

# Banned Books Week

## September 25 — October 1

**Library Hours**  
Mon-Tues 10-8  
Tues-Sat 10-6  
Sunday 2-6

The Friends' bookstore closes 1/2 hour before the library does

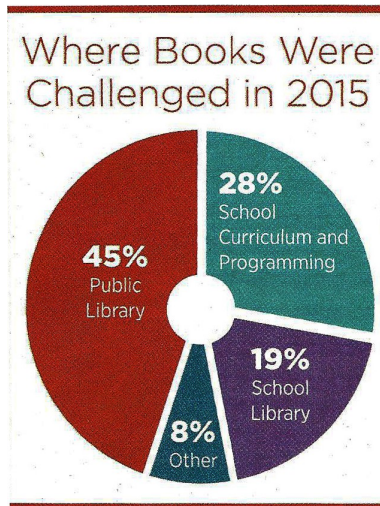
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Banned Books Week celebrates the idea that the freedom to read and access ideas can transform lives; when that freedom is denied, readers are blocked from seeing all viewpoints and perspectives.

What's the difference between a challenge and a ban? A challenge is an attempt by a person or group to have a book removed from circulation; a ban is the successful removal from circulation of the material or materials.

Libraries, both school and public, are the target of the majority of challenges and are prepared with well-thought-out selection policies and review procedures. Once a concern has been



voiced, many complainants never return the initial complaint form because, once they've registered their complaint to a teacher or librarian, they tend to be satisfied with learning why the material was selected in the first place, considering the rights of others, and knowing the

library is taking their concern seriously.

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.

During Banned Books Week, thousands of libraries and bookstores will focus on censorship and celebrate our right to choose reading materials without restriction.

For more information and a list of the 10 most challenged books of 2015, visit [ala.org/bbooks](http://ala.org/bbooks)

(Adapted, with permission, from *American Libraries*, Sept/Oct 2016)

## Meet Julia Padgett, New Branch Manager



Julia Padgett joined the Roswell Library staff as branch manager this August.

Originally from the Atlanta area, Julia headed south after completing a Master's in English at Georgia State. She taught English for a while but then got a job working at the Coastal Branch Library in Destin and fell in love with librarianship. Another Master's followed, this one in Library Information Science at Florida State.

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Upon graduation from FSU, Julia was awarded the opportunity to be the librarian for FSU's study abroad school in Florence, Italy, where she lived for almost three years. After returning home to be closer to her family, Julia became campus library manager of a small career college for over six years. When the Milton library opened in May, 2015, Julia was named its Adult Services Librarian. Last month she was promoted to manager at Roswell.

In Julia's words, "I am thrilled to be at Roswell's busy branch. This staff is incredible and the FORL group has been very welcoming. I look forward to the upcoming renovations, getting to know the Roswell library as my second home, and working with a well-established and well-organized Friends group. This is truly a thrill for me personally and professionally. I cannot wait to see what we can all do together for the community and this well-loved branch."

**Friends' Summer Activities**

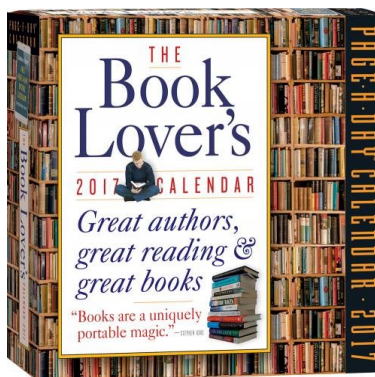
We are happy to report the purchase of a dozen assorted book carts, a new revolving multimedia display, and a new American flag for the conference room, all requested by the library staff.

We were pleased to sponsor Ass't Mgr/ Sr Librarian Anne Vagts' trip to the ALA Conference in Orlando this summer. Anne wore herself out taking advantage of all that was available.

The recent August book sale resulted in **record sales of \$7,074**. That doesn't happen without many, many donations and lots of hard work on the part of many, many people. Thank you, thank you to everyone who was a part of it before, during, and after the sale.

*Welcome to our  
New Members*

- Kathy Cioffi
- Laken Garver
- Donna Hartings
- Stanley Hughes
- Becky Lukovic
- Gloria and Jack McGinnis
- Bryan McGowan
- Bonnie Miller
- Diane Reese
- Marlena Salters

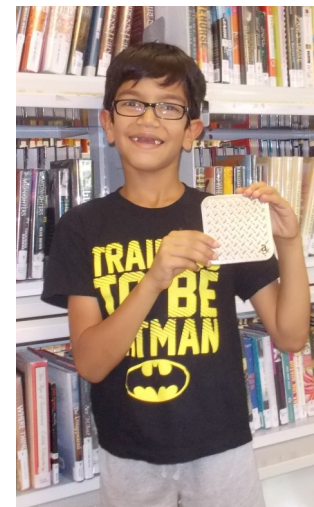


The 2017 edition of this popular calendar, which retails for \$13.99, will be on sale for \$5.00 at our November book sale. We need to have an idea of how many to order. If you would like one or more of them, please email us at [roswellgafriends@gmail.com](mailto:roswellgafriends@gmail.com) and tell us how many you would like. This is not a reservation! You will still need to come early to ensure availability.

