

# ***The Bookmark***

## ***Newsletter of Sheppard Memorial Library***

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### ***Notes and Observations From Library Director Greg Needham***

A happy new year to everyone! Since July, adults have been enjoying checking out e-books from our 3M Cloud Library, and I am sure many people received for Christmas some kind of electronic device that can be used for reading e-books. The list of existing devices that already have access to our e-books include Nooks and Sony readers, Kindle Fire, iPod Touch, iPads, iPhones and Android phones, and PCs. Now, 3M has just released the promised Mac software, so that people with Mac laptop or desktop computers can read our 3M Cloud e-books on those devices. The regular Kindle is the last frontier on this; 3M is still working diligently to work out a deal with Amazon to enable regular Kindle access to the 3M Cloud. In the meantime, for everyone else who has one of the many devices that are already compatible, and now for Mac users also, we hope you enjoy the expanding e-book collection! The library still circulates a half million traditional books per year, so I know you are enjoying those too, and we are working continuously to improve that collection for you as well. Recent studies suggest that the future of the paper book is very bright, and that e-books and other formats are simply additional ways for people to read, enjoy and benefit from books. Librarians are very excited that, with additional formats and as the future unfolds, more and more people are reading than ever before!



### ***MEREDITH FOLTZ IS RETIRING***

The new year is often seen as a time of new beginnings and change, and that is certainly the case at Sheppard Memorial Library for 2013. One of our most relied-upon staff members, Meredith Foltz, will finish her library career this month and begin retirement February 1<sup>st</sup>. Meredith began working here in 1976, not long after she graduated from the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill School of Library Science. She started out as a reference librarian but advanced over the years through a variety of positions, including head of adult public services and reference. For just over twenty years, she has served as head of the technical services department. With her accumulated experience, Meredith has been a key member of the library management team and a strong second in command in a library system that does not have an assistant director position. In the last thirty-six years, we have seen tremendous change in libraries, as we have moved from card catalogs to online catalogs, added public computer and internet service, and gone from stamping cards to radio frequency identification technology with self checkout, and more. During the last three and a half decades, Meredith has been working in your library and helping it adapt to those and many other changes. It would really be impossible to overstate the importance of the work Meredith has done during her career at Sheppard Memorial Library. She will be sorely missed in so many ways; her dedication, superb work ethic and abilities, and kind and cheerful spirit have made Meredith Foltz an example for all other library staff members to follow. We wish her a fantastic retirement. It is well earned!

**Statistical snapshot:  
December**

**32,418 items circulated**

**658 new borrowers registered  
(57,960 total borrowers)**

**Public computer/  
Internet use  
(including wi-fi/laptop use)  
14,568 sessions**

**The Sheppard Memorial Library  
Public Library Quiz Bowl**

*will be held  
Saturday, February 9*

*at 10:00 a.m.  
in Meeting Room A*

*of the main library  
530 Evans St., Greenville*

**Participating high school teams:**

**Ayden-Grifton**

**D.H. Conley**

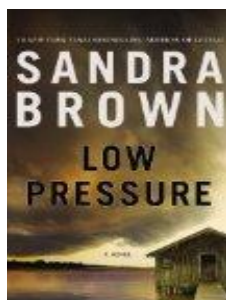
**North Pitt**

**J.H. Rose**

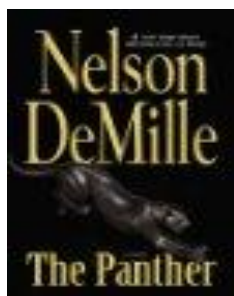
**South Central**

*For more information,  
call the library at 252-329-4376.*

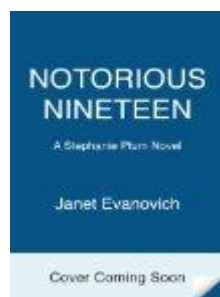
***What books are adult  
patrons requesting?***



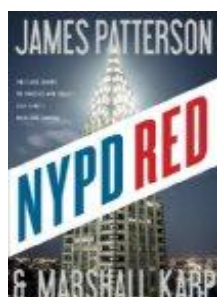
**LOW PRESSURE**  
by Sandra Brown



**THE PANTHER**  
by Nelson DeMille



**NOTORIOUS  
NINETEEN**  
by Janet Evanovich



**NYPD RED**  
by James Patterson  
& Marshall Karp

***Holiday Closing  
Monday, January 21***

***NEWS FROM THE  
FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY***

The Friends of the Sheppard Memorial Library will hold their annual meeting at 5:30 p.m., Monday, February 11, 2013, in the Copeland Board Room at the main library, 530 Evans Street, Greenville. An election will occur to fill board positions from February 2013 through January 2014. Nominees include the following individuals:

Mr. Christopher Ulfers, President

Dr. Matt Stead, Vice President

Ms. Gerry Case, Secretary

Mr. Tony Parker, Treasurer

Ms. Joanne Kollar, Book Sale Committee Chair

Mrs. Patricia Rawls, Member-at-Large

Mr. Joe Sullivan, Member-at-Large

Mrs. Joyce Weldin, Member-at-Large

# ***Children's Programs***

## **Children's Library**

### **Toddler Story Hour**

1st and 3rd Tuesday of each month  
at 10:30 a.m.

