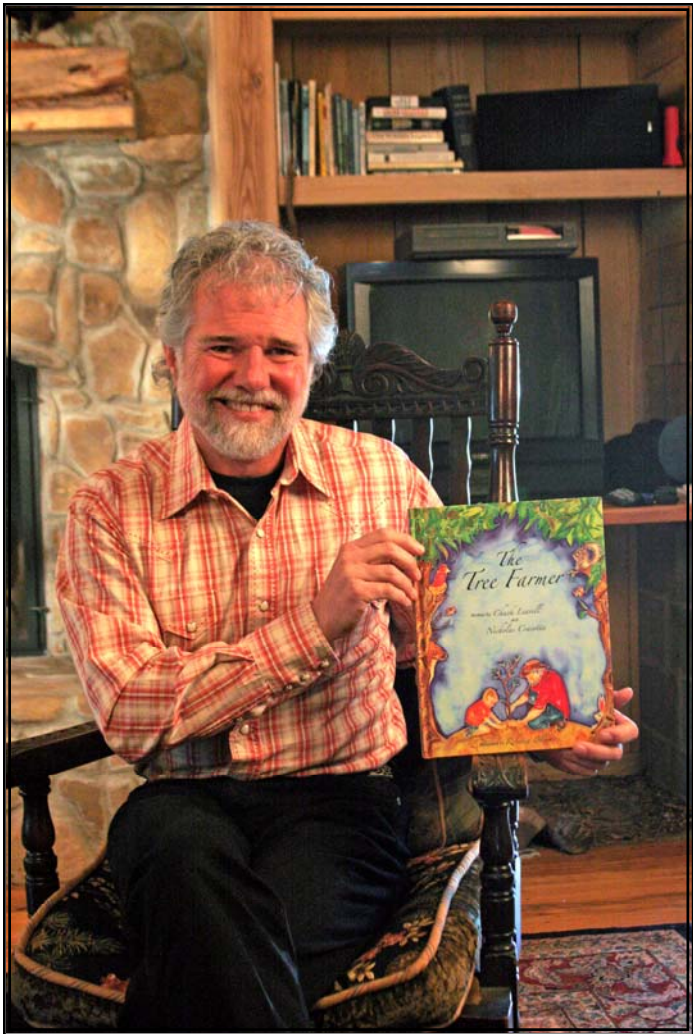


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centers

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CHUCK LEAVELL ROCKS GEORGIA READ MORE!



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Chuck Leavell of The Rolling Stones recently read his book *The Tree Farmer* to a group of third graders at Jeffersonville Elementary in Twiggs County. Chuck is our final chapter for the **Georgia Read More** project: Year 2 unless we can secure additional funding.

We traveled to Chuck's home after filming at the school and recorded a "Meet the Author" portion to accompany his reading.

Other "Meet the Author" programs include Carmen Deedy, Danny Schnitzlein, and Ashley Bryan. Georgia Read More also has a "Meet the Illustrator" program featuring Michael P. White.

7 GREAT RESOLUTIONS

1. Eat right 90% of the time; eat whatever you want 10% of the time.
2. Get as much sleep as you need to be happy, healthy, and fun to be around.
3. Make up creative excuses to get MORE exercise.
4. Do something every day that makes you LAUGH out loud.
5. Take a walk or get some other exercise whenever you feel stressed.
6. Go outside and play at least once a week.
7. Limit TV to one hour a day or less.

Source: The Hope Heart Institute, Seattle

THIS COULD BE YOU NEXT YEAR....APPLY FOR THE
EXEMPLARY LIBRARY MEDIA RECOGNITION

Watch for
information on our
Open Houses!



Information can be found at:
<http://www.glc.k12.ga.us/pandp/media/exemplary.htm>

A GRANT RECIPIENT'S STORY

Several years ago it seemed the teen pregnancy rate at Thomson High School was increasing at a very alarming rate. Everywhere we turned there was another student who was pregnant. Around that same time, my co-worker went to work in another system and her replacement was a media specialist from one of our local elementary schools. When she also noticed the number of pregnant students, she immediately wondered what the elementary schools would be dealing with when these students entered school. Based on this conversation, it was decided we would apply for the GLMA mini-grant in hopes of being able to purchase books so our young parents would have easier access to reading materials for their children.

We were awarded \$500 in grant money from the Georgia Library Media Association to purchase children's picture books for a new display. Thomson High School added 39 books to begin the new collection.

To date many students have checked out books from this area for various reasons. The books have been used for research in several class projects that require students to create a children's book, as well as the art classes' study of illustrations and book illustrators. Students, such as teen parents and older siblings, often check out books from this area to read to younger children as well. In addition to these students' use of the E section, the special education population has also enjoyed being able to check out and read books on their ability level.

Since the awarding of the GLMA grant, the McDuffie County Board of Education matched the grant amount and the collection is continuing to grow.

