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Fall 2019

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NEW LOCATION FOR DECEMBER 10TH ANNUAL MEETING & ELECTION OF OFFICERS

On December 10th at 1:00 the FOLTC annual meeting and election of officers will be held at the Campus Gate Art Gallery on the Young Harris College campus (next to the Young Harris post office). Refreshments will be served. If you plan to attend, please RSVP to foltc7@gmail.com so we will have enough chairs and refreshments for everyone! FOLTC By-Laws state that an annual meeting will be held for the purpose of electing the Board of Directors. Each FOLTC member shall be entitled to one vote; family memberships shall have no more than two votes.

SUCCESSFUL BOOK SALE!

Thanks to the community and FOLTC members, our recent book sale at Mountain Regional Library was a tremendous success, with over \$1,400 raised for our two libraries. We were delighted to see so many parents, children, and grandparents buying books from our large selection of children's books. Much of the success goes to the many dedicated volunteers who helped to set up for the sale, work on sale days, and break down following the sale.

Currently we are looking for donations to fill out the Biography and Autobiography section of our permanent FOLTC bookstore at Mountain Regional Library. We also need donations in History, Military, Science & Nature, and local Hiking &

Waterfalls. Donations in all areas are greatly appreciated as long as they meet the criteria that can be found on the “Donation” bookmarks at the library circulation desks or in the bookstore.

All monies generated by FOLTC fundraising projects go to Mountain Regional Library and Towns County Public Library to purchase books and other library materials, to help fund children's reading programs, and to meet other needs of the libraries.

GOING QUICKLY--PREORDER YOURS TODAY!



FOLTC is having a Thanksgiving Pie/Sourdough Bread Fundraiser again this year, partnering with Mercier Orchards for apple, pumpkin, and pecan pies to be available for your Thanksgiving celebrations. Board member Darlene Pilcher will bake mini-loaves of her tasty sourdough bread to go with your holiday dinner.



Only 150 pies and 75 loaves of sourdough bread are available; many have already been sold. Pre-order and pay for yours by Tuesday, November 12th or before they are all sold. Select either Mountain Regional Library or Towns County Public Library for pickup. **Pickup date** will be Tuesday, **November 26th**, between **11:30 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.** at your specified library.

The 2018 Thanksgiving Pie Sale generated \$1,160 for our libraries. You made it successful, and we anticipate this year's sale will be more successful. FOLTC is very grateful to everyone who supports our fundraisers and the libraries of Towns County.

For your convenience, order forms are available at both libraries.

THANKSGIVING IDEA

An FOLTC friend encourages you to try this recipe during the holidays. Of course she suggests using the sourdough bread from the Thanksgiving Pie/Sourdough Bread Sale!

Mushroom Toasts with Fried Sage

**Using the mini-loaves of sourdough bread makes 12 appetizer size toasts.*

Ingredients: 2 tbsp. unsalted butter, 2 tbsp. olive oil, 12 fresh sage leaves, 1 lb. mixed mushrooms, thinly sliced, 1 clove garlic, finely chopped, 1/2 cup heavy cream, 8 tbsp. ricotta cheese, 4 thick slices sourdough bread, toasted*

In a large skillet over medium-high heat, melt butter in oil. Fry sage leaves until crisp, 20 to 30 seconds. Transfer to plate. Add mushrooms and garlic to skillet. Cook, stirring occasionally, until browned, 10 minutes; season. Add cream. Stir for 2 minutes; season. Spread ricotta on toasts. Top with mushrooms and sage leaves.

CHANGE IN HOURS AT MOUNTAIN REGIONAL LIBRARY



READ THE BOOKS THAT MAKE YOU HAPPY EVEN IF THEY'RE NOT CLASSICS OR ACADEMIC NOVELS THAT WON AWARDS.

New operating hours at Mountain Regional Library: Monday-Wednesday 9am to 5pm; Thursday 9am to 6pm; **Friday – Closed**; Saturday 10am to 2pm; Sunday – Closed.

Have you noticed the numerous seasonal decorations at MRL? Please do. Take a moment to enjoy them. MRL Staffer Glenna Dowell generously and 'quietly' shares them with the library. We notice and enjoy them and thought she deserved to be thanked. Glenna, your efforts are appreciated and noticed. Thank you.

AND THE WINNER IS...



