

BETWEEN THE STACKS

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Author Margaret Maron to Visit

Margaret Maron, best selling mystery author, will appear at 2 p.m. at the New Bern Scottish Rite Temple, 516 Hancock Street, on Saturday, March 20, 2010. This program is presented by the New Bern-Craven County Public Library to celebrate North Carolina authors and the pleasure of reading. Tickets for this free event may be picked up at the library beginning March 1, 2010.

Ms. Maron will also be the guest of honor at a wine and cheese reception on Friday evening, March 19, at the home of John and Maria Cho. The library will have a limited number of reception tickets available for this fundraiser beginning March 1st. Tickets will be \$20 per person.

Maron is best known for the character of Deborah Knott, a North Carolina district court judge based in Colleton County. The character's judicial duties take her across

the state from Asheboro to Wilmington in a series of adventures resulting in 15 novels to date.

The author of twenty-six novels and two collections of short stories, Maron has won several major American awards for mysteries (Edgar, Agatha, Anthony, Macavity). Her works are on the reading lists of courses in contemporary Southern literature and have been translated into 16 languages. She has served as president of Sisters in Crime, the American Crime Writers League, and Mystery Writers of America.

A native Tar Heel, Maron still lives on her family's century old farm a few miles southeast of Raleigh, the setting for *Bootlegger's Daughter*, which is numbered



among the 100 Favorite Mysteries of the Century as selected by the Independent Mystery Booksellers Association. In 2004, she received the Sir Walter Raleigh Award for best North Carolina novel of the year. She has also been honored with the Order of the

Long Leaf Pine and the North Carolina Award for Literature. The North Carolina Award, the state's highest civilian honor, recognizes significant contributions of individuals in the fields of fine arts, literature, public service, and science.

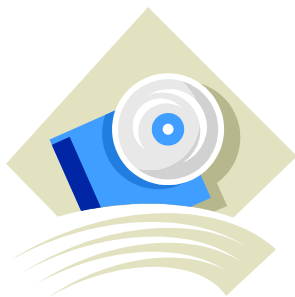
Sponsors for the event include the Arts Department of the New Bern Woman's Club, Leigh A. Wilkinson, the Friends of the Library and Harris, Creech, Ward & Blackberry, P.A.. Contact the library at 638-7800 for more information.

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Books on MP3-CD

The library will be slowly adding Books on MP3-CDs to the collection. The MP3-CD is the latest format that is being used for Audio Books.

MP3 is an audio compression format that allows digital files to be compressed to a very small size. This makes it possible to shrink a 22 hour book to one disc while maintaining sound quality.

An MP3-CD book can be played from your computer's CD-ROM drive or from any compatible MP3 device.

CD players on most newer cars are compatible with this format. The disc will not play, if it is not compatible.

To enable your computer to play MP3-CD books, you will need to make sure you have the MP3 software installed. You may need to go to the File menu and Open the file named playlist.m3u from the CD drive. You may also download a free player from several locations, such as:

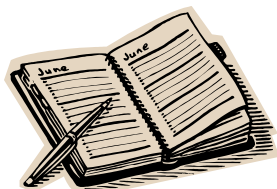
- Windows Media Player (Pick your operating system)
- RealPlayer 8 Basic (PC, Mac or UNIX)
- Winamp Media Player (PC or Mac)

One big question is will you lose your place when the MP3 is turned off. Most conventional MP3 and MP3-CD players should bookmark your place even if you turn off your player.

This is a new venue for this library so we will be learning as we go along. We welcome your feedback.

- MUSICMATCH Jukebox (PC, Mac or Linux)

**"Books serve to show a man that those original thoughts of his aren't very new after all."
—Abraham Lincoln**



African-American Read-In

The New Bern-Craven County Public Library will hold it's 2nd Annual *African-American Read In* on Sunday, February 21, 2010, from 3-5 p.m., in the library auditorium. The *Read In* is a celebration of African-American history, literature, poetry, music, drama, and dance.

This program is sponsored by the Theta Beta Omega Chapter of the Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc.

Admission is free and all are welcome. Refreshments will be served.

This year's program will include several presentations, including dramatic portrayals of people from African-American history; poetry recitations; literary readings; and musical presentations.

For more information about the Read In, ask for Wendy at the Reference Desk or call: 638-7802 (voice/TTY).

Book Sale

The Friends of the Library annual spring book sale will be March 19-21 at the Sudan Shrine Center located on the corner of Broad Street and East Front Street.

Sale hours are 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Friday and Saturday and 2 p.m. to 5 p.m. on Sunday, March 21.

