#### Library's book club resumes this Jan. 18

The library will be closed Friday, Dec. 31, and Saturday, Jan. 1,2000. We expect to move seamlessly into the millennium (computer-wise, at least).

Regardless of whatever else might happen in Y2K, be sure to note that the Friends of the Library Book Club will steam fearlessly ahead. The first meeting of the millennium will be held Jan. 18 (third Thursday of the month) at 3:30 p.m. at the library and the book of the month is *The Pilot's* 

toldbyadifferentperson, the stories are linked in a narrative of

the century.
From Fred
Chappell,
Look Back All
the Green Valley is the
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Rosalie Boyd

only the tip of the iceberg, so to speak. Dirk will need all his legendary skills (and help from a beautiful redheaded linguist) to save the world from a group of fanatics calling themselves the Fourth Empire.

In A Highland Christmas by M.C. Beaton, Police Constable Hamish Macbeth works overtime to solve small crames and large just in time for a peaceful Christmas in the village of Lochdobh.

A private eye in first century A.D., Roman Marcus Didius Falco deviates from working for the Census hunting delinquent taxpayers to literally entering the lion's dento search for a human killer. Author Lindsey Davis provides plenty of background in the bloody world of gladitorial contests in *Two for the Lions*.

Elvis (or an impersonator) is the suspect in a series of bizarre events plaguing the construction of a Las Vegas hotel in *Cat in a Jeweled Jumpsuit*. Author Carole Nelson Douglas has peppered this mystery with important Elvis facts and clues, which lead Midnight Louie (a cat) and Temple Barr (his human partner) up and down the strip.

The Unburied by Charles Palliser takes place at an English cathedral. An historian who's visiting an old friend also plans to spend time doing research in the library. Unfortunately, he becomes entangled in a centuries-old mystery and witnesses a gruesome murder.

Dr. Alex Delaware draws on his considerable talent to determine how an incarcerated psychotic can predict murders that will take place on the outside in *Monster* by Jonathan Kellerman.

Have a Nice Day by Nick Foley reveals the grisly underside and the rioutous antics of professional wrestling, Foley's chosen line of work. And he can call himself a best-selling author, too. The man known in the ring as Hardcore Legend wants his readers to know that he wrote this book without the help of a ghostwriter. Despite having had more injuries than we can stand to contemplate, he clearly revels in his work, had a good time writing about it, and likes the money best of all.



#### Kindergarteners trim tree

Students in Susan Biggs' Kindergarten class at D.F. Walker Elementary School in Edenton made special holiday ornaments to adorn the Christmas Tree located at the State Employees Credit Union. The class traveled to the Credit Union to decorate the tree and hear a story read by bank manager Kim Overton. Mrs. Overton and bank employees treated the students to a Christmas party following the tree trimming.

### Sams among regional grant recipients

Twelve grants totaling \$7,000 have been awarded to artists through the Regional Artist Project Grants Program supported by the North Carolina Arts Council, a state agency, and a coalition of 29 eastern North Carolina arts councils.

Grant recipients include Robin Dahl Sams of Chowan County, who will receive \$500 for art supplies to produce a series of paintings.

The Regional Artist Project Grants Program provides financial support to developing profes-

sional artists for projects pivotal to the advancement of their careers as artists. These grants are intended to fund a particular project which must be completed by June 30, 2000.

Artists developing a professional career in the arts, and who have mastered the basic techniques of their art form, were encouraged to apply. Application criteria included: the accomplishment and commitment of the artist, the feasibility of the proposed project, and the impact the project will have on

the applicant's career.

To be eligible, an artist must have lived in one of the 29 counties of the coalition for at least one year, and cannot be a student enrolled in a degree or certificate program during the grant period. Grants may not exceed \$1,000.

Artists interested in applying for a Regional Artist Project Grant during the next granting cycle, beginning August 2000, should call their local Arts Council for more information. Local residents may contact Chowan Arts Council.

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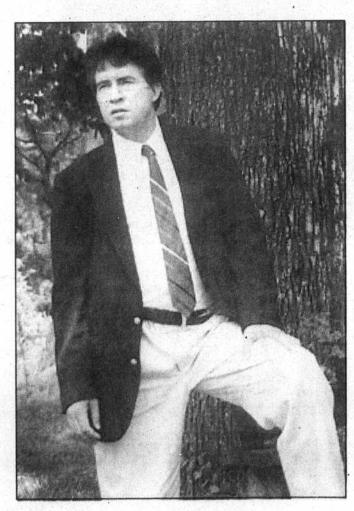
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