



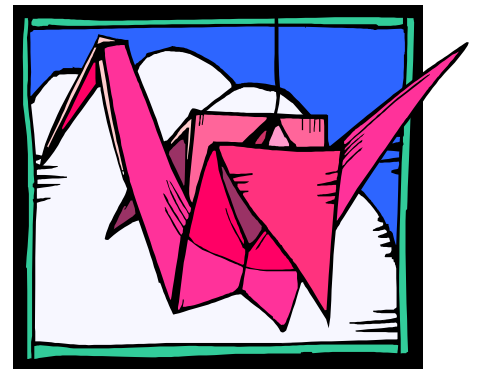
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## MAIN LIBRARY TO BE SITE OF DIVERSITY WORKSHOP ON SEPTEMBER 11

### *“BE THE LINK TO DIVERSITY” IS WORKSHOP THEME*



This year's September 11th will mark the date of a nation-wide dialogue on cultural diversity. Around the country, communities will gather to discuss ideas such as citizenship, diversity, and patriotism.

The Anderson County Library will serve as the site for Anderson County's participation in this special national event. The public is invited to attend the workshop, which will begin at 9:30 a.m., with registration at 9 a.m., and close at 12:30 p.m.

Hosting the activities with the library system are Anderson County, the Anderson Area Chamber of Commerce, Anderson County Human Relations Council, AnMed Health, Omega Project, Partners for a Healthy Community, and Young Memorial A.R.P. Church.

The workshop's keynote speaker will be Dr. Rebecca Stevens, a member of the faculty at USC/Spartanburg. Dr. Stevens received her MS and Ph.D. from the Cultural Foundations of Education and Curriculum department at Syracuse University and her BA in Peace education from Keene State College, New Hampshire. She has conducted research in multicultural education, diversity, and conflict resolution.

The focus of the workshop will be a session of roundtable discussions following Dr. Stevens' remarks, facilitated by area educators. These discussions include: "Interacting with Diversity" - the diverseness of corporate associations; "10 Commandments in Culture" - etiquette and rules for various cultures; "Blue Eyes, Brown Eyes" - a case study of discrimination in the classroom; "Mixed Families/Blended Cultures" - the challenges of biracial relationships.

Children and young adults may take part in the workshop. Those five through 11 years old will participate in making peace cranes (see article below) and storytelling. Teens may choose to attend one of two discussions: "Giraffe and Elephant," a video presentation about diversity, or "Behind the Beat," a discussion about the late rap star, Tupac Shakur.

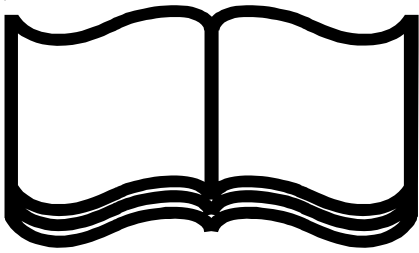
Also participating in the program will be members of Anderson College's Sun Catchers dance group.

Anyone wishing to participate in this free workshop is asked to pre-register by calling the office of the Human Relations Council at 260-4856. Please register by Tuesday, August 31.

## PEACE CRANES, PEACE CHAINS SYMBOLS OF SEPT. 11 WORKSHOP

When Barbara Young, Youth Director of Young Memorial A.R.P Church, asked if she could put up a peace crane display at the Main Library last September, little did she know that the project would take wing and soar! The cranes filled a display case and, later, a storefront on Main Street. The project was modeled after Eleanor Coerr's children's book, *Sadako and the 1,000 Paper Cranes*. Sadako, a Japanese girl who suffers from leukemia following the bombing of her hometown, Hiroshima, in World War II, starts to fold 1,000 paper cranes to fulfill her wish to be healed. She dies before completing the cranes, and her classmates finish the project, with their wish being for world peace.

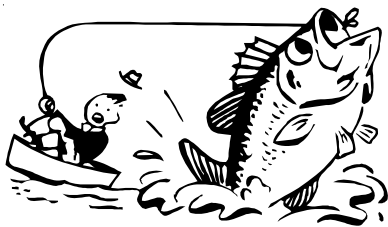
This year, as part of the "Be the Link to Diversity" project, Barbara and Steve Putnam, the church's current Youth Director, will work with library staff, AnMed staff, and teachers to help children fold cranes that will fill the library's display cases and hang in the atrium at the AnMed Health Center. At the Sept. 11 workshop, children attending can help fold cranes and all participants will be asked to write a wish for peace on a slip of paper which will be part of a peace chain that will be displayed.



