



# The Georgia Department of Education: Educational Technology & Media Newsletter

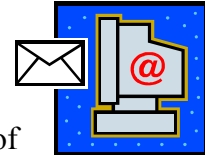
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## DOE Media List Service



Would you like to be a member of a brand new list service from the Department of Education? This mailing list will serve to communicate information from the DOE to K-12 school library media specialists in Georgia. Unlike other list services, this will be a post only site. You will receive communications, notices, and updates from the Department of Educational Technology & Media. You will receive minimal emails about conferences, board policies, and staff development opportunities. When you subscribe to the list service, you will receive information on how to unsubscribe.

✦ **To sign up for the list service use your email provider (home or school-whenever you wish to receive your mail). Send a message to: [join-doemedia@list.doe.k12.ga.us](mailto:join-doemedia@list.doe.k12.ga.us)**

✦ **Do not put anything in the subject area or the body of the message. You will receive a confirmation email to which you will need to respond. That's all you need to do.**

The Department of Education is excited about this opportunity to communicate with the library media specialists in the state. This list service was previously announced in last month's newsletter. At this writing, over 300 people have joined the list service. We experienced just a few glitches in the beginning, but those problems have been worked out.

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## Recommended Reading

**Take time to read *Literacy in America* from Book magazine. This article was published in September/October 2002 and is still available on line. The link is printed here with permission from Mark Gleason, publisher of Book magazine.**

<http://www.bookmagazine.com/issue24/literacy.shtml>



## The Spotlight is on:

The Cedartown Middle School Media Center Web Page. The Media Center Web Page at Cedartown Middle is full of interesting and important information for its patrons. There is a section for evaluating Web sources, how to cite sources, sites of the day featuring classroom teachers and the units they are teaching, and a whole lot more. Susan Brown and Sharon Tinnan are the media specialists.

Susan is the Webmaster and she also designed the school Web Page. Susan has incorporated her collaboration with teachers on the Sites of the Day page. She does most of the web page work at home using Claris Home Page but she is experimenting with Dreamweaver. She does the original graphics in Fireworks. She says that keeping the page current takes just a couple of hours a week.

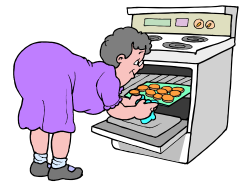
Susan also says that LM Net and the EdTech listservs give her many ideas for pages and links. The Pathfinders she does are entirely teacher/curriculum driven. Teachers come to her with the assignment they are planning and they collaborate on the final product the students will be expected to produce. Susan then searches for materials that will meet the objectives. Susan says that her district Webmaster has always been a huge support.

Check out Cedartown Middle at:

<http://www.polk.k12.ga.us/cms/media/library.htm>

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## Delicious Fund Raising Idea!



Jaye Masters, Media Specialist at Hawthorne Elementary in Hampton, has discovered a delicious way to add to her Media Center budget. The children who wanted to participate sold Otis Spunkemeyer cookies. According to Jaye, the response from parents was overwhelming. Several parents requested additional forms because of the size of their orders. The Media Center received 40% of the monies received. Hawthorne Elementary Media Center made thousands of dollars in a short amount of time.

Contact Jaye at [jmasters@hawthr.ccps.ga.net](mailto:jmasters@hawthr.ccps.ga.net) for more information.

## Media Tech Classes Offered

Beginning January 2003 Media Tech will fulfill the Georgia Special Technology Requirement for Media Specialists. [Click this link for more information about the classes that will be offered through the Educational Technology Training Centers.](#) Class dates are listed below along with a link to the institution.

