

Adult Tutor Training Workshop



Did you know that around 15,000 adults in Cabarrus County do not have their high school diploma and many do not have the skills that they need to fill out a job application, take a driver's exam, compose an email, understand a bill that has come in the mail, or read to their children or grandchildren?

Consider becoming a literacy tutor today! The Cabarrus County Literacy Council is offering a tutor training workshop on *Saturday, 9/28 @ 9AM-3:30PM* at All Saints Episcopal Church 525 Lake Concord Road Concord, NC 28025

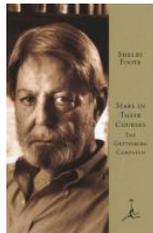
To register, call 704.920.ABCD or email literacy@cabarruscounty.us

ALL LIBRARIES WILL BE CLOSED ON SATURDAY, AUGUST 31ST AND MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 2ND FOR LABOR DAY

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New Book Discussion Group at Concord Library



Are you interested in history, in the big events and in the people who have made history, whether famous or not well-known? Then the Concord Library has a new book discussion group for you: **What Happened? Historical Book Discussion.** Each month, the group will read a work of history, biography, or historical fiction and will discuss what happened and why it matters.

The first selection will be *The Stars in Their Courses* by Shelby Foote, about the Battle of Gettysburg.

Monday, 9/9 @ 6PM at the Concord Library. Registration is required, please call 704.920.2054.

4th Annual Buzz Word Spelling Bee



Teams of 3 adults will compete for the opportunity to put all those years of school spelling lists to the ultimate test!

Team Entry Fee: \$500
Spectator Tickets: \$10

Team entry fees and spectator tickets will help support Cabarrus Literacy Council programs.

Thursday, 9/5 @ 5:30PM
Davis Theatre, Union Street, Concord

For more information, visit www.cabarrusliteracy.org

eResource Spotlight: NoveList

Your gateway to finding the perfect reads!

- Browse through hundreds of book recommendations written by librarians and book experts for readers of all ages.
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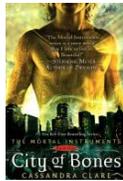
Access to NoveList can be found on the library's eResources Books & Literature page. All it takes is your library card # to login!

Book Discussions for Teens & Adults

Online

Kannapolis Paranormal Booksuckers

Looking for books with a bite? Join us in our discussions of paranormal books on Goodreads. Our September selection is *City of Bones* by Cassandra Clare. <http://www.goodreads.com/group/show/41041-kannapolis-paranormal-booksuckers>



It's after dark in New York City, and Clary Fray is seeing things. The best-looking guy in the nightclub has just stabbed a boy to death – but the victim has vanished into thin air. Her mother has disappeared, and a hideous monster is lurking in her apartment.

Beyond Mr. Darcy: Online Historical Romance Book Discussion

Love your historical fiction with a touch of romance? Can't get enough of characters like Mr. Darcy, Rhett Butler & Jamie Fraser? Join us to discuss historical fiction with romantic overtones on Goodreads! Our September Selection is *Mistress of Rome* by Kate Quinn. <http://www.goodreads.com/group/show/58435-beyond-mr-darcyromantic-historical-fiction>.

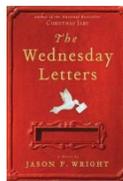


Thea is a slave girl from Judaea, passionate, musical, and guarded. Purchased as a toy for the spiteful heiress Lepida Pollia, Thea will become her mistress's rival for the love of Arius the Barbarian, Rome's newest and most savage gladiator.

Concord

Concord Book Discussion

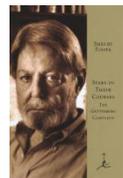
The Wednesday Letters by Jason Wright.
For more information, call 704.920.2053.
Tuesday, 9/3 @ 6PM



Jack and Laurel Cooper die in each other's arms. And when their grown children return to the family bed and breakfast to arrange the funeral, they discover thousands of letters.

What Happened? Historical Book Discussion

The Stars in Their Courses by Shelby Foote.
Registration is required, call 704.920.2054.
Monday, 9/9 @ 6PM



Foote positions readers on the field Gettysburg itself, among swirling smoke and clattering grapeshot, and invites us to feel for ourselves its hellishness: "men on both sides were hollering as they milled about and fired, some cursing, others praying ... not a commingling of shouts and yells but rather like a vast mournful roar."

BOOK+ Teen Activity and Booktalk

Come and make a beaded bookmark and talk about the action-fantasy book *City of Bones* by Cassandra Clare. Extra books are available. Registration required. 704.920.2053.
Saturday, 9/21 @ 11AM-12PM



Harrisburg

The Chilling Reads Book Discussion

Harbor by John Ajvide Lindquist.
Monday, 9/23 @ 5:30PM



One ordinary winter afternoon on a snowy island, Anders and Cecilia take their six-year-old daughter Maja across the ice to visit the lighthouse in the middle of the frozen channel. While they are exploring the lighthouse, Maja disappears – either into thin air or under thin ice.

