

For people who care about library media programs.

MEDIA MATTERS



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STATE LIBRARY MEDIA SPECIALIST

Melissa Johnston, Library Media Specialist at Silver City Elementary in Forsyth County, was named the 2006-2007 Library Media Specialist of the Year for Georgia at the recent COMO conference. Congratulations Melissa!



District Winners include:

Cawood Cornelius

Jennifer Harkleroad

Rebecca Amerson

Ginny Harrell

Suzanne Mittenzwei

Deborah Touchton

Jennifer Newton

Michelle Beaufort

Shannon Robertson

Linda Davis

CONGRATULATIONS TO ALL!

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GEORGIA ARCHIVES WEEK: FACES OF GEORGIA OCTOBER 7-15

The purpose of Archives Week is to celebrate the value of Georgia's historic records, publicize the many ways historical records enrich our lives, and recognize those who maintain our communities' historical records.

An event planning guide is available at: www.soga.org/aw/2006/EventGuide.pdf

Sponsored by DLG, GLA, Society of Ga. Archivists, Georgia Archives and others.

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- Festivals and events
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MARK YOUR CALENDAR

National Book Month

[Http://www.nationalbook.org](http://www.nationalbook.org)

Georgia Literary Festival

November 3-4, 2006 Macon

National Storytelling Festival

October 6-8 2006, Jonesborough, Tenn.

www.storytellingfestival.net

IRA Southeast Regional Conference

October 15-17, 2006 Mobile

www.reading.org/association/meetings/reg

Teen Read Week

October 15-21, 2006

www.alal.org/teenread

Georgia Conference on Information Literacy

October 6-8, 2006 Savannah

[Http://ceps.georgiasouthern.edu/conted/info/olit.html](http://ceps.georgiasouthern.edu/conted/info/olit.html)

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.

Would you like to liven up your documents with some new fonts? Try this.

Open the Internet.

Type:

<http://www.dafont.com/>

There are number of fonts to download and add to your existing ones.

Find one you like – save it to your computer.

Click on **Start Settings Control Panel**

Click on **Appearance and Themes**.

On left side of window, click on **Fonts**.

Click on **File Install New Fonts**

Browse/Locate the font – then click **OK**.

Through the use of books, I had the whole world at my feet, could travel anywhere, meet anyone, and do anything.

Benjamin Carson



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GEORGIA READ MORE VOLUME ONE DVD

The long anticipated Georgia Read More DVD, Volume One has arrived. Some systems received their copies at the recent COMO conference. The remainder of the systems will be receiving their copies in the near future. The Georgia Read More DVD is for the elementary schools (K-5) and features:

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| Kathy Cox | Jimmy Carter | John Smoltz |
| Leah Ward-Sears | Danny Schnitzlein | Dominique Wilkins |
| Travis Tritt | Bill Elliott | Mary Perdue |

The Georgia Read More DVD is closed captioned in both English and Spanish. It is also dubbed in Spanish. You may turn the subtitles off or on, and you may choose to listen in Spanish by selecting "Español."

The DVD was created to be played on a DVD player. If it is played on a computer, you will need to use Media Player to access all of the features.

The Librarian, whose job is to heal ignorance, to keep life safe for poetry and to put knowledge smack dab in the middle of the American way."

From The Philadelphia Inquirer, 9-20-03



NECC IS COMING!

The Georgia Department of Education and Georgia Public Broadcasting have partnered with the International Society for Technology in Education (ISTE) to bring the National Education Computer Conference (NECC) to Georgia - June 24 – 27, 2007 at the World Congress Center. NECC is a curriculum and technology conference that over 18,000 educators from all over the world attend. You will want to be a part of this conference.

<http://center.uoregon.edu/ISTE/NECC2007/glance/welcome.php>

Call for Presentations is now open until October 4. We want Georgia to be represented. Please send this message to your teachers so that they can submit proposals to present.

<http://center.uoregon.edu/ISTE/NECC2007/program/>

Special Registration for Georgia participants – We have been able to negotiate a deal with ISTE for all Georgia persons attending the NECC conference – the cost is \$150 until March 30. Registration opens the middle of September.

