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## NEWS

### *National Library Bindery Company of Georgia*

On September 1, 2015, HF Group acquired assets of National Library Bindery Company of Georgia. The year 2015 marked the 93<sup>rd</sup> year of operation for the company, and the 69<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Tolbert family's ownership of the company. "We are very proud of our company's service to the library community, and we are very appreciative of the opportunities we've had in helping so many libraries preserve their priceless collections," says company President, Jack Tolbert. "Unfortunately, advancements in technology have brought profound changes to our nation's libraries and to the binding industry, which have led us to the decision to close our Roswell, Georgia, bindery." National's customers will be served through our North Carolina and Indiana binderies. We are very happy that Jack will continue to remain heavily involved for the foreseeable future in a sales and customer service capacity.

While our industry is full of challenges, we are pleased with this new opportunity and look forward to providing the same high level of service to your library that you were accustomed to with Jack Tolbert and the employees of National Library Company of Georgia.

## PROJECTS

### *Andy Warhol Museum*

Pop culture icon, Andy Warhol, is known for his unique artwork, but many are not aware that he also produced numerous books and illustrations. To promote their new exhibit, "Warhol By the Book," the Andy Warhol Museum, in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, decided to conduct a scavenger hunt in which 160 "lost" books are hidden in key locations around the city. Each day, a new clue is revealed, and everyone who returns a book receives free admission to the museum and other rewards. The books are placed on a specially designed bookshelf that, when complete, will create an image of one of Warhol's works of art.

In September, AcmeBinding's Ohio bindery was contacted by the printer in Pittsburgh that had the job of producing the books. Originally they wanted a book with blank pages, but they later realized that weight would be a problem. Various options were discussed and they agreed that an enclosure that *looked* like a book would be the best solution. According to bindery Vice President, Jim Bratton, "The design process took about a month but, once that was settled, we had only a week to produce the books." The printer sent the laminated graphic covers and 160 "books" were produced quickly and were delivered to the museum in time for the promotion's start in November.

To see clues and pictures of the "found" books, visit [www.warholbookhunt.com](http://www.warholbookhunt.com).



