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Tall tales coming to county libraries

NEWTON—American Tall Tales will be shared with children at two locations of Catawba County Library System.

St. Stephens Branch will host a Tall Tales story time at 6:30 p.m. Tuesday, Sept. 1. Maiden Branch will present a similar program at 3:30 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 17.

The special story times stem from a We the People Grant to enhance the children's and young adult classics offered by the county library. Inspiration was drawn from one of the books, *American tall Tales* by Mary Pope Osborne. The book is targeted for grades 4-6.

For the sixth year in a row, Catawba County Library System has enhanced its classic book titles for young people through the National Endowment for the Humanities' "We the People" project, receiving copies each location: Main Library in Newton as well as Claremont, Conover, Maiden, Sherrills Ford, Southwest and St. Stephens branches. The collection includes a set of 19 classic titles for readers from ages 5-18.

Each year NEH identifies a theme important to the nation's heritage and selects books that embody that theme. In addition to introducing young readers to good literature, the Bookshelf promotes understanding of abstract or general ideas through the power of particular stories.

Catawba County Library System, headquartered in Newton, circulates more than 247,000 items each year from a collection valued at more than \$5.7 million.



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