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GLA’s New Members Round Table Sponsors 
New Group in Savannah

At the Georgia Library Association’s (GLA) Midwinter meeting in December 2016, the New Members Round Table announced that it is sponsoring a newly-formed group in Savannah, the GLA Coastal Georgia Library Collaborative.

While this group has been collaborating since 2015 at the recommendation of Karen Manning, GLA’s 2nd vice-president, membership chair, it is now a formally recognized group within GLA.

Janice Shipp, interlibrary loan coordinator for the Savannah College of Art and Design, started the group in December 2015 with the vision of library workers from the Savannah area gathering in a social setting to network, collaborate, and become actively involved with GLA. Since that first assembly, library personnel have been meeting quarterly throughout Savannah to share presentations and ideas, enjoy camaraderie, and discuss the library’s impact on its community.

As an official group, its planning committee would like to offer its members professional development workshops, community outreach opportunities, and meetings held outside of Savannah to encourage participation from other coastal library staff. The committee members are: Janice Shipp, chair; Kristi Smith, secretary; Vivian Bynoe and Judith Garrison, hospitality; Emmanuel Loman, technology and social media; and Logan Lawrence, vice-chair/chair-elect.

The group’s next meeting will be held this spring in the Savannah area. Anyone interested in learning more may email: glasavannahmeetup@gmail.com.