

SPECIAL  
POINTS OF  
INTEREST:

- Commissioners' Meetings Monday, July 1st and 15th and Monday, August 4th and 18th.

NEWSLETTER  
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# The Caswell Connection

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## Senior Center News

By: Robbie Jean Yarbrough

We have been busy here at the Senior Center for the Spring and upcoming Summer months. We enjoyed Senior Games during the months of April and May with many seniors participating in the games. We invite anyone 55 or older to come join us in the exercise room where it is cool to get your daily exercise.

The last couple of issues I have tried to introduce you to the people that make up the Senior Center as employees.

This edition we have a new employee to the Senior Center but not new to Caswell County Government. I would like for you to meet Amy Locklear Hooker, she became our new Program Assistant on April 28, 2014. Amy previously worked for Caswell County Government, and is happy to have returned. She is working with our Meals on Wheels program and coordinates our volunteers. When there are not enough volunteers, she runs routes herself. She enjoys helping others, so

this is a great opportunity to do just that. She said the job is very rewarding, knowing that we are helping others. Knowing that we may be the only smile, hug, or just kind word our seniors get all day is awesome. Amy would like to encourage more people to give of their time and become volunteers. The routes can be completed in an hour time frame.

Also, it is very easy for the volunteers to let us know when they are available. The schedule is completed and mailed to each volunteer in the month prior to. We have some that volunteer once a month, and some who want to go out multiple times a week. It is imperative that we have a solid volunteer base when we need to fill-in due to illness, emergencies, etc. Our volunteers going out also helps in making sure the seniors

are okay (especially those that live alone). Before the meals go out everyday, Amy is a part of a team at the center that packs them for that day's delivery. She enjoys seeing the seniors who visit the center on a regular basis also.

Amy is a native of Wagram, NC in Scotland County, but moved to this area 18 years ago. She is married to Caswell County resident, Darren Hooker, and they have one daughter, Alyssa, who will be starting high school this year. Amy is a member of Beulah Baptist Church in Leasburg, NC. Amy hopes to hear from many of you!



# Library Impact Survey

By: Rhonda Griffin

"Then give  
to the  
world the  
best you  
have. And  
the best  
will come  
back to  
you."

-Madeline

Bridges

The State Library of North Carolina implemented an impact survey for county residents throughout the state. The survey asked library patrons in each county about their technology usage at their library. There are the surprising large number of people aren't comfortable with computers, so library staff sit with them at the computers, assisting them with applying for jobs online, creating resumes, registering for college classes, or just sending an email to a family member... These are the ones that require the most time and assistance. Most people would be surprised at just how much of this type of assistance the library offers. The library is much more than the awesome Summer Reading Program that we provide for children. Just for the month of May, the library had 795 computer uses... Some quick highlights from the Caswell County specific survey include:

**70% of public access technology users reported having received one-on-one technology help from library staff or volunteers in the past 12 months**

**30%** of public access technology users indicated they had used the public library's computers or wireless network for educational purposes

**15%** of users took a school-related test online.

**30%** of users used the library's technology resources to apply for a job.

**15%** were granted an interview, and one user was hired for a new position

**25%** of users reported learning about diet or nutrition; of those, 100% made a change to their diet.

**25%** of users reported learning about exercise or fitness; of those, 100% made a change in their exercise habits.

## Caswell County Public Library Data

Number of residents in the library's legal service area	23,557
Number of library patron visits in the past year	86,214
Number of hours the library system was open during the past year	2,410
Total number of public access Internet terminals within the library system	19
Number of public access Internet terminal uses in the past year	12,486

### Summer Reading Programs:

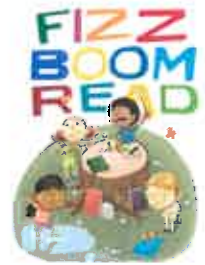
**Adult Program:** Play Tic-Tac-Toe with Books and other literary contests and register to win a gas card or Walmart card. Drawings every other week! Ask at the library circulation desk for details. Grand prize will be held in July – Dinner for 2 at Red Lobster!

**Teen Program:** Read an age appropriate book and complete a short form about the book that you read and your name will be entered into a weekly drawing. For more information, ask Francina Jones, Teen Services

**2014 Children's Summer  
Reading Program:**

*All Programs will be held at:  
10:00am  
Caswell County Civic Center  
and are Free!*

Simply register your child at  
Gunn Memorial Public Library for the  
program and a library card. Keep a list  
of the books read and attend the free  
weekly programs held at the  
**Caswell Civic Center each Thurs.  
beginning June 19<sup>th</sup> @10:00**



**June 19, 2014  
Rags to Riches**

A traveling live theatre for young audiences will present  
"HANSEL AND GRETEL," the Witch's brew will Fizz, Boom,  
and you will too in this exciting performance!



