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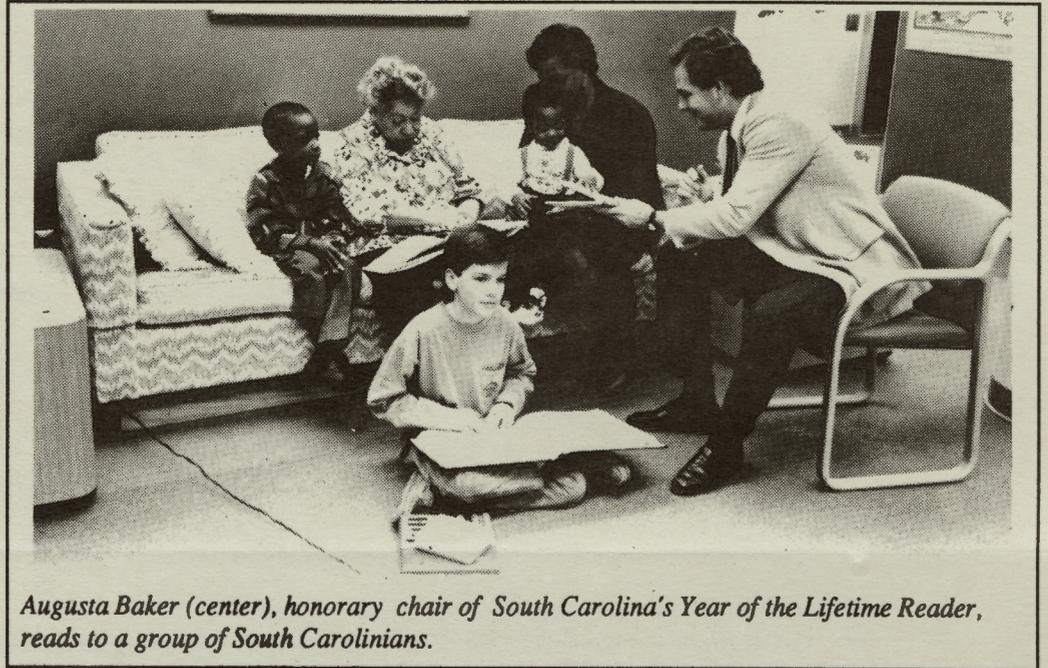
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*Augusta Baker (center), honorary chair of South Carolina's Year of the Lifetime Reader, reads to a group of South Carolinians.*

## “Year of the Lifetime Reader” Proclaimed in South Carolina

1991 has been proclaimed by Governor Carroll A. Campbell, Jr. as the “Year of the Lifetime Reader” in South Carolina.

This year-long campaign initiated by the Center for the Book in the Library of Congress, is designed to remind South Carolinians of the importance and joy of reading as a lifelong activity.

World renowned storyteller, Augusta Baker, will serve as the honorary chair of the statewide campaign. Selected by the South Carolina State Library, Baker is a former Coordinator of Children's Services at the New York Public Library, and is currently storyteller in residence at the University of South Carolina's College of Library and Information Science.

As a part of the Year of the Lifetime Reader campaign, the State Library, in cooperation with public libraries across the state, will sponsor various activities and programs designed to encourage and draw attention to family literacy programs, adult literacy and reading motivation projects, and to the needs of blind and physically handicapped readers.

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STATE DOCUMENTS

## Federal Legislative Update: Block Grants, LSCA I Changes Proposed

President Bush submitted his FY 1992 budget to Congress on February 4. Only \$35 million is proposed for the Department of Education library programs, a 75.5 percent cut compared with \$143 million appropriated in FY '91.

Although the total for libraries is similar to last year's budget request of \$39 million, there are some surprises in this budget. First, the numbers compared with last year's budget proposal and final appropriation:

PROGRAM (amounts in thousands)	FY 1991 Appropriations	FY1992 Admin. Request
LSCA I. PL services	\$ 83,898	\$ 35,000*
II. construction	19,218	-0-
III. interlib coop	19,908	-0-
IV. Indian libs (2% of appropriations for LSCA I, II & III)		
V. foreign lang	976	-0-
VI. literacy	8,163	-0-
VII. evaluation	-0-	-0-
VIII. learning ctrs	-0-	-0-
HEA II-A. coll libs	-0-	-0-
II-B. training	651	-0-**
II-B. research	321	-0-
II-C. research libs	5,855	-0-
II-D. coll tech	3,904	-0-
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 142,898</b>	<b>\$ 35,000</b>

\* Proposed to be used only for adult literacy activities

\*\* Part of proposed consolidation of several graduate fellowship programs with Secretary setting priorities each year.

