

STATESBORO-BULLOCH COUNTY FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY

WINTER 2010

F.O.L. HOLIDAY RECEPTION

We once again look forward to our annual Holiday Reception to be held on **Tuesday, December 7, 2010, from 5:30 to 7:00 p.m. at the Statesboro Regional Library.**

This year we will be honoring our past officers, directors, and life members. As part of our honoring our past officers, Marsha Parker and Libba Smith will be serving coffee and tea at the reception.

Michael Braz has once again graciously accepted our invitation to entertain us at the piano. His musical talents are always a delight and definitely set a festive mood!

Special invitations have been extended not only to our past officers and directors, but also to the members of the Bulloch County Board of Commissioners, the Bulloch County Board of Education, the Council Members of the City of Statesboro, and those serving Bulloch County in the Georgia General Assembly.

We hope that you can join us and be a part of this annual holiday tradition.

ANGEL WALL OF REQUESTS

Due to budget cuts at the state and locals levels, library personnel have seen a decline in their ability to purchase needed resources. Beginning on **Friday, December 3**, the public will be provided an opportunity to purchase suggested books, CD's, and DVD's by selecting items from the Angel Wall of Requests. Items can be purchased and donated in memory or in honor of a special loved one.

F.O.L. MEMBERSHIPS

If you have not already joined the Friends of the Library for the 2010-11 year, please print the form found on the Friends webpage at **www.statesborofriends.org** and mail it along with your check to the address on the form. Also, please consider printing the form and giving it to a family member, a friend, or a neighbor. Thank you for joining Friends of the Library and supporting our library.



Thanks to all the volunteers for helping out at the annual book sale. There were over 30 members who helped with the sale! We also had 8 volunteers who helped with F.O.L. table at the Literary Festival. It is wonderful to work with such great volunteers.

—Connie Sanders

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MEET THE AUTHOR SERIES

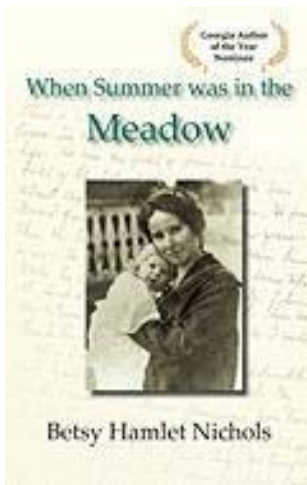


FREE Scrapbooking make-and-take and author event with Joanna Slan

Monday, December 13, 2010, 7:00 p.m.

The Kiki Lowenstein Scrap-n-Craft Mystery Series combines page-turning who-dun-its with fun scrapbooking ideas. Author Joanna Slan will chat about her books and lead the group in making a holiday scrapbooking project. Everything for the project is supplied free.

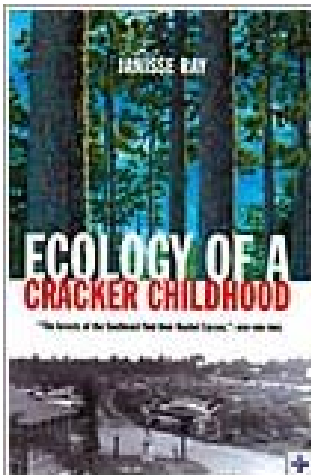
Reviewers praise *Paper, Scissors, Death*, first of Slan's trilogy, as "an engaging cozy" with an "enjoyable mix of humor, suspense [and] a touch of romance."



Betsy Nichols, How to Write Your Memoirs

Wednesday, February 9, 2011, 7:00 pm

If you've ever wanted to write your own or your family's story, Betsy Nichols can help you get started. A memoirist herself (*When Summer Was in the Meadow* was a finalist for a Georgia Book of the Year) and writing professor emeritus from Georgia Southern, she'll share inspiration, ideas and practical advice. Maybe you're a genealogy enthusiast who wants to add the human stories to your ancestry. Maybe you want a permanent record of your best memories. Either way, this workshop can be the place to begin.



Janisse Ray, author of Ecology of a Cracker Childhood and Pinhook: Finding Wholeness in a Fragmented Land

Thursday, March 31, 2011, 7:00 pm

Janisse Ray, author, poet and environmental activist, looks at life in rural southern Georgia in her blend of memoir and nature study. She grew up in a junkyard at the edge of a longleaf pine forest. In her books, she combines her love of "cracker culture," ecology, and her personal history. Two of her books have been named to the list of "25 Books Every Georgian Should Read." She has two new books coming out this year and will debut some of them with us.

