



The Friendly News

June, 2023



Greetings from the President

Greetings Friends,

Now that June is here, school-age kids are celebrating the end of the academic year. Similarly, our SFTFOL program year is coming to a close. So the beginning of summer may seem like an odd time for homework. But I must give you all three assignments, due ASAP:

1. If you haven't already, listen to the podcast episode of The Catawba Chronicles featuring our very own Linda Greenwell and Emily Huling discussing Friends of the Library.
2. Sign up for the library's summer learning program, "All Together Now." We help sponsor this program, so signing up is a good chance to see how our funds are being utilized. Plus, it's fun! There are reading challenges, events, and prizes for all ages. Forms are available at the library, or you can sign up online at <https://catawbacountync.beanstack.org/reader365>. Our Sherrills Ford-Terrell branch will have a kickoff event on June 3. We've already got some volunteers attending the kickoff, and we'd love even more.
3. Attend our annual meeting and member social on June 20. We'll have great food, of course. Even better, we'll celebrate the work you all have done this year. And best of all, we'll welcome new volunteers, vote on our new slate of officers, and thank those who are moving on.

Inside this newsletter are details about all of these "assignments," plus stories you won't want to miss. How's that for an easy A?

Cheers, Erica

The Mostellers Reveal Catawba's Past

Michael Mosteller and his son, Jacob, brought car loads of artifacts to the Community Room on May 16th, all designed to shine light for the audience on the past. The chairs were filled with fascinated listeners as the pair told the stories

Mike Mosteller and arrowheads



behind each item.

Mike has been collecting arrowheads since his childhood and has personally dug them from local fields.

He can see the differences in age and design of each one; those differences are hard to spot for most of us. Some of the arrowheads are as old as 10,000 years!

The newer artifacts, however, were all connected with Catawba, both town and county.

Jacob, now eighteen, has been acquiring bottles for about ten years, and both presenters actively participate in the search for Catawba antiques. They brought a portion of that collection—and the treasures included rare advertising items, handwritten letters from the Civil War, literally thousands of handwritten medical prescriptions from the Catawba Drug Store, a tobacco box from the Catawba Tobacco Company, and medicine bottles made in Catawba and Hickory. Many thanks to both presenters for sharing their expertise!



Collector Jacob Mosteller



The audience examined items and asked questions.



It's June! Time to be Social!



Getting ready, in times past...

Break out the cookbooks and get ready to celebrate summer, and another successful year for FOSFTL. Our annual June Social is scheduled for June 20th. Beginning at 6:30, members are invited to partake of fried chicken, courtesy of the Friends, along with side dishes and desserts prepared with pride in our members' kitchens. Plates, cups and utensils will be ready and waiting. We'll also take care of end-of-year business (new officers, etc.).

And the Book Exchange Returns!

Are your shelves overloaded? Well then, choose one or more tomes you are sure another member would enjoy and bring a book or two to grace the exchange table. We'll draw numbers as in the past—choose, swipe or trade to get the book you desire!



Linda Greenwell and Emily Huling Guests on Local Podcast

"The Catawba Chronicles," a podcast about the amazing people, businesses, and history of Catawba County is hosted by Oliver Connor.

Connor interviewed Linda Greenwell and Emily Huling about the Friends of the Sherrills Ford-Terrell Library, and their roles within the organization.

You can listen to the podcast with the link below, then scroll down to "*Friends of the Library: Champions of Literacy and Community in Catawba County*":

<https://catawbachronicles.com/>

Members' Focus on Evelyn Campbell

Long-time member Evelyn Campbell is all set to assume a different role in FOSFTL: she and Pat Elston are taking over the student art display program. The Friends are most grateful for Evelyn's enormous enthusiasm, support and encouragement for the programs and goals of FOSFTL. You can see her smiling face at every Friends' event!



Evelyn is originally from Kannapolis (Rowan County) NC. She has enjoyed her lakeside home in Terrell since 1970, beginning full time residence in 1981. Evelyn attended Woman's College in Greensboro (now UNCG) and served the Kannapolis City Schools Administrative Office as Secretary\Bookkeeper until she entered UNCC to become a teacher. She was employed as a 6th grade teacher by Cabarrus County Schools for over 25 years. Evelyn treasures the challenges and rewards experienced with those never boring, often beautifully surprising, students.

Evelyn married her high school sweetheart and they had one son and two daughters. They divorced after 20 years and both were blessed with new partners. Evelyn and her partner enjoyed following college basketball and NASCAR racing, traveling, hiking in the NC mountains, boating, water skiing, and sharing their blended families.

