



On the Edge

Stephanie Quayle's music explores big themes with honesty, strength, humor, style



♣ Over 13 years ago, Stephanie Quayle experienced a profound tragedy when the love of her life died in a fiery plane crash.

But what she thought was the worst day of her life soon turned surreal: as she was stumbling through the layers of grief, pain and confusion, a shocking story came to light: she was not the only woman in his life.

Over time, she dug deep, transcended the pain, found her voice again and with collaborator Tori Tullier, created *On the Edge*, an eight-song album charting her path from a life shattered to the place of grace where she finds herself today.

Quayle and Tullier will perform the entire album followed by a Q & A in a Friends of the Library Sunset Signature Series event at 7:30 p.m. Friday, March 10, in downtown Asheboro's historic Sunset Theatre.

The performance is free and the public is invited. The Sunset Signature Series is sponsored by the Heart of North Carolina Visitors Bureau, City of Asheboro and the Friends of the Library.

Quayle is a country music recording artist and a repeat performer at the Grand Ole Opry. In 2019, she was named as a member of that year's class of the CMT Next Women of Country.

Her songs have hit the Billboard Country Airplay chart twice, and her last three singles have reached 100 million



Country music recording artist and CMT Next Women of Country inductee Stephanie Quayle.

listeners on Country Music radio. On tour, she has shared the stage with Willie Nelson, Bonnie Raitt, Aaron Watson, Gabby Barrett and others.

She has appeared on *The Kelly Clarkson Show* and *Ellen*, and was named an "Artist to Watch" by *Rolling Stone Country*.

Quayle grew up on a farm in Montana, where her family raised bison and cattle, kept drafting and riding horses, and grew alfalfa. She came to music early, starting with piano lessons.

Her creativity flourished in the form of stories, poems and songs and making music on piano and guitar. On graduating high school, she moved to California to pursue a music career, working day jobs and performing

wherever she could.

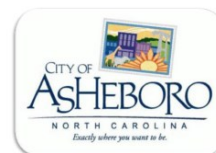
After the trauma she experienced, she moved to Nashville and saw her songs hit the charts as she gained industry accolades.

Quayle is married to businessman David Couch, an Asheboro native.

Mark your calendars

Mark your calendars for these Sunset Series events:

- **Judith Turner-Yamamoto**, Asheboro native and author of the novel *Loving the Dead and Gone*, August 19;
- **Kyle Petty**, NASCAR great, musician and author of the autobiography *Swerve*, September, date TBD.



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Ross A. Holt

Mobile Library keeps on truckin'

♣ Every fleet has a flagship, and ours is the Mobile Library.

Launched in 2019 thanks to grants from the Acme-McCrary and Sapona Foundation and the Asheboro Public Library Foundation, former Randolph County Emergency Services ambulance no. 209 delivers a small library experience to people throughout the county, especially those in underserved communities.

So far this year (July 1 to now), the Mobile Library has made 44 stops, offered 49 programs, welcomed over 2,700 visitors, and checked out nearly 3,000 books.

Every Tuesdays, the Mobile Library visits Our Daily Bread soup kitchen. Every two weeks, it reaches kids in four large mobile home communities, in visits that coincide with school bus stops.

It serves as the school library for Uwharrie Charter Academy, visiting the elementary and middle schools each once a month, with monthly stops shortly to begin at the high school.

Recently, monthly visits began at the after school art intervention program for at-risk students at the George Washington Carver Community Enrichment Center.

The Mobile Library also participates in community events. In an epic effort from Thursday, December 1 to Sunday, December 4, the Mobile Library rolled in six Christmas parades — including three on Saturday alone.

During the summer, the vehicle supports Youth Services activities such as Art in the Park events and special teen

programs at local parks, and travels to library branches for events at the libraries or out in their communities.

Enhancing the Mobile Library experience is solar energy, which powers the “library” part of the vehicle. It runs lights, heating and air conditioning, electrical outlets and the mobile hotspot — and even enables jump-starting the truck’s battery if necessary from the solar charge.

Solar power enables the Mobile Library to stay longer at stops without running the diesel engine, and is friendlier for the ears, the nose and the environment.

The solar project was envisioned by Library network administrator Ian Fletcher and funded by a federal Library Services and Technology Act grant. It placed panels atop the vehicle and a battery array inside. The batteries can last more than a day.

As the Mobile Library service has developed, safety has become a focus. Teen Services Librarian Dave Bare has taken on the role of Mobile Library manager, and has received Randolph County Emergency Management Services driver certification. Nine other staff members have been trained as drivers either by EMS trainers or by Dave.

Dave and three other staff also have received certification in first responder first aid and CPR.

The Mobile Library team includes Dave; Ian; Extension Services librarians Lisa Canoy and Melina Simpson; Youth Services librarians Samantha Martin, Becky Knorpp, and Ashley Rose; branch couriers Nikki Hawks and Kevin Blackmon; and Assistant Director Niccole Hugg.

Crack cold cases with SBI team

♣ Join Assistant Special Agent in Charge Nathaniel Thompson to learn how the State Bureau of Investigation tackles cold cases, at 6:30 p.m. Monday, March 6, at the Asheboro library.

