

Library to Close for Renovation

Thirty years ago, Roswell residents were watching as the current library building at 115 Norcross Street took shape; after 8 years in rented space in Roswell Mall, a dedicated library building was eagerly awaited. Now, after almost 30 years without updates, Roswell, the third busiest library in the system, is scheduled for a major renovation beginning August 21st.

The renovations will concentrate on brick-and-mortar improvements such

as new roofing, new rest rooms, heating and air conditioning, safety equipment, carpeting, furniture, Wi-Fi and technology.

Included will be a new centralized help desk, several new self-checkout stations, study rooms, space for classroom instruction, and a "café."

And we Friends have not been forgotten. We'll still have our book store (hurrah!) and there will be room for book storage adjacent to it.

There will be outdoor improvements as well, including a new Norcross St. entrance with porch space, sidewalks and bike racks.

For more information, please click on this link to the March 7th, 2018 article by Julia Grochowski in the [Alpharetta-Roswell Herald](#) where you can also see a floor plan.

(Please note: the construction schedule in the article is incorrect: Sandy Springs and Roswell will be renovated concurrently to save construction time and money.)

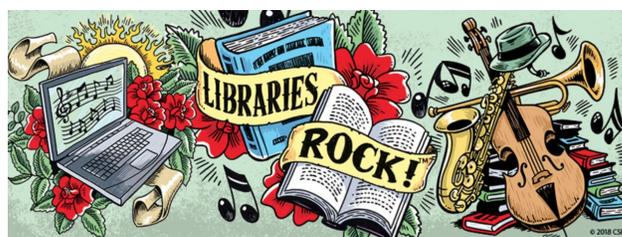
**Book Sale
July 21- July 23
Everything
must go!**

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SUMMER READING HAS BEGUN





Thank You to Our Wonderful Volunteers

15 Year Service Award
Nancy Speir

10 Year Service Award
Deborah Childs, Carol Harrison, Mary Mitchell, Julie Neal

5 Year Service Award
Nina O'Connor

Millennium
1,000+ Hours at the end of Service Year 2017
Nina O'Connor

Volunteers with 1,000+ Hours
Carol Harrison

Volunteers with 600+ Hours
Bonnie Miller

Volunteers with 500+ Hours
Pamela Mason

Volunteers with 400+ Hours
Louise Bullwinkel, Cora Cramer

Volunteers with 300+ Hours
Katy King, Nina O'Connor, Donna Stokely

Volunteers with 200+ Hours
Sheila Cayolle, Margaret Giannotti, Donna Hartings,
Patty Morrison

Volunteers with 100+ Hours
Tina Alhani, Ann Creech, Mary Devers, Sandy Gilliam,
Sue Harmon, Sue Horner, Mary Ann Hughes,
Edgar Ted Jones, Joan McAniff, Vicki Miller,
P.W. Olson, Nancy Puckett, Nancy Speir,
Wesley Wilburn

President's Volunteer Service Award
Age 16-25 Bronze
Tina Alhani

Book Club Update

Mystery Readers

June 26th

[*A Sight for Sore Eyes*](#)

Ruth Rendell

July 24th

[*The Last Mile*](#)

David Baldacci

Noonday Nosh

June 19th

[*The Readers of Broken Wheel*](#)

[*Recommended*](#)

Katarina Bivald

July 17th

[*Circling the Sun*](#)

Paula McLain

The book clubs will continue to meet when the library is closed. Meeting places are being determined and will be announced.

Friends' Officers 2018-2019

President:	Cora Cramer
Vice President:	Nancy Puckett
Secretary:	Fran Segars
Treasurer:	Louise Bullwinkel



The numbers don't lie! We made lots of money and sold lots and lots of stuff at our May/June book sale.

Sincere thanks to all our workers!
You were great!

Library Acquires Major Resource for Grant Funding

Finding grant money and scholarships just got a little easier thanks to the acquisition of the Funding Information Network (FIN) from the Foundation Center.

Three major database subscriptions bring together libraries, community foundations and other nonprofit resource centers into one searchable location with the goal of making positive change in communities across the country and around the world.

Funded by city of Roswell and Friends of the Roswell Library for the benefit of our community, FIN has been well received. Regular informational workshops on the network are ongoing at the library and library staff members who can assist researchers are available.

When the Roswell Library is closed for renovation, the FIN database will be temporarily housed at the East Roswell Library on Holcomb Bridge Road to assure continued access.

For more information on FIN and the Foundation Center, visit foundationcenter.org. A recent article by Julia Grochowski in the *Alpharetta-Roswell Herald* on FIN being available at the Roswell library can be found [here](#).



