Scott Dawson, author and founder of the Croatoan Archaeological Society, to speak at FPL

Scott Dawson, author of *the Lost Colony and Hatteras Island*, will be speaking at the library on Tuesday, November 28 at 10:00 am. This talk is free and everyone is invited.

Come meet Scott Dawson, president and founder of the Croatoan Archaeological Society, author, historian and 9th generation native of Hatteras Island, who in 2009 partnered with Mark Horton of the University of Bristol and a host of scientists from around the world to excavate the Native American villages on Hatteras Island. What they found were over 100,000 artifacts from the Croatoan tribe and the English colony they adopted in 1587.

Join us for an interesting and engaging presentation as Dawson shares information about the Hatteras Island digs which have been featured on several networks including HBO, Discovery, PBS and National Geographic. He will also share a new and exciting discovery that was brought to him in April of this year - a written Algonquin language, originating in Ireland, believed to have been created by Manteo, himself!

Copies of his book will be available for purchase at the event.

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LearningExpress also offers general math, reading, and writing skills improvement and basic computer classes. You can download the study guides and test prep books to view offline, as well. If you ever have trouble accessing NC LIVE resources, our library staff are happy to assist you. Happy learning!
Family Literacy Day
Saturday, November 4

9:30am Family Storytime
Join Miss Heather for Family Storytime featuring early literacy activities for ages birth-six. Family Storytime encourages children and their adults to engage in active learning and includes movement using music, scarves, shaker eggs, and bubbles. Older children are welcome to attend.

12 pm Books & Bites
Junior chefs, join us as we read books together and then prepare a dish based on the story. This month’s theme is picky eaters. The featured books are Peyton Picks the Perfect Pie: A Thanksgiving Celebration and Zombies Don’t Eat Veggies! Junior chefs will prepare apple nachos and taste-test pies. Activities are appropriate for ages 4-11, but any child who can sit attentively for 45 minutes is welcome. Pre-registration is required by Thursday, November 2.

Family Literacy Night
Friday, November 17

Registration Required for each event

5pm Dinovember Storytime
Join us for storytime about dinosaurs. The program will include lap bounces, music and movement with shaker eggs and scarves, and a read aloud.

5:45 pm and 6:45 pm
Glow in the Dark Dinosaur Fossil Hunt
Join us for Dinosaurs After Dark, featuring the book Dinosaur Lady: The Daring Discoveries of Mary Anning, the First Paleontologist. Junior paleontologists will go on an expedition inside and outside the library in search of glow in the dark dinosaur bones. Weather permitting, a short portion will be take place on the library’s plaza, so dress appropriately.

STEM & Stories
Thursday, November 9

2pm K-8th students
Building with Bricks and LEGO Diorama Display
Come meet the Slingshot Builders of Pitt County team and see their LEGO diorama depicting scenes from the book The Lion, the Witch, and the Wardrobe. They are one of 350 youth teams competing in the NC First Challenge League. Participants will learn how to bring their ideas to life with bricks and get to build an animal based on the book. Participants will also receive a box of 100 mini bricks to keep. The program is free and open to the public. For more information, call Heather at 252-753-355 or email hharden@farmvillenc.gov. Registration encouraged.

Dinovember Celebration
Wednesday, November 22

10am Dinosaur Storytime
Join the NC Museum of Natural Science as they present a preschool storytime program for children age 7 and under.

11am Fossils and Prehistoric Life
This 45-minute presentation is for ages 7-12 and requires audience participants to sit quietly. Teens are welcome. Registration is encouraged.
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**Book Club**

**Thursday, November 30 at 6:30pm**

*In a Sunburned Country*  
by Bill Bryson

“... Australia is the country that doubles as a continent, and a place with the friendliest inhabitants, the hottest, driest weather, and the most peculiar and lethal wildlife to be found on the planet. The result is a deliciously funny, fact-filled, and adventurous performance by a writer who combines humor, wonder, and unflagging curiosity.” - Amazon

Copies of the book are available for checked out now at the upstairs circulation desk.

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**Yarn Group**

**Tuesday, November 21 at 6:30pm**

Come get to know a bunch of people who love to craft and talk. We spend our time crocheting, knitting, and socializing. Bring a project to work on, or come and learn a new stitch or technique. If you have always wanted to learn - we got you covered! If this sounds like fun to you . . . we’d love to meet you at our next Yarn Group meeting.

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**Classic Film Club**

**Monday, November 13 at 6:30pm**

Join us for the 1980 holiday film classic, Planes, Trains, and Automobiles, starring Steve Martin and John Candy. An uptight Chicago advertising executive struggles to travel home from New York for Thanksgiving with a lovable oaf of a shower-curtain-ring salesman as his only companion.

Bring your own snacks and drinks (and comfy chair, too). All are welcome to join!

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**Teen Event**

**“Friendsgiving”**

**Registration Required**

**Wednesday, November 22 at 2:30 pm**

Join us as we make a sweet treat, eat snacks, play games, create art, and hangout. Pre-registration is required.

This will be our last volunteer day for 2023. I will not be leading this effort in 2024 so I want to sincerely thank everyone who has volunteered over the past years. If you are interested in being the coordinator in 2024 please talk with Angie Bates, Library Director.  
- Cyndi Lauderdale