Jennifer Newton and Tammy Kay Brunson
Media Specialists
Thomson High School

*Apply for a grant through GLMA like
Jennifer and Tammy Kay did!*

Georgia Library Day* Tuesday, February 13, 2007

* *Sponsored by the Georgia Association for Instructional Technology (GAIT), Georgia Library Association (GLA) and the Georgia Library Media Association (GLMA)*

8:45 A.M. Registration, coffee and juice – Floyd Building (Twin Towers, 20th floor, West Tower)

9:15. A.M. Welcome – GLA President – Floyd Building

9:20 A.M. Remarks from Georgia Legislative and Other Invited Guests –Floyd Building

10:00 A.M. Comments from the Georgia Library Community and Organizations – Floyd Building

10:45 A.M. Teacher Retirement System of Georgia Update – Floyd Building

11:00 A.M. Visit the Capitol (Please contact your legislators prior to your arrival on February 13. Let them know you will be attending this event.) – Georgia State Capitol

11:45 A.M. – 1:30 P.M. Box lunch with your legislator – Floyd Building

Registration Form (please complete one for each registrant)

Name: _____

Address: _____

Library Name: _____

My Library is in Georgia Senate District(s)*: _____

My Library is in Georgia House District(s)*: _____

*Georgia Secretary of State Website: <http://www.sos.state.ga.us/cgi-bin/locator.asp>

Please enclose: Registration form and \$29 per person. Make check payable to GLA.

Reference "Registration" in note section. Payment must be received by February 1, 2007. Mail payment to: Georgia Library Association: P.O. Box 793, Rex, GA 30273. Contact: Gordon Baker at 678/466-4325 or gordonbaker@clayton.edu for more information.

TECH TIPS FROM ESTHER

Esther M. Brenneman of the Cherokee County School System is the Instructional Technology Facilitator and former Library Media Specialist. Watch for Esther's monthly column in this newsletter featuring an innovative Tech Tip.

Want to get rid of those pesky > that sometimes appear in your documents?

Open the Internet

Type: <http://www.papercut.biz/emailStripper.htm>

This downloadable program will take away extra spaces, returns and unwanted characters in the e-mail.

Save to the desktop.

Double-click the shortcut icon.

Once it's installed, copy the e-mail with all the >.

Open E-mail Stripper

Click the Paste button

Then click Strip It!!!

Copy it back wherever you want it.....

Have an idea to share?

Please send it to:

jserrite@doe.k12.ga.us

ARE YOU A MEMBER THE GADOE LIST SERVICE?

There are over 800 members of the GaDOE Library Media list service. Are you one of them?

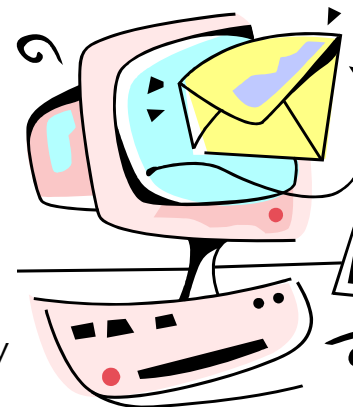
A lot of emails are sent to the Media Coordinators for distribution, but not all. Job opportunities, grant ideas, websites, and other information is often sent only to the members of the GaDOE Library Media list service.

To sign up send an email to:

join-doemedia@list.doe.k12.ga.us

Leave the subject and body of the email blank. You will receive a confirmation email to which you will need to respond before you are fully registered.

If your email changes or you wish to unsubscribe, please make those changes. Many former subscribers are having their messages returned because of incorrect email addresses.



DO YOU CREATE A NEWSLETTER?

Tony Pope of McHenry Primary School in Rome creates a newsletter each month called "The Bookmarker". In November's issue were stories on the school's annual Teddy Bear contest, Children's Book Week Activities, information on library budgets, and his media center statistics.

Great job Tony! What a wonderful way to share your stories and ideas.

Customizable newsletters are available on the Office of Instructional Technology & Media site at <http://public.doe.k12.ga.us/it.aspx> (except for December 2006 when circumstances prevented their posting). Keeping faculty, staff, and parents informed of the wonderful and important job you do in the media center is great public relations.

There is still time to make plans to visit the Georgia Capitol for the Georgia Day – February 12, 2007. Every year, Georgia celebrates February 12 as the day in 1733 that General James Oglethorpe and the new colonists arrived in the area that would become Savannah, Georgia's first city. The Georgia Archives (with the help of security experts) celebrates this day by bringing the Royal Charter out of the vault and displaying it in the Rotunda of our state's capitol building. The charter will be available for viewing between 10:00 AM and 3:30 PM on Monday, February 12. For questions and arrangements for bringing a group to the Capitol, please call (404) 656-2844 or visit <http://www.sos.state.ga.us/state%5Fcapitol/>.

