Banned Book Week always raises eyebrows at the library as patrons survey our display of books that have been challenged over the years. We celebrate the freedom to read that week and libraries as places of democracy.

Barbara Keef, Reference/Technology Librarian attended the New England Library Conference in Sturbridge, MA. Some of the key programs she attended focused on teens. Others dealt with social media and libraries. One particularly interesting session featured the music librarian at National Public Radio.

Mid-October was Teen Read Week. This is a week promoted by the American Library Association. Sally Bannen, Adult Services Librarian/Cataloger and Barbara put together some teen book/library related puzzles and a scavenger hunt. Also for teens and tweens the TNT book group met for the first time since the summer.

The library participated in All Hallows Read on Halloween. This is a new venture promoted by popular youth author Neil Gaiman to “give a scary book this Halloween”. Kids and teens who came to the library Halloween night received their choice of a scary book. We even culled through our donations and pulled some scary titles to offer adults as well.

The library book discussion group’s selection for October was the novel *The Language of Flowers* by Vanessa Diffenbaugh. The book for November is Maine author Monica Wood’s *When We Were the Kennedys*.

The reference question of the month: Who played Fletcher Christian in the movie version of *Mutiny on the Bounty*? The answer is Marlon Brando.