## STORYTIMES

Preschool Storytime is held on Tuesday & Friday at 10 a.m. in the meeting room of the Children's Dept. at the Main Library & lasts about 20 min.

When bringing a group, please call 260-4500 in advance & talk with a Children's Dept. librarian.



In August, the library partners with the Anderson County Arts Center in its public art project - **"Fish Out Of Water, Hooked on the Arts."**

Come see some of the original art created just for this project (see article on this page). Each Friday storytime will have a fishy story!

August 3 - Mother Goose

**August 6 - Fidgety Fish**

August 10 - School Days

**August 13 - Swimmy**

August 17 - ABCs

**August 20 - Today I'm Going Fishing With Dad!**

August 24 - Number Fun

**August 27 - Rainbow Fish**

August 31 - Mice

**September 3 - A Fish Out of Water**

Here's the Storytime Schedule for September:

Sept. 7 & 10 - Shapes

Sept. 14 & 17 - Wheels Go 'Round

Sept. 21 & 24 - Yellow Everywhere

Sept. 28 & Oct. 1 - Apple Pickin' Time



## THERE'S A FISH UNDER THE BRIDGE IN THE LIBRARY!

Did you know there's a bridge in the lobby of the Main Library? When you enter, look up and you'll see the connecting walkway between the administration area and the board room. That's the bridge!

And a fish has taken up residence under the bridge. It's part of the Anderson County Arts Center's public art project, "Fish Out of Water, Hooked on the Arts." Over 30 fish are on view around Anderson, and the library has three of them.

Under the bridge is Cecile L.K. Martin's **"Fish-n-Chips,"** sponsored by the *Anderson Independent-Mail*. Ms. Martin teaches Design and Theory classes for Landscape Architecture at Clemson University. She has Signature Membership in the National Watercolor Society and is a Member with Excellence in the SC Watercolor Society. Ms. Martin also illustrated Ron Rash's latest children's book, *The Shark's Tooth*.

Her fish design plays upon the British culinary treat of fish-n-chips, or fish and French fries, which is usually served wrapped in newspaper.

You can read the newspaper in the lobby, but **"It's a Fish Story"** in the Children's Department garden.

This is one of three designs created by Ruth Hopkins and is sponsored by the library. On one side of the fish are characters from favorite children's stories and movies, such as Nemo, the Little Mermaid, and Willy. Noah and the Ark grace the other side, and Jonah can be found in the fish's mouth.

Creating this fish was a family affair. Mrs. Hopkins' daughter-in-law and her youngest daughter visited each day for about two weeks and painted in the drawings a couple of hours each day. It seems only fitting that such a shared project should now be shared will all the children in Anderson!

Artist Amy Hopkins designs and sews quilts, an influence you can see in the checkered design on **"Huckleberry Fin,"** located outside the library's McDuffie Street entrance. It's sponsored by Dr. Marshall L. Meadors III. And in the spirit of such a traditional American literary character, Huckleberry is painted with standard American Traditions brand house paint!

If you'd like to look for all the fish around town, visit the library or the Arts Center for a map. Or you can tour the sites by trolley on the first Friday of each month through November. Call the Arts Center at 224-8811 for details. You also can see smaller versions of all the fish at the Arts Center on Main Street.

## BOOK CRATE PROJECT TO BENEFIT CHILD CARE CENTERS

Through a collaborative effort of First Steps of Anderson County and the library, over 400 children in 31 daycare centers around the county will enjoy a wide selection of books, courtesy of the Friends of the Anderson County Library.

Donna Long, head of Children's Services for the library system, has selected 600 titles which will be shared among the centers on a three-week rotating schedule. While the target audience is those children aged birth through five, the books will be appropriate for any child up to nine years old. The Friends allocated \$9,000 for the books' purchase.

The volumes will be delivered to each center in crates, with 20 different titles in each crate, via the library's delivery service or the Mobile Library. Included with the books will be tips on using them in special projects and guides to reading to children.





Membership campaign co-chairs Nancy and Pete Masters have put their glue sticks away and have been busy recording the returns of the 2004-2005 membership drive. Listed below are the Friends who have renewed their memberships for 2005 or joined for the first time, as of publication. We thank one and all for their support.