Georgia Peach Award for Teen Readers information is now available on the GLMA website. Check it out at:

<http://glma-inc.org/peachaward.htm>



Just for fun

WHO'S YOUR ELVIS?

Nothing plays as sweet as the soundtrack to your life, and one person's Vallee is another's Plant. We all screamed for somebody.



If you're in your....	Your Elvis is.....
90s	Rudy Vallee
80s	Bing Crosby
70s	Frank Sinatra
60s	Elvis
50s	The Beatles
40s	Led Zeppelin
30s	Madonna
20s	Kurt Cobain
10s	Beyonce

From AARP Magazine. January/February 2007.

Top Ten Reasons to Become a Library Media Specialist *(a little out of date, but still funny)*

10. Seemed like a novel idea at the time
9. Catalog paycheck under "Humor"
8. Can change name to Marian
7. Know proper bait for microfiche
6. Special relationship with Melvil Dewey
5. Unlimited alphabetizing
4. Augment vast income with overdue fines
3. Reading on work time is called "Book Review" *(who has time to read!)*
2. Exercise shhh-er daily *(I always said "Attention Shoppers"...it worked better than shhging)*
1. Be caretaker and repository of all human wisdom (and folly)

From the Utah Educational Library Media Association newsletter December 2001. *(My comments are in italics.)*

Georgia Archives January Lunch & Learn Lecture

Title: "Packing Your Genealogy Suitcase"
 Speaker: John and Susan Sloan, Professional Genealogists
 Time: Tuesday, January 9 from 12:00 noon to 1:00 p.m.
 Where: Georgia Archives, 5800 Jonesboro Road, Morrow, GA 30260
 Directions and a map can be found on our website at
www.sos.state.ga.us/archives/where_are_we/default.htm

The Lunch & Learn free monthly lecture series began in 1993 as a way to help the public learn more about Georgia's rich history and culture. Guest speakers cover a variety of topics on the second Tuesday of each month from noon to 1:00 p.m. You are welcome to bring a lunch or snack to eat during the program. Reservations are not needed unless you are bringing a group larger than ten people.



Lexile Level:
680

Check out the activities on Scholastic's website for *Charlotte's Web*.

<http://teacher.scholastic.com/activities/flashlightreaders/main.asp>

Games, parent, educator information and more.



GPB Education is proud to bring you the 13th Annual Reading Rainbow Young Writers & Illustrators Contest. The contest, which is being held December 1, 2006 to February 16, 2007, challenges children in kindergarten through third grade to draw upon their verbal and artistic abilities by creating their own picture storybooks. First place winners from each grade level will go on to compete in the National contest.

More information available at:

<http://www.gpb.org/public/education/highlights.jsp?hlid=5943>

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<http://georgiastandards.org/>

www.gadoe.org

Spotlight on a GPS standard:

From the Grade 4 ELA Framework page:

READING LOGS TASK:

<http://public.doe.k12.ga.us/DMGetDocument.aspx/Reading%20Logs.pdf?p=6CC6799F8C1371F60D9ED22E5C66485760CA8C3AB8E2C78F7FDEC952E0835C9E&Type=D>

If YOU have programs, activities, research, or ideas about children's literature to share, UGA would like to hear from you! Please consider being a PRESENTER at the 38th Annual Conference on Children's Literature. They are especially interested in presenters who are:

- Public librarians
- School media specialists
- Classroom teachers
- Reading specialists
- Graduate students
- General enthusiasts of children's literature

Presentation proposals are due no later than January 05, 2007.

Visit the website, www.coe.uga.edu/gcba, and click on "Be a Presenter" to fill out a proposal.

This year's conference will be held April 20-21, 2007, at the Georgia Center for Continuing Education at the University of Georgia in Athens. Visit their homepage at www.coe.uga.edu/gcba for the latest conference news.



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7 Zora Neale Hurston-1891-1960: http://www-hsc.usc.edu/~gallaher/hurston/hurston.html	8 1815 : The Battle of New Orleans	9 1894 : First movie copyrighted	10 1776 : Thomas Paine publishes Common Sense	11 Robert C. O'Brien-1918-1973 http://falcon.jmu.edu/~ramseyil/obrien.htm	12 Jack London-1876-1916 http://sunsite.berkeley.edu/London/	13 1966 : Johnson appoints first African-American cabinet member																																																																																																															
14 Birthday of Hugh Lofting-1886-1947	15 1929 : Martin Luther King Jr. born	16 Robert Lipsyte-1938- http://falcon.jmu.edu/~ramseyil/lipsyte.htm	17 Robert Cormier-1925-2000 http://www.teenreads.com/authors/aucormier-robert.asp	18 A. A. Milne-1882-1956 http://www.pooh-corner.com/biomilne.html	19 Birthday of Edgar Allan Poe-1809-1849	20 1961 : Robert Frost reads at JFK's inauguration																																																																																																															
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A little consideration, a little thought for others, makes all the difference.

A. A. Milne