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- Augusta Scattergood is the Guest Speaker at the November Luncheon With Books
- Staff Attend the MLA Conference in Vicksburg
- Library System Receives Award for New Website

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Jumpstart's Read for the Record

Jumpstart's *Read for the Record*® was Thursday, October 27th and we all read *The Bear Ate Your Sandwich* by Julia Sarcone-Roach. A national campaign that started over a decade ago, Jumpstart's *Read for the Record*® is meant to address the educational inequities that result in children entering kindergarten unprepared. One day a year, everyone is encouraged to gather and read the same book to focus attention on this problem. Following the story, the children played a reading comprehension game and then participated in a craft activity creating bear masks.

Thank you to the Cleveland Woman's Club for providing refreshments for the program.



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Luncheon With Books Welcomes Augusta Scattergood



We are proud to welcome Mississippi author Augusta Scattergood as guest speaker for the November Luncheon With Books program.

The author will talk about her new book *Making Friends with Billy Wong*, as well as *The Way to Stay in Destiny* and *Glory Be*, which was

the Mississippi Library Association's 2013 Author Award winner for fiction. A former librarian at the Hill Demonstration School in Cleveland, Ms. Scattergood also reviews books and writes for several magazines.

To pre-order books for the program to be signed by the author, contact Cotton Row Bookstore at (662) 843-7083 by

November 4th and your books will be available at the program.

Bring your lunch and join us for this exciting program at the Robinson-Carpenter Memorial Library in Cleveland on November 10th at 12 Noon. As always, admission is free and soft drinks will be provided.

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Mississippi Library Association's (MLA) Annual Conference



MLA's annual conference was in Vicksburg this year and eleven staff members were able to attend, taking advantage of the wonderful training and networking opportunities with public, academic, and school librarians from throughout the state. At left, Megan shared her experience using Pinterest to improve community engagement through library displays by giving a poster presentation. Below left, Sharon checks out the door prize she won at the Fay B. Kaigler Children's Book Festival 50th Anniversary Celebration. Below middle, Bobbie, Evelyn, Tina, Tamara, Martha, and Jennifer. Below right, Bethany, Lisa, Terrye, and Tamara.



"October is crisp days

and cool nights,

a time to curl up

around the dancing

flames and sink into a

good book."

~John Sinor~

Calendar

November 4th, 11th, 18th, 25th,
December 2nd — **Story Hour**
at 10 a.m.—Open to Children 5
and Under at Robinson-
Carpenter

November 6th—**Daylight
Savings Time ENDS**—Turn
Clocks Back at 12 a.m. Sunday
Morning.

November 10th—**Luncheon
With Books Featuring**

**Augusta Scattergood @12
noon**—Open to Public Free-of-
Charge at Robinson-Carpenter
(See Article on Page 1)

November 11th—**Veterans
Day**—All Libraries in the System
Closed

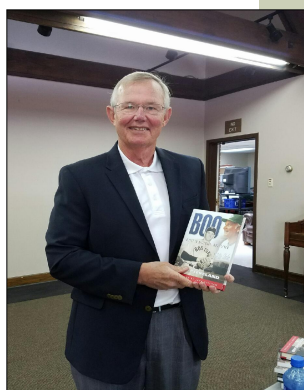
November 16th—**Cleveland
Commission @ 10:00 a.m.**—
Open to the Public in Cleveland

November 16th—**Board of
Trustee Meetings @ 1:30 p.m.**
—Open to the Public in Cleveland

November 24th & 25th—
Thanksgiving Library—All
Libraries Will Be Closed

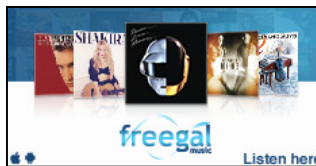
December 8th—**Luncheon
With Books Featuring Charlie
Spillers @ 12 noon**—Open to
the Public Free-of-charge at
Robinson-Carpenter

Rick Cleveland



We enjoyed having the venerable sportswriter Rick Cleveland visit as guest speaker for the Luncheon With Books program October 13th. Mr. Cleveland talked about his 50 year career as a sportswriter, including his beginnings as a sportswriter in high school and authoring *Boo: A Life in Baseball Well Lived*.

Freegal® Free Music Service



Have you tried Freegal® yet? It's a free service provided by the library that allows our patrons to download—and keep forever—music to most mobile devices and computers. You can download either 3 songs or 1 video and 1 song a week—plus you can stream commercial-free another 3 hours of music/videos per week, too.

To get started you need to download the free app from Google Play or the Apple Store onto your device. You will need to enter your library card number and PIN. If you can't remember your PIN, just stop by or call the library and we will issue you a new one.

Library System Receives Award for Website



We're proud to announce receiving a Mississippi Library Association (MLA) 2016 Award for "Best Year Round Effort by an Individual Library to Publicize Library Services in General" for our beautiful, new website. Jennifer accepted the award at the MLA Awards Breakfast on October 21st at the 2016 MLA

Conference. "We're honored to be recognized by the Mississippi Library Association for enhancing our community's access to e-books, online test preparation courses, and homework support through our new website," states Ms. Wann. "We want to make sure that all of our library services continue to meet the needs of our community. Visit our website at <www.bolivar.lib.ms.us> and click on the green "Feedback" button to let us know what you think of the library including what we're doing right and what we could be doing better." Thank you to web designer Jay Pennington and photographer Rory Doyle for their excellent work.