Date	Place
January 17, 2003	<a href="#">Kennesaw State</a>
January 31, 2003	<a href="#">Kennesaw State</a>
February 11, 2003	<a href="#">First District RESA</a>
February 14, 2003	<a href="#">Kennesaw State</a>
February 25, 2003	<a href="#">First District RESA</a>
February 28, 2003	<a href="#">Kennesaw State</a>
March 11, 2003	<a href="#">First District RESA</a>
March 14, 2003	<a href="#">Kennesaw State</a>
March 25, 2003	<a href="#">First District RESA</a>
March 28, 2003	<a href="#">Kennesaw State</a>
April 8, 2003	<a href="#">First District RESA</a>
April 11, 2003	<a href="#">Kennesaw State</a>
April 22, 2003	<a href="#">First District RESA</a>
May 6, 2003	<a href="#">First District RESA</a>
June 23-27, 2003	<a href="#">Kennesaw State</a>
July 7-11, 2002	<a href="#">Macon State</a>
September 9, 2003	<a href="#">Macon State</a>
September 26, 2003	<a href="#">Kennesaw State</a>
October 10, 2003	<a href="#">Kennesaw State</a>
October 24, 2003	<a href="#">Macon State</a>



### Check out these Web Sites

<http://www.school-library.org/csimpson/simpsonform.html>

Carol Simpson developed this simple form to help you determine the **number of computers** that will provide adequate access in facilities of every grade level and academic orientation. Enter data in the boxes, and click the appropriate buttons for each option, then click on "Compute..." Your results will be displayed immediately.

<http://www.virtualsalt.com/antiplag.htm>

Some **anti-plagiarism** strategies to help prevent plagiarism before it happens.

<http://www.ed.gov/free/>

This website will take you to “**Free Federal Resources for Education Excellence**”. It has some excellent links and information about receiving free materials.

<http://www.csusm.edu/csb/english/center.htm>

**Spanish** language books recommended for children

<http://casanotes.4teachers.org/>

Make **certificates** and awards in English and Spanish. Classroom teachers will like this one too!

<http://quiz.4teachers.org/index.php3>

**QuizStar** is a free web-based program! You can create a custom quiz that others can take online! If you have a lesson plan centered around Internet websites, or if you want students to be able to do take-home assignments over the Internet, then check this out!

<http://lii.org>

The **Librarians' Index to the Internet** (lii.org) is a searchable, annotated subject directory of more than 10,000 Internet resources selected and evaluated by librarians for their usefulness to users of public libraries. It is used by both librarians and the general public as a reliable and efficient guide to Internet resources.

<http://scout.wisc.edu/index.html>

The Scout Report is one of the Internet's longest-running weekly publications, offering a selection of new and newly discovered online resources of interest to researchers, educators, and anyone else with an interest in high-quality online material.

<http://bubl.ac.uk/link>

**BUBL LINK** is the name of a catalogue of selected Internet resources covering all academic subject areas and catalogued according to DDC (Dewey Decimal Classification). All items are selected, evaluated, catalogued and described. Links are checked and fixed each month. LINK stands for Libraries of Networked Knowledge

**And one more thing....**

**United Transportation Union**

Public Relations Department

14600 Detroit Ave.

Cleveland, OH 44107-4250

216-228-9400

Free coloring book "The People Who Keep the Nation's Trains and Buses Moving."  
(Classroom quantities available) Suggested grades K-4.

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## Awards, Grants, and Scholarships



There is \$54,000 in awards, grants, and scholarships available from AASL in 2003. The deadline to apply is February 3, 2003 unless otherwise stated. Applications for many of the awards are available at <http://www.ala.org/aasl/awards.html>

Some of the awards include:

- National school Library Media Program of the Year. \$10,000

- AASL/Highsmith Research Grant \$5,000
- Intellectual Freedom Award \$2000
- Information Technology Pathfinder \$1,000



## From the GALILEO Digest

ProQuest is offering one-hour training sessions online. These sessions include an introductory course, as well as more in-depth training of database features and individual database products.

Go to <http://www.il.proquest.com/proquest/webtraining>

for more information or to register.

Currently available sessions include:

- \* ProQuest Digital Dissertations
- \* Early English Books Online (EEBO)
- \* ABI/INFORM
- \* ProQuest Research Library and Discovery Core
- \* Ethnic NewsWatch
- \* Local Administrator
- \* HeritageQuest Online
- \* SiteBuilder
- \* ProQuest Historical Newspapers
- \* American Periodicals Series
- \* Digital Sanborn Maps 1867-1970
- \* Factiva
- \* bigchalk
- \* Safari Tech Books Online
- \* ProQuest Reference Asia
- \* Literature Online (LION)
- \* Periodical Content Index

Participants need a PC with Internet access to view the session, and a telephone to dial in and listen to the session. Sessions are kept small to allow for questions and discussion of techniques with your trainer and with fellow ProQuest users.