Dear FRIENDS WHO OPEN DOORS to the Community,

I feel the pride of our FRIENDS' support each day at the Library – when the doors open! Whether folks are waiting on the porch in the early morning sun for a GED class, book, computer, water, a peaceful respite, or a place to meet, our public library continues to be one of the jewels of Bulloch County.

During this time of Thanksgiving, we are grateful for the success of the Fall Book Sale. Besides the income for the Library, there was the joy of providing area prisons with surplus used books. Several boxes went to Augusta State Medical Prison and the Georgia State Prison in Reidsville.

The Holiday Reception is Tuesday, December 7 from 5:30 – 7:00. We look forward to celebrating another wonderful year. Despite budget cuts at state and local levels, we have **SOME** new books and magazines. Out of necessity, we have cut back, but we discovered that the gift books that flow into our library provide over 30% of our new titles. So, if you can't wait to buy that bestseller or the new biography, political, economic or social title, please do! Then "gift" it to the community for others to enjoy at your wonderful Library!

We will have to retrofit the building some to accommodate the new Reference Computer Work Stations that our FRIENDS have agreed to fund. When the electrical and data lines are installed, look for additional computers to meet the increased need for online access.

In addition to supporting the technical needs of the Library, Friends are sponsoring an Angel Wall this year. We will have suggested book, CD and DVD titles there. Items can be purchased for the library in honor or memory of that special loved one. The Angel Wall of Requests will go up December 3 following Usborne Books' Reading is a Gift Book Fair on November 30 and December 1 (www.TheUsborneBooks.com). Proceeds of these endeavors all help the Library in these challenging economic times.

Be sure to stay tuned to library activities through the Library website (www.strl.info) and keep up with the "goings on" through Facebook (<http://www.facebook.com/pages/Statesboro-GA/Statesboro-Regional-Library/138674325808>). Join the connection!

The 26TH GEORGIA ARTISTS WITH DISABILITIES EXHIBIT opened Saturday, November 13. In November, the Library's art board boasts bird photography by John Parrish, and in December Drew Cottril's art work will be on display.

There is no finer design than that of a public library -- public support for sharing books, knowledge, art and access to information. Together, we help build community!

Lois Roberts, Public Services Librarian at the Statesboro Regional Library

GSU INVITES F.O.L. TO POETRY READINGS



Cleopatra Mathis on Wednesday, Jan. 26th, 2011

GSU College of Business Administration, Room 1124

Cleopatra Mathis has published six books of poems. Her work has appeared widely, including *The New Yorker*, *Poetry*, *American Poetry Review*, *Tri-Quarterly*, *The Southern Review*, and *The Georgia Review*. Prizes for her work include two National Endowment for the Arts grants; the Jane Kenyon Award for Outstanding Book of Poems; two Pushcart Prizes; and The Robert Frost Resident Poet Award. She is the Frederick Sessions Beebe Professor of the Art of Writing at Dartmouth College.



Rick Campbell on Monday, March 28th, 2011, 7 pm

GSU College of Business Administration, Room 1124

Rick Campbell's newest book of poems is *Dixmon*. His other books are *The Traveler's Companion*; *Setting The World In Order*; and *A Day's Work*. He's won a Pushcart Prize, an NEA Poetry Fellowship, and fellowships from the Florida Arts Council. He's published poems and essays in *The Georgia Review*, *The Florida Review*, *Prairie Schooner* and others. He is director of Anhinga Press and the Anhinga Prize for Poetry, and teaches English at Florida A&M University.

Reference Computer Work Stations

The Statesboro-Bulloch County Friends of the Library has committed to help raise approximately \$9,600 to provide eight reference computer work stations for the Statesboro Regional Library. If you would like to donate, please feel free to mail a contribution marked *Reference Computers* to:

Statesboro-Bulloch County Friends of the Library
PO Box 1265
Statesboro, GA 30459-1265

Special Honor for F.O.L. Board Member

Connie Sanders reports that Lynn Lilly, F.O.L. Program Chair, has been asked to be on the advisory board for the Georgia Center for the Book by Bill Starr. Connie proudly boasted that Lynn did an amazing job with the literary festival and she is sure that Lynn will do the same with this group. Lynn will join such people as Terry Kay and Tina Anson.

<http://www.georgiacenterforthebook.org>

UPCOMING CALENDAR *All Events Held at the Library*

Holiday Reception

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