Evelyn became a widow in 2015 but one reward for 40 "blended years" is that if she had a complete family reunion there would be 30 adults (our kids, grandkids, and spouses) and 5 young great-grandsons. With them living in five different states, this seldom happens!

Evelyn finds renewal and **inspiration** as an active member of Rehobeth United Methodist Church. Reading has always been her THING and she loves the Sherrills Ford-Terrell Library and working for and with the children through the FSTFOL group.

Saturday, June 3rd, Summer Reading Program Begins

And we have an opportunity to do what we Friends do best: directly support OUR library's programs!

Please let me know if you would like to help by "manning" a table or otherwise representing the Friends of the Library. The event is 11 a.m.-3 p.m. Contact Erica Batten at: ebattenoserver@gmail.com

Sherrills Ford-Terrell Branch
Presents



SUMMER
kickoff

FUN, GAMES, AND FOOD TRUCKS



SATURDAY
JUNE 3
11 AM-3 PM

All Together Now!!
Learn about our summer activities
and sign up for Summer Learning.



catawba county
library system

Let Your Voice Be Heard!

Your input is important. Pick a location and date that's convenient for you and attend a Community Input Meeting to get involved. First one is June 1st! Learn more at <https://www.catawbacountync.gov/county-services/planning-and-parks/plans/>.



WHAT DO YOU WANT CATAWBA COUNTY TO LOOK LIKE IN 20 YEARS?

CATAWBA COUNTY IS CREATING A COMPREHENSIVE PLAN TO HELP GUIDE HOW LAND IS USED IN OUR COMMUNITY OVER THE NEXT FEW DECADES. YOUR INPUT – ON TOPICS INCLUDING HOUSING, PARKS AND RECREATION, COMMERCIAL DEVELOPMENT, AND NATURAL RESOURCES – IS AN IMPORTANT PART OF THIS PLAN.

ATTEND A COMMUNITY INPUT MEETING

JUNE 1, 2023 | 6-7:30PM

BALLS CREEK ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

JUNE 6, 2023 | 6-7:30PM

SHERRILLS FORD ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

JUNE 8, 2023 | 6-7:30PM

OXFORD ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

JUNE 15, 2023 | 6-7:30PM

WEBB MURRAY ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

JUNE 27, 2023 | 6-7:30PM

BLACKBURN ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

Learn more at <https://www.catawbacountync.gov/county-services/planning-and-parks/plans/>.



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planning & parks



Western Piedmont
Council of Governments



You Can Follow Us on Facebook and Instagram

We currently post pictures and information about our events on both platforms. You do not need a Facebook account to keep current. <https://www.facebook.com/FOSFTL>



We are listed on Instagram as: **sherrillsfordfol**

Search for **Friends of Sherrills Ford-Terrell Library** on Facebook and if you're on Instagram, we are **sherrillsfordfol**. Please LIKE and share posts! Feel free to send a message if you would like a photo of you at the library or a Friends Event posted to either site. Ellen Janzen Dewey is the Administrator and initiator of our social media sites.

To see more of what is happening at SFT—by the week—and throughout the Catawba County Library System, visit :

<https://www.catawbacountync.gov/county-services/library/about/friends-of-the-library>

OR: Search in your browser for Catawba County Library/This Week @ Your Library.

Newsletter Submissions: Please e-mail **news and photo submissions, and community announcements** to Joyce O'Neal, newsletter editor, by the fourth Tuesday of the month: joyceoneal417@gmail.com .

Friends of the Sherrills Ford-Terrell Library 2022-2023

Officers:

President — Erica Batten

Vice-president: — Lisa Yakovenko

Secretary —Kathy Camarco

Treasurer — Priya Palmer

Publicity — Ellen Dewey

Membership — Sabine Detzel

Programs — Stephanie Roberts

Newsletter — Joyce O'Neal

Board of Directors:

Linda Greenwell

Joanie Gardner

Pat Elston

Jeanne Lebens

Library Staff:

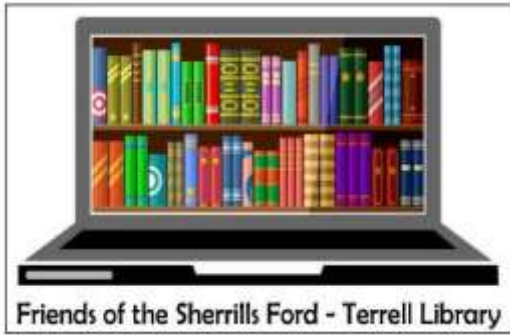
Library Services Manager — Shelley Orr

Librarian — Melissa Housel

Library Services Specialist — Kacy Steiger

Library Assistants — Lindsay Lewis, Keri Flowers, Carolyn Smith

Location: Sherrills Ford-Terrell Branch Library, 9154 Sherrills Ford Road, Terrell, NC 28682 Phone: (828) 466-6827



2022-2023 Membership Form

Friends of the Sherrills Ford-Terrell Library

Consider following us on Facebook or Instagram to keep current on planned activities

<http://www.facebook.com/FOSFTL> or  @sherrillsfordfol

Who are we?	What do we do?	What do you get?
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •The Friends of the Sherrills Ford-Terrell Library is a local non-profit 501(c) (3) organization comprised of members of the community. We are dedicated to supporting the mission of the Catawba County Library System, encouraging reading, expanding literacy, providing cultural opportunities, and inspiring a passion for life-long learning in our community. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •<u>Support Library Programs</u> such as the Summer Reading Program for adults and children •<u>Provide Community Programs</u> throughout the year that offer broad learning opportunities for all ages •<u>Facilitate Literacy Programs</u> at Sherrills Ford and Catawba Elementary •<u>Advocate for the Library</u> by offering support and resources to fill needs not covered by their budget 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •Besides the enjoyment of supporting community literacy initiatives and cultural events, your annual membership includes: •"The Friendly News" periodic newsletters which keep you up to date on activities, events, and volunteer opportunities •Priority Access to unique, fun, and enriching programs •Many opportunities to Get Involved (see other side of this form for a complete list)

<p><u>How do you sign up?</u> We would love to have you join "The Friends" and we can't wait to meet you. Being part of this organization is an excellent way to support your community. Simply choose your donation level and fill out the below information.</p>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Donations above our annual \$10 Family Membership cost fund the bulk of our programs! • We intentionally keep our Membership cost low and affordable. • Revenues from Membership cover roughly 25% of our annual operating budget, so we very much appreciate and rely on donations beyond the basic membership cost. • While most of our funds are used for our Sherrills Ford-Terrell community, a portion of our donations may be used periodically to support the Catawba County Library Endowment to ensure consistent and critical financial support beyond that provided annually by our state and local governments. 	
<input type="checkbox"/> Annual Renewal – Thank You <input type="checkbox"/> New Membership – Welcome!	<input type="checkbox"/> \$10 Family Membership Cost <input type="checkbox"/> \$50 Sponsor Donation <input type="checkbox"/> \$100 Patron Donation <input type="checkbox"/> Other Donation Amount \$_____
<p>Checks made payable to: Friends of the Sherrills Ford-Terrell Library</p> <p>Name: _____ (as you wish used on our FOSFTL nametag) Address: _____ Phone: (____) _____ E-mail: _____ Zip Code: _____</p>	
<p>You can drop off the membership form and check while at the library or send by mail to: FOSFTL 9154 Sherrills Ford Road Terrell, NC 28682</p>	

Friends of the Sherrills Ford – Terrell Library (FOSFTL)

If you are interested in any of the Volunteer Opportunities below, put a check next to them, and we will get back to you. Teens may be eligible for school volunteer requirements.

- Officer Role – President, Vice-President, Treasurer or Secretary (2-year term)
 - Nominating Committee to help us recruit talented Officer and Board Members
- Fundraising Committee to help us create a strategic approach to fundraising
 - Book Bonanza Committee helps us ensure ongoing supply of books
 - Gift Basket Committee helps us assemble gift baskets with others throughout the year
- Holiday and Special Event Support helps with one of our special events, such as our **children’s holiday party**
- Literacy Program supports our program in the First and Second Grades by helping select books, assemble reading packets or reading in one of our classrooms
- Membership Committee helps with outreach for members, greets and staffs our event tables
- Program Committee helps generate program ideas and implements those selected
- Refreshment Team organizes and provides refreshments for one of our events
- Roadies Team helps set up and clean up at our events
- Publicity Committee helps us coordinate and expand how we publicize our work
- Art Show Committee sets up displays of school artwork throughout the year
- Little Free Library Committee helps facilitate this new venture with Little Free Libraries throughout our community
- Friendly Krafts 4 Kids Committee creates, organizes and stocks the **“Take and Make”** literacy based kits for younger patrons of the library