

BANNED BOOKS WEEK

Banned Books Trivia! Wednesday 9/27, 12-1pm Library Atrium

Stop by the Library Atrium and answer a series of challenge questions to learn some interesting facts about banned books and win a prize!

Pizza & Panel Discussion, Friday 9/29, 12-1pm

"Censorship, Cultural Taboos, and the Tradition of Contested Books" Albin O. Kuhn Library & Gallery, Gallery

Books are primarily contested across the United States because of:

- perceived sexually explicit content;
- "offensive" language; engagement with LGBT themes;
- inclusion of racial overtones, racial slurs, or racism;
- and depiction of practices counter to predominant religious beliefs.

Challenges impede not only the freedom to read but also access to the types of cultural conversations necessary to build communities, understand experiences other than our own, and cross the borders that too often divide us in the twenty-first century.

Join Dr. Christopher Allen Varlack (English) for free pizza and a panel discussion, "Censorship, Cultural Taboos, and the Tradition of Contested Books," at the Library Gallery on Friday, September 29th from 12-1pm. This event is open to all!

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