

Celebrate Your Freedom to Read

Banned Books Week Sept. 27 -- Oct. 3, 2015

Library Hours

Mon-Tues 10-8
Tues-Sat 10-6
Sunday 2-6

The bookstore
will close
1/2 hour before
the library.

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The freedom to read is guaranteed by the First Amendment to the U. S. Constitution; it grants us a freedom to which we seldom give any thought.

In 1982, The American Library Association began the annual celebration of Banned Books Week

to draw attention to attempts to remove or restrict access to books across the country, i.e., attempts to restrict our freedom to read. Although you don't hear of challenges unless they are media-worthy—e.g. Salmon Rushdie and *The Satanic Verses* in 1988—over the past decade the ALA's Office for Intellectual Freedom received reports of over 5,000 book challenges, and many more went unreported. A challenge is defined as a formal, written complaint filed with a library or school requesting that a book or other material be restricted or removed because of its content or appropriateness. Across the country, countless librarians, teachers, book-sellers, publishers, writers, editors and readers will be celebrating their freedom to read this coming week.



While books have been and continue to be banned, part of the Banned Books Week celebration is the fact that, in a majority of cases, the books have remained available. This happens only thanks to the efforts of librarians, teachers, students and community members who stand up and speak out for the freedom to read.

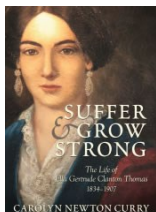
Book banning is not something that only happened in the Dark Ages. Here are a few significant titles that have been

the target of book banners: *The Kite Runner*, Khaled Hosseini; *Of Mice and Men*, John Steinbeck; *To Kill a Mockingbird*, Harper Lee; *The Catcher in the Rye*, J. D. Salinger; *Harry Potter* (series), J. K. Rowling; *The Curious Incident of the Dog in the Night-time*, Mark Haddon; *Beloved*, Toni Morrison; *The Glass Castle*, Jeannette Walls; *A Farewell to Arms*, Ernest Hemingway; *James and the Giant Peach*, Roald Dahl; *The Pillars of the Earth*, Ken Follett; *The Color Purple*, Alice Walker.

For more information, including lists of other banned books, visit:

ala.org/bbooks/frequentlychallengedbooks/top10

Atlanta Authors



Carolyn Curry
Suffer and Grow Strong
Saturday, October 10th
2PM

Dianna Love
Deceptive Treasures
Saturday, Nov. 14th
2PM



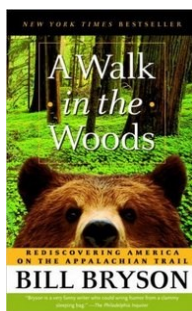
For Fans of *Richard Judy* and *Thru*

For those of you who enjoyed author Richard Judy's presentation at the library on June 13th of *Thru: An Appalachian Love Story*, you'll be glad to hear that his book won Honorable Mention in the First Novel Category of the Georgia Author of the Year Awards! Congratulations, Richard!



And, if you enjoyed *Thru*, perhaps you would enjoy reading *A Walk in the Woods* (1999), by Bill Bryson, also a story of the "AT." It is the book on which the current movie by the same name is based. The movie stars Robert Redford and Nick Nolte.

Richard Judy's blog contains an August 21st post entered after he saw the movie. It's worth reading: thru-novel.com/author/richardkjudy/



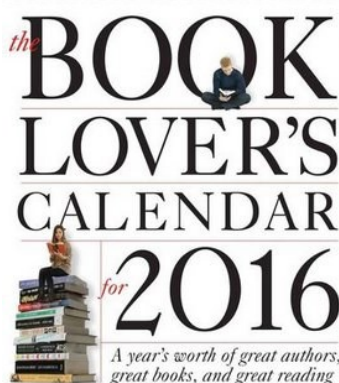
The Summer Reading Program grand-prize, the Chick-Fil-A cow, was won by **Demetrius Barton**, shown above with his family.



The Roswell library is one of 13 libraries in the Atlanta-Fulton Public Library System to have a **Citizenship Corner**. The information contained therein is designed to help aspiring citizens find the information and resources they need to succeed during the naturalization process.

And, while we are on the subject of citizenship, the Roswell Library will, once again, be a site for early voting in the general election Oct. 12th — Oct. 28th.

The last date to register to vote in the general election is October 5th.



