Friends of the Roswell Library 115 Norcross Street Roswell, GA 30075

# Big July Book Sale!

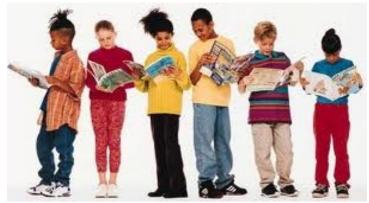
#### **Summer Hours:**

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

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Mark your summer calendar for the FIRST EVER Children, Youth, and Parent-Teacher Resource Sale July 12



and 13. You will find fiction and non-fiction, hardcover and paperback—everything from *Nancy Drew* to *Fancy Nancy* — as well as textbooks, teaching aids, curriculum and study guides,

reproducibles, atlases, dictionaries, and other reference books, National Geographics and childrens' magazines,

classics and modern classics, Cliffs Notes, foreign language, biographies, history, and childrens' DVDs and videos. And all at BAR-GAIN prices!

The Sale is Saturday, July 13, 10:00AM to 4:00 PM, at the library. The Preview Sale for members is

Friday, July 12, 2:00PM to 5:00PM.
You may join the Friends at the door.
Bring your children!

All proceeds go to the support of the Roswell Library.

NEW BOOKS In addition to the books on the 14-day browse shelves, there is also new fiction and non-fiction displayed on the blue-covered shelves at the end of the current magazines rack. Just look to your right as you walk into the library toward the main seating area. These books are for 28-day check-out and include books for adults and teens.

## Atlanta Authors Series Presents Bennett Shelfer

On Saturday, June 29th at 2PM, local author Bennett Shelfer, author of **Drawing Dead**, will be the guest of the Friends at the library.

Mr. Shelfer is a former instructor pilot for the USAF, National, PanAm and Delta Airlines. He piloted the White House Press Corps, accompanying two Presidents overseas and to every state in the union. Mr. Shelfer and his wife divide their time between Florida and Roswell. He is currently working on his new book, a memoir.



## Summer Reading Programs begin June 1st

The days are growing longer, the temperature is rising and around Roswell it's time to begin making plans for summer adventures for the whole family. Why not begin at the library? From babies and children to teens and adults, everyone is invited to participate in the many exciting summer reading activities.

Explore your library and discover the world. When

you open the door of the library, or explore our website at www.afpls.org, you are opening a door to a world of free activities, programs, friends and, best of all, books for people of every age. Special Summer Reading activities begin June I and run through August I.

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Children are full of enthusiasm and eager to learn, and this year's theme of "Dig Into Reading" invites them to explore new fields of knowledge such as archeology or petrology (the study of rocks!), geology, gardening and much, much more. The adventure starts with books and reading and adds generous helpings of storytelling and craft programs, puppets, educational programs, music and art to encourage children to pursue their many interests. Children earn certificates when they complete the basic requirement of reading and recording ten different books, and are also entered into a drawing for a grand prize, a

Babies can spend the summer enjoying early literacy activities with the help of their families, such as listening

to a nursery rhyme, story or poem at Baby and Toddler Story Time on Wednesdays.

The teen's Summer Reading Program with its theme of "Beneath the Surface" features a variety of programs designed for this age group. Many teen readers fulfill their school summer reading requirements by reading titles on school lists, then move on to explore some recreational

reading. Teens are challenged to read at least five books during the summer to be entered into a drawing for a Kindle Fire tablet.

Displays, booklists and programs for adult library users highlight the 2013 theme of "Groundbreaking Reads."

Numerous studies have demonstrated that students who read during the summer retain their academic skills over the summer break, and are prepared to jump into the challenges of the next school year. For others, summer reading is the time when a busy schedule of assigned reading eases and the lifetime habit of recreational reading can develop. Busy families enjoy meeting neighbors at library events, and can be confident that there's something for everybody at the library.

For a schedule of activities, visit **forl.net** and click on **Library Programs** on the left. You may also stop by the library for a complete schedule of activities.

(This article was adapted for the newsletter from the AFPL website.)

## Dates to Remember Atlanta Authors:

Kindle Fire tablet.

June 29th Bennett Shelfer
Aug. 10th
Sept 21st
Nov. 16th
Authors TBA

#### **Book Sales:**

July 12-13th Aug. 16-18th Dec. 13-15th (As always, Friends' preview Fridays, 2-5)

## Stephanie Moody Speaks at Annual Meeting

Stephanie Moody, Chairman of the Board of Trustees for the Atlanta-Fulton Public Library was the speaker at our Annual Meeting on May 5th.

We were pleased to hear that the number of AFPL library card holders had increased by over 12,000 this year and that this year's GED graduate numbers equaled the number of a typical HS graduating class [706 according to a reliable source]. Per-

sonnel issues continue to command attention and many will not be resolved until a new County Manager is hired. Meanwhile the interim Library Director and interim Branch Manager(s) soldier-on.

