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FOUCL-SPONSORED

2019 ADULT WINTER READING CHALLENGE

Feb 1 through April 26

Please complete this log and the evaluation on the reverse side. Return them to the bottom basket outside the Friends' Room at the Union County Public Library no later than Friday, April 26. Keep listing pages as you continue to finish books. Pick up additional logs, if necessary. The FOUCL May newsletter will include the top participant recommended books and names and a group photo of the 3 people recording the most pages of completed titles.

Keep a record of any titles from the categories listed on the attached sheet: Local Georgia Authors (LG); Winter Titles (WT); Recommendations from Mountain Book Club Members (MBCM); or GoodReads (GR). You may choose any title from these lists or any other titles that fit one of these categories. All formats are acceptable to read or listen to.

READING LOG

Print Name: _____ **Email or Phone:** _____

Name of Book	Author	Category: LG/WT/MBCM/GR	Pages in Completed Book	Rate from 1-3 with 3 Meaning Highly Recommend

Thanks for participating! Pick up additional logs outside the Friends' Room, as needed.

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Evaluation Sheet

(Please Return to Bottom Basket Outside Friends' Room)

The Friends of Union County Library thank you for participating in the Adult Winter Read Challenge. We appreciate your feedback:

Check your favorite book topic: _____ Local Georgia Authors (LG), _____ Winter Titles (WT), _____ Recommendations from Mountain Book Club Members (MBCM) or _____ GoodReads (GR)

Please list your favorite book and its author, then explain why you liked it best

Areas for Improvement/Comments Regarding the Adult Winter Read Challenge

	YES	NO
Was there adequate time (almost 3 months)?	_____	_____
Would you participate in an adult winter read next year?	_____	_____
Would you participate in a summer adult read?	_____	_____
Did you attend:		
Local Author Panel Discussion on Feb 20	_____	_____
Classic Book Trivia Contest on March 20	_____	_____
Book-Based Movie at the Library on April 25	_____	_____

THANK YOU!

Local Georgia Authors



KD Bloodworth

This author lived in three different states before she started school, but then lived in the same house with her parents until she was nineteen. The wander lust took over and since then she has lived in ten different states and has lost count of how many different addresses she has owned. Other than family and dogs, her two other loves in life are photography and writing. The writing came later in life when she decided she could write some good fiction based on real life experiences. She writes, "Truthfully, many of the things I have done most people would think I was making that stuff up. So, I started changing names and some places, adding a bit of spice, and my writing career began. People often ask me if something in the story happened to me and all I can do is smile. Some secrets are best well kept."

Her books include:

MrPerfect.com: Her Only Hope is to Escape
Deadly Friend: MrPerfect.com: Book Two

Author **Robert K. Honea** is an ex-Marine and retired Police Lieutenant. Born in Dekalb, County, Georgia in 1939, he attended school in Tucker, Georgia. A designer, builder and writer, he lives with his wife, Dottie, in Blairsville, Georgia.

He is the author of:

Long Road Winding: A Question Of Pride
Shamrock: Winter's Wrath
Willie Jack Stem and Calvin
Last Man Standing: A Railroad Detective's Story 1965-1985
The Atlanta Prostitute Murders



Doris Durbin

This author was a high school librarian who sponsored a Writer's Club and produced a literary magazine for many years. Now that she has retired, she has time to devote to her new career as a writer. Hobbies include painting, spinning wool, and knitting. She is married to Ed Durbin, who taught history for 38 years and is her consultant for historical novels.

She is author of a trilogy entitled *The Captain Chronicles* which includes:
The Captain Takes a Wife, 1875
The Captain Seeks the Lost, 1876
The Captain Finds the Key, Book 3



Sylvia Dyer Turnage

This author has an avid interest in the local history of Choestoe Community in Union County, Georgia, and she shares her knowledge and love of the place in her stories, poems, songs, and presentations to various groups. She is a retired Certified Public Accountant and the author of:

Flying off Rattlesnake Mountain: The Amazing Story of Pioneer Inventor-Aviator, Micajah Clark Dyer
Georgia's Pioneer Aviator
The Choestoe Story
Choestoe Songs
Mountain Gold
The Legend of Clark Dyer's Flying Machine
Financially Savvy

Winter Titles

These titles take place in the winter. They may be available in multiple formats and any format is acceptable to read or listen to. You may select from these or choose *any* books with a winter connection to fulfill the requirement for the winter reading log.

