



# FRIENDS FOOTNOTES

Winter 2017 Friends of the Hall County Library System



BEST SELLING AUTHOR MARY ALICE MONROE AT THE SPOUT SPRINGS LIBRARY THIS PAST NOVEMBER. PART OF NORTH GEORGIA READS. OVER 90 PATRONS CAME TO HEAR MS. MONROE

NEXT FRIENDS MEETING: APRIL 18 5PM GAINESVILLE LIBRARY

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## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

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Dear Friends,

2016 was a good year for Friends with several successful fund raisers allowing us to provide funds to the library for several projects. During the past year we were able to underwrite the Summer Reading Program, emergency replacement of a refrigerator for one of the branches, annual luncheon for our valuable library volunteers, staff development and retirement recognition of long time employees along with sponsorship for Alliance for Literacy annual spelling bee, funds for North Georgia Reads author event (which was very well attended and a delight to meet the author, Mary Alice Monroe). This is our mission and I believe that we did a good job in fulfilling those obligations. I want to thank all our members and volunteers who helped to make the Princess Party, Murder Mystery Dinner, Minecraft Party and the book sale possible.

2017 looks to be an equally busy year and at the November meeting we voted to hold the annual Princess Party along with the book sale in September. We also hope to have a second Minecraft event – be sure to check the libraries monthly e-newsletter and our newsletters and email for announcement of the dates for these events.

Our first meeting of the new year is Tuesday, January 24th 5:00 p.m. at the Gainesville branch. Meeting our goals takes volunteers and I hope you will attend the meeting to show your support and give us your ideas and suggestions. It is also time to pay yearly dues, so if you have not sent them in – please do so.

See you January 24th and check out our Facebook page (Friends of Hall County Library) for news and announcements.  
Happy New Year!....Judy Chasey

### Hall County 2017 State Delegation

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## GAINESVILLE LIBRARY Renovations

HCLS is seeking a \$2 Million State Construction Grant to renovate and expand the Gainesville Library

### LOCAL SPLOST

\$1.5 Million in SPLOST funds are currently available. State grant funds would allow us to add 3000-7000 Sq ft to the library.

### PRIORITIES

- More space Youth Services
- Substantial teen area,
- Large meeting room,
- Public study rooms,
- More secure space for our local history collection

### CURRENTLY

Meeting room is only 500 sq ft and must be shared for library programs and public spaces. Youth and teen rooms woefully undersized. Local History Collection is not properly secured.

### HISTORY

The Gainesville Library has not been expanded since it opened in 1970, though two renovations have taken place.

### USAGE

Last Year:  
130,000 people visited Gainesville Library  
33,000 of those used a computer  
and over 16,000 youth attended a children's program.

Let's make sure our community has the library it deserves/ Please contact your state representative to tell them how important quality library facilities and services are to you

Questions? Contact Lisa MacKinney  
770-532-3311 ext. 134 or at  
[lmackinney@hallcountylibrary.org](mailto:lmackinney@hallcountylibrary.org)

## Lifetime Friends of the Library

Joyce Branch  
Leslie and Chip Frierson  
Kathy and Lamar Gailey  
M. Jane Goodrich  
Virginia and Jim Hale  
Barbara J. Hermann  
Abit and Kayanne Massey

John and June McPherson  
Irene Michaud  
Cara Mitchell  
Mrs. Lessie Smithgall  
The Phoenix Society  
Lafarge North America  
Northeast Georgia Health System

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Repke Family  
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Ruth & Richard Demby  
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Zach Green  
Jeanne & Bobby Jimerson  
Stacey Kemp

### Individual Membership

Deborah Evans  
Julia Gasaway  
Ellza Jones  
Elaine Martin  
Mary Ellen Murray  
Billie Sanders  
Ronda Sanders  
Diane Sperber  
Terri Strayhorn

It is time to renew your Friends membership for 2017. Our membership/renewal form is located on the back of the newsletter. If your name is not listed, we have not recorded your renewal for 2017. If you feel we have omitted your name in error, or if we have misspelled your name, please call Lisa at 770-532-3311 ext. 134. All membership renewals are based on the calendar year and due in January.



Left to Right, State Librarian, Julie Walker, Adrienne Junius, and Board of Regents Chancellor, Hank Huckaby

Dear Friends,

Thank you for supporting me with travel funds during my PINNACLE Program. I completed the Georgia Library leadership program in October 2016. Over the past year your fundraisers and donations have enabled me to learn about a wide array of topics from public speaking to modern leadership. With these new leadership tools I can help bring more services and knowledge to HCLS. Thank you!

Adrienne Junius  
Youth Services Director



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Join Friends of the Hall County Library System and enjoy your membership through the year 2017.  
With your help, we can expand our library activities and services throughout Hall County.

Student \$5    Individual \$15    Family \$25    Sponsor \$50    Patron \$100    Lifetime \$500

NAME \_\_\_\_\_ PHONE \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

EMAIL \_\_\_\_\_

Please send me the newsletter by U.S. mail \_\_\_\_\_ Please send via email only \_\_\_\_\_

I would like to help with:    Library book sales \_\_\_\_\_    Author programs \_\_\_\_\_

Fundraising \_\_\_\_\_    Service on the Board \_\_\_\_\_

My check for \$ \_\_\_\_\_ is enclosed.

Pay to FOHCLS, 127 Main Street NW, Gainesville. GA 30501