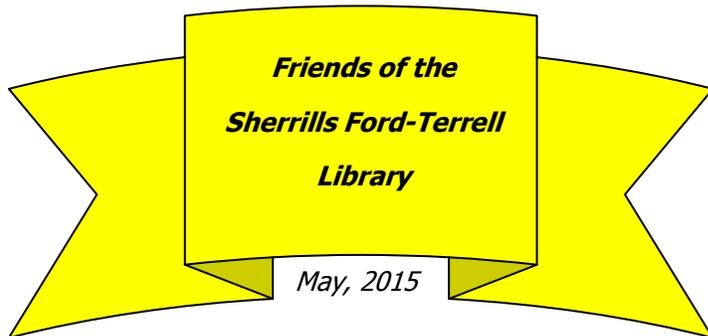


And the May Flowers have arrived!



Greetings from the President

Read all about it!

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Have you ever watched birds care for their nestlings? I've been enthralled by the drama from an online live-stream bald eagle nest camera. So far, two eggs have hatched, and the nestlings are growing fast. The parent eagles are constantly attentive, bringing fish and critters, and providing nourishment bit by bit.



And that's what we Friends do!! We nourish our community bit by bit. We provide and help to fund literacy and other educational programs for our residents, and we continue to add enhancements to our beautiful library so it can better serve our community. This year's Summer Reading Program is amazing!

So if you are an FOL member, please consider renewing your membership and staying involved in the nourishment process! If your membership has lapsed, please consider returning to the nest. Your financial support, or your contribution of time or expertise will be well put toward serving our mission of "enhancing library services and encouraging reading and literacy; striving to preserve past heritage while promoting new cultural endeavors for the community."

The July 1, 2015-June 30, 2016 Membership form can be found on the FIND page of this newsletter, or near the library entrance at the FOL Book Bonanza.

I hope to see you May 19 at our program about The Augustine Literacy Project and the business meeting which follows.

Hoping to hear from you,
Ellen, ejdewey@gmail.com



Our speaker on **May 19** will be

Angela Lawrence, Executive Director of the Patrick Beaver Learning Center

The Augustine Literacy Project Tackles Literacy Problems in Catawba County

Have you ever thought about what your life would be like if you couldn't read? Imagine being a child in the third grade who struggles with reading. Each day in class you fall further behind. Your teacher wants you to draw inferences from the selections you read, but you can't decode the letters, much less comprehend what you are reading. You like math, but you miss the answer to every word problem because you cannot read it. Social studies and science require so much reading that you dislike those subjects, too. Your teacher keeps talking about a big reading test that you have to pass to move on to fourth grade, so you think you may be stuck in third grade for the rest of your life.



"It's called 'reading'. It's how people install new software into their brains"

Unfortunately that situation is all too common in Catawba County.

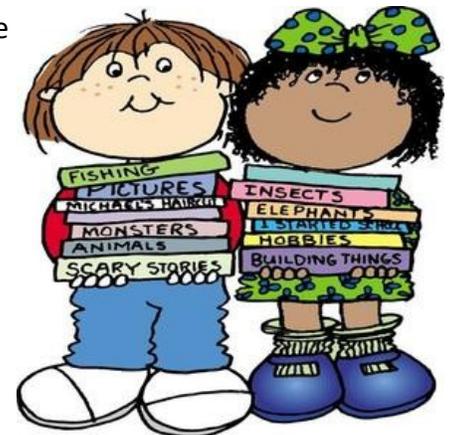
With the statewide **Read to Achieve** initiative implemented in 2014, the need to help children develop literacy skills before third grade has become even more critical. Failure to be able to read at or above grade level by the end of third grade can result in grade retention, as well as repeated retesting and anxiety for children.