AUTHOR	TITLE	STACKS NUMBER	GENRE
Airth, Rennie	The Dead of Winter: a John Madden mystery	AIR	Mystery
Allende, Isabel	In the Midst of Winter: A Novel	ALL	Historical Fiction
Box, C.J.	Cold Wind	BOX	Mystery Thriller
Christie, Agatha	Murder on the Orient Express	CHR	Murder Mystery
Frazier, Charles	Cold Mountain: A Novel	FRA	Historical Fiction
Goolrick, Robert	The Reliable Wife	GOO	Historical Fiction
Guterson, David	Snow Falling on Cedars	GUT	Historical Fiction
Hamilton, Steve	Winter of the Wolf Moon	HAM	Mystery
Hannah, Kristin	Winter Garden	HAN	Fiction
Hilderbrand, Erin	Winter Storms: A Novel	HIL	Romantic Fiction
Khaled Hosseini	The Kite Runner	HOS	Historical Fiction
Jordan, Robert	Winter's Heart	JOR	Fantasy Fiction
Maron, Margaret	Winter's Child	MAR	Mystery
Palmer, Diana	Lone Star Winter	PAL	Western Fiction
Pamuk, Orhan	Snow	PAM	Historical Fiction
Pasternak, Boris Leonidovich	Doctor Zhivago	PAS	Historical Fiction
Pilcher, Rosamunde	Winter Solstice	PIL	Romantic Fiction
Proulx, Annie	The Shipping News	PRO	Fiction
Sanford, John	Deep Freeze	SAN	Mystery Thriller
Simmons, Dan	The Terror: A Novel	SIM	Historical Fiction
Steinbeck, John	The Winter of Our Discontent	STE	Fiction

Recommendations from Mountain Book Club Members

(This club meets at Union County Public Library the second Wednesday of every month at 2 PM)

A Gentleman in Moscow by Amor Towles (this historical fiction, set in Russia beginning in 1922, is an interesting read in which politics, dining, and human relationships are all vividly described as the reader is invited into the life of the Hotel Metropol's unrepentant under-house-arrest aristocrat, Count Alexander Rostov)

A Long Way Home: A Memoir (republished as *Lion*, after the movie was released) by Saroo Brierley (fascinating true story of a poor boy in India who got lost at the age of 5, was eventually adopted by Australian parents, and went in search of and found his birth mother and siblings twenty-five years later)

A Prayer for Owen Meany: A Novel by John Irving (the reader makes an investment of time by cracking the spine of this large novel about a small boy who believes in destiny and God – it is funny, heart-breaking, and all together wonderful)

Before We Were Yours by Lisa Wingate (based on a real-life scandal in which poor children were kidnapped and sold to wealthy families)

Cold Sassy Tree by Olive Ann Burns (the author invested ten years in writing this charming fictional tale of a more innocent time in Cold Sassy, GA, where the rhythm of life was disrupted by an unlikely marriage)

Educated by Tara Westover (the author writes about her dysfunctional family, her parent's insistence that she not attend school, and her eventual PhD)

Grandma Gatewood's Walk: The Inspiring Story of the Woman Who Saved the Appalachian Trail by Ben Montgomery (nonfiction account of Emma Gatewood, emphasizing her 3 walks on the Appalachian Trail – two thru-walks and one by sections – first begun when she was 67 years old)

Oldest Living Confederate Widow Tells All: A Novel by Allan Gurganus (Lucy married at 15 to a husband who was then 50; now she is 99-years-old with inhibitions down and truth spilling out – find a comfortable reading spot because she has a lot to tell)