**June 26, 2014  
Roger Day**

Encourage kids to sing loud, jump high, and dream big!  
Roger is a two time Parents Choice Award-winner and  
entertains over 100,000 children annually!



**July 10, 2014  
Fish the Magish**

Fish will bedazzle young and old by wonderful  
storytelling and mind-bending magic!



**July 17, 2014  
Fred Motley**

Fred Motley will weave his tapestry  
of tales for young and old!



**July 24, 2014  
Timmy / Susana Abell**

Nationally recognized ALA and Parents Choice award winner,  
Silver Trout Artists, *TIMMY ABELL* and wife, *SUSANA* will present  
a spellbinding concert with a collection of rare  
instruments."



**July 31, 2014  
Grey Seal**

President's award winning Puppeteer  
of America, *DREW ALLISON* with Grey Seal Puppets  
will wow us with his creativity!!!



# 100

days of summer.  
days of hope.

*Choose your day to give.*



# Caswell County Government Community Blood Drive

**SITE: Caswell County Senior Center  
649 Fire Tower Road**

**TUESDAY, JULY 22, 2014  
10:00 AM - 2:30 PM**

To schedule your lifesaving appointment,  
please call Paula at (336) 694-4193 ext. 106

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Blood is especially needed this time of year, so please schedule your donation today!

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**American Red Cross**

1-800-RED CROSS | [redcrossblood.org/100days](http://redcrossblood.org/100days)

## WELCOME HOME

By: Karen Davies

Everyone here at the Sheriff's Office and Detention Center want to take a moment to welcome Deputy Kyle Underwood home. Kyle was deployed in August 2013 to Camp Leatherneck in Afghanistan. He was in the R4OG Unit (Retrograde and Redeployment in support of Reset and Reconstitution Operations Group). Their mission was to Retrograde (cleaning up and closing down) in support of Operation Enduring Freedom. We also want to thank Kyle for serving our country and defending our freedom. If you get a moment please shake his hand and thank him.



**“When you are content to be simply yourself and don’t compare or compete, everybody will respect you.”**  
**-Lao-Tzu**

## Goodbye!!!

By: Bob Murphy

To Caswell County staff,

My last day in Caswell County is Friday, June 27. I am glad to have this opportunity to tell you how much I have enjoyed my stay, and I thank you all for your support and cooperation over the past four months. I really enjoyed my time here, and it was pleasure to work among such dedicated and talented county employees. The board of commissioners and taxpayers of Caswell County are lucky to have such great people working from them.

I have had the opportunity to work with Bryan Miller over the past few days and I think you will find him to be an excellent manager who will fit in well with his fellow county employees. I know you will greet him warmly and provide him the same support you have given me.

Best wishes to you all,  
 Bob Murphy



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*PRESERVING THE PAST,  
EMBRACING THE FUTURE*

**A Nation Free**

Today is a time for fireworks and  
fun  
But we shouldn't forget its reason.  
This is one of the most important  
days  
of the entire summer season.  
Today's the day our nation became  
free  
and the date of the country's birth.  
For so many years we have grown  
to be  
one of the best countries on earth.

**THE FLAG**

**By: Michelle Selby**

Red for the blood shed in the name of Freedom,  
for which we fought,  
united  
Blue for the oceans of time we have crossed,  
remaining the land of the free  
White for the peace we wish to share,  
all men created equal  
Stars to remember those who fought throughout the night,  
bravely for our land  
Stripes to remind us of the lashings taken by the Prisoners of War  
With a seal, in God we trust  
We each are one of many, in which we stand united in Brotherhood  
A symbol of Pride  
A salute to those who died in the fight  
A blanket to cover us in times of need  
Waving high to show we are still here, undefeated  
With honor you are presented to the world

# July 2014

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1 Happy Birthday Marcy Williams Lanita Johnson	2	3	4	5
6 Happy Birthday Lauren Hudson Ava Ayers Debra Simpson	7 Happy Birthday Beth Jones  Commissioners' Meeting—6:30 p.m.	8 Happy Birthday Rhonda Pleasant	9 Happy Birthday Dianne Moorefield Rohelia McCain	10 Happy Birthday Cheryl Huskey	11  <i>Independence Day</i>	12 Happy Birthday Tim Hudson
13	14 Happy Birthday Crystal Wiley	15	16 Happy Birthday Michael McMillan Jane Bason	17 Happy Birthday Kacy Bowe	18 Happy Birthday Melissa Poole	19 Happy Birthday Terri Reynolds
20	21  Commissioners' Meeting—6:30 p.m.	22 Happy Birthday Michael Thompson  <i>Blood Drive—Senior Center—10—2:30</i>	23	24 Happy Birthday Coleman Wilson	25 Happy Birthday Latorya Pennix	26
27	28 Happy Birthday Angela Benson	29 Happy Birthday Cheryl Fuqua	30	31		