The \$35 million would be targeted to only one program, LSCA I, and could be used only for one purpose — adult literacy activities. This would require legislative change in the basic LSCA statute, which the administration will apparently submit to Congress later.

In addition, the \$35 million would be part of a \$20 billion list of candidates for programs to be consolidated and turned over to the states. The actual selection of programs to be turned over would have to be authorized by Congress in consultation with the administration and the governors. The administration would then propose to replace these programs with a single consolidated block grant to the states.

Of the four Education Department programs suggested as potential block grant programs (public library services, the Chapter 2 school block grant, impact aid payments to school districts, and supplemental education opportu-

nity grants), all would be reduced, for a total reduction of \$422 million in the education programs slated for turnover.

Public library services at \$35 million for adult literacy is by far the smallest of the \$20 billion list of programs in the turnover plan. Its chances of emerging as a high priority in competition with such large programs as community development block grants, the social services block grant, and state welfare administrative expenses for Medicaid, AFDC, and Food Stamps are rather slim.

The rationale for library program terminations in Education Department budget documents and in answer to questions at budget briefings was very similar to arguments heard in the past. The programs have served their purpose; other sources of assistance are available; activities are the responsibility of other levels of government, etc.

## Volunteers sought for National Legislative Day

South Carolina librarians and library supporters are invited to join South Carolina's delegation attending National Legislative Day in Washington, D.C. on April 16.

Carl Stone, director of the Anderson County Library, is the coordinator for the delegation. The group will travel to Washington to meet with members of South Carolina's Congressional delegation to discuss how federal library funding has helped local library programs.

Stone hopes to have at least 20 citizens from all six congressional districts in South Carolina participate in the event. If you are interested in joining the South Carolina delegation, contact Stone in Anderson at 260-4500.



*The South Carolina delegates to the second White House Conference on Library and Information Services are: (seated, left to right) Evelyn Welborn, Mary Smalls, Ethel Peterson, Caroline Hunt, Ronald Schoenherr, Jim Johnson (not a member of the delegation), Chuck Fienning, Sarah McMaster, Jeff Bryson, Nonie Stork, Claude Blakeley, and Debbie Coleman.*

## South Carolina State Library goes Online with Library of Congress

The South Carolina State Library has entered into an agreement with the Library of Congress which enables dial access to most of LC's online databases. This service, LC DIRECT, was offered to each state library agency for a trial subscription period which extends through September 1991.

The program is an outgrowth of an earlier pilot project which gave dial access to 14 public, state, and university libraries throughout the United States.

There are over 20 unique bibliographic databases accessible through the LC DIRECT program. These files include listings for over 8 million of LC's book, map, serial, audiovisual, manuscript and music catalog records. They

include Congressional Research Service files that cite over 400,000 articles, government documents, and other sources on U.S. public policy and current events, as well as details on federal legislation from the 93rd Congress forward.

Also available are subject and name authority files, copyright registration files, and listings for materials produced for the National Library Service for the Blind and Physically Handicapped.

For additional information regarding these databases and the LC DIRECT program, please contact: Mary R. Bull, Senior Reference Librarian, S.C. State Library at (803)734-8666.

## Workshop for Poetry Lovers, Scholars, Librarians Planned

Demonstration viewing, reading and a discussion program will be on the agenda at the April 12 *Voices and Visions* workshop to be held at the Ramada Hotel in Columbia.

Dr. Gilbert Allen, professor of English at Furman University, will lead the workshop. Allen is the poet and scholar who developed the Anderson County Library's *Voices and Visions* series, "Responses to a New America: The Making of Modern Poetry," which features the works of Robert Frost, Wallace Stevens, William Carlos Williams, and Marianne Moore.

The workshop will be held from 10:00 until 2:30, with lunch included. Separate training sessions for scholars and librarians and local coordinators/volunteers will be held



### VOICES & VISIONS

after lunch. Carl Stone, director of the Anderson County Library and Frances Ashburn, state coordinator for the *Voices and Visions* programs, will lead the session for librarians and local coordinators/volunteers, and Allen will meet with the scholars.

*Voices and Visions* is the

reading, viewing and discussion program designed to increase the number of people who read poetry with confidence and enjoyment. Developed by the American Library Association, *Voices and Visions* is now part of the Association of Public Library Administrators' humanities programming project which also includes the popular *Let's Talk About It* series.

Librarians, scholars, readers and poetry lovers are encouraged to participate. The cost to attend is \$8, and registrations are now being accepted. Please make checks payable to APLA and mail to Frances L. Ashburn, V&V State Coordinator, 1304 Broad Street, Camden, S.C. 29020. For more information, please contact Frances Ashburn at 425-7180.

