The Bookmark

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NOTES AND OBSERVATIONS FROM LIBRARY DIRECTOR GREG NEEDHAM

Many positive things have been happening at the library this fall season. Visitors entering the main



library from Evans Street will notice that the sign has been beautifully renovated, courtesy of the wonderful Friends of the Sheppard Memorial

Library. Once again our Friends have made the difference, and for many years to come, people will now enjoy a sign befitting the entrance of the 1930 portion of the library. Patrons will also notice that it is more comfortable inside the main library, as well as inside the East Branch and Carver Library, after recent upgrades to the heating and air conditioning controls for all three locations. Finally, we are excited because as we continue to develop our program offerings for children and young adults, program attendance is growing steadily. We hope you enjoy the changes at your library, and that you will all have a safe and enjoyable holiday season!



Entrance of the 1930 portion of the library.

FRIENDS OF THE SHEPPARD MEMORIAL LIBRARY

BOOK SALE

Free Admission on:

Friday, Feb. 7, 9 a.m.-8 p.m.
Saturday, Feb. 8, 9 a.m.-6 p.m.
Sunday, Feb. 9, 1-3:30 p.m.*
*Bag Day—\$5 per paper grocery bag of books
Cash or check only

GREENVILLE CONVENTION CENTER 303 SW Greenville Blvd.

** Friends membership is required for entry to the Preview Sale. A membership may be purchased at the door.

Holiday Closing

Thursday, November 28 through Friday, November 29



MEMBERSHIP DRIVE

The Friends of the Sheppard Memorial Library annual membership drive begins in December and is open to the public. The membership year is from January 1 through December 31.

Current members will receive a renewal notice in the mail. You may also pick up an application from any facility of Sheppard Memorial Library or print one from our website at www.sheppardlibrary.org.

Adult patrons are requesting

MIRAGE

by Clive Cussler

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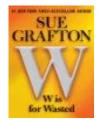
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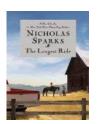
THE LONGEST RIDE

by Nicholas Sparks

THE GOLDFINCH

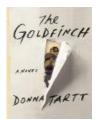
by Donna Tartt





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Memorial



WE ARE STARTING A TEEN READER



ADVISORY

MEETING NEXT DEC 14, 10-11 AM
TEENS ARE WELCOME TO COME AND
ENJOY ACTIVITIES, TREATS, &

LOTS OF CONVERSATION ABOUT BOOKS!

Email Casandria Crane with any questions: ccrane@sheppardlibrary.org

Statistical snapshot: October

40,473 items circulated

690 new borrowers registered (66,057 total borrowers)

Public computer/
Internet use
(including wi-fi/laptop use)
18,967 sessions

FALL PUPPET SHOW Rumpelstiltskin



December 9, 10, 11, 12 at 10:45 a.m. in the Children's Library Program Room

for children ages 5 and under

No registration required for individuals. School groups must register. For information, call Amber Winstead at 252-329-4581.



Story Hour Times and Locations

Main Branch:

Toddler Story Hour (18 mo-3 yrs): Every Tuesday at 10:30 a.m. Preschool Story Hour (3-5 yrs): Every Wednesday at 11 a.m.

Carver Branch

Story Hour (Ages 3-5 ys): Every Thursday at 10:30 a.m.

East Branch

Story Hour (Toddler and Preschool ages): Every Tuesday at 10:30 a.m. $\,$

Winterville Branch

Story Hour (Toddler and Preschool ages): Every Wednesday at 10:30 a.m.

Children's Library

Autumn is a busy season in the Children's Library. The Spooktacular Stories program on October 29 was attended by approximately two hundred preschool children and their parents. Story hours about autumn colors and turkeys fill November.

<u>Special Programs</u> <u>in the Children's Library</u>

Bedtime Story Hour

Thursday, November 21, at 7:00 p.m. children ages 10 and younger

50th Anniversary of Maurice Sendak's "Where The Wild Things Are"

Saturday, November 23, at 10:30 a.m. children of all ages

Make and Take Craft

Saturday, December 14, at 10:30 a.m. children ages 12 and younger

Holiday Toddler Story Hour

Tuesday, December 17, at 10:30 a.m. children ages 18 months to three years

Holiday Preschool Story Hour

Wednesday, December 18, at 11:00 a.m. children ages three to five years

Holiday Bedtime Story Hour

Thursday, December 19, at 7:00 p.m. children up to age 10

Branch Happenings

Carver Branch Library

We are looking for groups to participate in the **2014 Community Black History Quiz Bowl**, which will be held on **Saturday**, **February 15**, **2014**, **at 3:00 p.m.**, at the Boys and Girls Club on Firetower Road. This year's event will be a little different than previous bowls because it will be incorporated in the 2014 Pitt County Community Youth Summit. The deadline for registering a team is **Saturday**, **November 30**, **2013**.

East Branch Library

Join us at East Branch for our **Holidaze Bonanza** during preschool story hour (children ages 3-5) on **Tuesday**, **December 17.** The children will enjoy festive stories, crafts, a movie, and a treat. This will be the last story hour until January, 2014.

Winterville Public Library

We invite you to preschool story hour **Holidaze Bonanza on Wednesday, December 18.** Children will enjoy a craft, short movie, stories, and a treat. This story hour will conclude our programs for the fall.

Blount (Bethel) Library

We invite you to stop by the Bethel Library and check out our new arrivals and bestsellers. If the Bethel Library doesn't own a particular title, we can get it for you. If you are interested in bringing a group to the library for a special story hour, please call 252-825-0782 to schedule your visit.