This popular calendar will be on sale for \$5.00 at our Nov. book sale but we have no idea how many to order. If you would like one or more, please email us at roswellgafriends@gmail.com and tell us how many you would like. This is not a reservation! You still will need to come early to ensure availability.

pageaday.com/store/product/book-lovers-page-a-day-calendar-2016

Thank You

The colorful rug used by our Children's department needed cleaning. When **Scott Bast**, of [Roswell Rug](#), picked it up and saw it's sad condition, he asked if he could also have it re-bound. We agreed, fully expecting to pay for it all, but no—he would not accept a penny. What a nice surprise. Thank you, Scott.

Fall Book Sale Results

\$6,642 — yet another record sale.

Many thanks to the people who donated books and to the Friends who worked so hard setting up, selling, and breaking down the sale.



Bailey,
enjoying
a good
book.

Book Clubs



Noonday Nosh
Rise and Shine
Anna Quindlen
October 20th, noon

Mystery Readers
One Good Turn
Kate Atkinson
Oct. 27th, 6:30



Next Friends' Book Sale: Thursday Nov. 5th thru Sunday Nov. 8th



We appreciate donations of all magazines,
no matter how old.
We are not interested in old business or
technical books. (They don't sell.)
We cannot do anything with old sets of
encyclopedias except throw them out, so
you should do it, even if it hurts.



*But, most of all, please know how much we appreciate all your
donations; our book sales are successful because of them.*

September is Library Card Sign-up Month

October 18-24th:

Friends of Libraries Week and Teen Read Week

November is Picture Book Month



The Roswell library is having an art contest for local high school students aged 13-18. With the theme, "There's No Place Like...", young people are encouraged to put their imaginations on paper-or canvas- and depict the place, from literature, that they'd most like to visit. The winners' artwork will be displayed in the Children's department for the remainder of the year. Do you know someone who might be interested? Contact the library for more information. Artwork is due by October 30th.

Membership Renewal

You will be notified by e-mail when your membership expires. We appreciate your support.

- Individual \$15
- Student/Teacher \$5
- Family \$25
- Senior (55+) \$10
- Sponsor/Business \$50

For information about volunteering,
please either contact a Friends
member or e-mail the Friends at
roswellgafriends@gmail.com

Name _____

Address _____

City/State/Zip _____

Phones: Home _____ Cell _____

E-mail _____

Please mail to Friends of the Roswell Library (or FoRL), 115 Norcross St., Roswell, GA 30075

Message from the President

“Those far away places with strange sounding names are calling, calling me.” I grew up hearing my mother sing those words or hum that tune as she did housework, sunlight streaming in the windows.

In the wooden country school in our town of 121 people (according to the 1950 census), after mastering the Dick and Jane books, we read a set of “readers” about countries in Europe, South America, Asia. The third grade level stories had pictures of people in costume: Laps of Lapland, the French of the countryside

with lace caps, the bright colors of Central American garments, the gold threads in Indian saris, and the lovely full skirts of the Koreans.

The school library consisted of eight four-foot-long shelves in a corner and included all the readers and a few chapter books. Those readers whetted my appetite for adventure and to this day I tend to choose to read books describing life in all corners of the world. That eight-shelf library was magical and it led me to want to live abroad, which I did, and to travel six continents.

As I watch children and youth stream into our Roswell library, I wonder...what magic, what passion, what inspiration will they find in books?

Many thanks to those of you who donated your used books, magazines, records and DVDs to our book store. Your donations helped our August book sale be the most successful ever.

Cora Cramer



Giddyup on in to the Roswell library and check out the latest additions to the Western paperback shelves! Last month FORL purchased forty new and gently-used paperbacks to add to the collection.

Selections range from old favorites like *Destry Rides Again* and *Shane* to more current works.

*Welcome to our
New Members*

*Lisa Dossey
Colleen & Sol Sims
Donna Stokely*

Best Sellers (as reflected by sales ending September 19th)

Combined Print & E-book Fiction

1. *The Martian*, by Andy Weir
2. *Devoted in Death*, by J. D. Robb
3. *Make Me*, by Lee Child
4. *The Girl in the Spider’s Web*, by David Lagercrantz
5. *The End Game*, by Catherine Coulter and J. T. Ellison

Combined Print & E-book Non-Fiction

1. *Why Not Me?*, by Mindy Kaling
2. *The Boys in the Boat*, by Daniel James Brown
3. *Fast Girl*, by Suzy Favor Hamilton with Sarah Tomlinson
4. *Between the World and Me*, by Ta-Nehisi Coates
5. ***A Walk in the Woods*, by Bill Bryson**

For more best-seller lists than you can begin to imagine, look here:

http://www.nytimes.com/best-sellers-books/overview.html?emc=edit_bk_20150925&nl=books&nid=66960438