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**If you think your Friends' membership has expired or if you'd like to join the Friends, call Marybeth at 260-4500. She'll look up your record or be glad to send you a brochure.**

## FRIENDS' PROJECTS FOCUS ON LITERACY, LEARNING

As the school year begins, several Friends-funded library projects are set to begin, as well.

Though it's available all year, the library's online tutoring program, **Live Homework Help**, is more on the minds of students as their homework load increases. This invaluable service allows students in grades 4-12 and college students to chat online in real time with qualified tutors in English, social studies, math, and science.

You can access the program on the library's website ([www.andersonlibrary.org](http://www.andersonlibrary.org)) from your home computer, at the Main Library, or at any branch library. You will need a valid borrower's

card and PIN card. The program is available Monday through Thursday from 4 to 10 p.m., Saturday from 2 to 6 p.m., and Sunday from 2 to 9 p.m.

Parents are already calling about the **Homework Center**, located in the Children's Department at the Main Library. It opens September 7, the day after Labor Day. Hours are Monday, Tuesday, and Thursday from 2:30 to 5:30 p.m.

Supervised by library staff, students visiting the Center should make sure they bring enough materials such as paper, pens, pencils, etc., plus their books!

Thanks to a \$1,750 grant from the Wal-Mart SuperStore on Liberty Highway, the **adult literacy collection** at the Main Library will get a major makeover.

The collection, housed in the Reference area, will be updated with books and videos relating to reading and writing, workplace skills, health literacy, and citizenship. There also will be materials for ESL (English as a Second Language) students and teacher resources. Look for it to be ready for use in a month or two.



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**Website:**

[www.andersonlibrary.org](http://www.andersonlibrary.org)

**Main Library hours:**

**Mon. - Thurs., 9 a.m. - 9 p.m.**

**Fri. & Sat., 9 a.m. - 6 p.m.**

**Sun., 2 - 6 p.m.**

**THE MAIN LIBRARY &  
 BRANCH LIBRARIES WILL  
 BE CLOSED SEPT. 6**

## REMINDER!

The Friends of the Anderson  
 County Library conducts  
 Sunday Book Sales the  
 first and third Sunday  
 of the month, 2 - 5 p.m.,  
 in the Friends' Store,  
 Main Library.

**August 1 & 15**  
**(Education Month)**  
**Sept. 5 & 19**  
**(Biography Month)**

The Store & Friends' Cafe  
 are also open  
 Monday thru Friday.  
 Why not stop by & visit?

## MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

The *Anderson Independent-Mail* will present syndicated  
 columnist Sharon Randall  
 on Sunday, Sept. 12, at 2:30  
 p.m. at the Main Library.  
 Ms. Randall is the author of  
*Birdbaths and Paper  
 Cranes*, a collection of past  
 columns. Her appearance  
 will include a book signing.

## The Director's Corner



**Carl Stone**

If you think of a library as a place where one primarily goes to borrow books or access the Internet, you may wonder why you hear it referred to as a "community center." Reading through this copy of BookMarks gives some idea of what's meant by that label.

The Diversity Workshop which will be held on September 11 and the peace cranes activity illustrate one aspect of the community center concept. There are many others. The Anderson Touchdown Club, the Quilters, the Taxpayers' Association, the Anderson Home School Association, the Anderson College Travel Club, many church groups and civic organizations all meet at the library. They represent different points of view about Anderson and life in general; but the one common theme is that the library doesn't evaluate or take into account their points of view.

These groups can practice their rights to discuss, recreate, and exchange ideas and information in a non-biased environment. This is especially important in this time when there seems to be a tendency to criticize any group that doesn't agree with a certain point of view.

Public libraries are supposed to be non-biased, and have been when selecting materials and providing information. Now we're bringing that attitude to our provision of public meeting spaces.

Here's a booknote: During the summer you may have been at Sullivan's Metropolitan Grill downtown or JC's Sandwich Shoppe on E. Greenville Street and ran into a fellow asking, "Do you want to know what we're doing?" That was Cordes Seabrook, asking you to purchase a copy of Rich Otter's fascinating book, *Anderson County: Memories and Reflections*. Actually, if you stopped, I wouldn't be surprised you bought a book - Cordes is a very good salesman! I was with him, but couldn't compete. I collected the money!

Cordes, thank you very much for your devotion to this project. Thanks also to Sullivan's and JC's. If you haven't bought your copy of the book yet and don't happen to see Cordes somewhere, visit the Friends' Book Store at the Main Library, where they're on sale for \$35.

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