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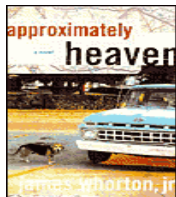
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It's 5:00 Somewhere

Whether it is far or near — 5:00 or any other time — we've got a connection just for you!

In the past, we may have mentioned netLibrary, a collection of electronic books available to our patrons. We may have also mentioned that you can fully access netLibrary from anywhere — *after setting up the account on campus*. Now, however, it is easier than ever to utilize this service — from wherever you happen to be. Day or night. Weekday or weekend. At home or on vacation. All you have to do is log on to netLibrary through our library homepage. Follow the links to the page of instructions/information for netLibrary — www.northeaststate.edu/library/netlibrary.shtml.

Click on the link for "Create An Account." If you are using an off-campus computer, you will be prompted to enter your social security number for validation. Once you have done so, the top of your page should read, "Northeast State Technical Community College eBook Collection." After filling in all of the required fields in the web form (username, password, security question and answer, name, country, and email address), click "Submit."

Presuming that no one else has the username you have selected, your account should be established. Although you can browse the books at netLibrary without an actual account, having the account makes it possible to "check out" books online.

What's so great about electronic books? For starters, you have access to many titles through netLibrary that we do not own copies of here in the physical collection. Also, some titles are duplicated between the two collections — very handy when what you need is checked out from our physical collection. Sometimes, you can find wonderfully useful reference books in the netLibrary collection, too — *occasionally*, even texts used in classes. With over 33,000 books to access, there is probably something of interest to just about everyone in the netLibrary collection.

As always, if you need assistance setting up your netLibrary account, or if you have questions about using netLibrary, feel free to visit the Reference Desk on the 3rd floor of the Basler Library — or call us at 354-2458.

(Thanks to Chris Demas for his assistance with this article.)

Autumn

No, it isn't Fall yet, but we're already making plans for an exciting schedule of programs open to Northeast State and the general public. We have slated five "Eating With the Experts" programs — including a Kick-Off event featuring English faculty member Eric Fish, who plans to show off his culinary expertise to ten lucky program attendees. Ready for some FISH FOOD?!?! Mark your calendars for Monday, September 8, from 12:30-1:15 in L106.

Also on tap is the Fall book discussion, to be held on Monday, October 6, from 12:30-1:15 in L106 of the Basler Library. Our Fall selection is *Approximately Heaven*, by English faculty member James Whorton. It's never too early to start reading it! Come join us to help celebrate one of our own! Watch the Library's home page for more details under our "Fall Programs" link in August.

CRAZY

Circulation Diva Michelle Wyatt is certifiable — oh, I mean certified! Michelle recently completed her re-certification requirements by the International Association of Administrative Professionals (IAPP), acknowledging that she has maintained a designated set of professional skills, attended workshops, etc., regarding professional development. She proctors the Certified Professional Secretary test twice annually. For more information about the CPS exam, feel free to contact her at ext. 3479.

Perhaps truly certifiably, Chrissie and Russell Peters have adopted another kitten into their new home (a total of four). Willow joined them in June and has adjusted well, including her role as "mauling toy" for their Memorial Day weekend addition, Xander.



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Grow Old Along With Me

Mount Vernon Love Story: A Novel of George and Martha Washington by Mary Higgins Clark [PS3553.L287 A93 2002]



Mary Higgins Clark first wrote about George Washington while researching a radio series called "Portrait of a Patriot." The result of this research was her first book, the biographical novel *Aspire to the Heavens*, published in 1969. The book was reissued in 2002 under the new title *Mount Vernon Love Story*.