Contact the library at 638-7800 for more information.

YA News

Here's what's happening in the YA program here at the New Bern-Craven County Public Library:

Book Club has been meeting each Wednesday, from 4:00-5:30 p.m. in the Conference Room. In January we are focusing on *The Neverending Story* by Michael Ende. At the end of the month we will watch the movie, and we are looking forward to a great debate-movie or book? (Although, as we all know, the book is always better!) In February, we will be discussing H.G. Wells, and in March, we will read *Leviathan* by Scott Westerfield. We also set aside time each week for members to bring in their own favorites and share them with the group. Meetings are open to everyone ages 12-18. While there is no registration required, we do occasionally have refreshments, so it wouldn't hurt to let us know ahead of time by calling the department (638-7815) if you are planning to attend!

TRAIN (Teenage Readers Active In New Bern) **Meeting Schedule:**

Saturday, February 20
Saturday, March 20

Saturday, April 17
Saturday, May 15—
FINAL Meeting until
September.

MARDI GRAS!

It's hard to believe, but it's time for the Third Annual Mardi Gras Celebration here at the New Bern-Craven County Public Library! Celebrate with us on March 1, 6:00-8:00 p.m.!!

March

March is Youth Art Month, and to observe this, we are sponsoring an art contest for Young Adult readers here at the library. Submissions will be accepted until March 31, 2010. As submissions are dropped off, we will display them in the Young Adult section, and one will be selected as a t-shirt design for our Summer Reading Program! This year's theme is "Make Waves at your library!" Please submit black and white ORIGINAL designs. Winner will be announced at the Lock In in April!

April

Sleepless in the Stacks Library Lock In April 10, 2010 through April 11, 2010. Lock Ins are open to library patrons ages 13 through 18, and are registration only events.

Registration is due by Monday April 5, 2010, and forms will be available in the Children's Department beginning March 22. Space is limited, so be sure and register early.

WEBSITE

Please take a moment to register on our website : ya-train.webs.com to be sure and receive all the latest information about the Young Adult Department. Oh, and if you see her, be sure and give a great big Thanks! to Haley Mathiot for building and maintaining this site!

NEW BOOKS!!!

Ms. Pam, Department Head of the Youth Services Department, has been hard at work, ordering new and exciting additions to our collection. Those of you who put in suggestions, you'll see your voice was heard! Check out the HUGE new stack of books on top of the shelves in our section, we have a ton of reading to do!!!!

For information on attending or volunteering to help with any Young Adult Program or Event, contact me, Krissy Boccia, Young Adult Coordinator at 252-638-7815 or kboccia@nbccpl.org.



***"Libraries
raised me....I
couldn't go to
college, so I
went to the
library three
days a week for
10 years."***
—Ray Bradbury

Nationally-Known Genealogist to Speak



In celebration of New Bern's tercentennial, the library is sponsoring two programs featuring the renowned Palatine researcher, Henry Z. "Hank" Jones, Jr.



On Friday, May 21, at 7 p.m. in Orringer Auditorium at Craven Community College, Mr. Jones will deliver a lecture titled "The Palatines: Profiles in Courage." The lecture will discuss the history

of the Palatines and their subsequent immigration to England and North America. This program is free of charge.

On Saturday, May 22, a day long genealogy seminar will be held at the New Bern-Craven County Public Library auditorium.

Topics discussed will include "When the Sources are Wrong," "Family Tradition: Separating Fact from

Fiction" and "How Psychic Roots Became an Unsolved Mystery." Also discussed will be "Tracing the Origins of early 18th Century Palatines and Other Emigrants."

The cost for this seminar is \$40 if registered by May 7 and \$50 after May 7.

Price includes lunch and workshop material.

Contact the Kellenberger Room at 638-7808 or see the library's website for more information.

"In all of us there is a hunger, marrow deep, to know our heritage—to know who we are and where we have come from."

—Alex Haley

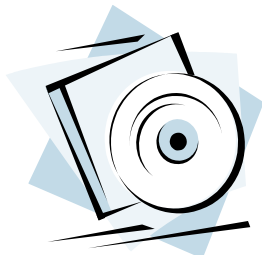
Books on CD Collection Expands

First Run Video, with locations in New Bern and Havelock, recently donated a large collection of books on compact disc which were part of their rental collection. These titles will be added to the holdings of the New Bern and Havelock

libraries.

