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## CSRA Library Association Conference

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## Celebrating 50 years of service!

The Central Savannah River Area (CSRA) Library Association has been providing service to the community since its inception in 1962. This year marks the association's 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary. To celebrate this milestone and in gratitude to the community served, a special service component has been added to the 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual CSRA Library Association Conference.

### About the CSRA Library Association

The Central Savannah River Area Library Association includes libraries in the Georgia counties of Burke, Columbia, Emanuel, Glascock, Hancock, Jefferson, Jenkins, Lincoln, McDuffie, Richmond, Screven, Taliaferro, Warren and Wilkes. It includes the South Carolina counties of Aiken, Allendale, Bamberg, Barnwell, Edgefield, Hampton, Jasper, and McCormick. The largest city in the area is Augusta, Ga.

Association membership includes librarians and paraprofessionals from public libraries, school media centers, special libraries, and university and college libraries.

The objectives of this association are to encourage and promote the utilization of knowledge through the collection, organization and dissemination of information; to enhance usefulness and efficiency of libraries in the CSRA; to promote high professional standards; to facilitate communication among its members; and to cooperate with organizations which have similar or allied interests.

### About the Conference

The conference was created by Yadira V. Payne with the assistance of Susie Joyner. The original intent of this conference was to offer a local, affordable option for continuing education, networking, and participation in library associations to employees whose travel is limited due to budget decreases. With a planning committee of two, the conference successfully began in May 2010 and participation doubled in its second year.

The 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual CSRA Library Association Conference is scheduled for Friday May 25<sup>th</sup> at Augusta State University's Jaguar Student Activities Center. It is a daylong conference which promotes learning, networking, and camaraderie in a fun and inviting atmosphere.

### Registration

The registration cost is \$45 for members/\$50 for non-members to include continuation education units (CEU's), continental breakfast, lunch, snacks, sweet swag, and all the fun you can stand. Non-members may attend. Everyone affiliated with libraries in any way is welcome.

For more information about the conference or about the association please contact CSRA Library Association President Yadira Payne at [ypayne@aug.edu](mailto:ypayne@aug.edu); or Deborah Tritt, Vice President, at [DeborahT@usca.edu](mailto:DeborahT@usca.edu); or both at [CSRALibraryAssociation@gmail.com](mailto:CSRALibraryAssociation@gmail.com). Please visit the association site at <http://csra-libassoc.ning.com/> and look for 2012 registration information on the new site launching soon at <http://csralibraryassociation.com/>.