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Director's Corner

Once again, we are fast approaching summer activities at the library and in our personal lives. Children are looking forward to the Summer Library programs, trips with their families and friends, and being out of school. While I am looking forward to ending my time here at the library once again, the Board has announced that Emily Bell, who is a native of Cleveland, a graduate of Delta State as well as the University of Southern Mississippi, will be taking over



Emily Bell

as the Director of the Bolivar County Library System, on June 3rd.

We are all excited to have Emily join the excellent library

staff in Bolivar County. Emily worked at the Cleveland Library while a student and then went on to work as a librarian at the Delta State Library. She has degrees from Delta State University and the University of Southern Mississippi. Emily is married to William Bell and they have two children. I hope you will take the time to stop by and welcome Emily to Cleveland and the library.

~Lynn

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LibraryFlix & Chill Film Series Continues—*The Hurt Locker*



The LibraryFlix & Chill Film series continues with *The Hurt Locker* (2009), which details the harrowing experiences of an Iraq War Explosive Ordnance Disposal team. The film was nominated in nine categories at the 82nd Academy Awards, winning Best Picture, Best Director, Best Original Screenplay, Best Sound Editing, Best Sound Mixing, and Best Film Editing.

Showtime is May 25th at 10:30 a.m. at the Robinson-Carpenter Memorial Library in Cleveland and is open to the public free-of-charge. Popcorn and soft drinks will be served.

Parents are advised that this film may not be suitable for children under the age of 17.

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*“Any book that helps
a child to form a habit
of reading, to make
reading one of his
deep and continuing
needs, is good
for him.”
~Maya Angelou~*



Lovejoy Boteler with Interim
Director Lynn Shurden.

Calendar

May 15th, June 19th—**Cleveland Commission Meeting @ 10:00 a.m.**—Open to the Public in Cleveland

May 15th, June 19th—**Board of Trustees Meeting @ 1:30 p.m.**—Open to the Public in Cleveland

May 17th **Friday Preschool Storyhour @ 10 a.m.** at Robinson-Carpenter—Open to the Public—The Last Program Until Next September!

May 25th—**LibraryFlix & Chill Film Series @ 10:30 a.m.** at Robinson-Carpenter—Open to the Public Free-of-Charge

June 1st, July 6th, August 3rd—**Saturday Preschool Story-hour @ 11 a.m.** at Robinson-Carpenter—Open to the Public

June 13-15th—**Friends of the Library Book Sale**—Regular Library Hours

Lakella L. Davenport



MS author Lakella L. Davenport was guest speaker at the May Lunch With Books. Ms. Davenport talked about her new

book *A Colored Child's Belly* and *Lyrical Voices: Poetry*, co-authored with her father Frankie Fipps. Ms. Davenport was born in Shelby and raised in Mound Bayou.

Author Lovejoy Boteler is Guest at Rosedale Public Library

The Friends of Rosedale hosted Mississippi author Lovejoy Boteler, author of *Crooked Snake: The Life and Crimes of Albert Lepard*, at the Rosedale Library on April 11th. In 1968, Albert Lepard escaped from Parchman — again—and kidnapping Mr. Boteler from his farm in Grenada. The author recounts his experiences and the other crimes Lepard committed during his six escapes from Parchman. “Mr. Boteler was a very entertaining guest,” Librarian Martha Lawson notes. “When someone asked where he got the name Lovejoy, the author stated it was his grandmother’s family name and said it caused him no amount of grief in his growing-up years! Everyone attending had a very enjoyable evening.”

SAVE THE DATE: The next Friends of Rosedale author signing will be May 23rd at 5:30 at the Rosedale Public Library. The guest will be Mississippi author and Natchez native R. J. Lee, who will talk about his new book *Grand Slam Murders: A Bridge to Death Mystery*, which is the first in his new series.

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"Me, poor man,
my library
Was dukedom
large enough."
~William
Shakespeare~
The Tempest

Last, but not least, thank you to everyone who donated wine for the Wine Pull. If you helped with the Gala and you are not listed above, thank you for your help and we apologize for the omission!