Kindness Rocks!



To keep?
To share?

All materials provided. Reservations required.
Tweens, teens and adults.

Wednesday, June 18th @2:00



June 28 @ 2PM

**THE FESTIVELY
FANTASTIC
PHANTASMAGORICAL
FUN-TIME
BALLOON SHOW**

**(STARRING DEWAYNE
ROBERTS)**

OPEN TO ALL!

Painting Book Carts From Drab to Fab!



Wednesday, June 27 @ 2:00

Help Library staff repurpose old wooden book carts! They will be shared with assisted living communities. All supplies provided. Limited to 10; reservations required.

The events on this page are examples of the wide range of programs available for all ages at the library this summer. From Tales for Tykes (2-7) to the Teen Bridge Club and Learn About Bird Songs program, there is something for everyone.

Here is the site designed to help you stay on top of it all:

[Roswell Events Calendar](#)

This site is a link to the day-by-day activities at the library. Put it on your device and refer to it often to stay informed.

Message from the President

How I enjoyed seeing those of you who came to our successful end-of-May/early June book sale. Thank you for your support. A thank you also goes to our book store manager and the volunteers who put in extra long days surrounding the book sale and continue to work preparing for the final sale (July 21st--23rd) and the book store closure. During June and July, please check both the store and the lobby carts for "sales of the century" as we wind down our book store operation. There will be bargains galore!

Our book store will take donated books only through June 30th; after that, no more donations as we try to sell our inventory of donated books. By August 1st, our book store will be empty and closed. Please hold any new donations you may have until we reopen after our six-month closure for renovation. The renovation will focus on items such as roofing, wiring, heating and air conditioning, technolo-

gy, and furnishings. The current date for closure of the library is August 21st.

Where can you go while the library is closed? Where can you pick up books that you have reserved? The libraries that will be open in our immediate area and to which you can send your reserves for pick-up are East Roswell (HBR at Fouts Rd.), Alpharetta (at City Hall, east of Main St.), and Milton (on Mayfield Rd.).

Summer Reading has begun with the Official Kick Off having been on June 6th. The Friends supplied the prizes and books for our wonderful readers. All the programs for children and teens are listed on bulletin board inside the library and are available online at the [Roswell Events Calendar](#). The friends provide funding for many of those programs.

Come into the library and use a computer to look at the Funding Information Network (FIN) site. The

Friends, in conjunction with the city of Roswell, are supporting FIN. We have had two training sessions. You, your students, and your non-profit organizations can look through FIN to find applications for funding and sources of college scholarships. Already over 60 non-profits in our area have begun to use FIN to assist them in their fundraising. While the Roswell library is closed, FIN will be available on the computers at the East Roswell Library.

Summer is upon Roswell. This June and July come in for our free yoga and zumba classes. Through the library there are many books to read, programs to participate in, and the excitement of the closure. In 6-8 months, by email, we will let you, our faithful Friends members, know of the grand re-opening.

Thank you for supporting the multitude of programs the Friends fund.

Cora Cramer

"Everything must go" book sale: July 21st thru 23rd!

Yes, that's a Saturday, Sunday and Monday.

Readers' Challenge: Add some breadth or depth to your summer reading.

Subject: **Ernest Hemingway**

A Moveable Feast by Ernest Hemingway [Information](#)

The Paris Wife by Paula McLain [Review](#)

Travels with Myself and Another by Martha Gellhorn,

Hemingway's third wife. [Review](#)

Follow this up with some books by Hemingway you haven't read (or reread a few favorites).

Subject: **Two strong women in Africa who had affairs with the same man.**

West with the Night by Beryl Markham [Review](#)

Circling the Sun by Paula McLain [about](#) Beryl Markham.

[Review](#) (This book is the Noonday Nosh choice for July 17th. Why not read it and join the discussion?)

Out of Africa by Karen Blixen (or Isak Dinesen, as you may recall.) [Information](#) [Why two names?](#)

By all means, after you read (or reread) ***Out of Africa***, watch, or watch again, the movie ***Out of Africa*** (1985). The cinematography is absolutely spectacular! [Review](#)



On a lighter note, why not read a whole entertaining series like the **Chet and Bernie Mystery Series** by Spencer Quinn. [Information](#) Meet Chet, the wise and lovable canine narrator of ***Dog on It***, Book 1, who works alongside Bernie, a down-on-his-luck private investigator. [Review](#) Or another series?

Some other possibilities:

10 Seemingly Unrelated Books that Complement Each Other Perfectly. [View here](#) Or **10 Beach Reads to Get You into That Summer State of Mind.** [View here](#)