children ages 18 months-3 years

### **Preschool Story Hour**

Wednesdays at 11:00 a.m.  
children ages 3-5

### **Make and Take Craft**

2nd Thursday of each month  
at 3:30 p.m.

children ages 12 and under

### **Bedtime Story Hour**

Thursday, January 24, 7:00 p.m.  
for families with children ages 10 and under

## **East Branch Library**

### **Story Time**

Tuesdays at 10:30 a.m.  
children ages 2-kindergarten

## **Carver Branch Library**

### **Preschool Story Time**

Thursdays at 10:00 a.m.  
children ages 3-5

## **Winterville Public Library**

### **Story Time**

Wednesdays at 10:30 a.m.  
children ages 2-kindergarten

## **CHILDREN'S LIBRARY**

Plan regular visits to the library with your family. Children like choosing their own books. They also enjoy exploring the games on the Early Literacy Station computers. The games focus on math, reading, writing, science, music, research, art, history, language, and computer literacy.

## **BLOUNT (BETHEL) LIBRARY**

The Bethel branch has many new Christian fiction titles to choose from, including books on CD by Karen Kingsbury. Patrons will find new titles by Ann Shorey, Tracie Peterson, Suzanne Fisher, and Beverly Lewis. Recently added DVDs include *THE MAGIC OF BELLE ISLE*, *MIRROR MIRROR*, *WAR HORSE*, and *MOONRISE KINGDOM*.

# ***Legos and Literacy***

*We need your help! We are asking for donations of used or new Lego and Duplo type building blocks for a program building on the connections between literacy and play. All donations may be dropped off at the Children's Library located at Sheppard Memorial Library's main branch. For more information, contact Amber Winstead at 329-4581.*

## **CARVER BRANCH LIBRARY**

We invite you to the **2013 Community Black History Quiz Bowl**. The quiz bowl is sponsored by the George Washington Carver Library, the Friends of the Sheppard Memorial Library, the City of Greenville, the Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Incorporated Iota Kappa Omega Chapter, and 100 Black Men of Eastern NC. The questions for this year are based on the events around the Emancipation Proclamation and the March on Washington. The event will be held at **9:00 a.m. on Saturday, February 16**, at Lakeforest Elementary School, 3300 Briarcliff Drive (off of Allen Road).

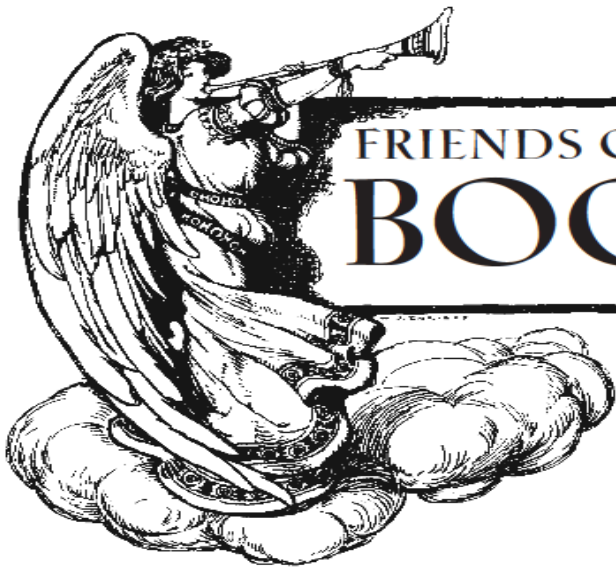
The theme for Black History Month is **"At the Crossroads of Freedom and Equality: The Emancipation Proclamation and the March on Washington."**

## **EAST BRANCH LIBRARY**

If you like documentaries by Ken Burns then you will want to check out *THE WEST* and *JAZZ* from the East Branch Library. Sheppard Memorial Library received an LSTA grant that allowed us to purchase many new DVD sets. The East Branch Library also acquired the British series *DOC MARTIN* and season one of *CALL THE MIDWIFE*. The library is the best place to start for your entertainment needs.

## **WINTERVILLE PUBLIC LIBRARY**

If you follow what Oprah is reading then you will be thrilled to find *THE TWELVE TRIBES OF HATTIE* by Ayana Mathis available at the Winterville branch. This latest selection for *Oprah's Book Club 2.0* is a brilliant piece of historical fiction that you won't be able to put down.



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# FRIENDS OF SHEPPARD LIBRARY BOOK SALE

Proceeds benefit Sheppard Library and its branches

**february 1, 2, 3**  
**greenville convention center**  
303 SW Greenville Blvd.

**great prices and a wide variety of titles**  
popular fiction, classics, biographies, history, cookbooks, children's  
books, mysteries, DVDs, books on CDs, and more

- **preview sale\*** January 31, 6:00–8:00 p.m.  
FOR MEMBERS OF FRIENDS OF  
SHEPPARD MEMORIAL LIBRARY ONLY  
*\*Per patron limit of 20 items, or \$40, whichever comes  
first. Memberships may be purchased at the door.*

- **sunday bag sale**  
\$5.00 per paper grocery sack  
[www.sheppardlibrary.org](http://www.sheppardlibrary.org)

- **friday 9:00 a.m.–8:00 p.m.**
- **saturday 9:00 a.m.–6:00 p.m.**
- **sunday 1:00 p.m.–3:30 p.m.**