Below: Harper Sullivan, left, happy winner of the Chick-fil-A cow and her happy sister, Halle.



**Summer Reading Participants Who Were Lucky Winners**



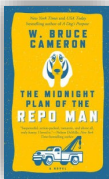
Some of the winners of the Barnes & Noble gift cards, left to right: Belinda Kumi (on the right in the first picture) with her sister Bernadine; Cheryl McSweeney, who listens to her books during her commute to and from work; Brittany Lopez; and Aryan Jain.



GLASS, Georgia Library for Accessible Statewide Services, formerly known as AMLAS, is a library for those who are unable to read standard print due to a visual or physical disability. A wonderful array of materials and playback machines are available, for free, to those who qualify.

For more information including a complete list of services and an application, visit the website, ask at the library, or call 404-657-1452.

BOOK CLUBS



Mystery Readers: The Midnight Plan of the Repo Man W. Bruce Cameron Sept. 27th, 6:30 pm

Noonday Nosh: Mrs. Grant and Madame Jule Jennifer Chiaverini Sept. 30th, at noon



Upcoming Events

Zoo Library Friday, Sept 23rd, 11:00 Learn about exotic pets—animals will be on site for one-on-one interaction; a small craft is included. Reservations required.



Matt McCulley, financial advisor, from Edward Jones

College: Getting There from Here Monday, Sept 26, 6 PM (new start time)

Leave it, Move it, Roll it: Know Your Employer Retirement Plan Options Monday, Oct. 3, 6 PM

Reservations required.

Model Railroads

Model train display October 1 — October 2 Come see model trains and learn about this unique hobby from members of the Nat'l Model RR Assoc.



Happy Tails/Reading Paws

Sundays, 2-3 Sept 11, Oct. 2, Nov. 13, Dec 11

Have your child or grandchild read to a dog that's trained to listen. This program especially benefits reluctant readers.

Reservations required and begin the first of each month.

Special Storytime Monday, Oct. 3, 11:00

The Roswell Fire Dept. will be on site for the start of Fire Safety and Prevention Month. They will bring a truck for tours and pictures, weather permitting.



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

The Roswell library has had a busy summer. Unique among the activities that occurred: we've bid a fond farewell to manager Val Hunt, who has departed to become the manager of the new Wolf Creek branch, and welcomed Julia Padgett, our new manager, from Milton. Please say hello to Julia when you come in.

As a member of the Friends, you are aware of the obvious advantages of your membership: the newsletter, available both in print and emailed; notices of book sales, upcoming author visits, book club meetings and the books being read; and the warm feeling you have of doing something worthwhile, i.e., supporting an important community institution---your library.

Are you aware that Friends volunteer in the library? Friends volun-

teer in the book store. And Friends are very important at book sale time because they are members of the team that sorts, prices, arranges books and gets them ready to sell. They also work at the sale monitoring visitors (and having pleasant discussions with many of them), helping them locate authors, and directing them to the type of books they are seeking. They also can be found working in the lobby checking people out and, when needed, helping people carry their purchases to the car.

During our very successful August book sale an enthusiastic young mother with her toddler in tow told us they had just moved to town and had come to get library cards. The woman was thrilled to discover the book sale and immediately signed up to be a Friend. Along with a bag-full of books, she

also left the library with a schedule of upcoming events for both of them and a desire to return. As new families move into your neighborhood, please encourage them to visit the library and become a Friend.

Helpful and interesting to the entire community are our Facebook page and our Friends' website, [FORL.net](http://FORL.net). A full list of Roswell programs for all ages and library news are located there.

The weather will soon become perfect as the hot summer days are fewer and fewer. Soon we will turn off our A/C, open the windows, let the fall breeze come through, and sit down to have "a good read."

Enjoy the fall months.

*Cora Cramer*

*The purpose of the Friends of the Roswell Library is to provide financial assistance to the library, to promote the library as a learning center for all citizens in the community, and to act as an advocate for improved library services.*

# COMING THIS SATURDAY!



## TRUDY NAN BOYCE

as part of the

## ATLANTA AUTHORS SERIES

Trudy, a 30 year veteran of the Atlanta Police Department, will discuss her well-received new crime novel *Out of the Blues*, at the library

### SATURDAY, SEPT. 12, FROM 2 'TIL 4

