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TRUE CRIME CON AT THE HIGH POINT PUBLIC LIBRARY

HIGH POINT, NC – The High Point Public Library will host their first all-day True Crime Con on Saturday, April 25, from 9 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. at 901 N. Main Street.

“True Crime has evolved into mainstream popularity with podcasts and documentaries such as *Making a Murderer*, *My Favorite Murder*, *Serial*, etc.,” says Lauren Mitchell, Library Associate. “What draws us to these stories? Generally speaking, it comes down to wanting to understand, empathize and avoid future crimes. As a society, we are attracted to sensational stories, and the true crime genre is rich with them. The True Crime Con brings this to High Point by featuring local crimes and local experts.”

The headliner of the True Crime Con is an author talk and book signing with Jerry Bledsoe. Jerry Bledsoe is the author of *Bitter Blood*, which documented a case in rural North Carolina and rose to #1 on the New York Times Bestseller list. Due to extremely limited seating, audience members *must* pre-register at bit.ly/hppltruecrime for a ticket to see Jerry Bledsoe speak. The number of tickets is limited, so please register to save your spot today! Sunrise Books will sell copies of Jerry’s older books. Jerry will also have copies of his newest book, *Do-Good Boy*, which chronicles his formative experience with the Army that led him on the path of becoming a prolific, illustrious author.

The True Crime Con will host a staged crime scene, as well as a presentation by Dave Pauly on forensic science, cold cases, and criminal profiling. We will also look into the science behind crimes with professors Wendy Raines of GTCC and Bryan W. Brendley of Guilford College. The NC Innocence Inquiry Commission and High Point Police detectives will speak about important cases in North Carolina. We will host an escape room throughout the day, but participants must register for a spot during the morning registration. We will have two food trucks on-site and vendors in the lobby during lunchtime. Vendor booths include Friends of the Library and Murder We Write (the Triad’s chapter of Sisters in Crime).

Due to the graphic content involved, we strongly advise an audience of 16 years and older. The event is completely free. More information can be found on the Library’s website or Facebook page.

The High Point Public Library is a department of the City of High Point and is located at 901 North Main Street. High Point Public Library is committed to nurturing the joy of reading, sharing the power of knowledge, strengthening the sense of community and enhancing economic and cultural vitality.

The City of High Point aims to serve as the catalyst for bringing together the community’s human, economic and civic resources for the purpose of creating the single most livable, safe and prosperous community in America. For more information on the City, visit www.highpointnc.gov.

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