

FANNIN LITERACY ACTION GROUP

ON NOVEMBER 28, the Rotary Club of Blue Ridge awarded donations to several service and non-profit organizations in the community. Fannin Literacy Action Group (FLAG) received a \$2,192 donation to support the literacy services they offer in partnership with North Georgia Technical College.

AFTER WITNESSING THE devastating hurricanes last fall, Adult Education students attending FLAG classes decided to start gathering school supplies and cash donations to send to the most highly impacted areas. In this midst of this collection, another disaster hit closer to home: a fire at Open Arms Home for Children, located in Fannin County. Seeing an urgent local need, the students decided to send their donations to Open Arms. The supplies were delivered before the start of school in January.



(L-R) Teresa Ross, Sandy Ott, and Amanda Davis

Teresa Ross
FLAG Director

LITERACY FORSYTH

NORTH GEORGIA ALTRUSA President Penny Penn and Literacy Forsyth Executive Director Pamela Burlingame Miller collaborated to plan and secure funding for expanded literacy services. The North Georgia Chapter of Altrusa International was awarded a grant from the Altrusa International Foundation and a supplemental donation from the Cumming Club. The funds will be used to provide bookcases for the library at the Literacy Forsyth classroom and will help to launch Family Literacy Nights in 2018. These events will be held quarterly for parents and children and will include a meal and programs for the participants.

A DAY OF WRAPPING was held at Barnes & Noble on December 16. Volunteers from the Literacy Forsyth Board of Directors, students, and Altrusa members all helped to wrap gifts, raise money, and increase literacy awareness.



Literacy Forsyth's Day of Wrapping at Barnes & Noble.

THE LITERACY FORSYTH Board of Directors held their 18th Annual Spellcheck Live along with a Buzz Before the Bee event on October 17 at the Lanier Tech – Forsyth Conference Center. Five teams competed for this year's title, with the University of North Georgia snagging the first place spot.

CLCP Websites:

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Troup County
State CLCP website

www.milledgeville.communitiesinschools.org
www.adultliteracybarrow.org
www.liftcarroll.wix.com/geds
www.catoosacitizensforliteracy.org
www.athensliteracy.org
www.cobbworks.org
www.clickcoweta.org
www.readdawson.com
www.literacyforsyth.org
www.calhounfordonliteracy.org
www.vflhabersham.com
www.allianceforliteracy.org
www.hartliteracy.com
www.jacksoncountyclcp.org
www.cislc.org/site
www.lumpkinliteracy.org
www.literacycouncilofmaconcounty.weebly.com
www.theliteracyalliance.org
www.newtonpartnership.org
www.peachleap.com
www.learningforeveryone.org
www.tiftlv.org
www.troupcclcp.org
www.clcpga.org

LITERACY FORSYTH PARTNERED with the Forsyth County Public Libraries, Georgia Highlands Medical Group, and the Forsyth County Board of Education to provide a community literacy event. This event, held at the Georgia Highlands Medical Group conference room, highlighted the importance of parents reading to children from birth through pre-k. Forsyth County Public Library provided a puppet show, story time, and sing-a-longs. The children made a craft and received a goodie bag while the parents received instruction from the Forsyth County Board of Education on how to read to young children. Literacy Forsyth solicited the generous donation of 120 hardcover books from North Georgia Altrusa and Barnes & Noble. This collaborative event is the first in a series of events to be held throughout Forsyth County starting in 2018.



Story time at the Forsyth community literacy event.

Pamela Burlingame Miller

Literacy Forsyth Executive Director

NANCY HART LITERACY COUNCIL

FROM SEPTEMBER 4 TO 8, the Nancy Hart Literacy Council (NHLC) participated in Adult Education and Family Literacy week. Activities for students and visitors began on Monday and continued through the week with special programs to promote literacy.

NHLC/HART COUNTY ADULT LEARNING CENTER is happy to be working with the new Athens Technical College (ATC) program Bridge to Success for Hart County. On October 4, ATC held a ribbon cutting ceremony for a 14 passenger van for the Hart County's Bridge to Success program.

Betty Husley

Nancy Hart Literacy Council Director

CATOOSA CITIZENS FOR LITERACY

AN APPRECIATION LUNCHEON was held at the Learning Center to honor Catoosa Citizens for Literacy (CCL) supporters, volunteers, and staff. Annaliza Thomas, Director for the state of Georgia Certified Literate Community Program, spoke and expressed gratitude for

the support given locally. Thomas explained how local support reaches beyond Catoosa County and touches lives throughout the state.

