

Library Staff Survives Yet Another Busy Summer Reading Schedule

The Summer Reading Programs have ended, tax-free day has passed, and school has started again. Here's an overview of the summer's successes at the library.

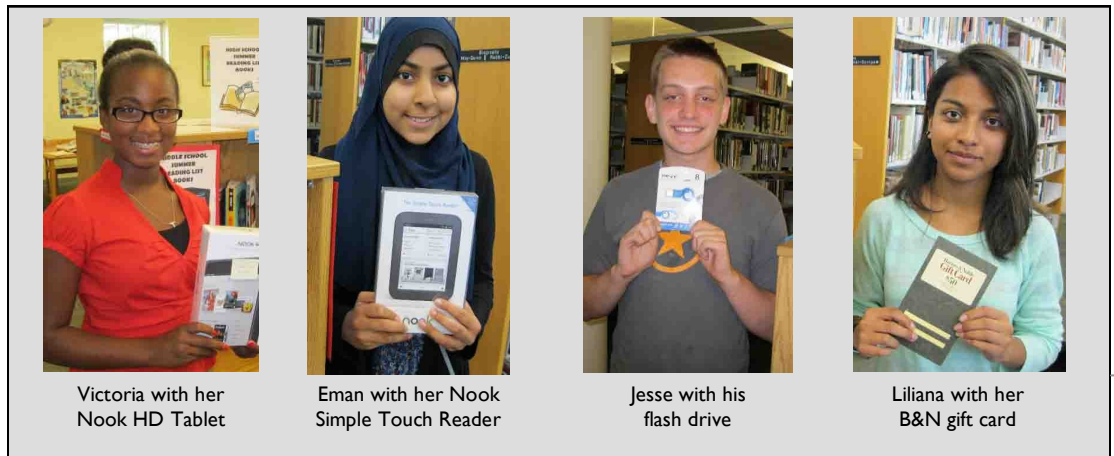


Children's

- There were 1197 children who signed up
- 715 completed the program (they read at least 10 books or for 10 hours).
- There were 36 children's programs with a total attendance of 1964.

Young Adult

- There were 185 teens who registered.
 - Teens who completed one log: 76
 - Total reading logs completed: 180
 - Total number of books read: 900!
- Young adult winners pictured below.*



Victoria with her Nook HD Tablet

Eman with her Nook Simple Touch Reader

Jesse with his flash drive

Liliana with her B&N gift card

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Meet Roswell's New Branch Manager, Cheryl Small

I have spent my twenty-plus years of service as a Children's Librarian, Assistant Library Manager, and Manager and thoroughly enjoyed each position. In 2009, I took a hiatus to the Caribbean and expanded my skill set as research assistant in a Museum Library and as Manager of Electronic Resources for an Academic Institution. In the interim, I was also afforded the opportunity to attend the Harvard University Leadership Institute for Academic Librarians. After returning to Atlanta, I was happy to accept the position of Branch Manager in Roswell.

My interest in libraries began as a child participating in the summer reading program at the then West Hunter Street Library (now the Washington Park/Annie McPheeters Library) and also as a teen volunteer under the tutelage of my deceased neighbor, Virginia Lacy Jones, Dean of the Trevor Arnett Library of Atlanta University Center. As time would have it, I completed my Master's Degree in Library and Information Science a decade later at the AUC. My work as a public servant began with the Atlanta-Fulton Public Library System to which I have happily returned.

Cheryl is a happily married mother of three; she's now house hunting in her spare time. —ed.

Welcome to eCampus

*eCampus is AFPL's online learning suite of **FREE** resources. eCampus is designed to empower patrons through eight unique databases strategically designed to support test preparation and educational resources for all ages, continuing education and GED resources, and career and employment resources. eCampus databases are available to anyone who holds an AFPL library card.*

Four of the **eCampus** databases are:

BookFlix: Online literacy resource for pre-K through 3rd grade. It offers a unique way to link fact and fiction through online read-alongs. (This is a marvelous way to extend a child's enjoyment of his or her favorite books. Read the book together, then look it up on BookFlix. There you'll find an animated version sure to delight your little ones. An example: *Click, Clack, Moo, Cows That Type* by Doreen Cronin.)

Tutor.com: **Live** online one-on-one tutoring sessions and homework help in academic subjects. Access to resources and links for basic learning skills, homework help, GED prep and career assistance.

ePrep: Online standardized test preparation for the PSAT, SSAT, SAT, ACT and PLAN. Test prep includes video-based instruction. (Before you sign up for those expensive prep classes, check this out.)

