



# The SWGRL Spotlight

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**SOUTHWEST  
GEORGIA  
REGIONAL  
LIBRARY SYSTEM**

**HEADQUARTERS**

Decatur County—Gilbert  
H. Gragg Library  
301 S. Monroe Street  
Bainbridge, Georgia  
39819  
229.248.2665

Miller County—James W.  
Merritt, Jr. Memorial  
Library  
259 E. Main Street  
Colquitt, Georgia 39837  
229.758.3131

Seminole County Public  
Library  
103 W. Fourth Street  
Donalsonville, Georgia  
39845  
229.524.2665

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## A New Year

Happy New Year! May 2009 bring all of you health, happiness, and success. The Southwest Georgia Regional Library System will continue to offer a new array of materials and services to delight you in 2009.

This issue of the SWGRL Spotlight

contains some exciting new features, including the return of our popular computer classes and toddler storytime programs.

We hope that you continue to enjoy the SWGRL Spotlight throughout 2009!



*Happy New Year from the  
Southwest Georgia Regional  
Library System!*

## Holiday Closing

The Southwest Georgia Regional Library System will be closed on Thursday, January 1, 2009 for New Year's Day. All library locations will re-open regular hours on Friday, January 2, 2009.

The Southwest Georgia Regional Library System will also be closed on Monday, January 19, 2009, in honor of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Day. All library locations will

re-open regular hours on Tuesday, January 20, 2009.

Still need to return your materials on a day that we're closed? You can use our outside book drop, located at each of our library locations. Don't forget that we are always open at [www.swgrl.org](http://www.swgrl.org), where you can view your library account, check out our recommended reading selections, view upcoming events, and more!

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## Thank You!



*Thank you to our sponsors for making Breakfast with Santa possible!*

The Decatur County—Gilbert H. Gragg Library and the Miller County—James W. Merritt, Jr. Memorial Library had a fantastic turnout for last month’s Breakfast with Santa, which was held on Saturday, December 6. Many children showed up at the Decatur County—Gilbert H. Gragg Library to meet,

greet, and take pictures with Santa. At the Miller County—James W. Merritt, Jr. Memorial Library, several children were able to meet, greet, and take pictures with Santa, as well. The Decatur County—Gilbert H. Gragg Library would like to thank First Port City Bank for sponsoring the event.

The Miller County—James W. Merritt, Jr. Memorial Library would like to thank Ameris Bank, First State Bank, and People South Bank for sponsoring the event. Furthermore, the libraries would like to thank all of the volunteers and Santa himself for making the events possible.

## Book Clubs

**“The First Tuesday Book Club will not meet for its January discussion.”**

The First Tuesday Book Club at the Miller County—James W. Merritt, Jr. Memorial Library will not meet for its January discussion. This book club will meet again on **Tuesday, February 3 at 10 a.m.** Please call the library at 229.758.3131 for the book that will be discussed at February’s meeting.

Drop into the lives of a spunky old lady, a stray dog, and an orphaned teenager in Hansen County, North Carolina with the First Wednesday Book Club on **Wednesday, January 7 at 10 a.m.** at the Seminole County Public Library as they discuss Walking Across Egypt by Clyde Edgerton. The First Wednesday Book

Club will meet again on **Wednesday, February 4 at 10 a.m.** and will discuss the book Lamb in His Bosom by Caroline Miller, a classic novel about the social customs and material realities among settlers of the Georgia frontier. Call 229.524.2665 for more information on this lively book club!

## *A New Season of...*

Join us for another exciting season of toddler stories at the library! Bring your little ones to the Seminole County Public Library every Thursday at 10:30 a.m. and 4 p.m. for Toddler Storytime, beginning on **Thursday, January 8.** The Seminole County

Public Library has stories, fun, and more for all! Don't miss out on the fun and excitement of Toddler Storytime! Call 229.524.2665 for more information on Toddler Storytime.

Toddler Tales will resume at the Decatur

County—Gilbert H. Gragg Library every Tuesday and Thursday at 10 a.m. on **Tuesday, January 13.** Join storytellers Ms. Debbie and Ms. Taryn for stories, songs, crafts, fun, and so much more! Call 229.248.2665 for more information on Toddler Tales.

**"The Seminole County Public Library has stories, fun, and more for all!"**

## *Computer Classes*

The library is excited to announce the return of computer classes! Computer classes will be offered at the Miller County—James W. Merritt, Jr. Memorial Library on **Wednesday, January 7, Thursday, January 8, and Friday, January 9.** Space is limited; please call the library at 229.758.3131 to reserve your spot!

Computer classes will also take place at the Decatur County—Gilbert H. Gragg Library on **Tuesday, January 27, Wednesday, January 28, and Thursday, January 29.** There are a limited amount of seats available; please call 229.248.2665, extension 100 to place your name on the waiting list.