David Sanford. He won the 2019 FOLTC raffle basket of handcrafted kitchen utensils and cutting boards! The drawing was held October 8th at the FOLTC board meeting. Unfortunately there can be only one winner, but David was thrilled to be the lucky one! Special thanks go to Bill Day of Young Harris who handcrafted and generously donated all these items to the Friends. Tickets totaling \$962 were sold which will go directly to support the libraries in Young Harris and Hiawassee.

FOLTC remains dedicated to raising funds to support children's reading programs and the purchase of new books and materials for both of the Towns County libraries. Thank you to all who purchased tickets and continue to support the efforts of the Friends of the Libraries.

HAPPY SHOPPERS AND WORKERS AT THE OCTOBER BOOK SALE

Many shoppers found great bargains!



When you make room for your new books, remember that FOLTC can use your discarded ones. We need non-fiction and others. Full details are on a "Donations" bookmark at both library. Thanks.



2019 DATES TO REMEMBER

- **November 12** – Last day to order Thanksgiving Pies and Bread Sale
- **November 26 – 11:30 am to 3:30 pm** – Pick-up day for Thanksgiving Pies and Bread
- **December 10th** - Annual meeting and election of officers - 1:00 pm at Campus Gate Art Gallery, Young Harris College

BOOK BUNCH 'N LUNCH

Everyone is invited to join this fun group for a Dutch treat meal and book discussion at Daniel's Steakhouse in Hiawassee. *Third Wednesday of each month. 11:30 a.m.*

- November 20 – Biography/Memoir *Grandma Gatewood's Walk* by Ben Montgomery. Discussion Leader – Vicki Kimball
- December – Christmas – No meeting – See you in 2020!

Questions? Contact Gigi Smith – 706-896-6365 or ggrsmith@hotmail.com

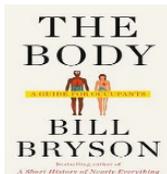
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Weekly Storytime - Wednesdays at 11:00 at Mountain Regional Library.

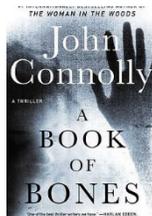
The Body: A Guide for Occupants by Bill Bryson



"From the bestselling author of A SHORT HISTORY OF NEARLY EVERYTHING, a head-to-toe tour of the marvel that is the human body."

What Happens in Paradise: A Novel by Elin Hildebrand

A year ago, Irene had the shock of her life: her loving husband, father to their grown sons and successful Steele businessman, was killed in a plane crash. But that wasn't Irene's only shattering news: he'd also been leading a double life on the island of St. John, where another woman loved him too.



A Book of Bones by John Connelly

He is our best hope. He is our last hope. On a lonely moor in the northeast of England, the body of a young woman is discovered near the site of a vanished church. In the south, a girl lies buried beneath a Saxon mound. To the southeast, the ruins of a priory hide a human skull. Each is a sacrifice, a summons.

Towns County Public Library News

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- November 6 - Handmade card workshop with June at 1 PM.
- November 7 - Tiny pumpkin Knit-A-Long with Donna Howell at 1 PM. This will introduce the NEW Crafting Makerspace with our first Craft of the Month!
- November 11 - Library closed for Veteran's Day Observation
- November 27 to December 1 - Library Closed for Thanksgiving
- December 4 - "Thrive with Healthy Habits" presented by The Habit Doctor, Celina Pizarro. 11 AM
- December 10 - Career Coach visit from 10 AM to 2 PM. Free service for job searching, resume writing, and developing job skills.

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A library in the middle of a community is a cross between an emergency exit, a life-raft and a festival. They are cathedrals of the mind; hospitals of the soul; theme parks of the imagination. On a cold rainy island, they are the only sheltered public spaces where you are not a consumer, but a citizen instead.

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Library System's website. www.MountainRegionalLibrary.org

Stop in and ask the staff for details about this and other advantages of being a cardholder of the Mountain Regional Library System.

MEMBERSHIP DRIVE

Fall membership drive continues. Your yearly dues help our libraries better serve our communities.

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FOLTC MEMBERSHIP/RENEWAL FORM

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MEMBERSHIP TYPE *New Member* _____ *Renewal* _____ *Gift/Other* _____

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Make checks payable to FOLTC. Membership forms and payment may be handed in at Towns County Public Library in Hiawassee or Mountain Regional Library in Young Harris, or mailed to FOLTC, P O Box 159, Young Harris GA 30582.