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Ben Franklin is Coming!

Ben Franklin will present "The Magic of Reading" at the Fairfield County Library on Wednesday, January 13, at 6:00 p.m.

Ben, aka actor Rich Davis, has traveled all over the United States speaking at over 5,000 schools, libraries, and colleges. Davis holds a Ph.D. in Adult Education and an M.A. in English. He lives in Summerville, SC when he is not on the road speaking.

How could a person with only two years of schooling become one of the best educated, wisest and most productive people of his time? Reading was the key. Come learn the secrets of one of the world's best and most famous readers as Ben discusses his life and achievements. Learn three reasons reading is magic, four reading virtues, and how young Ben Franklin participated in one of the most memorable moments in American literature. Fun for all ages!



Meet Ben Franklin at the library on January 13th at 6:00 p.m.



Hello and Goodbye...

With joy we welcome Mandy Hawkins (left) to the staff as our new Children and Youth Services librarian. Mandy has a BS in Information Science from USC and an MLIS from the USC School of Library and Information Science. She is a native of York County and has recently worked at the Lexington County Library.

With sadness we say goodbye to two retiring staff members: Fran Driscoll and Margot Kuebler. Fran came to the library for something to do part-time after retiring the first time, and has stayed eight years! Margot has cataloged books and staffed our Ridgeway Branch for 19 years. Both are looking forward to time for family and travel in retirement.

DIRECTOR'S DESK SARAH MCMASTER

Change is hard...especially when it is happening to you!

As you read on the front page, we are saying goodbye to Fran Driscoll and Margot Kuebler, two more staff members who are embarking on their retirement adventure. With Bydester Hall retiring in July, this brings our total retirements to three this year! In all my years with the library, I don't think we have ever had this much change is staff at one time.

Over the years, the library has been blessed with great staff members. While saying goodbye to any of them is hard, the silver lining is that we get to realign some current staff and welcome new folks like Mandy Hawkins! Mandy will be taking over programming for children and youth

from Chrishonda Gaither who will transition into a cataloging and technical services role. Zelma Dove who was formerly part-time, has transitioned into a full-time position. More transitions and new faces may be on the horizon as the year progresses; however, our staffing goal is always to provide the best possible services to our patrons and community.



Margot (left) and Fran (right)

Best Wishes on your retirement!



Just for Kids

- Come to **Family Nights** on January 7th, February 4th, and March 3rd at 6:00 p.m.
- Remember the **Winter Story Hour Series** will be every Tuesday afternoon in February at 4:30 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.

Spring Break @ the library

March 28-April 1



Drop in every day for special activities



Monday: Lego Day

Tuesday: Museum Morning at 10:00 a.m.

Wednesday: Keva Plank Day Thursday: Coloring Day Friday: Puzzle Day

Tax Forms Info...

- The *Internal Revenue Service* continues to make cuts in its tax form distribution program. The library will receive a very limited number of a few basic forms which will be available in the front lobby of the Main Library and at the Ridgeway Branch. We will post information about how to request forms by phone or online.
- The State Department of Revenue will no longer send Individual Income Tax Packets to public libraries. We will also post information about how to request state forms.
- The library staff can download forms and make photocopies of forms, however you must know the specific forms you need. Library staff cannot provide tax advice. Charges for photocopies and printouts of tax forms will be at our regular rate of \$.10 per page.

Museum Morinings Program Series Continues

The Columbia Museum of Art and the Fairfield County Library will continue to offer a series of Museum Morning programs. The programs combine stories and art projects for children of all ages.

Programs will be held at 10:00 a.m. at the Main Library on the following dates:

Tuesday, January 26th
Tuesday, February 23rd
Tuesday, March 29th
Tuesday, April 26th
Tuesday, May 31st

For more information contact Mandy Hawkins at the library.



TumbleBooks for Kids...Online!

Kids and parents in Fairfield County now have access to over 500 fiction and non-fiction animated and talking story and chapter books online.

Thanks to a project of the South Carolina State Library, all South Carolina public library patrons have unlimited access to the TumbleBook Library from computers or mobile devices so that this great resource can be used in the library, at home, or on the go.

In addition to story and chapter books, the

collection includes French and Spanish books, as well as National Geographic videos, puzzles, games, and songs. All the Tumble-Book resources are designed to teach children the joy of reading and learning.

How to use TumbleBooks:

- Link directly from your computer at http://bit.ly/1SmBUsr
- Go to the library's website (www.fairfield.lib.sc.us) and click on the TumbleBooks logo on the main page.
- Go to the Fairfield County Library mobile app and choose the TumbleBooks tab

(Need to get the mobile app? Download it free from the Apple or Android app stores. Be sure



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Hours: M,Tu,W,F 9-6 Th 9-9

Sat 9-1

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Dial-a-Story: 803-635-2020

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Library Events ~~~ January-March, 2016

Main Library

January 7 at 6:00 p.m. Family Night

January 13 at 6:00 p.m. Magic of Reading with Ben Franklin

January 26 at 10:00 a.m. Museum Morning

January 27 at 5:00 p.m. Friends Board Meeting

February 2, 9, 16, and 23 at 4:30 p.m. Winter Story Hour Series

February 4 at 7:00 p.m. Family Night

February 23 at 10:00 a.m. Museum Morning

February 24 at 5:00 p.m. Friends Board Meeting

March 3 at 7:00 p.m. Family Night

March 29 at 10:00 a.m. Museum Morning

March 30 at 5:00 p.m. Friends Board Meeting

Ridgeway Branch Library

January 7 at 4:00 p.m. Story Hour

February 4, 11, 18 and 25 at 4:00 p.m. Winter Story Hour Series

March 3 at 4:00 p.m. Story Hour

The Library Will Be Closed

Friday, January 1st for New Year's Day and Monday, January 18th for Martin Luther King Day and

Friday, March 25th & Saturday, March 26th For Easter