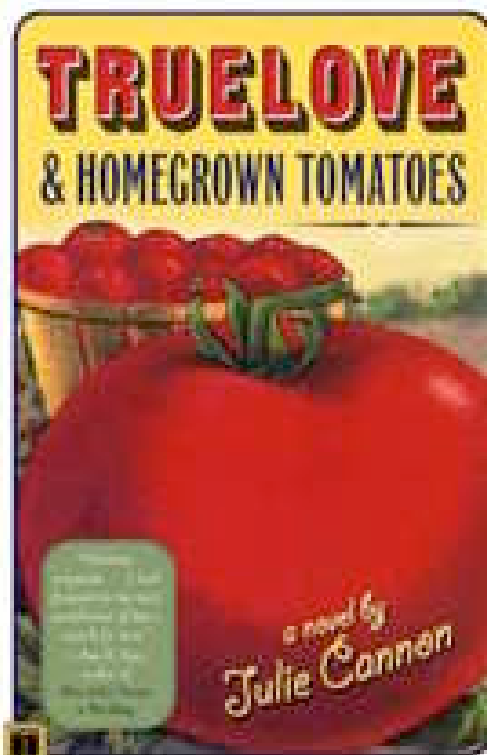


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"Julie Cannon's book does for the soul what a perfect tomato sandwich does for the appetite - fills it with pure satisfaction."

Terry Kay, author of To Dance with the White Dog

"Heartwarming"

says Southern Living

"Author, Julie Cannon - narrates the story with a poignant and witty gentleness. She is a close observer of north Georgia small community life, where hard work and prayer are remedies for all ills and the garden is a healing place"

Mary Beacham

Author, Julie L. Cannon to speak to Friends of the Library

Quarterly meeting of FOL will host Georgia Author and Local Farmers

On Tuesday, July 14th, at 7:00 PM, Friends of Bartow County Library (FOL) will hold their quarterly meeting in the "new" Emmie Nelson Library in Euharlee. They will host Georgia author, Julie Cannon, whose series of books, *The Homegrown Series*, is based in Euharlee. Ms. Cannon will be reading from the series and signing books. Books may be purchased that evening, or you may bring your copy with you to be signed.

In addition, the Friends will host special guests from our local farms who will offer "tomato" tastings from their

gardens and answer questions about gardening and growing tomatoes.

Ed Bostick, FOL board member, will participate with his home garden and several different varieties of tomatoes. Ed has compiled a brochure about tomatoes and gardening- you will want to be sure to get a copy. The Brochures will be available for a small donation.

Charles Holt, of Holt Heritage Farm & Supply in Euharlee, will also participate in the program. Charles Holt is a member of the Nelson family, for which the Emmie Nelson Library has been named, and has recently returned to Georgia and the family farm he was raised on. Charles Holt has been a pioneer in sustainable and organic

gardening. You can go to his website to learn more. www.holtfarmssupply.com

All Friends and guests will enjoy a reception following Ms. Cannon's

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UPCOMING DATES

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July 14th Quarterly Meeting with Julie Cannon at Emmie Nelson Library - Euharlee

July 31st - Georgia Public Broadcasting's "Cover to Cover" with Laretta Hannon at Cartersville Public Library - Nathan Dean Room

August 22nd - "Bookin' It" 5K Off-Road and 1 mile Fun Run Fundraiser

September 6th - Autumn Used Book Sale

September, 2009 - Release of New Membership Levels - Membership Drive (TBA)

October, 2009 - Annual Meeting - (TBA)

Guest Speaker Kent Whitaker, Regional Author & Grillmaster (tentative)

The Cartersville Public Library & Georgia Public Broadcasting

Present



Laretta "Cracker Queen" Hannon



Terry Kay, author of "Dancing with White"

Move over, Sweet Potato Queens. Thanks to Laretta Hannon, the Cracker Queens are finally having their say. From her wildly popular NPR segments to her boisterous one-woman show, Laretta is showing the world a different kind of girl raised in the South—a strong, authentic, fearless, flawed, resourceful, and sometimes outrageous woman—the anti-Southern Belle.