The talk is free and the public is invited. Thompson is supervisor of the SBI's Cold Case Investigation Team (CCIT). The

CCIT collaborates with local law enforcement agencies to pursue new leads and leverage new forensic techniques focusing on unsolved criminal cases — particularly homicides.

Thompson is a 24-year veteran of the SBI. During his law enforcement career, he has investigated numerous homicides, high-level drug trafficking organizations, fraud and corruption cases throughout the state.

Liberty to host author Kati Gardner ...and more activities at libraries around the county

♣ The Liberty library's Teen Advisory Board will host a visit by author Kati Gardner at 4 p.m. Monday, March 13.

Gardner is author of two Young Adult books, *Brave Enough* and *Finding Balance*. She will talk about her work as an author and the inspiration for her books and characters, which reflect her own experience as a childhood cancer survivor whose left leg was amputated as a part of her treatment.

She also will discuss how writing and storytelling have been coping mechanisms, and the opportunities that telling your story (or choosing parts of your story to tell) can present.

Seed starting

Learn about growing plants from seed at Franklinville and Seagrove. *Franklinville:* 3 p.m. Monday, March 6. *Seagrove:* 4 p.m. Thursday, March 9. All ages.

Creative Writing

The Asheboro TeenZone will offer a Creative Writing Workshop at 4 p.m. Monday, March 20. Work through several



Kati Gardner

writing and short story exercises to learn how to be a better writer. Bring your writing journal or use library writing supplies.

Stars, planets in Liberty

See stars and possibly planets, and other spectacular sights in "Night Sky with the Greensboro Astronomy Club," 7:30-9 p.m. Friday, March 10, at the Liberty library. Call 336-622-4605 to sign up.

Book clubs for kids, teens

AsheboroTeenZone: BYO Book Club, 4 p.m. Monday, March 13. Talk about a book you're reading or a longtime favorite.

Asheboro Children's Room: Graphic Novel Book Club, 4 p.m. Friday, March 24. The topic for this month is "As Seen on TV." Ages 7 and up.

Liberty: Manga Meet Up at the Library, 1 p.m. Saturday, March 18. Crafts, activities, treats and videos related to Manga and comic books. School-age.

Randleman: Teen Talk Book Club, 3:30 p.m. Friday, March 17. Bring a book you'd like to share with others. 6th-8th grades; call 336-498-3141 to sign up.

Liberty to repeat bread-making workshop

Back by popular demand — the Liberty library will repeat its "Breadmaking at the Library" class at 1 p.m. Saturday, March 4. Jeannie Leonard, Family and Consumer Science

agent with North Carolina Cooperative Extension's Randolph County Center, will lead the class.

Space and supplies are limited — call 336-622-4605 to sign up.



Book discussions

Asheboro Reads: Little Fires Everywhere by Celeste Ng, 2 p.m. Tuesday, March 28.

Archdale Book Break: The Personal Librarian by Marie Benedict, 2 p.m. Tuesday, March 21.

Franklinville: Snippets Book Club, 12:30 p.m. Monday, March 20.

Liberty Book Club: The Beauty of Dusk by Frank Bruni, 6:30 p.m. Thursday, March 16.

BYO book groups

Talk about books that you've read recently.

Archdale: Book Bites, 2 p.m. Tuesday, March 14.

Liberty Readers Meet-Up, 1 p.m. Monday, March 27, Liberty Senior Center, 128 S. Fayetteville St.

Randleman Readers Recommend, 3:30 p.m. Friday, March 3.

Ramseur Book Club, 12:30 p.m. Tuesday, March 7.

Seagrove: Un-Book Club, 5 p.m. Thursday, March 30.

You can find **MAGIC** wherever you look.

Sit back and relax, all you need is **A BOOK.**

—Dr. Seuss

Sigmon's 'Cat in the Hat' to visit Asheboro, Randleman

Celebrate Dr. Seuss's birthday on March 2 with the funniest, most mischievous cat you've ever met — the Cat in the Hat! The Dr. Seuss classic, as envisioned by Caleb Sigmon and his troupe, springs off the page and bursts into life at 3:30 p.m. at the Randleman library, and 6 p.m. at the Asheboro library, full of colorful costumes, puppets, exciting music and circus feats. The interactive, audience participation show will have viewers on the edges of their seats. Afterwards, be sure and stick around after the fun, family program for photos and silliness during an exclusive meet-and-greet.

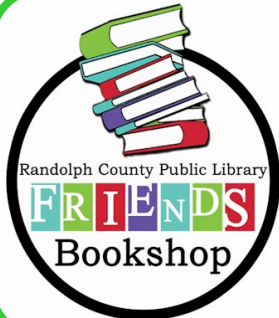


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By: Myra Gaddy

Asheboro to host gardening class

♣ **Learn about "Backyard Gardening" in a free class at the Asheboro library, 6:30 p.m. Tuesday, March 14.**

The class will be led by Cody Craddock, horticulture agent with North Carolina Cooperative Extension's Randolph County Center.

The comprehensive class will cover the basics of gardening, including weed, disease and pest

management; soil management; starting seeds; and gardening design and construction.

Afterwards there will be a question and answer period for any and all gardening questions.

Craddock is a life-long resident of Randolph County, and graduated from Mount Olive College in 2021. He has enjoyed gardening since he was a child, when he maintained a large garden and pulled a produce wagon to sell to neighbors.