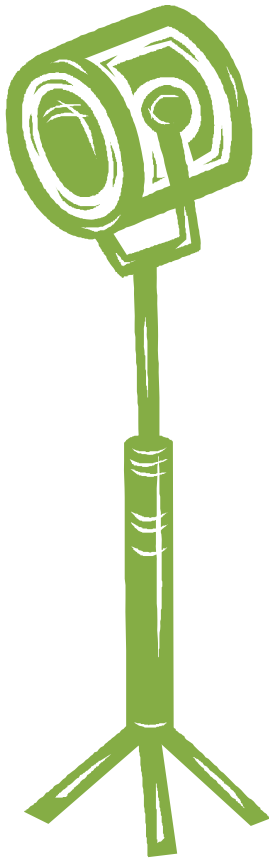
<http://center.uoregon.edu/ISTE/NECC2007/registration/>

Special Housing opportunities for Georgia participants – ISTE is working with Georgia Tech to secure housing at the cost of approximately \$65 per person per night. Housing is at the Olympic Village Apartments. Shuttles will be provided back and forth to the World Congress Center. Please notify your Educational Technology Training Center to let them know that you are interested in housing at Ga Tech. They will need to know how many persons you want to reserve rooms for.

Call for Volunteers - We need approximately 700 Georgia volunteers to help with the conference. To volunteer go to <http://www.iste.org/necc/volunteers>

Need More Information? Contact Linda Whitacre, ISTE's local representative
lwhitacre@gcbe.org OR contact the Director of your Educational Technology Training Center
Director <http://www.ga-edtech.org/>

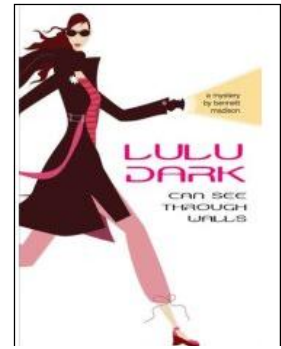
SPOTLIGHT ON THE GEORGIA PEACH AWARD



Lulu Dark Can See Through Walls by Bennett Madison.

Lulu is one of a kind. She wears vintage clothing and carries a loud pink and yellow Kate Spade knockoff as she attends her private school, expresses her opinions without restraint, and breezes her way into and out of sticky situations in the nightspots, restaurants, and shops she frequents. Her mother has gone off to be a C-list actress in Hollywood while her artist father has found a more compatible boyfriend.

When someone steals her purse, Lulu reluctantly slips into Nancy Drew mode (a fictional type at which she normally sniffs in disdain) to pursue the thief. Before long, she finds herself up to her strong-willed and sarcastic neck in a murder only she believes has occurred, a doppelganger who commits social suicide in public places, and mysterious threats to her health and well being. Eventually Lulu unmaskes the culprit, finds a boyfriend, and, most importantly, recovers her purse. This is good escape literature for girls who like *Seventeen* and yet need a role model who insists on not following the crowd.



Myrna Marler, Assoc. Prof. of English, BYU, Provo, Utah



The 19th annual GaETC Conference will be held November 15-17, 2006, at the [Georgia International Convention Center](#). For the second year, the [Georgia Department of Education](#) will join the [Georgia Educational Technology Consortium](#) as a sponsor of the conference. This collaborative effort will continue to provide Georgia educators and technology leadership with one unified technology conference.

Check out the GaETC website at: <http://www.gaetc.org>

Five-Member Team Registration

Schools sending a five-member team consisting of one principal, one media specialist or technology coordinator, and three additional team members will receive a discounted pre-registration fee of \$725.00 for the team. You may register a team online or by using the printed registration form. All team members' registrations must be submitted at the same time.

GALILEO

Please encourage your teachers, staff and especially students to use GALILEO. If you feel you don't know enough about this wonderful, award winning resource, check out their newsletter, or take advantage of their professional development and presentations at conferences around the state. This resource is too valuable to sit idle.

Please do not post your school's GALILEO password on your website. If you think no one will know if is posted, think again. Those GALILEO people are smart!



Have you looked at the Sanborn Fire Maps on GALILEO? They are fascinating.

NEED INFORMATION ON GEORGIA AUTHORS?

Check out The New Georgia Encyclopedia for a wealth of information on Georgia authors.

Ten Georgia poets and writers speak frankly and informally about what influences their writing, and the meaning of good writing. Several of the authors read from their own works.