### Chapin Memorial Library receives History Videos

The Chapin Memorial Library was the recipient of 20 videotapes on the history of Horry County.

Donated by Dr. Carl Compton, retired minister and producer of the videos, the tapes provide a history of the county as told by longtime Horry County residents. The tapes, which took almost four years to complete, are full of stories, anecdotes and memories of Horry County's past.

Compton conducted interviews with 22 residents from nine different parts of Horry County to make the tapes. He plans to continue to interview people and add to the video collection.

The master tapes and a set of copies were donated to Chapin Memorial Library and will be available on loan to the public as soon as another set of copies are made.

### Science Fiction, Fantasy Genres to be Explored at Workshop

The South Carolina State Library will hold a Readers Advisory Workshop for public library staff March 14 & 15. The workshop will focus on two adult fiction genres, science fiction and fantasy.

Duncan Smith, coordinator of the North Carolina Library Staff Development Program, will lead the workshop, which is being presented twice in order to allow participants to interact more closely with the speaker.



*Virginia Nilles, Paula Paul, Bill Cooper, Robert Davidson, Marguerite Keenan and Robert Ward, members of the Association of Public Library Administrators, plan activities for Legislative Day.*

### **South Carolina's Legislative Day to be held**

The eighth South Carolina Legislative Day will be held March 6, at the Carolina Plaza Hotel (formerly the Radisson) in Columbia. The theme of this year's Legislative Day is "L+I+B+R+A+R+Y: The Formula for Lifelong Education."

Sponsored by the Association of Public Library Administrators of South Carolina and the Public Library and the Trustee Sections of the South Carolina Library Association, Legislative Day is designed to bring library supporters together with their respective legislators to discuss the importance of library services in South Carolina.

### **"The Book Stops Here;" Bookmobile Conference Scheduled**

The third annual North Carolina Bookmobile Conference will be held April 4 and 5 in Greensboro, North Carolina.

Entitled "The Book Stops Here", the conference is organized as a series of small group presentations, in which most sessions will be facilitated by individuals who are presently involved in the provision of bookmobile service or who have served as bookmobile librarians.

The conference is sponsored by the School of Library and Information Sciences at North Carolina Central University, the North Carolina Library Association and Thomas Built Bus, Inc. The registration fee is \$50.00, which includes the cost of two meals. Rooms have been reserved at the conference hotel, Holiday Inn-Four Seasons, for \$65.00 per night plus tax. For more information or to register for the conference, call 919-560-6485.

### **South Carolina State Library Sponsors 1990-91 Readers Circuit Program**

The South Carolina State Library and the South Carolina Arts Commission are sponsoring the 1990-91 South Carolina Readers Circuit.

The South Carolina Readers Circuit program offers non-profit organizations, educational institutions, government agencies and libraries an opportunity to have local writers give readings from their works.

The program awards matching grants for up to 50 percent of the writer's reading fee. Awards from the Arts Commission will not exceed \$300. Libraries may also apply to the State Library for another grant totalling up to half of the matching funds from the Arts Commission.

Writers for the circuit are chosen for the quality of the work they submit in a competition with other writers from around the state.

This year's writers are: Libby Bernardin, Cramer Randolph Cauthen, Ronald Moran, Paul Rice, Bennie Lee Sinclair, George Singleton, Rush Smith, Lori Storie-Pahlitzsch and Peter Wludyka.

If you are interested in applying for a South Carolina Readers Circuit grant, contact the South Carolina Arts Commission at 734-8696, and the South Carolina State Library at 734-8666, if you want to request an additional grant for your library.

## *Institutional News*

# Beckman Center improves library services

The Beckman Center, a Department of Vocational Rehabilitation facility in West Columbia, is a good example of what a small institution can do toward providing library services for its residents.

Beckman is the oldest of the multidisciplinary programs in the Department of Vocational Rehabilitation for individuals with severe physical disabilities. The 30-bed facility offers medical services, occupational therapy, personal and social adjustment, psychological services, speech therapy, and vocational evaluation.

The only income for library materials within the past four years has been \$750 in Library Services and Construction Act funding for the

paperback book collection, with the addition of one subscription to a local newspaper.

However, the significant development this year was the commitment of \$18,000 by DVR for renovation of the library facility, and for new furnishings, including library shelving and handicapped accessible tables.

The Beckman Center is to be commended for its outstanding effort this year. The catalyst for the library improvements there is Carol Teal, an enthusiastic counselor/teacher at the center, who currently serves on the Statewide Institutional Library Committee and is an active participant at State Library sponsored workshops for institutional librarians.