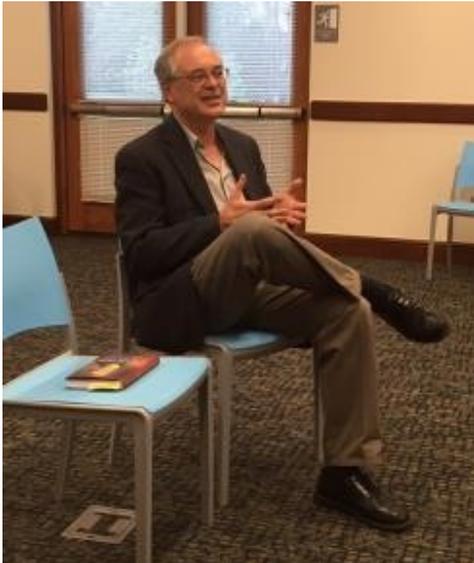
Angela Lawrence, Executive Director of the Patrick Beaver Learning Resource Center, sees a direct link between success for the individual student and the good of the whole community. "Literacy is a social justice issue; there is a clear link between literacy and poverty, as well as a link between poverty and crime. If we can get the problem fixed at an early stage, we're all much better off."

The Hickory Augustine Literacy Project has been implemented at the Patrick Beaver Learning Resource Center and is already providing individualized tutoring to low-income children who are reading at least one year below grade level. Students who receive this tutoring make significant gains in their reading, writing and spelling abilities within one year. The Augustine Literacy Project (ALP) trains volunteer tutors in a research-based, multi-sensory method of reading remediation. Our tutors then commit to providing a child at least 60 lessons at no cost.

PBLRC is actively seeking volunteers to meet the critical need for literacy tutors in Catawba County. Come hear **Angela Lawrence**, Executive Director of Patrick Beaver Learning Resource Center, explain more about the Augustine Literacy Project.

Join us at 6:30 p.m. on May 19th for Angela Lawrence!





Author Patrick Daily of Hickory, NC, was warmly welcomed at the April 21st meeting of FOL. His latest book, *Patrick Henry: The Last Years, 1789-1799* was a revelation for many of us who simply don't know anything about the lives of our nation's founders after the Revolutionary War years. Aspects of Henry's life, such as his stand on slavery, his success as an attorney, and the influence of his oratory on revolutionary issues were placed in perspective by Mr. Daily's life-long interest in, and scholarly research into, Henry's life. Patrick Henry's contribution to our history include the first recorded

mention of our country as "America."

Of particular interest were the ongoing conflicts of opinion on American issues among the founding fathers as they aged. Mr. Daily mentioned Henry's continuing interest in politics, but in Virginian rather than federal politics. Mr. Daily revealed that he is still uncovering personal letters to and from Patrick Henry and previously-unknown historical details of Henry's life. Perhaps there is another edition in the making! Our thanks to Mr. Daily for taking time to share his knowledge and enthusiasm with us.

Check out the library's programs!

Star Wars Trivia Game Night! Grades 6-12 are invited on Monday, May 4th, for a blast into the past of the future and the future of the past! May the Fourth be with you!

Veterans are invited to celebrate VE Day on May 8th, when Europe was liberated and Germany surrendered. All veterans are invited to drop by the library and receive a flag, as well as thanks for their service.

A Celebratory Tea Party for Moms and Kids: You, Me, and a Cup of Tea will honor Mom's on Tuesday, May 12th, at 4:30 p.m. Grades K-5 will host Mom's; please register in advance.

Bike Safety for Kids: May is Bicycle Safety Month, so our Monday, May 18th program (at 4:00 p.m.) will match kids to bikes and helmets for a safer summer. Program is open to any child over 4 years that can ride a bike. Bring bike and helmet for a proper-fit assessment. Advance registration required.

FOL meeting – Tuesday, May 19, 6:30 pm, business meeting will follow the program.

What about a book club for the rest of us?

- ◆ Did you know that an ostrich's eye is bigger than its brain? Do you care?
- ◆ That 85% of plant life is found in the ocean?
- ◆ That lemons contain more sugar than strawberries?
- ◆ That frogs can't swallow with their eyes open?
- ◆ That we put a man on the moon before we put wheels on our luggage?
- ◆ That the average person goes to sleep in seven minutes?
- ◆ That if you're better than average, you're already asleep?

Yes, a book club not for fiction aficionados, but a-fiction-ados.

