

Intellectual Freedom Committee Report (#17)  
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I sent out a reminder to the NDLA email list about Banned Books Weeks along with a summary of what Banned Books Week is along with a few intellectual freedom definitions and helpful links.

The Intellectual Freedom Committee will be presenting a session at the annual NDLA Conference. The session is titled "Banned Books in ND: It's Your Freedom We're Talking About." We'll be highlighting past challenges/bans in the ND, covering the basics of intellectual freedom and introducing the second edition of the *NDLA Intellectual Freedom Handbook for Librarians*.

## Challenges

**Library type:** High School Library

**Item(s):** Book: *Midnight in the Garden of Good and Evil* by John Berendt

**Reason for challenge:** Challenged due to sexual content in the book.

**Resolution:** No resolution at this time.

The librarian said she'll keep me informed of what the superintendent decides and what the final resolution is. She'll contact the Intellectual Freedom Committee if she needs assistance with this challenge.

Respectfully Submitted,  
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Intellectual Freedom Chair