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“YESTERTIME”



The Friends of Moore County Library are sponsoring a program entitled “Yestertime” on **Sunday, February 18** at 2:30pm at Moore County Library in Carthage. The program will feature Sampson County artist Robert Hall and will be a celebration of Southern heritage with displays, memorabilia, and refreshments. Please join us for this unique event! For more information, call 947-5335.

THROUGH THE EYES OF DOLLS



Join us at Robbins Area Library on **Tuesday, February 6** at 5:00pm as distinguished doll authority Judy Kronin will display and speak about her collection of African-American dolls. Ms. Kronin was an educator and school superintendent in Long Island, NY before relocating to Moore County.

Her passion for dolls started after she suffered from “empty nest syndrome” when her daughter left home for college in 1992. With over 2,000 dolls in her collection, the exhibit should truly bring black history to life! The dolls depict native lands, slavery and emancipation, civil rights, and prominence in music, sports, and government, including representations of Louis Armstrong, Muhammad Ali, Nelson Mandela, Martin Luther King, Jr., and President Barack Obama and his wife Michelle. For more information on the program, call 948-4000.

BLIND DATE WITH A BOOK



Spice up your reading life by going on a blind date...with a book! Just in time for Valentine’s Day, Moore County Library staff members have selected a variety of books and disguised them in wrapping paper. Patrons are invited to check one out and then discover the ‘identity’ of their blind date once they get it home. You may end up having a great read with something you wouldn't have chosen for yourself.

Fill out a “Rate Your Date” form when you return it, and you’ll be entered into a drawing for a fabulous prize!

MY FIRST BOOK CLUB



Moore County Library will be offering another “My First Book Club” program in Carthage on **Saturday, February 10** at 11:00am. Children ages 5 to 11 are encouraged to come learn how to take care of their pets from the Moore County Pet Re-

sponsibility Committee. Children will be divided into two groups, and each group will have a teacher, a helper, and a therapy dog! Register at the Library or by calling 947-5335.

BOOKMOBILE WINNER



Diane Atherton of HOPE Academy Preschool was the winner of the December prize drawing. The only requirement for entry was to photograph yourself on board or standing next to the Moore County Bookmobile. The prize, donated by Char Bar No. 7 Restaurant, was a \$25 gift card. Congratulations!

NEW ON NC LIVE



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STORYTIME SCHEDULES

Carthage Library : 947-5335

Fridays @ 10:30am

Pinebluff Library: 281-3004

Wednesdays @ 9:30am

Robbins Area Library: 948-4000

Thursdays @ 10:00am

Vass Area Library: 245-2200

Thursdays @ 10:00am

DIAL-A-STORY: 948-3322

FRIEND-LY BOOK REVIEW



[Sharon McDonald, a member of the Friends of Moore County Library, has shared this review of the works of NC author **Thomas Wolfe**.]

Thomas Wolfe was a topic at supper when I was growing up. My father frequently referred to *Look Homeward Angel* and *You Can't Go Home Again*. He spoke of the resentment the Asheville, North Carolina citizens felt about Wolfe's portrayal of them. I, however, loved his writing, especially a play he wrote while a student at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, at only age 18.

The idea for *The Return of Buck Gavin: A Tragedy of a Mountain Outlaw* was given to Wolfe by his professor, Frederick H. Koch. Koch's field was folk-drama composition. Wolfe's task was to turn a newspaper story about two Texas bank robbers into a folk play set in Wolfe's own mountains. The one-scene play is the poignant story of Buck Gavin, played by Wolfe, a moonshiner who has been running from the law after a shoot-out with revenuers, during which Buck's partner Jim is killed. Most of the play is a dialogue between Buck and his sister Mary. She fears for him and questions his reason for returning as he is still a wanted man. Buck wants to visit Jim's grave and asks Mary to pick flowers to take with him. Buck says to Mary: "Say, how 'bout some vi'lets, got any? Jim was plum daff, over 'em..."



I've read that when Thomas Wolfe died of tuberculosis of the brain in Baltimore, Maryland in 1938, some of his friends looked for violets for his grave.



I found the play *The Return of Buck Gavin* in the book *North Carolina Drama*, edited by Richard Walser, which is available to borrow from the Hamlet or Wadesboro branches of the Sandhill Regional Library System.