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Woman takes history lesson to new heights in presentation on ground-breaking aviator

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MANCHESTER — Most people do not know who Bessie Coleman was, so Tammy D. Richardson took on the task of teaching students about this historic figure at the Mary Cheney Library on Monday, Oct. 3.

Richardson is a storyteller who specializes in re-enactments of the lives of important, but little-known women in history. Students from the fourth through eighth grades attended the presentation.

Bessie Coleman was the

first woman to earn an international aviation license, and she was the first African-American of either sex to become a licensed aviator.

Richardson is a Mississippi native who spent many hours listening to stories from both her grandmother and her great-grandmother. She comes by her storytelling naturally, as the gift was passed on through the generations. She also loves history and enjoys recounting colonial history, times of slavery and native American history.

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Members of Mary Cheney Library's 'Marvelous Mondays' program, (left to right) Tobias, Jaron, Sarah and Madelein, enjoyed Tammy Richardson's presentation on aviator Bessie Coleman.

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