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**Gwinnett County Public Library**

Christy Jordan, cookbook author, blogger, and the South’s favorite home cook, will share complete menus to help readers plan family meals at the Suwanee branch of the Gwinnett County Public Library. Her book, *Come Home to Supper*, and website, [www.southernplate.com](http://www.southernplate.com), offer tips and real-life solutions for getting a delicious and affordable supper on the table every night. The book talk and signing will take place on Dec. 3, 2013 at 6:30 p.m.

*Come Home to Supper* reflects the reality of today’s family schedules, gathering more than 200 deeply satisfying dishes that are budget-conscious, kid-friendly, and quick to make. These are the everyday meals that Christy most loves to cook and her family most loves to eat, and she serves them up with generous helpings of her folksy wisdom, gratitude, and lively stories. Many of the recipes make ingenious use of the slow cooker or a single pot or skillet, and they all use easily found supermarket ingredients.

Christy Jordan is the publisher of SouthernPlate.com, a contributing editor to Taste of the South magazine, former editor-at-large at Southern Living, and a judge on the Game Show Network’s *Beat the Chefs*. She’s appeared on TODAY, Paula Deen, QVC, and a host of other media outlets. She lives with her family in Huntsville, Alabama.

This event is free and open to the public, and books will be available for purchase. The Suwanee branch is located at 361 Main Street, Suwanee, Ga. Please visit [www.gwinnettpl.org](http://www.gwinnettpl.org) to learn more about this and other library events or find GwinnettLibrary on Facebook, Twitter, and Google+.

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Chanda Bell, bestselling children’s author and co-creator of the wildly popular *Elf on the Shelf* books and movie, will partner with the Friends of the Gwinnett Library to host a very special story time and book signing at Barnes & Noble in Peachtree Corners. Listen to Chanda read her newest Elf book, enjoy special elf coloring sheets and games, and have your book signed!

When customers specifically mention the library while checking out at the Peachtree Corners Barnes & Noble store and café any time that day, the store will donate a percentage of that sale to the Friends of the Library to support their
literacy projects and initiatives. Chanda Bell, a former reading and English teacher, is the co-author (with her mom, Carol) of *The Elf on the Shelf®: A Christmas Tradition* and the new sequel, *The Elf on the Shelf®: A Birthday Tradition*. In 2011, *The Elf on the Shelf®* came to life as an animated special, *An Elf’s Story™* debuted on CBS, boasting a combined viewing audience of almost 10 million people. Bell co-founded Big Canoe Entertainment—the production company that produced the special—and served as one of the executive producers on the project. She co-wrote the script and penned the lyrics to one of the musical numbers.

The book talk and signing will take place at 2 p.m. at Barnes and Noble located at 5141 Peachtree Pkwy in Peachtree Corners, GA. For more information about ways to support the library and other library events, please visit [www.gwinnettpl.org](http://www.gwinnettpl.org), call 770-978-5154, text 770-450-5305, or find GwinnettLibrary on Facebook, Twitter, or Google+.