The New Bern non-fiction collection has been relocated to the left of the existing shelves to accommodate the additions. The video stores also donated many of their old video tapes and books on

cassette. Any titles that are not added to the collection will be sold with proceeds benefiting the libraries. Thanks to First Run Video for their donation in support of their community libraries.



Video Sale

Hundreds of used movies for sale!

Drama, Family, Comedy, War, Westerns, Thrillers!!

Library Auditorium

March 25-27

Sold As-Is, No Warranties Expressed or Implied.

Elect to Read...Vote for Books

The North Carolina Children's Book Award began in 1992. Each year since then, school and public libraries participate in the process of selecting, studying and voting for the next winner!

Members of the North Carolina Library Association's children's committee select a group of picture books and junior novels from suggestions submitted by North Carolinian school children.

The list of books is

then given to each school and public library throughout the state.

During the course of the year, classroom teachers, media specialists and public librarians in North Carolina encourage children to become familiar with the nominees and vote for their favorite title in two categories: "Picture Book" and Junior Book".

The award is therefore truly a children's book award-selected by the

children of the state of North Carolina!

READ and VOTE:

Register to vote in the Children's Services Department.

Read five (5) titles from the booklist.

Vote by Thursday, March 11, 2010.



Caldecott and Newbery Awards Announced

This year's winners of the Caldecott and Newbery Awards are as follows:

Caldecott Medal

The Lion & the Mouse illustrated by Jerry Pinkney

Honor Books:

All the World illustrated by Marla Frazee

Red Sings from Treetops: A Year in Colors illustrated by Pamela Zagarenski

The Caldecott Medal was named in honor of nineteenth-century English illustrator Randolph Caldecott. It is awarded annually by

the Association for Library Service to Children, a division of the American Library Association, to the artist of the most distinguished American picture book for children.

Newbery Medal

When You Reach Me by Rebecca Stead

Honor Books:

Claudette Colvin: Twice Toward Justice by Phillip Hoose

The Evolution of Calpurnia Tate by Jacqueline Kelly

Where the Mountain Meets the Moon by

Grace Lin

The Mostly True Adventures of Homer P. Figg by Rodman Philbrick

The Newbery Medal was named for eighteenth-century British bookseller John Newbery. It is awarded annually by the Association for Library Service to Children, a division of the American Library Association, to the author of the most distinguished contribution to American literature for children.

"Seventy million books in America's libraries, but the one you want to read is always out."
—Tom Masson



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Calendar of Events

February 9—*Let's Talk About It: Discovering the Literary South* discussion of *Gap Creek* by Robert Morgan. Guest speaker, Tom Douglass of East Carolina University.



February 20—TRAIN meeting, 10 a.m., Library Conference Room

February 21—African-American Read-In, 3-5 p.m., Library Auditorium

March 1—*Let's Talk About It: Discovering the Literary South* discussion of *A Virtuous Woman* by Kay Gibbons. Guest speaker, Rebecca Godwin of Barton College.

March 1—Mardi Gras Celebration for YAs, 6-8 p.m.

March 11—Last day to vote for the North Carolina Children's Book Award.

March 19-21—Friends of the Library Spring Book Sale, Sudan Shrine Center at Broad and East Front Streets

March 19—Reception for Margaret Maron, \$20 tickets available beginning March 1

March 20—TRAIN meeting, 10 a.m., Library Conference Room

March 20—Margaret Maron lecture, Scottish Rite Temple, 516 Hancock St., 2 p.m.

March 22—*Let's Talk About It: Discovering the Literary South* discussion of *The Jew Store* by Stella Stuberman. Guest speaker, Willie Nelms of Sheppard Memorial Library.

March 25-27—Video Sale, Library Auditorium

March 31—Deadline for submissions for Youth Art Month

April 10-11—Sleepless in the Stacks Library Lock-In, registration by April 5.

April 12—*Let's Talk About It: Discovering the Literary South* discussion of *Clover* by Dori Sanders. Guest speaker, Marie Farr of East Carolina University.

April 17—TRAIN meeting, 10 a.m., Library Conference Room

May 3—*Let's Talk About It: Discovering the Literary South* discussion of *The Coal Tattoo* by Silas House. Guest speaker, Jim Clark of Barton College.

May 15—TRAIN meeting, 10 a.m., Library Conference Room

May 21—*The Palatines: Profiles in Courage* with speaker Henry Z. Jones, Jr., 7 p.m., Orringer Auditorium on the campus of Craven Community College.

May 22—*A Day with Henry Z. Jones, Jr.*, a genealogical seminar. \$40 early bird registration (through May 7); \$50 regular registration. Fees include lunch and seminar handouts.

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