Teen Book Discussion

Unwind by Neal Shusterman.
Tuesday, 9/24 @ 5:30PM

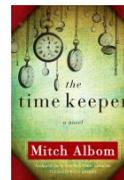


The Second Civil War was fought over reproductive rights. The chilling resolution: Life is inviolable from the moment of conception until age thirteen. However, parents can have their child "unwound," where all of the child's organs are transplanted into different donors, so life doesn't technically end.

Kannapolis

Bookends Book Discussion

The Time Keeper by Mitch Albom
Tuesday, 9/10 @ 6PM
Wednesday, 9/11 @ 10:30AM



Father Time, the inventor of the world's first clock is punished for trying to measure God's greatest gift. He is banished, forced to listen to the voices of all who come after him seeking more time. Father Time is granted his freedom, along with a magical hourglass and a mission: a chance to redeem himself by teaching two earthly people the true meaning of time.

The Mysterious Book Society

The Eyre Affair by Jasper Fforde
Tuesday, 9/17 @ 5:30PM



All this is business as usual for Thursday Next, renowned Special Operative in literary detection. When someone begins kidnapping characters from works of literature and plucks Jane Eyre from the pages of Brontë's novel, Thursday is faced with the challenge of her career.

Mt Pleasant

Eclectic Lit Wit Book Discussion

Habits of the House by Fay Weldon
Tuesday, 9/24 @ 11:30AM



Evening Readers Book Discussion

Habits of the House by Fay Weldon
Tuesday, 9/24 @ 6PM

As the Season of 1899 comes to an end, the world is poised on the brink of profound, irrevocable change. The Earl of Dilberne is facing serious financial concerns. The arrival on the London scene of Minnie, a beautiful Chicago heiress with a reputation to mend, seems the answer to all their prayers.

Teens

Kannapolis

Freedom to Read Found Poetry Slam and Read Out

Celebrate your freedom to read by writing and reading poems about freedom, liberty, and reading. We will begin by showing you how to use old books and magazines to make poetry. Everyone will have a chance to share their poetry or a passage from their favorite banned or challenged book. Feel free to come dressed as your favorite book character!

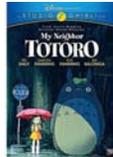
Thursday, 9/26 @ 5:30PM

Harrisburg

Harrisburg Anime Group

Take a moment to relax and watch *My Neighbor Totoro* during Harrisburg's Teen Anime Group. Ages 13-18. Run time approx. 88 minutes.

Tuesday, 9/10 @ 4PM



Navigating Social Networks

Join us for an informal presentation for adults and teens about various social network sites and online privacy.

Monday, 9/16 @ 5PM

Searching for College and Financial Aid

Learn about resources that will help you choose a college and learn more about financial aid. Ages 13-18.

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Saturday, 9/21 @ 11AM-12PM



Wii Open Play

Come and play Wii Sports, Guitar Hero, Smash Brothers Brawl and more.

Saturday, 9/28 @ 2PM



Need Homework Help?



The Cabarrus County Library is home to several great online resources, perfect for those upcoming papers and school projects!

Getting started is easy. At home or the library, log on with your library card at cabarruscounty.us/library and click on our eResources page.

We offer everything from encyclopedias to SAT preparation — free of charge!

All events are free and open to the public. Registration may be required, please call the library for details.

Children & Families

Concord

Preschool Story Time

Ages 3-5 with caregiver; stories from Tuesday repeat on Thursday.

Tuesdays, 9/3, 9/10, 9/17, 9/24 @ 10AM

Thursdays, 9/5, 9/12, 9/19, 9/26 (special program on 9/26) @ 10AM

Family Story Time

Children and families of all ages.

Saturday, 9/7 @ 11AM

Tales at Twilight Story Time

Evening story time, for children and families of all ages.

Monday, 9/9 @ 6:30PM

Toddler Story Time

Stories and songs, followed by play time for toddlers and networking for parents.

Ages 1-2 with caregiver.

Wednesdays, 9/4, 9/11, 9/18, 9/25 @ 9:15AM

Special Needs Story Time

Presented by Bayada Nursing. Call 704.797.2993 for more information.

Saturday, 9/14 @ 11AM

Creators of Cool...Sock Monsters

Join us as we read stories and discuss different kinds of monsters. We will create cute and creepy monsters of our own using socks. Learn some rudimentary sewing skills and flex your creative muscles as we complete the sock transformation. Ages 7-12.