With an unflinching voice reminiscent of Mary Karr, *The Cracker Queen* takes readers from backwater Warner Robins, Georgia, to Savannah's most eccentric neighborhoods, for a wild ride featuring a distinctly dysfunctional family (including Crazy Aunt Carrie, who nearly kills all four of her husbands and is jailed for assaulting a police dog) and a lively crew of hellions, heroines, bad seeds, and renegades (from a lady who keeps the Baby Jesus chained up in her front yard to the famous Goat Man of Georgia). All of which gave Laretta the resilience and humor that are now the hallmarks of her Cracker Queen approach to life. Full of warmth, outrageous wit, and world-class storytelling, *The Cracker Queen* is a celebration of living out loud, finding humor in desperate situations, and loving life to death.

www.thecrackerqueen.com/theBook.html

On July 31st at 7:00 pm
Georgia Public
Broadcasting Radio
will be taping this event for
two special editions of
"Cover to Cover"

in the Nathan Dean Room of the
Cartersville Library
7:00 pm

! A 2009 recipient of the Governor's Award in the Humanities, and a 2006 inductee into the Georgia Writers Hall of Fame, Terry Kay has been a sports writer and film/theater reviewer (*Atlanta Journal-Constitution*), a public relations executive and a corporate officer. He is the author of ten published novels, with the most recent book, *The Book of Marie*, released by Mercer University Press in 2007. It is the 2nd book for which he was named Author of the Year by the Georgia Writers Association.

This book is a sensitive insight into the profound effect the civil rights movement had on rural towns and communities of the south. It tells the story of a remarkable and aggressive young woman (Marie) in the mid-50s and her warnings to Cole Bishop and her other classmates at Overton High School about coming social events that will inevitably change their lives.

His other works include, *To Dance with the White Dog*, *The Valley of Light*, *Taking Lottie Home*, *The Kidnapping of Aaron Greene*, *Shadow Song*, *The Runaway*, *Dark Thirty*, *After Eli* and *The Year the Lights Came On*, as well as a book of essays, "Special K" and *To Whom the Angel Spoke* (a children's book).

! Three of his novels have been produced as Hallmark Hall of Fame movies - *To Dance with the White Dog*, *The Runaway* and *The Valley of Light*. (www.terrykay.com).

2009

Friends of the Library Board Members

Karen Barnhart - President - 770-382-4779

Jo-Ann Aragon - Vice President - 404-434-0695

Lori McAllister - Secretary

Open Position - Treasurer

Ed Bostick - Member at Large

Denise Manning - Member at Large

Iris Stein - Member at Large

Anne Henson - Administrative Liaison

Yolanda Bost - Euharlee Liaison

Maureen Shealy - Library Board Liaison

QUESTIONS? Donations? Whether you are ready to donate materials, time, money or just have questions, we would love to hear from you. The easiest way to contact System Board members is via the board e-mail address: friends@bartowlibrary.org.

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presentation, with refreshments provided by FOL Board Members and volunteers. The refreshments for the evening will have a "tomato" focus.

For more information contact Jo-Ann Aragon at 404-434-0695.

Book Sale Success

What a great day it was for a book sale. The Dixie Highway Yard sale was in town, and so we had lots of book buyers all day. We had an enormous amount of books that we sorted this time, which of course gave people lots of choices. In all, we garnered in excess of \$1,600.00 for all the books sold. We continued with the "Featured Author" sale, begun at our last sale, by featuring James Patterson, Biographies & Memoirs and Library Discards for 'two for the price of one'. Once again these choices were made based on volume of books donated in that author or genre.



We continued with our "Last Hour" sale where, when you buy a "Recycle" book bag for \$5.00, you may fill it the last hour of the sale for \$5.00. We introduced a new color of bag this time in Red & Blue for the patriotic holiday. This has been extremely popular, as you can fill a bag with 10 to 20 books, CD's & DVD's. Remember, if you have previously bought your bag, it will be only \$5.00 to fill it during the last hour. Next sale, Saturday, September 6th from 10:00a - 2:00p. Early Bird Members only from 9:00a - 10:00a. Bag Sale from 1:00p - 2:00p. Volunteers are needed for all aspects of this sale. Contact Jo-Ann Aragon if you would like to volunteer. 404-434-0695.



Donating Books? Keep in Mind, we do not take -

- Encyclopedias
- Readers' Digest Condensed books
- Pamphlets (of any sort)
- Textbooks
- Instructional Notebooks/Binders
- Books in Poor Condition
- Extremely Dated Nonfiction

Calling all Runners...

