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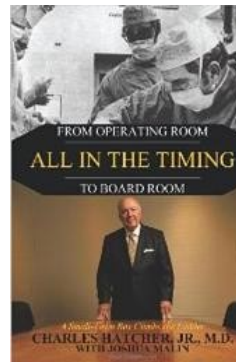
All in the Timing

Tuesday, May 17 from 4-6 p.m.

Join us on **Tuesday, May 17, 2011 from 4—6 p.m.** at the Decatur County – Gilbert H. Gragg Library for a reception honoring Dr. Charles Hatcher, Jr. in celebration of the publication of his new autobiography, All in the Timing: From Operating Room to Board Room.

Born during the Great Depression in Attapulgus, Georgia, Dr. Hatcher earned his M.D. in 1954 from the UGA School of Medicine. He trained at the Johns Hopkins Hospital in Baltimore and Boston's Peter Bent Brigham Hospital

where he learned from the most talented surgeons of the day. In 1962, he returned to Georgia as an assistant professor at Emory University. He performed Georgia's first successful "blue baby" operation using open heart surgery, aortic valve replacement, its first double and triple valve replacements, and its first coronary bypass. In 1971, Dr. Hatcher was named Emory's chief of cardiothoracic surgery and became Director of the Emory Clinic in 1976.



Meet Dr. Charles Hatcher, Jr. at the Decatur County—Gilbert H. Gragg Library this month!

Beginning in 1983, he served as the Director of the Woodruff Health Sciences Center and Vice President for Health Affairs at Emory University in 1996. Dr. Hatcher currently serves as the Director Emeritus of the Robert W. Woodruff Health Sciences Center. This program is sponsored by the Decatur County—Gilbert H. Gragg Library Foundation. Don't miss this exciting event!

Llama, Llama!

Celebrate Children's Book Week!

Celebrate Children's Book Week at the Southwest Georgia Regional Library System! Celebrate the popular Llama, Llama children's book series by Anna Dewdney with us! Join us at the Decatur County—Gilbert H. Gragg Library

on **Monday, May 2, 2011 at**

"Celebrate the popular Llama, Llama children's book series by Anna Dewdney with us!"

4 p.m. for all things Llama, Llama. Or, join us at the Seminole County Public Library on **Tuesday, May 3, 2011 at 4 p.m.** as we listen to Llama, Llama stories, play games, and make a llama craft. If you miss these programs, prepare for some Llama, Llama fun at the

Miller County—James W. Merritt, Jr. Memorial Library on **Thursday, May 5, 2011 at 3:30 p.m.**

Children's Book Week has been celebrated since 1919. For more information on the national celebration, please visit www.bookweekonline.com.

Bookmobile Schedule

Visit the Bookmobile at a stop near you!

The Bookmobile contains books, DVDs, and more that travel to a stop near you! Visit Mr. Max or Mr. Terry on the Bookmobile to get your hands on these materials at a stop near you:

- **Monday, May 2:**
Attapulugus Community Center, 10—11 a.m.
- **Tuesday, May 3:**
Spring Creek Grocery, 10—11:30 a.m.
- **Wednesday, May 4:**



Visit the Bookmobile for the latest and greatest books, DVDs, and more!

- Wingate's Lodge, 10—11:30 a.m.
- **Wednesday, May 4:**
Recovery Community Center, 12—1:30 p.m.
- **Tuesday, May 10:** Iron City Convenience Store, 10—11 a.m.
- **Wednesday, May 11:** Parker Park in Climax, 10:30—11:30 a.m.
- **Monday, May 16:** Selman Place Apartments, 10—11 a.m.

- **Tuesday, May 17:**
Brogdon's Grocery, 11:30 a.m.—12:30 p.m.
- **Wednesday, May 25:**
Spring Creek Park Resort, 9:15—10:15 a.m.
- **Wednesday, May 25:**
Parkside Mini Mart, 10:30 a.m.—12:30 p.m.

Are you interested in setting up a Bookmobile stop? Please call 229.248.2665 for more information on how to set up a Bookmobile stop near you.

Introduction to Microsoft PowerPoint 2007

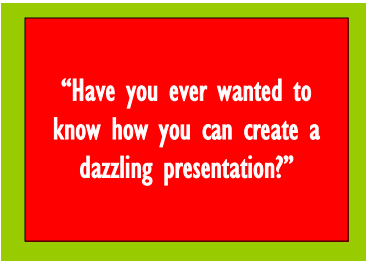
Monday, May 23 at 5:30 p.m.