Tuesday, 9/10 @ 4PM



League of Extraordinary Legos

We'll bring the Legos, you bring your imagination and building skills.

Ages 4-12.

Tuesday, 9/17 @ 4-5PM

Family Crests

Design a large poster board crest that represents your family history. Ages 5-12.

Thursday, 9/19 @ 4PM



Poetry Talk

Love poetry or want to write poetry? All school age kids & teens.

Tuesday, 9/24 @ 2:45PM

Awesome Pageturners! Book Discussion

Do you love action? Suspense? Historic disasters? Then read any book from the *I Survived* series by Lauren Tarshis and join us for a book discussion and activity. Ages 8-10.

Tuesday, 9/24 @ 4PM



BeTWEEN the Lines Book Discussion

A fantasy with origins in Chinese folklore, *Where the Mountain Meets the Moon* by Grace Lin tells

the story of hardworking

Minli, a dragon, and their

quest to change her family's

fortune. Join us as we discuss

the book and make a cool craft. Ages 10-12. Register at the Children's

Desk to pick up your copy.

Thursday, 9/26 @ 4PM



Happy Birthday, Johnny Appleseed!

Celebrate Johnny Appleseed's 239th birthday with a special preschool story time and craft! Ages 3-5.

Thursday, 9/26 @ 10AM

Kannapolis

Family Story Time

Stories, songs, dance, puppets and more.

All ages.

Thursdays, 9/5, 9/12, 9/19, 9/26 @

10AM

Explorers Story Time

Stories, songs, fingerplays and a craft.

Ages 3-5.

Wednesdays, 9/4, 9/11, 9/18, 9/25 @

9:30AM and 10:30AM

Laptimers Story Time

Stories, songs, music, puppets and fingerplays. Ages 9 -24 months.

Tuesdays, 9/3, 9/10, 9/17, 9/24 @

9:30AM and 10:30AM

Kannapolis Kids - Book Discussion



Read any *A-Z Mysteries* by Ron Roy and join us for a book discussion and activities.

Ages 8-10.

Tuesday, 9/10 @ 4PM

Theatre Workshop

Learn about the theatre, explore books, and bring out the actor in you!

Ages 7-12. Registration is required.

Wednesday, 9/11 @ 3PM and 4:30PM

Writing Circle

Come and bring out the creative writer in you by exploring books to spark your writing. Ages 7-12.

Tuesday, 9/17 @ 4PM

Calling All Cowboys and Cowgirls

Have fun learning about cowboys through stories, songs, and a craft. Ages 3-7.

Thursday, 9/19 @ 4PM



Stories Under the Stars Family Series—Poetry Alive

High energy interactive performance bringing words to life! Held on the library patio. (In the event of rain or extreme heat, performance will be inside the library.) Free popcorn provided by the Gem Theatre. All ages.

Saturday, 9/21 @ 7PM

Dig Into Legos

Have fun building with Legos and meeting new friends. Ages 4-12.

Wednesday, 9/25 @ 4PM

Ancient Mysteries

Explore pyramids, Stonehenge, and other ancient mysteries. Ages 8-12.

Thursday, 9/26 @ 4PM



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Children & Families

Harrisburg

Preschool Story Time

Stories and songs for children. Ages 3-8.
Tuesdays, 9/3, 9/10, 9/17, 9/24 @ 11AM
Thursdays, 9/5, 9/12, 9/19, 9/26 @ 10:30AM

Toddler Story Time

Stories and songs, followed by play time for toddlers and networking for parents. Walkers-2 years.
Tuesdays, 9/3, 9/10, 9/17, 9/24 @ 9:30AM
Wednesdays, 9/4, 9/11, 9/18, 9/25 @ 10:30AM

Mysteries of the Benedict Society



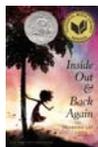
We'll discuss *The Mysterious Benedict Society* by Trenton Lee Stewart, play a game, and create a scrapbook about an adventure we would like to have. Grades 4-6.
Thursday, 9/12 @ 5PM

Paws for Reading

Stop by and practice reading with a registered therapy dog! Ages 5-12.
Mondays, 9/9, 9/16, 9/23, 9/30 @ 3-4PM
Saturday, 9/14 @ 10-11AM

Battle of the Books Discussion

Join our discussion of *Inside Out and Back Again* by Thanhha Lai. We'll talk about the book as well as the customs and traditions of Vietnam. We will create our own display showing the culture and life of Vietnam. Grades 4-6.
Wednesday, 9/25 @ 5PM



