Due to limited space, we cannot accommodate groups and summer camps. However, any groups may register to participate in the reading portion of the program.

Read-To-Me Participants:

TOTS meet Fridays (July 6, 13, 20, 27) at 9:30 & 10:30 a.m.

Preschool Storysteps meet Tuesdays (July 3, 10, 17, 24) at 9:30 & 10:30 a.m.

The **Read-To-Me Party** will be on Tuesday, July 31 at 10:30 a.m.

Summer Reading Club:

(Children attend grade completed)

K & 1st meet Thursdays (July 5, 12, 19, 26) at 10:30 a.m. or 2:30 p.m.

2nd & 3rd meet Wednesdays (July 11, 18, 25) at 2:30 p.m.

4th – 6th meet Tuesdays (July 3, 10, 17, 24) at 2:30 p.m.



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Between the Stacks

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Let's Talk About It



Reading and Discussion Programs in
North Carolina Public Libraries

Let's Talk About It!

The popular Let's Talk About It book discussion series will return to the library beginning Thursday, August 23, 2007 at 7 p.m. The theme this fall is "Not for Children Only." As E.H. Auden, a noted English poet, once said, "there are not good books which are only for children." While there are many reasons why good children's literature is "not for children only," the best reason may be that adult readers will also enjoy and discover meaning in these books.

Participants read five books and meet for a discussion led by a visiting professor from local colleges or universities every three weeks from August 23 through November 15. Following the presentation by the scholar, and a short break for refreshments, participants convene for group discussion, questions, and comments.

The titles to be read include: *Bridge*

Renovation Update

The latest project to be completed in our "Extreme Makeover—Library Edition" was painting all of the interior woodwork and staff offices. We used special low odor paints and the paint crew tried to minimize the disruptions for both library visitors and staff.

Currently, we are receiving estimates to replace flooring in several areas including the carpet in the auditorium and Kellenberger room. An additional range of shelves is on order for the Kellenberger Room. We also hope to add additional lighting along the back walls of the adult reading room.

Planning for security upgrades includes additional lighting in the parking lot and some modifications to the existing landscape.

to Terabithia by Katherine Paterson, *The Giver* by Lois Lowry, *Dragonwings* by Lawrence Yep, *The Secret Garden* by Frances Hodgson Burnett, *Charlotte's Web* by E.B. White, *Little Women* by Louisa May Alcott, and *The Classic Fairy Tales, Iona & Peter Opie and Tatterhood and Other Tales* by Ether J. Phelps.

Teachers who participate in the series may receive a certificate requesting teacher certification renewal credit.

This program is sponsored by the New Bern-Craven County Public Library and funded with a grant from the NC Humanities Council with additional support from the NC Center for the Book and the Friends of the Library.

Registration will begin July 30. Contact the Reference Desk at 638-7807 for more information.

The library building is jointly owned by the City of New Bern and Craven County. The city appropriation of \$50,000 towards renovation expenses for the year ending June 30th, 2007 was received in April. Craven County has paid renovation invoices this year totaling \$39,500.

The Friends of the Library donated \$5,000, the proceeds from last year's book sale. Individuals and local businesses have donated \$81,616 including \$1,185 in the donation jar at the main desk. The library staff and board of trustees are grateful for the support we have received during our renovation. Donations are still needed to allow us to complete the entire project.

Did you know...

...North Carolina libraries held 15.3 million volumes in 2000, two books per capita?

(Business North Carolina, September 2001)



Solve the Mystery@Your Library and Play Book Bingo

Area teens are invited to participate in the young adult Summer Reading Program from June 1 to August 10, 2007. BINGO sheets will be available in the Children's Services Department. Teens can read for prizes as well as take part in special events.

Each BINGO sheet has nine squares with one free space. BINGO squares have different literature genres. Participants read books to make a BINGO. Each completed BINGO sheet is a raffle ticket. Participants can receive a new BINGO sheet when they turn in their completed sheet in the Children's Department.

Teens will receive a Bungee watch when they turn in their BINGO sheets. One watch per teen, while supplies last.

The more books you read, the better your chances of winning, so good luck!

Special events include Jeopardy night, movie matinees, and an exciting program to be announced. When you attend special events, your book BINGO sheet will be stamped for a "free" book. (Only one stamp permitted on a BINGO sheet.)

To be eligible for prizes, all BINGO sheets must be turned in by **August 10, 2007**.

Raffle prizes include: Gift certificates to Annabelle's Restaurant, Gift certificate to IHOP, Target gift card.

For more information, please contact Tedra Harris, YA Librarian, at 638-7815, or feel free to stop by the Children's Services Department.



RAGS TO RICHES: THEATRE FOR YOUNG AUDIENCES

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ALL THE SAME WEB

Thursday, June 28, 2007,

5:00 & 7:00 p.m.

New Bern-Craven County Public Library Auditorium

This story revolves around two young people each of whom thinks that his or her family stories are the best. A tale about "Aunt Nancy" (a colorful trickster whose legend springs from Georgia and other parts of the south) and old Uncle Lazbitches, relishes the way that we have to use our wits sometimes to get us out of difficult situations. We see that tricky Brer Rabbit outwits Brer Wolf in the tale about the Talking House. Finally, along comes old Ananse the Spider and we see how he tries to outwit old Turtle and take his fish.

Join us on our journey as the young people try to solve the mystery of how these stories relate to each other.

Children must have a ticket to attend the program.

Free tickets will be available in the Children's Services Department beginning June 11.

Sponsored by *The Friends of the Library*.



READ, RELAX, REVIEW

Read, Relax, Review: A Summer Reading Program for Adults runs from June 4 to July 31, 2007.