Slideshows? Presentations? Power Point? Have you ever wanted to know how you can create a dazzling presentation in Microsoft Power Point? Learn the basics of using Microsoft Power Point 2007 at the Decatur County—Gilbert H. Gragg Library on **Monday, May 23, 2011 at 5:30 p.m.**

basics of Microsoft Power Point 2007, including creating a basic presentation, inserting clip art into a presentation, working with text and bullets, using animations, and printing a presentation. This class is designed for those who are comfortable with using the mouse and keyboard.

knowledge of Microsoft Word is preferred before taking this class.

Space is limited; please call the Decatur County—Gilbert H. Gragg Library at 229.248.2665 to reserve your spot today!



This class will cover the

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One World, Many Stories

Register your child for the Vacation Reading Program!

Summer is fast approaching, and that means it is time once again for the Vacation Reading Program! This year's theme for the children's program is, "One World, Many Stories". Programs this summer will feature world travel and world culture themes. Stop by any library location to register your child for the Vacation Reading Program beginning **Monday, May 16, 2011**. When participants register for the Vacation Reading Program, they will receive a book log to keep track of books read. Participants in the children's Vacation Reading Program must read at least 20 books

to have a completed book log. When participants turn in their reading log, they will receive a ticket to the End of Summer party in their respective counties. The End of Summer party will be held at the Seminole County Public Library on **Saturday, July 23, 2011 from 1—4 p.m.** The party at the Miller County—James W. Merritt, Jr. Memorial Library will be held on **Friday, July 29, 2011 from 2—5**

p.m. And the End of Summer party will be held at the Decatur County—Gilbert H. Gragg Library on **Saturday, July 30 from 12—3 p.m.** There will be prizes, games, fun, and more during these parties! Each ticket



Sign up for the Vacation Reading Program beginning Monday, May 16!

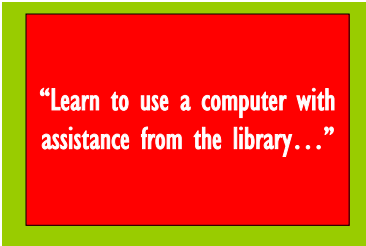
received counts as one entry to win assorted door prizes. The children's Vacation Reading Program is designed for ages 0—11. Stay tuned to the summer edition of the SWGRL Spotlight for more information on the Vacation Reading Program!

Introductory Computer Classes

May 10—12, 2011 at the Decatur County—Gilbert H. Gragg Library

Do you need to learn how to use a computer? Learn how to use a computer with assistance from the library and join us for Introductory Computer Classes this month! Introductory Computer Classes will be held at the Decatur County—Gilbert H. Gragg Library on **Tuesday, May 10 through**

Thursday, May 12, 2011 at 10 a.m. Space is limited; please call the library at 229.248.2665 to place your name on the waiting list.



Introductory Computer Classes is a three-day course; attendance is required on

all three days of the course. The topics that will be covered include How to Use the Mouse and Keyboard, navigating the Windows environment, Introduction to Microsoft Word 2007, and Introduction to the Internet and E-Mail.

Don't miss out on your chance to learn how to use a computer with ease!

You Are Here

Southwest Georgia Regional Library System's Teen Vacation Reading Program!

Hey, teens! Are you looking to stay busy this summer? Sign up for the Southwest Georgia Regional Library System's Teen Vacation Reading Program! This year's theme is, "You Are Here". The 2011 Teen Vacation Reading Program is open to teens ages 12—18 with reading, special events, games, prizes, and much more. Read at least 13 books (with a minimum of 50 pages each)



Sign up for the Teen Vacation Reading Program beginning Monday, May 16!

this summer to earn entrance into the End of Summer parties this July at your respective library location! There will be games, activities, music, fun, and lots of door prizes at these parties! Don't miss out on the fun and excitement this summer as teen programs will be at the Seminole County Public Library on Mondays in June at 1 p.m., the Miller County—James

W. Merritt, Jr. Memorial Library every Monday in June at 3:30 p.m., and at the Decatur County—Gilbert H. Gragg Library on Wednesdays in June at 2 p.m. Registration for the Teen Vacation Reading Program begins **Monday, May 16, 2011.**

Stay tuned to the special summer edition of the SWGRL Spotlight for more information on the 2011 Teen Vacation Reading Program!

Book Clubs

In Miller and Seminole Counties!