...To the first annual "Bookin' It" 5K Off-Road Race and 1 Mile Fun Run. This event is being coordinated by Friends of the Library (FOL) and will take place on Saturday, August 22, 2009 at Woodland High School's Cross Country Course, here in Cartersville. This course is both challenging and spectator friendly.

Awards will be given for the top 2 overall finishers in the 5K, one male, one female; then in a variety of age categories. There will be 3 male finishers and 3 female finishers awarded, and finally, for the Fun Run, the top 3 finishers will be awarded (male or female).

Advance registration (by August 14th) is \$15.00. You may register for \$20.00 the day of the race. T-shirts are guaranteed to the first 150 registered participants. For Advance Registration information, contact Karen Barnhart at 770-382-4779 or friends@bartowlibrary.org

Race Day registration will begin at 7:00 am. For those participating in the Fun Run, race time is 7:30 am; for those in the 5K, race time is 8:00 am.

All proceeds will go towards the benefit of our library. As with all FOL events and fundraisers volunteers are needed. Please contact Board Members at the above email address if you are available to volunteer the day of the race.

Special Thanks to Screen Graphics Plus

for providing all of the signage used to advertise the book sales.
We are so grateful for their generosity

Beekeepers meet with FOL in April

The FOL Quarterly Meeting was held on April 14 as a joint meeting with the local beekeepers' club. Mr. Victor Halbgewachs, President of the organization, spoke of the economic and biological problems which have reduced beekeeping in this country to a fraction of what it was several years ago. Price undercutting by foreign honey producers has forced many American beekeepers out of business. "Colony Collapse Disorder", a mysterious hive disease has caused many thousands of hives to become de-populated. Honeybees are important to human society in several ways. Bee products such as honey, wax, royal jelly, and pollen are significant to our nutrition, health, and well-being. More importantly, bees serve as pollinators of

flowering plants. Without the transfer of pollen from one flower to another, many of our agricultural fruits and vegetables are unable to form seeds and fruits. Literally, honeybees are vital to our survival.

Further reading:

Beekeeping for Dummies. Wiley: Hoboken, NJ - Blackiston, H & K. Flattum. 2009.

Fruitless Fall: The Collapse of the Honeybees and the Coming Agricultural Crisis - Jacobsen, Rowan. 2008.

A Short History of the Honey Bee: Humans, Flowers, and Bees. Timber Press; Portland, OR Readicker-Henderson, E. & Ilona McCarty. 2009.

*Recycle Used Books -
Donate to the FOL
Used Book Sale*

Volunteer Thanks!

Armeda Fairchild

What can we say. You are a "Faithful Friend"

Mina Harper

Thank you for giving us your time this month.

Sharon Pankey

New Member and New Volunteer. Thanks for helping us this month.

Judy Patterson

It was good to see you. It's been too long! Thank you for coming to our aide.

Michael Stark

Thank you for giving us your time this month. You're a hard worker and we would welcome you back.

Mary White

Thank you for always being willing and sharing all of your great book knowledge.

Anne & Tim

No strangers to volunteering their time, we are grateful to be on the receiving end of their service. Great Job Guys.

The Packing Crew

Thank you for always being willing and coming to help us return all of our books to their boxes. We really appreciate you.

Volunteers are our greatest resource

Armeda Fairchild



Volunteer of the Quarter

Board Members of the Friends have selected Armeda Fairchild as the first recipient of the "Volunteer of the Quarter" award! Armeda will receive a Recycle Bag and a \$10.00 gift certificate to the next book sale. She will also be recognized with others at our Annual Meeting, slated for October.

In a recent meeting, the board decided to start recognizing our outstanding volunteers on a quarterly basis. We realize it is so unusual to have the faithful volunteer base that we do in this day and age, when everyone seems to be going in

a million different directions at 70 miles per hour. As you can see above, our volunteers give selflessly when it comes to the needs of the library, and we don't want to take that lightly.

Armeda has risen above and beyond... on many occasions! She helps whenever and where ever she can, but her primary service to us is in sorting for Used Book Sales. Armeda's love of books goes back to the days when she owned her own book store.

It's not unusual to see Armeda sorting every day prior to a sale and having her lunch among the books.

Thanks Armeda for your great service!

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