

News from the Library

A Newsletter of the Central Carolina Community College Libraries Vol. 8, No. 2 June 2008



Let's Hear It for the Library!!

Libraries have changed with the computer age regarding quick ways to access materials but library resources remain much more than quick information and Internet access. America's founders understood that for democracy to succeed, literacy plus access to information and knowledge were essential. Much effort was given to financing and building our library institutions, so commonplace today. We should also remember the great advantages that libraries contribute to our quality of life. Lack of or limited access to library resources impedes development in Third World countries because knowledge and information are crucial to innovation and change.

If this sounds like a library appreciation plug, it is. Not only are viewing, reading or listening to library materials a pleasure in a hectic noisy world, but libraries provide numerous online and print databases, books, periodicals, and multi-media materials for all types of patrons and all kinds of needs. Libraries might also be envisioned as a one-stop knowledge and entertainment "mall" for busy patrons. One may equally be inspired by great literature, drama, or music, be stimulated to imagine new possibilities and ideas, or teach oneself a new skill. Audio resources make long trips or commuting "go faster" and more interesting. Good "reads" and videos are inexpensive entertaining ways to relax after a busy day or on vacation. Librarians, the "human search engines" know the best materials and search strategies for their patrons' particular needs. Many libraries now offer 24/7 reference guidance via chat or email. The accumulated knowledge of humankind in libraries is accessible [via](#) interlibrary loan networks. This vast world of information, knowledge, and recreation is by far greater than what is available on the Internet and it is for the most part, free.

As Carl Sagan states in Cosmos, "*The library connects us with the insight and knowledge, painfully extracted from Nature, of the greatest minds that ever were, with the best teachers, drawn from the entire planet and from all our history, to instruct us without tiring, and to inspire us to make our own contribution to the collective knowledge of the human species. I think the health of our civilization, the depth of our awareness about the underpinnings of our culture and our concern for the future can all be tested by how well we support our libraries.*"

Good "Reads" for the Summer



America against the world: how we are different and why we are disliked by Andrew Kohut
E 169.12 .K59 2006 (Lee)

Examines perceptions of America's national values and character.


The Circle Trilogy by Ted Dekker
Black - PS 3554 .E57 B57 2004 (Harnett)
Red - PS 3554 .E3 R43 2004 (Harnett)
White - PS 3554 .E43 W 485 (Harnett)

If you like parallel universe themes, these action packed sagas about global terrorism and biological warfare are for you.

Dark of the moon by John Sandford
PS 3569 .A516 D37 2007 (Lee)

A folksy criminal investigator from the state crime bureau solves a series of inter-related crimes in the "Buffalo Ridge" area of SW Minnesota.

Down river by John Hart
PS 3608 .A78575 D68 2007 (Lee)

Set in North Carolina, this four  mystery highlights the pressures of "progress" and father-son relationship involving betrayal and forgiveness.

In defense of food: a manifesto by Michael Pollan
RA 784 .P643 2008 (Chatham)

Tired of analyzing the nutrients in what you eat, then feast on this alternative traditional and ecological approach.

Nineteen minutes: a novel by Jodi Picoult
Bestseller collection (Lee)

A timely and insightful novel about bullying and how it can lead to school violence.

Our daily meds: how the pharmaceutical companies transformed themselves into slick marketing machines and hooked the nation on prescription drugs by Melody Petersen
HD 9666.5 .P415 2008 (Chatham)

A thought provoking look at profit driving science in American medicine.

Plum lovin' by Janet Evanovich
PS 3555 .V2126 P56 2007 (Chatham)

Another humorous mystery h featuring PI Stephanie Plum, stalkers, and women bounty hunters.

Quiet strength: a memoir by Tony Dungy
BR 1725 .D738 A3 2007 (Harnett)

An inspirational biography of the first African-American coach to lead a national football team, the Indianapolis Colts, to win a Super Bowl.

Take the risk by Ben Carson
BF 637 .R57 C37 2008 (Harnett)



An inspiring book about learning how to take calculated risks in order to actualize one's full potential.

Unstoppable global warming: every 1500 years by S. Fred Singer
QC 981.8 .G56 S553 (Lee, Harnett)

Have scientists and the media overestimated the human factor in global warming?

News about NCLIVE Databases

Significant changes to the new EBSCO interface are coming in July. **EBSCOhost 2.0** will feature upgrades including: visual

searching for graphics and images in results, more help for citing references, user customization options for sorting results, and more.

The [history](#) and [literature](#) content from the **Greenwood** resources have been restored to their original book publication format. The Greenwood sources are: *American Slavery: A Composite Autobiography*; *Daily Life Through History*; *Historic Events of the 20th Century*; *Critical Companions to Popular Contemporary Writers*; and *Literature in Context*. The [link](#) to this new **Greenwood Digital Collection** is found in the NC LIVE E-books & audio books categories.

Library Literacy Classes

Library literacy classes are available for all campuses. Please feel free to contact Mary Coleman at 910-814-8814. Evening classes at the Lee campus will continue to be provided by Ellen or Leonard Viggiano at ext. 7244.

General Information

Library Locations

1105 Kelly Drive, **Sanford**, NC 27330
Phone: 919-718-7244; Fax: 919-718-7378

1075 E. Cornelius Harnett Blvd, **Lillington**, NC 27546
Phone: 910-814-8843

764 West Street, **Pittsboro**, NC 27312
Phone: 919-542-6495; Fax: 919-542-6798

Regular Library Hours

Sanford: 7:30am-9pm, M-Th
7:30-3:30pm, F

Lillington and Pittsboro: 7:30am-8pm, M-Th;
7:30am-3:30pm, F

All libraries are closed on Saturday and Sunday. Hours may vary during summer semester and semester breaks. Changes will be posted on the library doors.

2008 Summer Evening Library Hours

Sanford: M-Th, Open until 8

Lillington: Open on Tuesday and
Wednesday nights only until 8

Pittsboro: Open on Tuesday and
Wednesday nights only until 8:00pm

Website: www.cccc.edu/library