We're inviting those of you who are fact-o-philiacs—who have found some of the best books (or courses) in the stacks while looking for something else—who truly think the other reader should absolutely, positively read this wonderful work on: quantum physics—medieval medical practices—etymology—zoology—anthropology—archeology—the history of maps—germ warfare—Eastern acupuncture—black holes—Genghis Kahn and the advancement of women—etc., etc.,—in fact, all the et ceteras you'd really enjoy if only YOU'D run across them.

Possible ideas are a book club focusing on non-fictional works in three categories: History, Art, Math/Science, where a member would be welcome to present a work in a sort of book-report fashion, explaining his or her recommendation of the work to the others present.

Or a club in which each member would contribute audio or video Great Courses, Modern Scholar, or other lectures or courses, and trade these with others, much like the old private lending libraries.

All ideas are welcome—please email Joyce O'Neal at joyceoneal417@gmail.com with your suggestions.

It's not "what's in your wallet?" that we're talking about—it's "what's on your shelf????"

Newsletter Submissions: Please e-mail **news and photo submissions, and community announcements** to Joyce O'Neal, newsletter editor, by the fourth Tuesday of the month: joyceoneal417@gmail.com Photos of children must have written parent/guardian consent for publication to the newsletter and website.

SF-TFOL Volunteer Opportunities:

Hardscape Committee: Pursue ideas for a hardscape/patio area to enhance the library grounds

Fall Fest Games Committee: Research and create easy new games for children

Interest Group Leaders: Anyone interested in starting a book club, or other interest groups to be sponsored by FOL, please contact Ellen Dewey with your ideas! Send your ideas to ejdewey@gmail.com

Baby Bounce

Tuesdays at 2:00 p.m.
(for ages up to 23 months)

Pre-K StoryTime!

Ages 2-5 years.
Wednesdays and Thursdays at 10:00 a.m.

Catawba County Library News

Free Computer Classes for May : <http://www.catawbacountync.gov/library/LibraryClasses.asp>

Stay up to date with news from Catawba County Government through the twice-monthly Catawba County E-News.

Go to <http://www.catawbacountync.gov/pubs/subscribe.asp> to subscribe.

Paws-itive Reading:



Read to certified therapy dogs Maggie and Brandy. 15-minute sessions on Thursday, May 7th between 3:30 and 5:00 p.m. School age; pre-registration required.



Take Advantage of Technology!

Drop-in Computer & E-reader Question Sessions:

Tuesdays, May 5th and 19th, 6:00—7:00 p.m. No appointment required

Introduction to Microsoft Word 2007: Composition and editing of documents.

Tuesday, May 12th, 6:00—7:00 p.m.

Introduction to Smartphones:

Bring yours and learn how to use it! Tuesday, May 26th, 6:00—7:00 p.m.

Mitchell College Community Band Concert:

Memorial Day Concert: May 25th at 6:00 p.m. Bring your lawn chair and a snack, don your patriotic duds, and come to The Circle in front of Shearer Hall to enjoy this annual free concert of patriotic music and other stirring selections. This year, members of the Mitchell Community Chorus will also be performing. In the event of inclement weather, the concert will be held inside Shearer Hall, 500 West Broad Street, Statesville, NC 28677.

PROBUS Club of Lake Norman:

Mike Prascak, Founder of the Lake Norman Brewing Company, will be the speaker for the May 19th meeting . A Pennsylvania native who moved to Mooresville in 2007, Mike will be speaking about micro-brewing as a growing industry, and talking about how his new brewery is poised to take the lead in our area. The club is a nonprofit and nonsectarian club for retired and semi-retired professional and business persons and their spouses. Members meet monthly at the Berea Baptist Church (1015 River Highway, Mooresville, NC 28117) Fellowship Hall at 10:00 a.m.; guests are welcome.

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Yes, it's that time again!

Friends of the Sherrills Ford-Terrell Library Membership Form

Please enclose a check for your membership for the July 1, 2015-June 30, 2016 year. Please choose your membership level and choose New or Renewal. Thank you.

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