Topics covered

include Introduction to Computers, Introduction to Microsoft Word 2007, and Introduction to the Internet. Attendance is required on all three days of the class. These classes are designed for those with little or no computer experience. Please contact the library for more information.



*Join us for the return of computer classes this month!*

## *Library on Wheels*

In addition to our wonderful three library locations, the Southwest Georgia Regional Library System has a library on wheels! The Bookmobile travels through Decatur, Miller, and Seminole counties providing books, DVDs, and other materials to those living outside of the city limits. Catch the Bookmobile this month at:

- Attapulcus Community Center,

**January 5, 10—11 a.m.**

- Spring Creek Grocery, **January 6, 10—11:30 a.m.**
- Wingate's Lodge, **January 7, 10—11:30 a.m.**
- Recovery Community Center, **January 7, 12—1:30 p.m.**
- Iron City Convenience Store, **January 13, 10—11 a.m.**
- Old Steadham Store,

**January 13, 11:30 a.m.—1 p.m.**

- Climax Pavilion Park, **January 14, 10:30 a.m.—11:30 a.m.**
- Selman Place Apartments, **January 19, 10—11 a.m.**
- Brogdon's Grocery, **January 21, 11:30 a.m.—12:30 p.m.**

Join us on the Bookmobile—the Library on wheels!



*The Southwest Georgia Regional Library System has a library on wheels!*

## *Sneak Peek: Prom Preview!*

Hey, teens! Are you starting to think about the prom this spring? This February, look to the library for ideas on dresses, tuxedos, accessories, and more! Join us at the Decatur County—Gilbert H. Gragg Library on **Saturday,**

**February 21 at 11 a.m.** as we show off the latest prom fashions! Enter for your chance to win door prizes, provided by our sponsors. This program is presented by the Decatur County—Gilbert H. Gragg Library and the

Prom Committee at Bainbridge High School. Stay tuned to the SWGRL Spotlight's February issue for more details on this fashionable event!

**"This February, look to the library for ideas on dresses, tuxedos, accessories, and more!"**

# Upcoming Events

Check out what's going on at your library!

- **Wednesday, January 7:** First Wednesday Book Club, Seminole County Public Library, 10 a.m.
- **Wednesday, January 7—Friday, January 9:** Beginning Computer Classes, Miller County—James W. Merritt, Jr. Memorial Library
- **Thursday, January 8:** Toddler Storytime, Seminole County Public Library, 10:30 a.m. and 4 p.m.
- **Tuesday, January 13:** Toddler Tales, Decatur County—Gilbert H. Gragg Library, 10 a.m.
- **Thursday, January 15:** Toddler Tales, Decatur County—Gilbert H. Gragg Library, 10 a.m.
- **Thursday, January 15:** Toddler Storytime, Seminole County Public Library, 10:30 a.m. and 4 p.m.
- **Tuesday, January 20:** Toddler Tales, Decatur County—Gilbert H. Gragg Library, 10 a.m.
- **Thursday, January 22:** Toddler Tales, Decatur County—Gilbert H. Gragg Library, 10 a.m.
- **Thursday, January 22:** Toddler Storytime, Seminole County Public Library, 10:30 a.m. and 4 p.m.
- **Tuesday, January 27:** Toddler Tales, Decatur County—Gilbert H. Gragg Library, 10 a.m.
- **Tuesday, January 27—Thursday, January 29:** Beginning Computer Classes, Decatur County—Gilbert H. Gragg Library
- **Thursday, January 29:** Toddler Tales, Decatur County—Gilbert H. Gragg Library, 10 a.m.
- **Thursday, January 29:** Toddler Storytime, Seminole County Public Library, 10:30 a.m. and 4 p.m.

## Library Locations

**Decatur County—Gilbert H. Gragg Library**  
 301 S. Monroe Street  
 Bainbridge, Georgia 39819  
 229.248.2665

We're online!

[www.swgrl.org](http://www.swgrl.org)

**Library Hours:**

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
9:00—8:00	9:00—6:00	9:00—6:00	9:00—7:00	9:00—6:00	9:00—4:00

**Miller County—James W. Merritt, Jr. Memorial Library**  
 259 E. Main Street  
 Colquitt, Georgia 39837  
 229.758.3131

**Library Hours:**

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
11:30—5:30	11:30—5:30	11:30—5:30	11:30—5:30	11:30—5:30

**Seminole County Public Library**  
 103 West Fourth Street  
 Donalsonville, Georgia 39845  
 229.524.2665

**Library Hours:**

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
9:30—5:30	9:30—5:30	9:30—5:30	9:30—5:30	9:30—5:30	9:30—5:30