Universal Class: Over 500 online, self-paced continuing education classes for adults in a range of subjects related to skills, jobs or personal growth. Continuing Education Units (CEU's) are also available through this database. (Check out the personal growth area. Have you ever thought about becoming more knowledgeable in a field you enjoy? This is the place.)

Listed here are half of the databases available to you, for FREE, if you have an AFPL library card. Out-of-county people are getting AFPL library cards so that they can take advantage of this resource.

For more information and to see the remaining databases:

www.afpls.org/ecampus



The ESL class pictured at their 4th of July party. Sonia, the instructor, is second from the right, front row. A good time was had by all!

National Friends of Libraries Week October 20th-26th

Friends of Libraries groups have their very own National Week of Celebration. The celebration offers us an opportunity to celebrate **you**, our Friends members, without whom there would not be Friends to keep the book store open, or Friends to set up and break down for our very profitable book sales, or Friends to raise awareness about the importance of libraries in our communities.

So, congratulations to **YOU**, our Friends members. We appreciate you!

*Mystery Readers
Book Club*

Sept. 24th
Dead Man's Grip
Peter James

Oct. 22nd
The Alibi Man
Tami Hoag

Nov. 19th
Flash and Bones
Kathy Reichs

“For years it was predicted that libraries would become superfluous—mausoleums for books—when so much was available on-line. Instead, library visits now far exceed annual attendance at sporting events, concerts, and museums combined. It turns out that the very electronic revolution that was supposed to make libraries obsolete has made them indispensable.”
U.S. News and World Report, July 12, 1999

Noonday Nosh

Sept. 17th
84 Charing Cross Road
Helene Hanff

Oct. 15th
Scribbling the Cat: Travels with an African Soldier
Alexandra Fuller

Nov. 12th
The Painted Veil
W. Somerset Maugham

Proceeds from the Aug. 16th--18th book sale, including new and renewed Friends memberships, equaled **\$4,311!** Thanks to everyone who took part!



The East Roswell Library ground-breaking, pictured here, occurred on August 1st.

For news and updates on this and all the new libraries, go to www.afpls.org In the center of the home page is a rotating graphic picturing all the future new libraries with “Your New Libraries, News and Updates,” beneath it. Click there and you’ll find new information whenever it is available.

Membership Renewal

Your address label shows when your membership expires. Thank you for your support.

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

Message from the President

Where did the summer go? Didn't we have just about the strangest summer weather you've ever seen?not complaining, just wondering if this means something interesting for winter....

The Friends Book Store continues to be recipient of wonderful donations and you benefit from this at book sale time with great deals. I hope you were able to make one of our summer sales. If not, the final sale of the year will be December 12 – 15; be sure to mark your calendars! We are already scheduling 2014 sales and would love to have you and your friends donate books.

We have two book clubs every month and they are easy to visit, even if you already belong to one (and most people do). The nice thing about our book clubs is they only last 1 hour and we read a great variety of books, generally not the current best sellers. Check the flyers in the lobby to see what books we are reading or go to www.forl.net. Come visit, even if you haven't read the book! Noon Day Nosh is on the 3rd Tuesday at 12 noon and The Mystery Book Club on the 4th Tuesday at 6:30pm.

October 20--26th is National Friends of Libraries Week and we are always looking for more Friends. Once you become a Friend, you get to come to our sales before they are open to the general public. We will have a table in the lobby to sign up new members and take renewals. However, you can also visit us on line www.forl.net, click on membership, download the brochure and mail your check. As my granddaughters say, "easy peasy!"

Remember, there are always volunteer opportunities available and, if you wish to take advantage of one, we will help you find something that suits you and provide the necessary training. If you are interested in more information, contact one of the Friends at the library or e-mail roswellgafriends@gmail.com and someone will contact you.

Welcome to our New Members

Jim Blume	Karen Milbrodt
Jane Brown	Anita Newby
Helen Burns	Allison Phelps
Hilda Castillo	Pamela Reich
Margaret Condra	Rajeev Sanam
Jason Delaney	R. Schofield
Barbara Field	Tawanna Sellars
Melisha Gilreath	Joan Sellers
Sally Hannah	Melissa P. Solomon
Rod Havens	Kitty Thompson
Barbara A. Heffner	Sandy Tieken
Maria Helbling	Ron Vardeman
Elizabeth Janes	Jim Walls
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