Participants are asked to register at the Reference Desk from June 4 through July 28, 2007 and to pick up mini-review forms. Review forms are also available on the library's website (newbern.cpclub.org).

Completed review forms will be available for browsing by the public and will be entered into weekly drawings for

raffle prizes.

Participants may read or listen to any library book of their choice. The book must be from a library in the CPC Regional Library System or from the e-audio or e-books available on NC-LIVE.

Reviewers who submit three mini-reviews can select a "gently-read" book for their personal library. All reviews will be entered into a grand prize raffle on July 31, 2007.

Raffle prizes are from

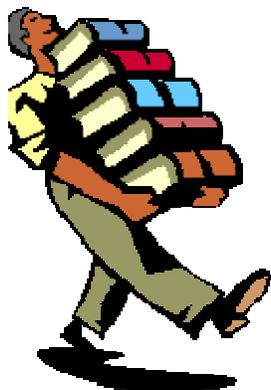
area restaurants and businesses including:

- Chick-Fil-A
- Tryon Palace Historic Sites and Gardens
- New Bern Civic Theatre
- Texas Steakhouse and Saloon and
- Swing Zone

Participants are eligible for one prize (excluding the grand prize).

A list of winners will appear in the library's fall newsletter.

Did you know...
...the earliest record of a "free public library" in the Carolinas dates to 1701, when a collection of books was sent to the colony by the Society for the Propagation of the Gospel?



Book Club Kits

Tired of having to track down multiple copies of a book for your next book group meeting? The library is in the process of establishing book club kits that you can check out for free! Several area book groups that read *The Great Gatsby* as part of The Big Read used these specially prepared kits for the first time.

The idea is gaining in popularity at libraries around the country. Ten copies of the selected title, discussion questions and background information on the author will be gathered in a convenient

canvas tote. The Friends of the Library will donate the canvas bags and help defray additional start up expenses.

Check out and reserve procedures are still being finalized. Donated paperbacks will be the basis for our initial kits. Titles currently under consideration include:

Balzac and the Little Chinese Seamstress-Dai Sijie; *The Curious Incident of the Dog in the Night-time*-Mark Haddon; *Fast Food Nation*-Eric Schlosser; *Fahrenheit 451*-Ray Bradbury;

Founding Brothers-Joseph Ellis; *The Kite Runner*-Khaled Hosseini; *Life of Pi*-Yann Martel; *Nickel and Dimed: On (not) Getting By in America*-Barbara Ehrenreich; *The Red Tent*-Anita Diamant; *Reading Lolita in Tehran*-Azar Nafisi; *The Secret Life of Bees*-Sue Monk Kidd; *To Kill a Mockingbird*-Harper Lee and *Wild Swans*-Jung Chang

We hope to have the service up and running by Labor Day. Contact the Reference desk at 638-7807 with any questions or to donate books.

Friends of the Library

Have you ever wondered what the Friends of the Library do?

The Friends hold two book sales a year, in April and October. The proceeds support library programs, activities, and supplies that are not included in the budget.

During the past year, the Friends sponsored the popular Let's Talk About It book discussion series, summer reading programs for children, teens,

and adults, Artist of the Month receptions, and co-sponsored the Charles Dickens Christmas program and The Big Read. These events included refreshments, necessary supplies and travel expenses for speakers and performers.

Additionally, the Friends paid to microfilm the *New Bern Mirror* and *Sun Journal* newspapers and donated \$5,000 to the library's renovation campaign.

Rags to Riches Theatre Company will perform **June 28, 2007** for the children's summer reading program courtesy of the Friends.

Membership dues for the Friends are just \$10 per year for an individual donor.

This year the Friends goal is to expand their membership base. Now is the perfect time to become a Friend of the Library.



Yes! I would like to become a Friend of the New Bern-Craven County Public Library.
Fill out this page and mail it with your check payable to:

Friends of the New Bern-Craven County Public Library
400 Johnson Street
New Bern, NC 28560

Individual Member (\$10)
 Supporting Member (\$50)

Family Member (\$25)
 Corporate Member (\$100)

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ ZIP: _____

Telephone: _____

I would also like to help with the following:

Book Sale Hospitality Membership Programs Publicity

400 Johnson Street
New Bern, NC 28560
Phone: 252-638-7800
Fax: 252-638-7817



Calendar of Events

Note: The Library will be closed on Sundays from June 10 until Labor Day (September 3). The Library will reopen on Sundays beginning September 9.

May 27-28—The Library will be closed for Memorial Day. The Library will reopen May 29 at 9 a.m.

June 1-August 10—Summer Reading Program for YA.

June 4-July 31—Summer Reading Program for Adults.

June 7—Artist of the Month Reception, 7 p.m.

June 14—YA Summer Reading Program event (Topic to be announced), 6:30 p.m.

June 16—TRAIN meeting, 10 a.m.

June 25—Early registration for Children's Summer Reading Program.

June 28—Rags to Riches presents "All the Same Web", 5 p.m. and 7 p.m.

July 1-July 31—Summer Reading Program for Children.

July 4—The Library will be closed for Independence Day.

July 5—Artist of the Month Reception, 7 p.m.

July 7—TRAIN meeting (tentative), 10 a.m.

July 9—YA Summer Reading Program event—Jeopardy, 6:30 p.m.

July 31—YA Summer Reading Program event—Movie at Neuse Boulevard Cinema—"Night at the Museum", 10 a.m. to noon.

August 4—TRAIN meeting, 10 a.m.

August 7—YA Summer Reading Program event—Movie at Neuse Boulevard Cinema—"Alex Rider: Stormbreaker", 10 a.m. to noon.