The Library

Happenings for July

Closing. Bogue Banks Public Library will be closed on Monday, July 4, for Independence Day.

Activities for children. Preschool Storytime for ages 3-5 is held each Thursday at 10 a.m. with Ms. Brita.

- Thursday, July 7, will be "Fly High with Books."
- Thursday, July 14, will be "Setting Reading Records."
- Thursday, July 21, will be "Laugh-Out-Loud!" (Laughter yoga with Betsy Mercer)
- Thursday, July 28, will be "Be a Reading Champion."

Summer reading. Bogue Banks Public Library is holding the Summer Reading program through August 6. Register your entire family for this annual event that includes all ages. There will be events and prizes for all age groups. Contact the library for full details.

Book exchange and sale. Stop by the paperback Book Exchange and trade for a free paperback book to take to the beach. Friends of Bogue Banks Public Library also host an in-house book sale. Visit today and check out the bargains.

Storytelling Festival. The 13th annual Storytelling Festival will be held on July 6, 13, 20 and 27 at 10 a.m. at the Crystal Coast Civic Center in Morehead City and at 2 p.m. at the Bethlehem Methodist Church in Bogue. Professional storytellers will delight children of all ages with their stories. The performances are:

- Wednesday, July 6: No Sleeves Magic from Wilmington, NC. Voted best family entertainer eight years in a row by the Wilmington Parent magazine, Michael Rosander and his group inspire children, not only in magic and theater but also in life.
- Wednesday, July 13: Jess Willis from Florence, SC. A storyteller at heart, she loves to tell anything from Folk and Fractured Fairy Tales to Family Stories and Personal Foibles. She believes no matter our age, we all need stories.
- Wednesday, July 20: Bright Star Touring Theater from Asheville, NC.

 The theater company has earned a national reputation for high-quality performances that play to a young audience's intelligence and meet National Standards of Learning. Their programs are as educational as they are entertaining.
- Wednesday, July 27: Claire Ramsey from Oxford, NC. Her wish as a storyteller is to bring her audience to a place where they remember their first stories, pictures filling their minds and hearts. "Stories with Claire" specializes in folk tales from around the world for story lovers of all ages.

Featured artwork. In July, the art gallery at Bogue Banks Library will feature the colorful paintings of Pine Knoll Shores resident Marsha Deane. A southern-born lady raised in Pennsylvania, Ms. Deane attended Moore College of Art in Philadelphia. She rediscovered her art after moving to North Carolina 18 years ago. Retirement has allowed her more time to pursue her love of painting, and she enjoys painting the coastal environment that she sees around her and pets. She is a contemporary realist and strives to paint realism with emotion. She works in watercolor, acrylic and oil.

Ms. Deane is a member of Carolina Artists Gallery at 800 Evans Street in Morehead City, where her art is on display. She is a member of the Arts Council of Carteret County, and was an award-winning artist at the Arts from the Heart exhibit in 2011 and 2016 in Morehead City. She is also an active member of Arts for the Hospital.

For an encore performance, the display cases will feature handcrafted weathervanes and copper art of Don and Laura Saddlemire of D&L Weathervanes. The Saddlemires started their business in 2007 when they were struggling to find a unique gift for a family member. Their weathervanes are created to be both beautiful and fully functional pieces of art in the 18th century folk art style. They also create handcrafted ornaments, charms and copper wall art, most of which are created

Voting Law Updates for 2016

By Phyllis Makuck



Voter Rights Coalition of Carteret County *A NonPartisan Organization*

The nonpartisan Voter Rights Coalition of Carteret County is continuing its series of articles on the Voting Law in North Carolina and related court cases.

While absentee balloting and Early Voting were in progress for the June Primary, a three-judge panel approved the newly redrawn U.S. Congressional District map as

shown here. This map is to remain in effect through the November election. Appeals over the ruling are, however, expected, and North Carolina legislative districts are already under court review. Neither of these cases is expected to affect the November election when Walter B. Jones and Ernest T. Reeves will compete to represent the 3rd U.S. Congressional District.

Also, in an unrelated case, the U.S. Fourth Circuit Court overruled a U.S. District Court and extended both out-of-precinct voting on Election Day and the opportunity to register during Early Voting. These extensions are in effect until the Circuit Court makes its final decision on the North Carolina Voting Law. The expectation is both will be allowed during the November General Election.





The artwork of Marsha Deane (above) and Don and Laura Saddlemire.



from recycled weathered copper, which takes advantage of the natural colors and character created by time and the elements.

Please plan to join our gallery artist at the public reception on Friday, July 15, 3-4 p.m., in the art gallery. Please note that for this month the reception will be on the third Friday of the month.

Once again Carteret County Parks & Recreation and the Carteret County Public Library are teaming up to offer free movies in the Library Program Room at 1702 Live Oak Street in Beaufort. Admission is free and refreshments will be provided. Children under the age of 8 must be accompanied by an adult. Movies are at 2 p.m. on the following dates: July 5, "Happy Feet 2"; July 12, "Air Bud Spikes Back"; July 26, "Space Jam"; August 2, "Air Bud Seventh Inning Fetch"; and August 9, "Surf's Up."