Click on this link

<http://www.georgiaencyclopedia.org/nge/Gallery.jsp?id=e-96>

Or go to <http://www.georgiaencyclopedia.org>

Another site that may be helpful:

<http://www.gabooks.com/authors.htm>



David Bottoms



Date: October 19

Time: 9-3

Location: James E. Brown Center
(newest building on Dalton State Campus) Check our website for directions www.dscettc.org (click on Directions)

706.272.2045

Fax 706.272.2055



Register now! Seats are limited.
Lunch will be catered.

550 College Drive
Dalton, Georgia 30720

Dalton State College ETTC Fall Media Specialist Consortium



Two consortiums for the 2006-07 school year.

Full day sessions

Attend both earn 1 PLU

Sessions designed to meet media and technology needs...

Special Guests

- Judy Serritella GADOE**
- Beth Caraccio GSO.Org**
- GALILEO**
- Break-out sessions**
- Email pics from your media center for our video to agayton@dscettc.org**

EBSCO INTERFACES DESIGNED FOR ELEMENTARY, MIDDLE, AND HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS

Kids Search portal for elementary and middle school

Kids Search, designed for K-6 users, will appeal to current users of *Searchasaurus*. Like *Searchasaurus*, *Kids Search* is a portal to multiple databases appropriate for this age group, including *Primary Search*, *Middle Search Plus*, *EBSCO Animals*, and the image collection. A search in *Kids Search* will also include *Newspaper Source* and *TOPICsource*, two databases that are useful for students working on current even or critical issues papers. Using the "Detailed Search" link, users can limit their search by Lexile range.

Important features and functionality included with *Kids Search*:

- A graphically-rich look and feel
- The interface facilitates searching by topic, enabling users to easily enter keywords, or select topics or subtopics to search, from the Basic Search screen.
- Users don't need to choose a database to search, because all databases in the profile are searched automatically.
- Results can be sorted by Relevance, as well as by Date.
- Users can filter results by source type.
- Users can add search results, images, or persistent links to searches to the Folder. Saved items in the folder can be printed or e-mailed to the user's e-mail address or to a teacher's or other e-mail address.
- Users can build web pages using the Page Composer program located inside the Folder.

Certain HTML full-text records for state and country reports will be enhanced to display associated images, maps and graphics.

Kids Search is also available on the GALILEO Kids web site (<http://kids.galileo.usg.edu>). Also, all the databases that are included in a *Kids Search* search will continue to be accessible through their individual EBSCO *host* interface.

Student Research Center portal for upper middle and high school

Like *Kids Search*, *Student Research Center* is a portal to multiple EBSCO databases. Through the *Student Research Center*, users can easily pre-determine which content sources (e.g., Magazines, Newspapers, Biographies, Country Reports, Film & Video) will be included with their search. They can also search their databases by topic heading, make use of an online dictionary and encyclopedia, explore the top searches of the day, and even limit their search according to appropriate Lexile reading levels.

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Databases searched through this portal include:

- Health Source – Consumer Edition
- Image Collection
- MAS Ultra – School Edition
- Middle Search Plus
- Newspaper Source
- TOPICSearch
- American Heritage Dictionary
- Columbia Encyclopedia

These databases are also accessible individually through GALILEO database menus. If your school uses express links to link students directly to resources from the school or media center web site, please note that the express links to individual databases will continue to work.

Feedback on these new resources is valuable. Please use the “Contact Us” link on the GALILEO web site to let GALILEO staff know what you and your students think.

Announcements about the addition of new resources, such as *Kids Search*, as well as system status announcements and other updates are made to the GALILEO e-mail list. To subscribe to the list, please visit <http://www.usg.edu/galileo/help/library/list.phtml>

Karen Minton
GALILEO

2007 LIBRARY MEDIA EXEMPLARY PROGRAM

Three outstanding school library media programs on the elementary, middle, and high school level will be recognized at the May 10, 2007 State Board of Education meeting. The selection process for the honor is an initiative of the Educational Technology and Media unit of the Georgia Department of Education.

Details are on the GaDOE website at: <http://public.doe.k12.ga.us/it.aspx> under “Media Recognition”.

To nominate a library media program go to:

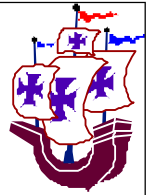
<http://admin.doe.k12.ga.us/gadoe/ots/empronm.nsf/Nomination?OpenForm>

Deadline for submissions is February 9, 2007. Nomination deadline is: January 5, 2007



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GaDOE Library Media Services



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