## Trustees and Friends

Allan Gurganus, author of the best-seller, "The Oldest Living Confederate Widow Tells All", and a new book, *White People*, was the featured speaker at the **Friends of the Richland County Public Library** February 20.

The **Friends of the Sumter County Library** sponsored a books and author luncheon February 5, at Shaw Air Force Base. Nancy Rhyne, author of "Murder in the Carolinas" and "Alice Flagg", was the featured speaker.

The newly elected officers of the **Friends of the York County Library** are: Sandra White, president, Mark Smith, vice-president, Toni Hendrix, secretary, Robert Roland, treasurer, Suzanne Thompson, Judy Fuller, and Robert Olcott, directors. The **Friends of the York County Library** also sponsored "Afternoons with Amadeus," a three part opera series for children and parents in January, and "Harriet Moses' Tubman: A Portrayal" performed by Joyce Gear on February 17.

## Calhoun, McCormick County Libraries Receive Grants

Calhoun and McCormick County Libraries were among the 100 small public libraries in the United States to receive a \$5,000 grant from the American Bicentennial Presidential Inaugural Committee.

The selection of the 100 libraries was based on the size of the population the library serves, and the library's budget. Funding for the grants was provided by excess money from the Bush inauguration. The South Carolina State Library recommended the two libraries for the grants.

## Around the State

The **Aiken County Public Library** held a birthday party on February 6, celebrating its first year in the new library building on Chesterfield Street. The morning children's program attracted 85 children and more than 150 people enjoyed the informal reception held that afternoon.

Sandy Bailey, media specialist at **Hollis Elementary School in Greenville County**, and Becky Bridges, media specialist at **Spearman Primary in Anderson District 5**, presented a program entitled "Find the Magic in Your Media Center" at the S.C.I.R.A. conference at Hilton Head on February 1.

Three Lancaster authors, Rosemary Whitlock, Eleanor Williams Griffin and Lena Craig Steele, presented readings from their books at the **Lancaster County Library** on January 29. Griffin and Steele co-authored "Town and Country Cousins," Herb Eaton Historical Publications, 1988. Whitlock recently completed her newest book "After Tomorrow," Herb Eaton Historical Publications, 1990, the third in an autobiographical series about the Clark family from Virginia. The reading was sponsored by the **Lancaster**

**County Library** and The Lancaster County Council of the Arts.

The **Marlboro County Public Library**, in cooperation with the Marlboro Players, sponsored a lunch-time Brown Bag Reader's Theater every Thursday during the month of February.

As part of the **Richland County Public Library's** expansion program, the John Hughes Cooper Branch closed on February 28. The present building will be demolished, and a new 10,000 square foot facility will be constructed. An added feature to the new library will be a meeting room which will provide space for programming. It will also be available for public use. The ground breaking for the new Main Library of the **Richland County Public Library** was held February 14.

The **Union County Carnegie Library's** community services director, Beth Summer, has developed a senior citizens corner at the library. The corner includes material of special interest to senior patrons. Also, a "Storytime on the Lawn" program will begin in March, when volunteers will read to pre-school children on the library's lawn.

### *Literacy News*

## Spartanburg County Library, AWARE become literacy partners

The Spartanburg County Library and Spartanburg Adult Writing and Reading Education (AWARE), Inc. are partners in literacy.

While AWARE maintains a listing of nearly 50 places available for tutoring and works with student/tutor pairs to find a place convenient to both, almost half of one-to-one tutoring is done in one branch or another of the library. Special study carrels provide space and a degree of privacy.

Students and their tutors are

always welcome and people are used to seeing them at work. Such a non-threatening atmosphere not only provides a supportive attitude for the work of the students and tutors, but it also exposes new readers to the library setting.

Tutors are encouraged to visit the branch of the library where they are considering tutoring, to browse around and find study carrels, the low-level reading materials sections, and the newspaper/magazine area. And of course since students eventu-

ally are required to get a library card, tutors are encouraged to have one, too!

The result of such a partnership are students such as Jasper, age 50, who always wanted to work with handicapped children, but whose limited literacy skills prevented him. After learning to read at AWARE, he regularly goes to a branch of the library to read to children.

The Spartanburg library/literacy partnership is a strong, productive, cooperative effort.

## Professional Literature

The following materials on children's library services are recent additions to the South Carolina State Library's collection. They may be borrowed on interlibrary loan.

Books Kids Will Sit Still For: The Complete Read-Aloud Guide, 2nd edition. Judy Freeman. R.R. Bowker, NY, 1990. (Call#: 011.62)  
Strategies to encourage children's response to literature, plus annotations of over 2000 books for reading aloud.