Past GED student and recipient Ms. Evelyn Cronnon expressed her gratitude for CCL. Ms. Cronnon recently received her degree from Georgia Northwestern Technical College (GNTC) after briefly attending GED classes at the Learning Center. Cronnon was accepted at Kennesaw State University. CCL Executive Director Shirley Smith surprised Ms. Cronnon with a \$500 scholarship.

Two well-deserving GED students, Jack Atwood and Lashanda Guffey, were named 2017 GED Students of the Year and awarded \$500 scholarships. Mr. Jack Atwood was presented the Roger & Kay Bowman Scholarship for Adult Education. Phil Ledbetter, CCL Chairman, read a heartfelt essay written by Mr. Atwood. Mr. Atwood is currently enrolled at GNTC in the Welding and Joining Technology program.

Ms. Lashanda Guffey was presented the Karen and David Austin Scholarship for Adult Education. Karen Austin was a long-time employee in the childcare program at the Learning Center. She had a desire for helping children. Her husband David also volunteered in the basic computer classes and helped out wherever he was needed. They both battled illnesses and recently departed this life within days of each other. They were passionate about the Learning Center and CCL. It was only fitting to name a scholarship in their memory. Guffey was the perfect recipient for the scholarship. Her dream is to work with children.

Shirley Smith

Catoosa Citizens for Literacy Executive Director



Annaliza Thomas and Shirley Smith



Evelyn Cronnon and Shirley Smith



Jack Atwood and Roger Bowman

CLCP PROGRESS

MARK YOUR CALENDARS! The Annual CLCP Retreat will be held April 3–5 at Unicoi State Park. Registration details coming soon.

APPLICATIONS FOR THE 2018 Helen & Vernon Crawford Scholarship are due to the Community Foundation for Greater Atlanta by April 13th. For more information, go to www.cfgreateratlanta.org.

APPLICATIONS FOR THE 2018 Shirley Carver Miller Scholarship are now being accepted. The deadline for applications is May 1st. For information, contact Annaliza Thomas at pathomas@tcsg.edu.

FOR CLCP INFORMATION and materials visit the CLCP website at www.clcpga.org.



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the
date

**CLCP ANNUAL
RETREAT
2018**

April 3rd-5th, 2018
Unicoi State Park
Helen, Georgia

Local CLCP Events

February 25, 2018:

5K Fun Run for Bundt Cake
Literacy Forsyth

February 26, 2018:

20th Annual Spelling Bee
Troup County CLCP

February 27, 2018:

13th Annual Trivia Bee
Literacy Alliance

March 15, 2018:

17th Annual Spelling Bee
Nancy Hart Literacy Council

State CLCP Dates and Deadlines

March 14–16, 2018:

EAGLE
Renaissance Atlanta Waverly Hotel

March 30, 2018:

April Newsletter Deadline

April 3–5, 2018

Annual CLCP Retreat
Unicoi State Park, Helen

April 13, 2018:

Crawford Scholarship Application Deadline

May 1, 2018:

Miller Scholarship Application Deadline

June 29, 2018:

July Newsletter Deadline

Certified Literate Communities

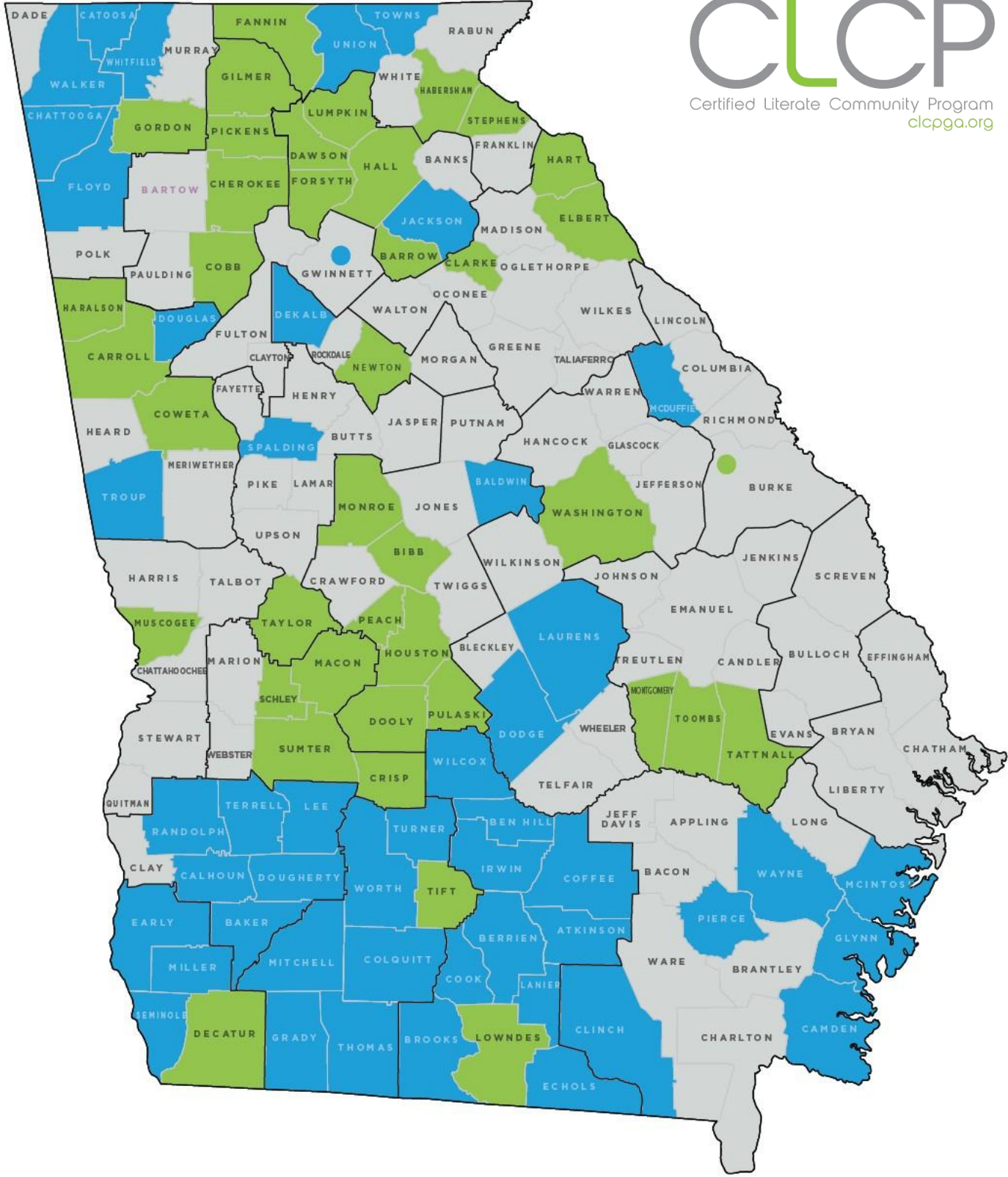
Barrow County / Adult Literacy Barrow / Sally Brown / 770-531-3369
Bibb County / DREAM Team / Wanda West / 478-757-2624
Carroll County / Literacy Is For Today and Tomorrow (LIFT) / Laura Miller / 678-890-2357
Cherokee County / Cherokee Education Enhancement Foundation (inactive)
Clarke County / Athens-Clarke Literacy Council / Rick Tatum / 706-254-2555
Cobb County / Cobb Literacy Council / Donna Frankovsky / 770-528-8094
Coweta County / Certified Literate is Coweta's Key (CLICK) / Dianne McConnell / 678-423-2000 x339
Crisp County / Crisp County CLCP (inactive)
Dawson County / Reading Education Association of Dawson (READ) / Christine Becnel / 706-579-1771
Decatur County / Decatur County CLCP / Debbie McIntyre / 229-220-4129
Dooly County / Dooly County CLCP / Brenetta Childs / 229-268-9023
Elbert County / Community Partnership of Elbert County (inactive)
Fannin County / Fannin Literacy Action Group (FLAG) / Teresa Ross / 706-946-3524
Forsyth County / Literacy Forsyth / Pamela Miller / 770-876-2011
Gilmer County / Gilmer Learning Center / Jim Paukert / 706-276-1110
Gordon County / Calhoun-Gordon Council for a Literate Community / Joni Thomas Harbin / 706-602-1370
Habersham County / Volunteers for Literacy of Habersham County / Phylecia Wilson / 404-401-7969
Hall County / Gainesville/Hall County Alliance for Literacy / Dorothy Shinafelt / 770-531-3358
Haralson County / Learning Always Means Progress (LAMP) / Walter Hatchett / 770-537-6059
Hart County / Nancy Hart Literacy Council / Betty Hulse / 706-376-5534
Houston County / Houston County Joint Certified Literate Community Program / Wanda West / 478-218-3288
City of Keyville / Visions of Literacy (inactive)
Lowndes County / Valdosta/Lowndes CLCP / Karil Brockington / 229-247-8100
Lumpkin County / Lumpkin County Literacy Coalition / Ruth McCaffrey / 706-867-9607
Macon County / Literacy Council of Macon County / Spring Rosati / 478-472-2777
Monroe County / Monroe County Adult and Community Education (ACE) / Lisa Lee / 478-954-0714
Muscogee County / Columbus Literacy Alliance / Barbara Moushon / 706-748-2610
Newton County / Newton County Community Partnership / Laura Bertram / 770-786-0807
Peach County / Literacy Education for Adults in Peach (LEAP) / LeMario Brown / 478-258-9604
Pickens County / Pickens County CLCP / Amy Denney / 678-314-4077
Pulaski County / Hope, Education, Learning and Progress Network (HELPNetwork) / Carolyn Porter / 770-634-9516
Schley County / Schley County CLCP / Linda Adams / 229-937-5708
Southeastern (Montgomery/Tattnall/Toombs Counties) / Southeastern CLCP (inactive)
Stephens County / Stephens Education Literacy Foundation (SELF) (inactive)
Sumter County / Learning for Everyone...Avenue to Progress (LEAP) / 229-924-9443
Taylor County / Taylor County Striving to Teach Adults to Reach for Success (STARS) / Alton Ford / 478-847-5168 x5168
Tift County / Literacy Volunteers of Tifton-Tift County / Bonnie Sayles / 229-391-2527
Washington County / Washington County Alliance for Literacy (inactive)