Like many people, the image of George Washington that I have is one of either a truthful child confessing to chopping down a cherry tree, or of an older man standing in the bow of a small boat crossing the Delaware, stiffly posed in his presidential portrait, or even the lovely doted fellow on a \$1.00 bill. Having conducted historical research on Washington's life, Higgins Clark's portrayal of George Washington brings to life a complex, very real, human being. The book starts on March 4, 1797 in Philadelphia, the day John Adams took the oath of office to become the second President of the United States. Through flashbacks, the reader is introduced to Washington, a child from an abusive home who grew into a very tall, awkward youth; a man who later became an accomplished dancer and master horseman, a respected military leader; and a most faithful servant of the public who reluctantly gave up his dreams of retiring to his beloved Mount Vernon in order to lead the new nation through its first tumultuous years. Also brought to life is Martha Washington, the love of George's life, the one whom he called "my dearest Patsy". Higgins Clark deftly describes the nation's first First Couple, the Washingtons, who were married for forty-two years and shared a deep love that survived personal tragedy and public demands.

This short book lends itself to reading in a day or two. After finishing this book, readers will likely never think of George — or Martha — Washington in the same way.

— Reviewed by Virginia Hodges, Librarian

Have you read a great book that we own at the Basler Library? We want you to tell us about it! In about 250-300 words, write a review, then submit it to us at capeters@NortheastState.edu. Editors reserve the right to screen/edit all materials submitted for publication.

Read Between the Lines



Whether you're reading between the lines for hidden meanings and insights to life or just reading for straightforward entertainment, we've got books for you! We've just gotten in a BIG shipment of new books and we want YOU to come check 'em out!

Fiction: *Oryx and Crake* (Atwood); *Not Even for Love* (Brown); *Quilter's Legacy* (Chiaverinin); *Second Time Around* (Clark); *Life Sentence* (Ellis); *Land of the Living* (French); *Crabwalk* (Grass); *Haunted Ground* (Hart); *Legacy* (Judd); *Angry Housewives Eating Bon Bons* (Landvik); *Dante's Inferno* (Lovett); *Last of the Southern Girls* (Morris); *Reunion* (Oren); *Shadow Without a Name* (Padilla); *Late for the Wedding* (Quick); *Complete Adventures of Curious George* (Rey); *Inner Harbor* (Roberts); *August Frost* (Roffey); *I Love You All Day Long* (Rusackas); *Derailed* (Siegel); *Dating Game* (Steel); *East of Eden* (Steinbeck); and *Jaws of Darkness* (Turtledove).

Non-Fiction: *How to Find the Work You Love* (Boldt); *Giant Encyclopedia of Theme Activities for Children 2 to 5* (Charner); *John C. Calhoun: Selected Writings and Speeches* (Cheek); *Being the Body* (Colson); *Artist in Nature: Thomas Kinkadee and the Plein Air Tradition* (Doherty); *Emotions Revealed* (Ekman); *History of the Tennessee Supreme Court* (Ely); *Betrayal: The Crisis in the Catholic Church* (Boston Globe Staff); *Interracial Intimacies: Sex, Marriage, Identity, and Adoption* (Kennedy); *Leadership: The Challenge* (Kouzes); *Plain Style: A Guide to Written English* (Lasch); *I Am the Central Park Jogger* (Meili); and *Avoiding Armageddon* (Schram).

Everybody Have Fun Tonight — Local Places for Last-Minute Summer Fun

Wetlands Water Park

www.easttnvisit.com/regions/ne-cities/jonesborough.htm

International Storytelling Center Tellers-In-Residence

www.storytellingcenter.net/center/tir-schedule.htm

Virginia Highlands Festival (Abingdon, VA)

www.vahighlandsfestival.org

The Biltmore Estate's Summer Evening Concerts

www.biltmore.com/visit/events/summer_evening_concerts.html

Birthplace of Country Music Alliance Museum

www.birthplaceofcountrymusic.org

Various Spots of Interest in Southwestern Virginia

www.heartofappalachia.com/attractions.htm

Rocky Mount Museum

<http://pages.preferred.com/~rmm/Home.htm~rmmHome.htm>

The Carter Fold (Hiltons, VA)

www.fmp.com/orthey/carter

Bays Mountain Park

www.baysmountain.com

Barter Theatre (Abingdon, VA)

www.bartertheatre.com