Once Upon a Storytime: A Workbook for Planning and Presenting Creative Storytimes for Children Two-Six Years of Age. Carolyn Booth Stanson. Minnesota Association of Library Friends, 1989. (Call#: 372.64)  
Workbook filled with information and ideas created especially for theme-related preschool storytimes.

Values in Selected Children's Books of Fiction and Fantasy. Carolyn W. Field and Jaqueline Shachter Weiss. Library Professional Publications, 1987. (Call#: 809.3)  
Practical guide to children's books that highlight positive values in order to help young people develop their own standards.

Introducing Books to Children, 2nd edition. Aidan Chambers. The Horn Book, Inc., 1983. (Call#: 029.15)  
Written for teachers and librarians, it gives practical ideas, methods, and varying approaches to bring books and young people into contact.

Representing Children's Book Characters. Mary E. Wilson. The Scarecrow Press, Inc., 1989. (Call#: 028.5)  
Written for teachers, librarians, and parents to help children work out their own ideas for depicting characters from children's books. Useful for Halloween or summer reading ideas.

Standards for Public Library Services to Children in Massachusetts. Massachusetts Library Association. 1987. (Call#: 027.625)  
Guide for the local library to evaluate and develop children's services as a strong unit within its service and planning structure.

More Picture Book Story Hours: From Parties to Pets. Paula Gaj Sitarz. Libraries Unlimited, Inc., 1990. (Call#: 027.62)  
The author gives twenty-two storytime ideas, including publicity and helpful hints.

Children's Literature: Theory, Research, and Teaching. Kay E. Vandergrift. Libraries Unlimited, Inc., 1990. (Call#: 809)  
Directed primarily to those who teach children's literature in colleges and universities, but useful also to those who want to share literature with children.

## South Caroliniana

Hodgkinson, Harold L. South Carolina: The State and its Educational System. Washington, D.C. Center for Demographic Policy, Institute for Educational Leadership, 1990. ISBN 0-93784-661-9.

Howard, Frank. Howard: The Clemson Legend. NE. Frank Howard, 1990. \$9.95. 231pp. ISBN 0-93490-422-7.

South Carolina Humanities Council. The Graying of South Carolina: Facing the 90's and The Graying of South Carolina: Facing the 90's-Final Report. Columbia, S.C. The Council, 1990.

Trinkley, Michael. An Archaeological Context for

the South Carolina Woodland Period. P.O. Box 8664, Columbia, S.C. 29202. Chicora Foundation, 1990. \$6.00. 65pp.

Trinkley, Michael. An Archaeological Survey of the Phase 1 Spring Island Development, Beaufort County, South Carolina. P.O. Box 8664, Columbia, S.C. 29202. Chicora Foundation, 1990. \$10.00.

Trinkley, Michael, editor. The Second Phase of Archaeological Survey on Spring Island, Beaufort County, South Carolina. P.O. Box 8664, Columbia, S.C. 29202. Chicora Foundation, 1990. \$15.00.

### Calendar of Events

#### March

**20-23** PLA National Conference, San Diego, California

**21-22** "A Story, A Story: A Fresh Perspective on Programming," a workshop for staff working with children in public libraries will be held at Hickory Knob State Park in McCormick.

#### April

##### April is School Library Media Month

**2** International Children's Book Day sponsored by the International Board on Books for Young People and the International Reading Association.

**4-5** "The Book Stops Here: The Third Annual North Carolina Bookmobile Conference," to be held in Greensboro, N.C. For information or to register, call 919-560-6485.

**14-20** National Library Week. This year's theme is "Read. Succeed." and "Kids Who Read Succeed."

**17** "Night of a Thousand Stars," the Great American Read-Aloud.

**18** ETV Teleconference "The Information Seeking Process: More Than Library Skills" 3:00 - 4:00.

**19** Staff Development Workshop sponsored by the Public Library Trustee Sections of SCLA. \$30.00 registration fee. For further information, contact JoAnn Olson at the S.C. State Library.

**21-27** Reading is Fun Week, sponsored by Reading is Fundamental, Inc.

**24** Piedmont Library Association meeting, Tri-County Technical College Library, Pendleton, S.C.

**26-27** A(ugusta) Baker's Dozen. Sponsored by the Richland County Public Library and the College of Library and Information Science at the U.S.C., with partial funding from the Friends of Richland County Public Library, this storytelling event will bring to life the exciting and wonderful world of children's literature and will feature outstanding authors, illustrators and storytellers.

**27** SCASL Executive Board Meeting.

## WHAT'S HAPPENING

Library or Organization:

People (personnel changes, officers, etc.):

Other News:

Dates to Note:

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