Snow Falling on Cedars by David Guterson (detailed characterizations and moving court scenes put the reader on San Pedro Island, north of Puget Sound shortly after World War II when a Japanese American is charged with murder over land rights – a well-crafted read)

The Book of Joe: A Novel by Jonathan Tropper (after his estranged father suffers a stroke, Joe returns to the hometown he brutalized in his award-winning book made into a movie that was based on real people and events from his high school years - funny and insightful)

The Book of Marie: A Novel by Terry Kay (a well-crafted fiction, mostly taking place in a small town southern high school, focusing on issues of race relationships at that time as told through one young teen couple's experiences)

The Great Alone by Kristin Hannah (the story of a family in crisis – the father is a former POW who comes home from the Vietnam War a changed man and moves his family to Alaska, resulting in a fight for survival)

The Japanese Lover by Isabel Allende (this historical fiction begins in 1939 San Francisco and describes a secret love affair that endures for nearly seventy years)

The Snow Child by Eowyn Ivey (in this fairytale for grownups, the setting is Alaska in 1920 where a couple who are not able to have children build a child out of snow; the next day the snow child is gone, but the couple see a young girl running through the trees)

Still Alice by Lisa Genova (a look at dementia through the eyes of a 51-year-old early-onset Alzheimer's patient as she tells her own story)

GoodReads 50 Books to Read Before You Die List (Listed by Author's Last Name)

Alighieri, Dante - *The Divine Comedy*
Amis, Martin - *Money*
Austen, Jane - *Pride and Prejudice*
Brontë, Charlotte - *Jane Eyre*
Brontë, Emily - *Wuthering Heights*
Camus, Albert - *The Stranger*
Carroll, Lewis - *Alice's Adventures in Wonderland & Through the Looking Glass*
Chaucer, Geoffrey - *The Canterbury Tales*
Conrad, Joseph - *Heart of Darkness*
de Cervantes, Miquel - *Don Quixote*
Defoe, Daniel - *Robinson Crusoe*
Dickens, Charles - *A Christmas Carol*
du Marier, Daphne - *Rebecca*
Dumas, Alexandre - *The Count of Monte Cristo*
Faulks, Sebastian - *Birdsong*
Fitzgerald, F. Scott - *The Great Gatsby*
Forster, E.M. - *A Passage to India*
Frank, Anne - *The Diary of a Young Girl*
Golden, Arthur - *Memoirs of a Geisha*
Golding, William - *Lord of the Flies*
Grahame, Kenneth - *The Wind in the Willows*
Greene, Graham - *The Quiet American*
Haddon, Mark - *The Curious Incident of the Dog in the Night Time*
Heller, Joseph - *Catch 22*
Hemingway, Ernest - *Men Without Women*
Huxley, Aldous - *Brave New World*
Joyce, James - *Ulysses*
Kerouac, Jack - *On the Road*
Kesey, Ken - *One Flew Over the Cuckoo's Nest*
Lee, Harper - *To Kill a Mockingbird*
Martel, Yann - *Life of Pi*
Melville, Herman - *Moby Dick*
Naipaul, V.S. - *A Bend in the River*
Orwell, George - *1984*
Plath, Sylvia - *The Bell Jar*
Pullman, Philip - *His Dark Materials*
Rowling, J.K. - *Harry Potter and the Sorcerer's Stone*
Salinger, J.D. - *The Catcher in the Rye*
Shakespeare, William - *Hamlet*
Shelley, Mary Wollstonecraft - *Frankenstein*
Steinbeck, John - *The Grapes of Wrath*
Swift, Jonathan - *Gulliver's Travels*
Tolkien, J.R.R. - *Lord of the Rings*
Tolstoy, Leo - *Anna Karenina*
Trollope, Anthony - *The Way We Live Now*
Twain, Mark - *The Adventures of Huckleberry Finn*
Walker, Alice - *The Color Purple*
Wells, H.G. - *The War of the Worlds*