Join us on **Tuesday, May 3, 2011 at 10 a.m.** at the Miller County—James W. Merritt, Jr. Memorial Library for the next installment of the First Tuesday Book Club. We will discuss the book The Help by Kathryn Stockett. The First Tuesday Book Club's following meeting will be on **Tuesday, June 7, 2011 at 10 a.m.** where the book The Girl with the Dragon Tattoo by Stieg Larsson will be discussed. The

First Tuesday Book Club will not meet again until **Tuesday, September 6, 2011 at 10 a.m.** Stay tuned to the SWGRL Spotlight for more information. The First Wednesday Book Club will hold its next meeting on **Wednesday, May 4, 2011 at 10 a.m.** at the Seminole County Public Library, where

they will discuss the book City of Thieves by David Benioff. The next meeting of the First Wednesday Book Club will be on **Wednesday, June 1, 2011 at 10 a.m.** at the Seminole County Public Library, where they will

discuss the book The Guernsey Literary and Potato Peel Society by Mary Ann Shaffer.

"We will discuss the book The Help by Kathryn Stockett."

The World of Google

Tuesday, May 17 at 10 a.m. at the Miller County—James W. Merritt, Jr. Memorial Library

Have you ever used Google and wondered why you didn't find the results you were hoping for? Or, have you thought about exploring some of Google's services, but weren't sure exactly how? Join us at the Miller County—James W. Merritt, Jr. Memorial Library on **Tuesday, May 17, 2011 at 10 a.m.** for The World of Google! Learn how to search Google and get

the right results every time you search. Google is not just a search engine.

During this class, attendees will discover some of Google's extra features. Find out how to share a document with family, friends, and co-workers using Google Docs. Use Google Calendar to keep up with

your schedule, including appointments, special events, and meetings/classes. In addition, learn how to edit and organize your photos with Google Picasa. Space is limited; please call the Miller County—James W. Merritt, Jr. Memorial Library at 229.758.3131 to reserve your spot today.



Learn about the World of Google on Tuesday, May 17, 2011 at 10 a.m.!

Toddler Storytime

Thursdays at the Seminole County Public Library!

Join storyteller Ms. Ralna at the Seminole County Public Library **every Thursday at 10:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. in May** for Toddler Storytime! Toddler Storytime is designed for children

ages 1—4. Toddler Storytime is an excellent way to introduce your child and to develop your child's love of reading and the library. During the program, we will listen to stories, sing songs, play games, and

even make some fun crafts! Please call the Seminole County Public Library at 229.524.2665 for more information on Toddler Storytime.

"During the program, we will listen to stories, sing songs, play games, and even make crafts!"

Holiday Closing

All library locations will be closed on Monday, May 30, 2011 for Memorial Day

All locations of the Southwest Georgia Regional Library System will be closed on **Monday, May 30, 2011** in honor of Memorial Day. Each library location will re-open regular business hours on **Tuesday, May 31,**



2011. If you need to return library materials that day, simply place them in the book drop at any of our convenient library locations. Remember, our virtual library is open 24/7 for your convenience! While the physical library facilities are closed, visit us online at

www.swgrl.org, where you can search for materials in the online catalog, download the latest audiobooks and e-books, view recommended reading for children, teens, and adults, learn about the variety of computer classes offered, check out upcoming events, and search for local information on the Hard Times Resource Guide.

Mother's Day Craft

Thursday, May 5, 2011 at 4 p.m. at the Seminole County Public Library

It's May, and Mother's Day will be here soon. The Seminole County Public Library has the perfect solution for children to make the most of Mother's Day. Children can show off their creativity at the Seminole County Public Library this month.

Join Ms. Ralna at the

Seminole County Public Library on **Thursday, May 5, 2011 at 4 p.m.** to celebrate Mother's Day and make a bookmark for Mom. This program is designed for children



Make a gift for Mom at the Seminole County Public Library!

ages 4—10. Please call the Seminole County Public Library at 229.524.2665 for more information about this fun program!

Schedule of Events

- May 2: Llama, Llama,! 4 p.m.
- May 3: First Tuesday Book Club, 10 a.m.
- May 3: Llama, Llama!, 4 p.m.
- May 4: First Wednesday Book Club, 10 a.m.
- May 5: Toddler Storytime, 10:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m.
- May 5: Llama, Llama!, 3:30 p.m.
- May 5: Mother's Day Craft, 4 p.m.
- May 10—12: Introductory Computer Classes, 10 a.m.
- May 10: Decatur County—Gilbert H. Gragg Library Foundation Board meeting, 5 p.m.
- May 12: Toddler Storytime, 10:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m.
- May 17: The World of Google, 10 a.m.
- May 17: All in the Timing, 4—6 p.m.
- May 19: Toddler Storytime, 10:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m.
- May 23: Introduction to Microsoft PowerPoint 2007, 5:30 p.m.
- May 26: Toddler Storytime, 10:30 a.m. and 4:30

