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Lost WWII Dog Tags Come Back to Family

A few days before Christmas, the History and Genealogy Department at the Main Newton Branch received a phone call from an organization called Angelo's Angels, a grassroots group that helps match up lost World War II dog tags with the families of veterans who served in Europe. Some tags had been found in England and the only information they could gather led them to Catawba County.

Digging into its vast archive of history and data, the Library team soon found an obituary that provided all the information Angelo's Angels needed. By December 22nd, they had made contact with living relatives of the WWII veteran who now live in New York. Those tags are headed to the states to be cherished by a family with roots in Catawba County.

If you enjoy history and/or genealogy, the Evelyn D. Rhodes Local History Room is a must. Located on the ground floor in the Newton, the collection includes rare books, family files and other research aids. The room is open from 9 am to 6 pm Tuesday-Saturday.

About: *The Catawba County Library is our community's place to connect, explore, and grow. We empower lives and build our community by bringing people, information, and ideas together. The library, headquartered in Newton, serves the community with seven locations throughout the county and is a year-round, integral provider of early literacy and lifelong learning resources and programming. The library also provides a full complement of computer and digital services, classes, and support to bridge the digital divide, empower job seekers, and enhance community quality of life and economic health.*

