

BookBytes



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Main Library Temporarily Relocated

The Fairfield County Main Library has temporarily relocated to 1132-A Kincaid Bridge Road (near DSS) while renovations are underway at the Washington Street library building.

Architect Danny Shelley has scheduled a pre-bid conference with potential contractors for January 9th. Bid opening will be on January 18th.

Renovation work to the Washington Street building will include new carpet, a new roof, interior paint, electrical wiring for computers and lighting, and insulation under the building. We will also purchase some new shelving, chairs, and other furniture.

Fairfield County Council has generously appropriated \$350,000 for the renovations. New computers



and computer furniture will be purchased with a federal grant obtained by Senator Lindsay Graham and administered by the Institute of Museum and Library Services. Architectural fees will be covered by a SC Budget and Control Board grant courtesy of former Senator Linda Short.

We anticipate that the renovation work will take three or four months.



Your County Tax Dollars At Work...

In this tough economic climate, the Fairfield County Council deserves special thanks for stepping up to fund the library's renovation project. (See above) While everyone had hoped to be able to expand the building, that level of funding must wait a bit longer. Realizing however that the heavily-used, 35-year-old library building needed maintenance work that could not be put off much longer, the Council approved the necessary funds to undertake the effort. Be sure to thank Chairman David Ferguson, and Council members David Brown, Mary Lynn Kinley, Kamau Marcharia, Dwayne Perry, Mikel Trapp, and Carolyn Robinson when you see them. Their support makes the library's services possible.

DIRECTOR'S DESK

SARAH MCMASTER

Whew! We survived the move.

In 1977 when we moved into the Washington Street building, we organized the move with guys from the Sertoma Club and a human chain of volunteers who passed books from hand to hand and used grocery shopping carts. Of course, in 1977 the library's collection was two-thirds smaller, and I was 35 years younger!

This time we had the wonderful services of Carey Moving and Storage from Spartanburg. The big orange Allied vans came equipped with rolling carts, shrink wrap, hand carts, and a crew of professionals who knew what they were doing. They off-loaded books onto carts, dismantled shelving, loaded the trucks, reassembled the shelving, and put the books back up...in order!

While it was still a stressful process, it was all accomplished in five hectic days.

We are so thankful to have a functional space to call home for the next several months. Although some of our services will be limited, it is still a much better solution than I had originally envisioned. Special thanks go to our landlord, Jim Mullen of Hacker Industries for his help in facilitating the move. Extra special thanks go to Davis Anderson and the county maintenance department for all they did to make the move easier...they are true heroes. And finally, we couldn't have done it without the world's greatest library staff...they have been real troopers about having their world turned upside down. Come see us in our temporary home!

Contact me at 803 635-4971 or sarah@fairfield.lib.sc.us

Just for Kids

- Come to Family Nights on January 5th, February 2nd, and March 1st at 7:00 p.m.
- Remember the Winter Story Hour Series will be every Tuesday afternoon in February at 4:00 p.m.
- When the weather is bad and you can't come to the library, remember you can call Dial-a-Story at 635-2020 to hear a story over the telephone.



Children's Room at Temporary Site

Storage Building Taking Shape

As part of the renovation project, the library is getting a small storage building on the rear of the Washington Street property. Penn Contracting has the bid for the structure and is making progress. Having on-site storage for boxes and seldom-used items will greatly improve functionality in the library's work spaces.



Some Miscellaneous Notes...

- The Main Library phone number is still the same: 803 635-4971
- The Main Library fax number is still the same: 803 635-7715
- The Main Library mailing address will remain 300 W. Washington Street, Winnsboro, SC

- The Main Library hours of operation will be the same:
Mon, Tues, Wed, Fri 9-6
Thurs 9-9
Sat 9-1

- The library will once again serve as a distribution point for state and federal **tax forms**. Basic forms are free to the public as long as supplies last. Most of the schedules and many other supplementary forms will also be available. Unusual and less-used forms not stocked can be printed out from the Internet for \$.10 per page. The SC Department of Revenue is distributing a very limited number of paper forms to libraries. A request form for paper forms will be available so that taxpayers who do not file online can have forms sent to them. The library staff will try to assist patrons in locating forms, but cannot give advice about which forms to file.

GOING...GOING...GONE!



FAIRFIELD COUNTY LIBRARY

Main Library

**1132-A Kincaid Bridge Road
Winnsboro, South Carolina
29180**

Phone: 803 635-4971

Fax: 803 635-7715

**Hours: M,Tu,W,F 9-6 Th 9-9
Sat 9-1**

Ridgeway Branch Library

**175 S. Palmer Street
Ridgeway, South Carolina
29130**

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Library Events ~~~ January-March, 2012

Main Library

January 5 at 7:00 p.m. Family Night

January 25 at 5:00 p.m. Friends Board Meeting

February 2 at 7:00 p.m. Family Night

February 7, 14, 21, and 28 at 4:00 p.m.
Winter Story Hour Series

February 29 at 5:00 p.m. Friends Board Meeting

March 1 at 7:00 p.m. Family Night

March 28 at 5:00 p.m. Friends Board Meeting

Ridgeway Branch Library

January 5 at 4:00 p.m. Story Hour

February 2, 9, 16 and 23 at 4:00 p.m.
Winter Story Hour Series

March 1 at 4:00 p.m. Story Hour

The Library Will Be Closed

Monday, January 2nd
for New Year's Day
and
Monday, January 16th
for Martin Luther King Day