Magic Tree House Book Discussion



We'll discuss *Dogs in the Dead of Night* by Mary Pope Osborne, play games, and create a doggie themed craft. Grades 2-5.
Thursday, 9/26 @ 5PM

Mt Pleasant

Young & the Restless

Babies-Walking.
Mondays, 9/9, 9/16, 9/23, 9/30 @ 11AM

Toddler Time

Walkers-3 years.
Thursdays, 9/5, 9/12, 9/19, 9/26 @ 11AM

Preschool Story Time

Ages 3-5.
Wednesdays, 9/4, 9/11, 9/18, 9/25 @ 10:30AM

Noodle Head Story Time

Ages 5-12.
Tuesdays, 9/3, 9/10, 9/17, 9/24 @ 3:30PM



NoveList



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Adults

Concord

Word Graphics

Want to add illustrations to your Word documents? Then this computer class is for you! Some functions of this Word software that are discussed include the use of Word Art, inserting Smart Art and various shapes, along with the use of text boxes. For beginners. Registration required. 704.920.2054.
Wednesday, 9/18 @ 5PM

Skywatching: A Celestial Sport

The Rowan Astronomical Society will display and inform interested individuals on the heavenly subjects of sparkling comets, giant planets, whizzing meteors, pinwheel galaxies and more!
Saturday, 9/21 @ 2PM

Introduction to Internet Class

This class is a crash course on the basic functions of the Internet and is geared for people with little computer experience. Registration required. 704.920.2054.
Monday, 9/23 @ 6PM

Pruning Basics with David Goforth

Join Cabarrus County Extension Agent David Goforth as he explains the basics on pruning your garden and yard.
Tuesday, 9/24 @ 5:30PM

Ancestry 101

Want to learn about using Ancestry to trace your family tree? Ancestry 101 will include basic searches, tips & tricks for using the library edition of

Ancestry.com. Attendees are welcome to bring their laptop computers but will need a Cabarrus County Public Library card to access the library WiFi. Registration required. 704.920.2061.
Saturday, 9/28 @ 11AM

Harrisburg

Navigating Social Networks

Join us for an informal presentation for adults and teens about various social network sites and online privacy.
Monday, 9/16 @ 5PM

Kannapolis

Beginning Computers

Feel like you know nothing about computers? We will go over the very basics: how to log on to a library computer, how to use a mouse, and some very basic terms and functions. This is a class for those with very little or no experience with computers. Registration Required. 704.920.1180.
Thursday, 9/5 @ 10AM

Introduction to the Internet

New to using computers and looking for a basic understanding of the internet? This is the class for you! We'll talk about what you can find on the internet, how you can find it, what you can trust on the internet, some basic security measures, and how to navigate. This class assumes no previous internet knowledge but does assume you can use a mouse. Registration required. 704.920.1180.
Monday, 9/9 @ 10AM

Email Basics

Many things require an email address, including most job searches. If you are not sure what email is, how it works, or how to get an address, this class is for you! We will go over email basics, email etiquette, and can help you sign up with one of the free email services. Registration required. 704.920.1180.
Wednesday, 9/11 @ 10AM

Freedom to Read Found Poetry Slam and Read Out

Celebrate your freedom to read by writing and reading poems about freedom, liberty, and reading. We will begin by showing you how to use old books and magazines to make poetry. Everyone will have a chance to share their poetry or a passage from their favorite banned or challenged book. Feel free to come dressed as your favorite book character!
Thursday, 9/26 @ 5:30PM

Mt Pleasant

Friends of the Mt. Pleasant Library, Inc. Meeting

Friends of the Mt. Pleasant Library Inc. is a non-profit group of citizens who work together to stimulate a greater interest and use of the library. The Friends of the Library share a common goal to lend active support to our library's services and programming by assisting with programs and events, and sponsoring special programs for children, teens and adults.
Monday, 9/9 @ 5:30PM



Check in on the web
WWW.CABARRUSCOUNTY.US/LIBRARY

If you would like to receive **Checking In** by email, please contact Library@CabarrusCounty.us

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Concord, NC 28025

704-920-2050

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Wed-Thu 9AM—7PM
Fri Closed
Sat 9AM—5PM

HARRISBURG LIBRARY

201 Sims Parkway
Harrisburg, NC 28075

704-920-2080

Mon-Thu 9AM—7PM
Fri Closed
Sat 9AM—1PM

KANNAPOLIS LIBRARY

850 Mountain St.
Kannapolis, NC 28081

704-920-1180

Mon-Thu 9AM—7PM
Fri Closed
Sat 9AM—5PM

MT PLEASANT LIBRARY

8556 Cook St.
Mt Pleasant, NC 28124

704-920-2311

Mon-Thu 9AM—7PM
Fri Closed
Sat 9AM—1PM