We were given an update on the progress of the new county libraries; continued updates may be found at **afpls.org.** Ms. Moody also announced that a new County naming policy would permit the new libraries to be named after famous people, donors, historic locations or events. She suggested that we, as members of an affected community, encourage people to make suggestions.



## Congratulations!!

Total Roswell Volunteer Hours in 2012 — 5,198

#### **Millenium Volunteers**

Career total of 1,000 hours or more Mary Mitchell

#### Volunteer with 10 years of Service

Cumulative total of 200 hours or more Nancy Speir

#### Volunteers with 5 years of Service

Cumulative total of 100 hours or more

Deborah Childs Bernie Gaydos Carol Harrison Mary Mitchell Phil Rossignol Jane Swift

#### Volunteers with 200+ hours for 2012

Carol Harrison 1,000+ Mary Mitchell 600+ Lynda Fuller 300+ Jane Swift 300+ Deborah Childs 200+ Ann Creech 200+

#### Volunteers with 100+ hours for 2012

Virginia Baethke Kayron Bearden Joe Creech Dorothy Janusewski Topsy Landham Nancy Speir

## Friends of the Roswell Library Board of Directors

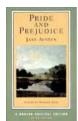
2013-2014 Officers

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#### **Directors**

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Special thanks to
Chick-fil-A
at Roswell Town Center
for supporting the
Summer Reading Program



### Book Club Update

Noonday Nosh, June 18th, Noon Pride and Prejudice by Jane Austen

Mystery Book Club, June 25, 6:30

The Keepsake
by Tess Gerritsen



## **Membership Renewal**

Your address label shows when your membership expires. Thank you for your support.		For information about helping,	
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### Message from the President

Volunteering is the ultimate exercise in democracy. You vote in elections once a year, but when you volunteer, you vote every day about the kind of community you want to live in. ~Author Unknown

The Friends of the Roswell Library provide financial assistance to the Roswell Library, promote the library as a learning center for all the citizens of the Roswell community and advocate for improved library services. We could not do what we do without you – volunteering your time, your money for membership dues and book/store sales and other forms of support. Volunteers are our greatest natural resource and one person can make a difference.

The Friends have over 50 volunteers who give to the library in a variety of ways: shelving books, taking surveys, doing special projects, teaching ESL, checking shelves for lost and missing books, watering plants, mending books, etc. These volunteers also help sell books and work in the bookstore. Others head or serve on committees like Roswell Reads, Atlanta Authors, Staff Appreciation, Membership; lead book club discussions; take care of plants (both inside and out); produce the newsletter; update our FaceBook page or present to the Commissioners to advocate for the library. We participate in the Friends Council, organized by Fulton County Public Library Volunteer Services, where representatives of Friends groups across the county come together to share ideas and stay informed.

All this "free work" added up to almost 5,200 Friends volunteer hours in 2012. According to numerous sources, a volunteer hour is worth \$22.14 /hour; this equals \$115,128 for our Friends volunteers – wow!

The Friends fund many programs – all the Summer Reading Programs (children's, youth and adult), two book clubs, the Atlanta Authors series, and Roswell Reads just to name a few. The Friends also buy lots of books, DVDs, bookmarks, posters, card

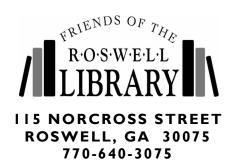
stock, DVD cases, magazine binders, and other library supplies as well as subscribe to the Book Page Periodical for the library. We support staff training including sending an attendee to the American Library Association Annual Conference and Exhibition in Chicago this year. We also prepare and serve two Appreciation & Recognition luncheons during the year to thank the staff for their service to the library's patrons and their contributions toward helping make the Friends an integral part of the Roswell Library organization.

Where does the money for all these purchases come from? We make our money for the most part by selling used books, CDs, etc. in our book store, in the lobby, at our book sales, at the Canton Street Antique Market, a hair salon and, this year, at a YART sale in conjunction with the Roswell Fine Arts Alliance. Additional income is from contributions, memberships, sale of Roswell Reads tickets and special gifts like memorials. We have benefitted from large donations of both books and money; this helps us have great sales! A special thanks to Roswell Used Book Store and the Alpharetta Once and Again Book Store for their wonderful donations when the two stores closed.

Did you know that some of the items you donate are actually kept by the library and entered into the collection for other patrons to check out? How cool is that? It also speaks to the quality of the donations we get. Please keep up the good work!

We look forward to the continuing leadership of our officers and to supporting the Roswell Library in the coming year. Come help us in this worthwhile endeavor!

Jane Swift



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