## The GOLD/GALILEO Users Group Conference:  **Re**invention, **Re**investment, & **Re**source Sharing

*From Georgia Public LIbrary Service*

Librarians from across the state are invited to help celebrate two decades of library



collaboration at this year's GOLD/GALILEO Users Group Conference on Friday, July 31.

This year marks the 20th anniversary of the beginning of Georgia's interlibrary lending and resource sharing network, GOLD, and the first of its users annual conferences. GOLD's eventual partnership with the statewide virtual library, GALILEO, created the foundation for one of the country's premier resource sharing collaborations and a new name for its signature event.

The goal of the 20th conference is to provide a forum for continuing education and professional development for librarians, paraprofessionals and technical staff from academic libraries, public libraries, schools, technical colleges and special libraries throughout Georgia and the Southeast. It will take place from 9:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. at the University of Georgia's Center for Continuing Education Center in Athens.

According to Toni Zimmerman, Director of Resource Sharing and Interlibrary Cooperation for GPLS, Georgia libraries have an important role to play in bringing about economic recovery in 2009 and beyond. "This conference must serve as a celebration of where we have been and also be a constant reminder of what we must do to stay the course," she said. "For this year's theme, we have adopted a familiar abbreviation — re: — as our power symbol, because it will always prompt a call to action on the words that follow. "Re:" is used throughout this year's conference theme, "re:invention, re:investment and re:source sharing — Two decades of collaboration."

The keynote speaker will be Helene Blowers, digital strategy director for the Columbus (Ohio) Metropolitan Library. Her presentation, "Finding the Phoenix — Feathers, Flight & the Future of Libraries," will examine how libraries must creatively evolve to meet customers' needs in a rapidly changing culture. Blowers will also discuss the "re:birth" of new service models that could soon supplement or replace older formats and service delivery designs.

The conference will also include three sets of concurrent programs, along with a rotating GALILEO training showcase. "Among the many highlights," Zimmerman noted, "will be a session called 'Crisis is a Terrible Thing to Waste — Reinventing Your Library When the Chips are Down.' This session will be led by our current deputy state librarian, Julie Walker, and David Singleton, our former deputy state librarian who is now director of Library Experience with the Public Library of Charlotte & Mecklenburg County in North Carolina. They will focus on secrets for thriving during down times. That's a subject many people will be interested in, given today's economy." Other sessions will focus on research methodologies for finding grant opportunities and on recognizing security threats and the protection of people, property and collections.

Conference organizers are holding the line on costs this year, Zimmerman said. Registration will again be $35 per person, with an early-bird discount of $5 prior to Monday, July 20. This conference is made possible by a grant from the U.S. Institute of Museum and Library Services to GPLS under the provisions of the Library Services and Technology Act.

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## UPCOMING GALILEO, DIGITAL LIBRARY OF GEORGIA, NEW GEORGIA ENCYCLOPEDIA CONFERENCE APPEARANCES

**GOLD/GALILEO Users Group Meeting, July 31, 2009, UGA Continuing Education Center, Athens**

**Council of Media Organization (COMO) Conference, October 7-9, Ironworks Convention Center, Columbus**

**Georgia Educational Technology Conference (GAETC), November 3-5, Georgia International Convention Center, College Park**

**National Council for the Social Studies (NCSS), November 13-15, World Congress Center, Atlanta**

Look for GALILEO/DLG/NGE presentations at each of these conferences. Make plans now to attend and visit the GALILEO Exhibit Booth at these conferences this Fall.
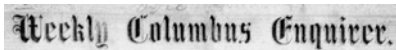
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- To subscribe to the *GALILEO Planet,* send your email address to *galileo.planet@usg.edu.*

- For a complete list of GALILEO Subcommittees, see *http://www.usg.edu/galileo/about/governance/committees.phtml.*

- To learn more about the GALILEO initiative, go to *http://www.usg.edu/galileo/about.*

- For GALILEO questions and technical support, call 1-888-875-3697.

# New Georgia HomePLACE Projects Go Online at the Digital Library of Georgia

*By Ed Johnson, Projector Director, Georgia HomePLACE*

All the Georgia HomePLACE-supported collaborative digitization projects for FY09 have now officially entered production at the Digital Library of Georgia, offering GALILEO users convenient online access to important new historical and genealogical resources.

The Georgia historic newspapers digitization initiative continues apace, adding more newspapers from historically significant "fall line" cities including Columbus and Milledgeville (following in the footsteps of last year's *Macon Telegraph* Archive). These newspaper projects digitize microfilm generated by the Georgia Newspaper Project.

The *Columbus Enquirer* Archive (http://www.galileo.usg.edu/express?link=cole) provides access to issues published from 1828 to 1890. The extensive collection consists of more than 30,000 newspaper pages, providing full page images that are both full-text searchable and can be browsed by date.

The Milledgeville Historic Newspapers Archive (http://www.galileo.usg.edu/express?link=miln) provides ac-cess to eleven newspapers published in Milledgeville from 1808 to 1920. The massive collection offers more than 49,000 newspaper page images, which are both full-text searchable and can be browsed by date.
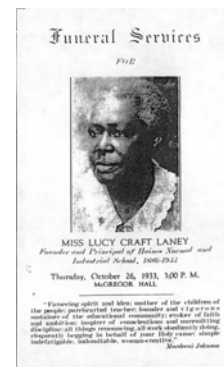
Collaborative digitization efforts with public libraries in Macon, Augusta, and Atlanta have added new local history and family history collections to the Digital Library of Georgia.