Looking for a Good Book?

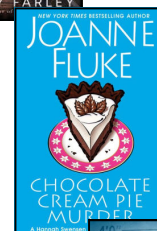
Martha: *Nell and Lady* by Ashley Farley. Story of Lady, the daughter of wealthy Charlestonian Willa Bellemore, and Nell, the daughter of Willa's maid Mavis, who were raised as sisters. When Mavis died suddenly, Willa went against convention (this was in the 70's) and legally adopted Nell. Nell and Lady had always been close as sisters, now it was official! But something happened at Lady's 16th party and Nell no longer speaks to Lady or Willa. Now years later, Willa is hospitalized and she calls for Nell, who reluctantly returns. What secrets will finally be revealed? A great book that will keep you

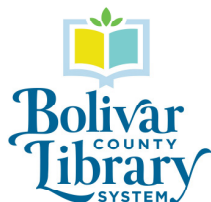
reading far into the night. This is not my first book by Miss Farley and it certainly won't be my last! Women's fiction at it's best. (Fiction—Print)

Tamara: *Chocolate Cream Pie Murder: A Hannah Swensen Mystery with Recipes!* by Joanne Fluke. Hannah is still struggling to understand husband Ross' betrayal, but is ready to put him behind her. The local film festival featuring local film makers provides the opportunity to highlight the cookie store, but Ross has been invited to appear—which he does, but in an unexpected way! I love

Hannah's adventures and I'm already looking forward to the next book. (Fiction—Print)

Tamara: *Paw Enforcement* by Diane Kelly. First in the series of the same name, *Paw Enforcement* introduces police officer Megan Luz and K-9 police dog Brigit, who are reluctant partners tracking down a serial bomber. Ambitious Megan doesn't now how to handle Brigit—who is intent on "training" Megan. If you love funny cozy mysteries and light police procedurals, you will love this series—I do! (Fiction—Print)





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Summer Library Program News

Summer is almost here and so is the Summer Library Program! This year's theme is "A Universe of Stories" and programs will fun space activities and more. Here are more details:

Robinson-Carpenter Memorial Library in Cleveland: Registration is required: 1st through 6th grades begins May 20th from 9-5 and 7th through 12th grades begins July 24th from 9-5. In June, 1st through 3rd grades meet every Tuesday and 4th through 6th grades meet every Thursday. All programs are from 10:30 a.m.—12 Noon, EXCEPT June 6th, which will begin at 10 a.m. Dates and times for 7th through 12th grades TBA. Call Bobbie Matheney at 843.2774 x105 for more information.

Rosedale Public Library: Registration is not required and programs are open to all ages. Call Martha Lawson at 759-6332 for more information.

June 4th at 1:30 p.m.—Features Sherry from Paw Prints
June 11th at 1:30 p.m.—Features Wanda Woodard, AKA "Myrtle the Turtle"
June 18th at 1:30 p.m.—Features Paige Bailey from the Fire Marshall's Office
June 25th at 1:30 p.m.—Features Mark Howell from Winterville Mounds

Thelma Rayner Memorial Library in Merigold: Registration is not required and all ages are welcome. Each program features guest speakers, prizes, and refreshments and meet from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. on June 6th, June 13th, June 20th, and June 27th. Call Evelyn Brown at 748-2105 for more information.

Dr. Robert T. Hollingsworth Public Library in Shelby: Registration is not required and programs are open to all ages. Programs are June 7th, June 14th, June 21st, and June 28th—all at 1 p.m. Call Marie Shorter at 398-7748 for more information.

Benoit Public Library: Registration is not required and all ages are welcome. Call Tina McGee at 742-3112 for more information.

June 13th at 1 p.m.-5 p.m.—Features Wanda Woodard from MDOT/Myrtle the Turtle
June 20th at 1 p.m.-5 p.m.—Features Paige Bailey from U.S. Fire Marshall
June 27th at 1 p.m.-5 p.m.—Features Mark Howell from Winterville Mounds

The "Some Bolivar County History..." column will return next month with the continuation of our biography of Blanche Kelso Bruce.

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