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Reading Program Events Peak in March, April

The 2008 Region Read program sponsored by the C.P.C. Regional Library System will reach its climax with a flood of events in March and April. The program seeks to have everyone in the area read one book and then discuss it at meetings of book clubs and other groups.

The Region Read is a continuation of One Read programs held in past years that focused on the classics: "Captains Courageous" and "The Great Gatsby." This year the book being featured is "The Rocket Boys" by Homer Hickam, Jr., a retired NASA engineer. Hickam's memoir is set in the 1950's and captures the geewhiz of rocketry, the space program and things that wink in the night sky.

Region Read officially began on January 28, when representatives from Carteret County Public Library placed a wreath at astronaut Mike Smith's memorial on the Beaufort waterfront. Mike was the pilot in the space shuttle Challenger. He grew up in Carteret County, and the libraries hope to remind everyone of the bravery of this hometown hero. A photo display of Mike is currently on view at the Carteret County Public Library.

Reading "Rocket Boys" is sure to spark interest in the 50th anniversary of the National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA). Plans are being finalized to have a NASA astronaut speak at the Crystal Coast Civic Center for the general public. This will be especially appropriate for sixth grade classes.

From mid-February through mid-April, exhibits on the moon, aeronautics and products incorporating NASA technology will be at the Carteret County Public

Library, Western Carteret Public Library, Havelock-Craven County Public Library and New Bern-Craven County Public Library.

The Imagination Station will present "Soar with Physics" at the Carteret County Public Library, Western Carteret Public Library and New Bern Public Library. This program culminates with a live rocket launch sure to ignite the interest of visitors young and old.

The movie "October Sky" will be shown at various times at all the public libraries in the Craven-Pamlico-Carteret region. The award-winning movie was adapted from "Rocket Boys."

As with One Read efforts in the past, area book clubs can pick up special book club kits and share the excitement of rocketry by reading and discussing "Rocket Boys."

For more information, please visit the website http://carteret.cpclib.org or phone 252-728-2050.

SCHEDULE OF ACTIVITIES MARCH

March 6: "The Toilet Paper Solar System." Tweens Program, Carteret County Public Library. 4:15 p.m.

March9: "What Happened to Pluto" with Jesse Richuso, Morehead Planetarium. Maritime Museum, Beaufort. 2 p.m.

March 11: Imagination Station Science Museum presents "Soar With Physics." Build a rocket and see it fly (weather permitting). Western Carteret Public Library. 3:30 p.m.

March 13: "Paper Airplane Science," Tweens Program, Carteret County Public Library. 4:15 p.m.

Bogue Banks Library Book Sale

Submitted by Dorothy Miller

March 15: Showing of movie "October Sky," Bogue Banks Public Library. 2 p.m.

March 17: Showing of movie "October Sky," Western Carteret Public Library. 2 p.m.

March 17: Book Discussion, Carteret County Public Library. 7 p.m.

March 19: Showing of movie "October Sky," Bogue Banks Public Library. 2 p.m.

March 20: Imagination Station Science Museum presents "Soar With Physics." Rocket launch (weather permitting) at Freedom Park or Carteret County Public Library; Tweens Program included. 4 p.m.

March 20: Showing of movie "October Sky," Western Carteret Public Library. 7 p.m.

March 27: "Paper Airplane Science," Tweens Program, Carteret County Public Library. 4:15 p.m.

March 29: Showing of movie "October Sky," Carteret County Public Library. 2 p.m.

APRIL

April 3: "By the Light of the Moon" (Part One), Tweens, Carteret County Public Library. 4:15 p.m.

April 10: "By the Light of the Moon" (Part Two), Tweens, Carteret County Public Library. 4:15 p.m.

April 17: "Robonauts" Activity. Tweens Program, Carteret County Public Library. 4:15 p.m.

April 24: "Moon Poetry." Tweens Program, Carteret County Public Library. 4:15 p.m.

Women's Club Hears Tips On Designing Wreaths By Veronica Stanley

On Jan. 25 the Pine Knoll Shores Women's Club featured speaker Sandra McCuin. She is a florist who owns the English Rose at 1013Arendell Street in Morehead City. Sandra demonstrated making wreaths for Valentine's Day. She is pictured holding a heather heart. Women were given directions to design their own wreaths at home.

The next board meeting is 9 a.m. March 7 at town hall. The club meeting is March 14, with 9:30 social time, !0 a.m. meeting at town hall with Darlene Smith and Rosie demonstrating dog obedience 101. The Supper Club will have dinner on March 16. Cook's Night Out is April 4 at McCurdy's in Atlantic Beach. All women living in Pine Knoll Shores are welcome to join the club.



Book Clubs

The Beach Book Club will read "The Glass Castle" by Jeannette Walls and will meet March 13 at the home of Maureen Danehy. Between the Bookends will meet at the home of Diane Donovan March 10 with Terrie Sweeny leading the discussion of "We Were the Mulvaneys" by Joyce Carol Oates.

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The next semi-annual Used Book Sale sponsored by the Friends of the Bogue Banks Library has been scheduled for Saturday, April 26, at Shepherd of the Sea Lutheran Church, Atlantic Beach. Sale hours will be from 10 a.m. until 2 p.m. If you live to read, put the date on your calendar now.

An advance sale for Friends of the Bogue Banks Library only will be held Friday evening, April 25, starting at 7:00. All residents of Bogue Banks are urged to become members of the Friends of the Bogue Banks Library, a precious community asset. Because the library

building is hidden behind trees, some do not even know it is there. If you have never stopped by to see this little gem in our midst, do check it out. The library is at 320 Salter Path Road in Pine Knoll Shores, at the west end of the library and Fire & Emergency Medical Services parking complex.

A Friends' family membership is \$15 per year and an individual membership is \$10, less than the cost of a new book. You may purchase Friends' memberships at the library Monday through Saturday between 8:30 a.m. and 5 p.m. Memberships may also be purchased at the Friday evening members only sale.

Between now and mid-April everyone is urged to look over all those books crowding your shelves and give those you have already enjoyed to the Bogue Banks Library Friends for the spring sale. Share the wealth! The Friends of the Library board is also looking for volunteers to help with the April sale. If you would enjoy working in this community endeavor please call the sale coordinators, Jane Hobson (240-3058) or Stacey Veros (808-2742).