If you need additional information about this new web training, please contact Rob Grindstaffat 800.521.0600 x3745.



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## Library Media Calendar



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday																																																																																																		
<p><b>1</b></p> <p>English Chunnel finished: 1990</p>	<p><b>2</b></p> <p>1823: Monroe Doctrine signed David Macauley born: 1946</p>	<p><b>3</b></p> <p>Birthday of Joseph Conrad: 1857 First co-ed college in U.S.: 1833</p>	<p><b>4</b></p> <p>Phonograph invented: 1877</p>	<p><b>5</b></p> <p>Birthday of Walt Disney: 1901-1966</p>	<p><b>6</b></p> <p>Birthday of Joyce Kilmer: 1886 Microwave patented: 1945!</p>	<p><b>7</b></p>  <p>Birthday of Willa Cather: 1873-1947</p>																																																																																																		
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<p><b>15</b></p> <p>Birthday of Betty Smith: 1906</p>	<p><b>16</b></p> <p>Birthday of Arthur C. Clarke: 1917 Birthdays of Beethoven, Jane Austen, Margaret Mead.</p>	<p><b>17</b></p> <p>Dicken's A Christmas Carol published: 1843 Wright Brothers' flight at Kitty Hawk: 1903</p>	<p><b>18</b></p> <p>Saki born: 1870</p>	<p><b>19</b></p> <p>Birthday of Eve Bunting: 1928</p>	<p><b>20</b></p>	<p><b>21</b></p>  <p>Pilgrims land at Plymouth Rock: 1630</p>																																																																																																		
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<p><b>29</b></p> <p>Birthday of E.W. Hildick: 1925</p>	<p><b>30</b></p> <p>Birthday of Mercer Mayer: 1943 Birthday of Rudyard Kipling: 1856</p>	<p><b>31</b></p>  <p>Edison demonstrates first incandescent light: 1879</p>	<table border="1"> <tr> <th colspan="7">November 02</th> </tr> <tr> <th>S</th> <th>M</th> <th>T</th> <th>W</th> <th>T</th> <th>F</th> <th>S</th> </tr> <tr> <td></td> <td></td> <td></td> <td></td> <td></td> <td>1</td> <td>2</td> </tr> <tr> <td>3</td> <td>4</td> <td>5</td> <td>6</td> <td>7</td> <td>8</td> <td>9</td> </tr> <tr> <td>10</td> <td>11</td> <td>12</td> <td>13</td> <td>14</td> <td>15</td> <td>16</td> </tr> <tr> <td>17</td> <td>18</td> <td>19</td> <td>20</td> <td>21</td> <td>22</td> <td>23</td> </tr> <tr> <td>24</td> <td>25</td> <td>26</td> <td>27</td> <td>28</td> <td>29</td> <td>30</td> </tr> </table> <table border="1"> <tr> <th colspan="7">January 03</th> </tr> <tr> <th>S</th> <th>M</th> <th>T</th> <th>W</th> <th>T</th> <th>F</th> <th>S</th> </tr> <tr> <td></td> <td></td> <td></td> <td>1</td> <td>2</td> <td>3</td> <td>4</td> </tr> <tr> <td>5</td> <td>6</td> <td>7</td> <td>8</td> <td>9</td> <td>10</td> <td>11</td> </tr> <tr> <td>12</td> <td>13</td> <td>14</td> <td>15</td> <td>16</td> <td>17</td> <td>18</td> </tr> <tr> <td>19</td> <td>20</td> <td>21</td> <td>22</td> <td>23</td> <td>24</td> <td>25</td> </tr> <tr> <td>26</td> <td>27</td> <td>28</td> <td>29</td> <td>30</td> <td>31</td> <td></td> </tr> </table>				November 02							S	M	T	W	T	F	S						1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30	January 03							S	M	T	W	T	F	S				1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30	31	
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