Story Hour

Preschool Story Hour continues for children ages 5 and younger at the Robinson -



Carpenter Memorial Library in Cleveland every Friday at 10-11 a.m. Story Hour offers educational and fun activities and stories, of course. For more information, contact Mrs. Bobbie at (662) 843-2774 x105.



Teen Read Week

In celebration of Teen Read Week, TAG (Teen Advisory Group) hosted a day of Reading, Games and Craft for children ages 5-11. The program featured fire safety tips, reading of the books "Firebears" and "Firefighters A-Z," and, of course, games and arts & craft activities.



Seniors Day Out!



The Seniors Day Out! program meets the first Tuesday every other month and features BINGO—and prizes, of course! Thank you to the Exchange Club for their continued, generous support of the program.

"We may sit in our library and yet be in all quarters of the earth."

~John Lubbock~

Looking for a Good Book?

Martha: *Because I'm Watching* by Christina Dodd. Madeline met Jacob when she drove her car through his living room!! Madeline is a survivor of a horrible massacre whom everyone thinks is crazy because she sees things that are not there and Jacob is a reclusive war veteran. This is an excellent mystery, I really liked it. If you like a good book with a creepy vibe you'll love this. (Fiction—Print)

Tamara: *The Grave Tattoo* by Val McDermid. William Wordsworth scholar Jane is on the hunt for a manuscript that legend says Wordsworth wrote about his friend Fletcher Christian and the *H.M.S. Bounty*. When dead bodies start turning up, it becomes obvious there is someone willing to kill to get their hands on the manuscript! Intriguing premise paired with a fast-paced

mystery—excellent. (Fiction—Print)

Tamara: *All the Little Liars* by Charlaine Harris. I was so happy that Ms. Harris revisited this series. Aurora Teagarden is happily remarried and her half-brother Phillip is living with them. When Phillip and four other kids go missing, Aurora's world is turned up-side down. I loved it! (Fiction—Print)



Sheena Washington and her son enjoying the new children's books at the Rosedale Public Library. Stop by and see what's new!



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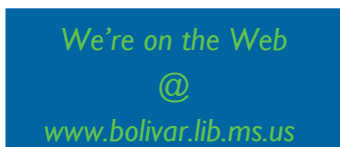
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Front Row (L to R) Tamara, Martha, Shelby, Bobbie, Marie, Clara, Lisa, & Evelyn; Top Row: Bethany, Melanie, Megan, Brett, Sharon, Tina, Jennifer, & Terrye.

Some Bolivar County History...

"Australia Landing [Continued from September 2016 Newsletter]"

By Captain W. R. Shepherd

In the early 50's [1850s] a line of small levees was built in the county, and after their completion, settlement was more rapid. In 1856, Thomas Deeson succeeded his brother, Sydney, as manager of Australia plantation, S. T. Deeson buying and clearing the land now known as Deeson, Mississippi. William Deeson sold "Australia" to Dr. G. C. Glover, a minister of the Methodist Church and presiding elder of this district, which was then the Mississippi Conference. Thomas Deeson cleared the Hurley plantation, now owned by Mrs. Dake and Mrs. Thomas. East of this property were Mr. McGraher, Mr. Nelson, Mr. Daley, Mr. Blanchard (father of Mrs. R. M. Wagoner), and a family by the name of Nevills. On the east bank of the Hushpuckena River lived Major Andrew Jackson Donelson, a nephew of Andrew Jackson and a candidate for vice-president on the ticket with Millard Fillmore in 1856. Two miles Northward [sic] was a neighborhood called "Starvation Ridge." In 1858, the county was overflowed until July, and no food stuff was raised but some sweet potatoes and turnips; hence to the residents of that locality the name seemed quite appropriate.

The Glenns were forced to abandon Concordia Island because of caving banks. A. H. Glenn, W. Y. Glenn, H. B. Brown, W. N. Brown, B. B. Wilson, Jim Dunn, Captain Wood and their families then moved near Alligator Lake. In the meantime Colonel Dan Sessions had become possessor of the Tally-Ho property, now owned by Dr. Brooks* The families I have mentioned constituted the entire neighborhood of Australia at the commencement of the Civil War.

*Tally-Ho has since been purchased by Captain Tom Gibson, of Coahoma County."

Excerpt from *History of Bolivar County, Mississippi* by Florence Warfield Sillers, et al (Spartanburg: SC: 1976 [1948])

"Australia Landing" will be continued in next month's newsletter.

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Mound Bayou—**Closed Until**

Further Notice

Rosedale (662) 759-6332

Hours M & W 10—5, F 12—5

Shaw—**Closed Until Further Notice**

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Hours M & W 10—5, F 12—5

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