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Elizabeth Gilbert (center) poses with Julie Webb and Flossie McNabb of *Friends* during her visit to Knoxville.

November 8-9
Cedar Bluff Branch
Used Book Sale
10 a.m. to 5 p.m.
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November 20
Noon
Books Sandwiched In
Political economist Gar Alperovitz shares his plan for wealth equality in his landmark book *What Then Must We Do?*
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December 6-7
Bearden Branch Used
Book Sale

And the Winner Is . . .

While it's true all readers are winners, one local book club has come out on top in the **Eat, Pray, Hangout with Elizabeth Gilbert Contest** recently sponsored by *Friends*. Members of the book club won the chance to meet and hear best-selling author Elizabeth Gilbert who visited Knoxville on November 2.

Eleven book clubs in the Knoxville area entered the contest by telling us about themselves and why they should win. First place went to the **Right-On Book Ladies** who submitted their own lyrics to Elvis Costello's "Every Day I Write the Book." The club won ten tickets to Gilbert's appearance at the Tennessee Theatre, as well as invitations to a private reception held by *Friends* for the author.



Right-On Book Ladies (l-r) Paige Travis, Jodie Manross, Laila Archer, Jennifer Akerman, Elizabeth Gentry, Rebecca Napier-Brown and Kelly Coffey

Honorable mention in the *Friends* contest went to **Between the Covers Book Club**. The book lovers in this club received complimentary cocktails at the St. Oliver Hotel where Gilbert put finishing touches on her famous memoir *Eat Pray Love*.

During the contest, *Friends* not only learned how club members choose books for discussion, but also how much they socialize together and become, in effect, support groups for their members. One group even contributes to their community by donating to [Dolly Parton's Imagination Library](#) each year.

Month of November

Friends @ Rothrock
Used Book Shop
On Special: Holiday and
Gift Books

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complete library calendar
of events.

holds book discussions on the second Monday of every month at
Lawson McGhee. [Books Sandwiched In](#) features reviews by
guest experts on the third Wednesday of every month at the East
Tennessee History Center.

If you're interested in joining or forming a book club, contact the
Knox County Public Library for ideas. Whatever your interests
are, let the library feed your appetite for books!

*Friends would like to thank the following, for their support
of our event: the Knoxville News Sentinel, WBIR Channel 10,
Union Avenue Books, the Tennessee Theatre, Creative
Catering of Knoxville, the East Tennessee History Center,
and Ashe's Wines and Spirits.*



**Our
Thanksgiving
List**

Here are just a few of the
things that we
are **especially thankful**
for this Thanksgiving!

1. New books arriving at
the Knox County Public
Library every day
2. Great used books on
sale at Friends @
Rothrock Used Book
Shop
3. All the movies and
music available with just
a library card
4. E-books for download
from the library's great
web site
5. Access to historical
treasures at the
[Tennessee Archive of
Moving Image and Sound](#)
6. Free access to digital
magazines through [Zinio
for Libraries](#)
7. Free help at tax time
8. Free help for students
with a library card at
[Tutor.com](#)

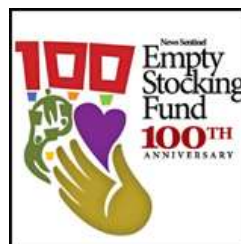


**Our
Voices
Combined**

As we approach the end
of the year and the time
for you to renew your
membership in *Friends*,
consider this:

Now, more than ever, we
need to **advocate for
our public library
system**. Whether it's
addressing the County
Commission, writing
[letters to the editor](#), or
conversing with
neighbors, friends and
family, our combined
voices can make a
powerful difference.

When you receive your
reminder to renew your
membership
in *Friends* for 2014,
remember that your voice
counts! Together we can
ensure that future
generations will have
access to all the learning
and excitement that our
public library provides.



**Empty
Stocking
Fund**

Last December, *Friends*
led county-wide book
drives for the *Knoxville
News Sentinel* [Empty
Stocking Fund](#). We
collected enough for
3,000 children to have
two books each under
the Christmas tree (every
adult participant gets to
pick a book, too.) We
hope to do the same this
year.

Friends will coordinate
with library branches
(which serve as collection
points) and support
drives in schools, clubs
and churches. Our
volunteers review every
donated book to make
sure that all are of gift
quality. *Friends* also
serve as volunteers on
"Distribution Day" at
Chilhowee Park,
organizing and
distributing the books.
Consider [volunteering](#) an
hour of your time with us
this December. It's a

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