Certified Literate Community Participants

Baldwin County / Baldwin County CLCP / Sandy Baxter / 478-452-3408
Catoosa County / Catoosa Citizens for Literacy / Shirley Smith / 706-965-8275
Chattooga County / Chattooga County Literacy Council / Rose Kohler / 706-734-2206
Clinch County / Clinch County CLCP / Jennifer Smith / 912-487-8060
Coastal Georgia / Coastal Georgia CLCP (inactive)
DeKalb County / DeKalb Council on Literacy / Stacy Woods / 404-297-9522 x2508
Dodge County / Dodge County CLCP / Debbie Connell / 478-374-1997
Dougherty County / Dougherty County Literacy Council (inactive)
Douglas County / Learning for Every Adult in Douglas (LEAD) (inactive)
Early County / Early County Literacy Task Force / Gwen Houston / 229-723-5122
Floyd County / Rome/Floyd County Alliance for a Literate Workforce (inactive)
Jackson County / Jackson County CLCP / Sandra Fite / 706-367-8574
Laurens County / Laurens County CLCP / Jackie Pittman Curtis / 478-353-8360
City of Lawrenceville / Lawrenceville Certified Literate Community Coalition (inactive)
McDuffie County / McDuffie County Partners for Success (inactive)
Pierce County / Pierce County CLCP / Stephanie Bell / 912-230-7835
Randolph County / Reading Educates And Delivers Success (READS) / Kuanita Murphy / 229-732-3796
Southwest Regional / Southwest Regional CLCP / Jessica Jennings / 229-522-3565
Spalding County / Griffin/Spalding Certified Literate Community Commission / Terri Huddleston / 770-228-0729
Terrell County / Reading Here Is Number One (RHINO) / Tonia Jacobs / 229-669-1465
Towns/Union / Towns Union Literacy Instills Pride (TULIP) (inactive)
Troup County / Troup County CLCP / Debbie Burdette / 706-756-4645
Turner County / Turner County CLCP / Cherysh Green-Caldwell / 229-567-3413
Upson County / Renewed Education and Adult Development (READ) / David Koplun / 706-601-5551
Walker County / Walker County Alliance for Literacy (inactive)
Wayne County / Wayne Literacy Alliance (inactive)
Whitfield County / Education is Essential Foundation (inactive)
Wiregrass North / Wiregrass North CLCP / 229-468-2278
Wiregrass South / Wiregrass South CLCP / 229-468-2207

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 Certified Literate Communities
39 Counties / 1 City

 Certified Literate Community Participants
48 Counties / 1 City