The Georgia State Fair, Macon, 1886-1960 (http://www.galileo.usg.edu/express?link=gsfr), from the Middle Georgia Archives in Macon, offers 151 photographs and four advertising fliers, dating from 1886 to 1960. The collection metadata is searchable, and the images can also be browsed by title, subject, or date. The project website also includes an introductory essay and finding aid to the physical collection, plus listings for related materials, related links, and suggested readings.

African American Funeral Programs for the East Central Georgia Regional Library (http://www.galileo.usg.edu/express?link=fpro) provides online access to more than one thousand funeral programs with dates from 1933 to 2008, mostly associated with the Augusta area. The collection is searchable, and can be browsed by the deceased's name, year of death, city, or funeral site. This online African American funeral program collection is said to be the first of its kind in the nation.



Finding aids for the Hosea Williams Collection and the Dr. Alton Hornsby Collection have been added to the online finding aids (http://www.galileo.usg.edu/express?link=aafa) at the Auburn Avenue Research Library in Atlanta. The finding aids cover 142 boxes of Williams papers and 20 boxes of Hornsby papers; they include biographical information as well as detailed container listings.
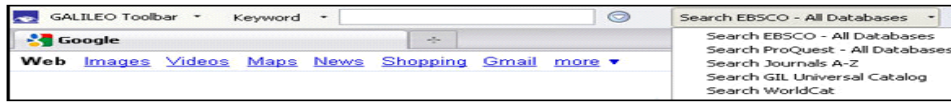


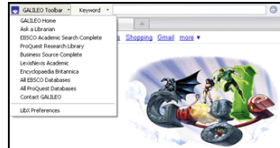*Boy with chicken at the Georgia State Fair, Macon, 1959*
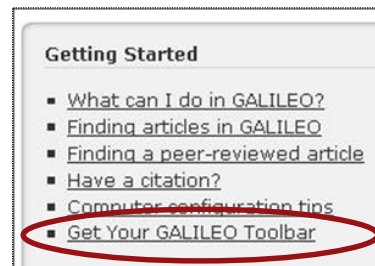
# Get Your GALILEO Toolbar

*By GALILEO Staff*

GALILEO is pleased to announce a new feature for all GALILEO users: the GALILEO Toolbar, a browser plugin that provides quick and easy access to GALILEO and the rest of your library's resources right from your Firefox or Internet Explorer web browser. Search in databases, find journals and magazines, and check your library catalog directly from the toolbar search box.



Quick links are also provided to go directly to key GALILEO resources.



The right-click menu allows users to highlight any text, including a name, title, search term, ISBN, or ISSN, and search for it in GALILEO databases or their library catalog. The right-click menu also offers options for OpenURL linking and pushing URLs or reloading webpages through the GALILEO proxy for remote access authentication.



A unique toolbar has been created specifically for each participating GALILEO institution and will be available for downloading from GALILEO through the "Get Your GALILEO Toolbar" link in the Getting Started section of the GALILEO homepage.

Libraries are welcome to request changes to their toolbar. Please see the GALILEO FAQs for a description of the changes that can be made: http://www.usg.edu/galileo/help/index.phtml?question=1244058178

Instructional materials are also available:
Informational Handout: http://www.usg.edu/galileo/docs/mats/GALILEOToolbarhandout.pdf
Video Tutorial: http://www.usg.edu/galileo/help/searching/tutorials.phtml
PowerPoint slides: http://www.usg.edu/galileo/docs/pres/GALILEOToolbarJuly2009.pptx
PowerPoint slides (for librarians): http://www.usg.edu/galileo/docs/pres/GALILEOToolbar-GOLD2009.pptx

GALILEO staff will offer free demonstration webinars. Please see the GALILEO Training page to register: http://www.usg.edu/galileo/help/library/training/

If you would like to add a link to download the toolbar on your library website, here is the Express Link: http://www.galileo.usg.edu/express?link=libx

Provided through the LibX toolbar software developed by staff at Virginia Tech, the GALILEO Toolbar is a result of the activities of the GALILEO Courseware and Website Library Resource Integration Working Group, a committee of librarians from participating institutions. Thank you to CWLRI Working Group for your assistance and feedback.

# GALILEO Training Right at Your Desk

*By GALILEO Staff*

Training opportunities offered by both vendors and GALILEO staff can help you learn about the GALILEO environment and some of the great databases available.

Here are a few of the benefits to signing up for GALILEO training:

- The training sessions are offered online so no travel times or funds are required.
- Topics cover a wide range of resources designed for all audiences and grade levels.
- For most you will just need a computer with internal or external speakers. (Some vendor training requires a phone for audio.)
- Connecting to online classes is easy. You'll receive instructions a couple of days before the class.
- Certificates of participation are sent to everyone who attends a class.

A summary of upcoming sessions is below. The fall offerings will be updated soon. For dates and times and to register for a class, visit http://www.usg.edu/galileo/help/library/training/.

- What's in GALILEO for Elementary/Middle/High School—Separate sessions for each level will be offered several times.
- Journals and Magazines Abound in GALILEO—Learn how to find and use your online magazines
- SIRS Issues Researcher and SIRS Discoverer—Separate sessions. High schoolers should check out the updated Issues Researcher for cool tools.
- Encyclopaedia Britannica—Separate sessions for different levels
- GALILEO at the Reference Desk—Content in GALILEO that lends itself to quick reference

If you have any questions or need more information, please use GALILEO's Contact Us feature or contact OIIT Customer Services at helpdesk@usg.edu.

**WELCOME NEW MEMBER INSTITUTIONS**

*The following institutions joined the GALILEO family July 1, 2009.  Welcome!*

**GPALS Consortia Group**
Beulah Heights University

**GISA Consortia group**
Hope Schools of Excellence
Mill Springs Academy
Monroe Academy
Strong Rock Christian School
Trinity Christian School, Sharpsburg