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September is Children's' Eye Care Month

The Prevent Blindness Georgia Group has some very informative material regarding your child or grandchild's eyes. According to the World Health Organization, up to 80% of a person's lifetime exposure to UV rays from the sun is received before the age of 18. Children's eyes are much more susceptible to UV damage than adult eyes.

The American Optometric Association says that children have a greater risk of UV damage to their eyes because the lenses of their eyes are more transparent which allows short wavelength light to reach the retina. This damage accumulates over the years, which may eventually lead to cataracts, macular degeneration, and other eye conditions. You need to find 99 to 100% UV protective sunglasses. It is best to have the wraparound type that won't allow sunlight into the corner of the eyes. Do not buy glass sunglasses unless your doctor prescribes them. You want an impact resistant material such as polycarbonate to prevent shattering and damaging the eyes. Prevent Blindness Georgia recommends that adults and children wear wide-brimmed hats to also protect the eyes. Many times children will not want to wear hats or sunglasses, but you as an adult know the long-range effects that can be brought on by not doing these things. Make wearing the hats & sunglasses fun.



BANNED BOOKS WEEK: CELEBRATING THE FREEDOM TO READ **September 24–October 1, 2011**

Banned Books Week (BBW) is an annual event celebrating the freedom to read and the importance of the First Amendment. Held during the last week of September, Banned Books Week highlights the benefits of free and open access to information while drawing attention to the harms of censorship by spotlighting actual or attempted bannings of books across the United States.

Intellectual freedom—the freedom to access information and express ideas, even if the information and ideas might be considered unorthodox or unpopular—provides the foundation for Banned Books Week. BBW stresses the importance of ensuring the availability of unorthodox or unpopular viewpoints for all who wish to read and access them.

The books featured during Banned Books Week have been targets of attempted bannings. Fortunately, while some books were banned or restricted, in a majority of cases the books were not banned, all thanks to the efforts of librarians, teachers, booksellers, and members of the community to retain the books in the library collections. Imagine how many more books might be challenged—and possibly banned or restricted—if librarians, teachers, and booksellers across the country did not use Banned Books Week each year to teach the importance of our First Amendment rights and the power of literature, and to draw attention to the danger that exists when restraints are imposed on the availability of information in a free society.

The Great Gatsby, by F. Scott Fitzgerald

The Catcher in the Rye, by JD Salinger

The Grapes of Wrath, by John Steinbeck

To Kill a Mockingbird, by Harper Lee

The Color Purple, by Alice Walker

Ulysses, by James Joyce

Beloved, by Toni Morrison

The Lord of the Flies, by William Golding

1984, by George Orwell

Lolita, by Vladimir Nabokov

Of Mice and Men, by John Steinbeck

Catch-22, by Joseph Heller

Animal Farm, by George Orwell

The Sun Also Rises, by Ernest Hemingway

As I Lay Dying, by William Faulkner

A Farewell to Arms, by Ernest Hemingway

Their Eyes Were Watching God, by Zora Neale Hurston

Invisible Man, by Ralph Ellison
Song of Solomon, by Toni Morrison
Gone with the Wind, by Margaret Mitchell
Native Son, by Richard Wright
One Flew Over the Cuckoo's Nest, by Ken Kesey
Slaughterhouse Five, by Kurt Vonnegut
For Whom the Bell Tolls, by Ernest Hemingway
The Call of the Wild, by Jack London
Go Tell It on the Mountain, by James Baldwin
All the King's Men, by Robert Penn Warren
The Lord of the Rings, by J.R.R. Tolkien
The Jungle, by Upton Sinclair

Lady Chatterley's Lover, by D.H. Lawrence
A Clockwork Orange, by Anthony Burgess
The Awakening, by Kate Chopin
In Cold Blood, by Truman Capote
Satanic Verses, by Salman Rushdie
Sophie's Choice, by William Styron
Sons and Lovers, by D.H. Lawrence
Cat's Cradle, by Kurt Vonnegut
A Separate Peace, by John Knowles
Naked Lunch, by William S. Burroughs
Brideshead Revisited, by Evelyn Waugh
Women in Love, by DH Lawrence
The Naked and the Dead, by Norman Mailer

Special Equipment Available at SWGLAS

Amplifiers – For those who are certified as hearing impaired

Kurzweil Reading Edge Machine – Reads a printed page aloud

Braille Machine – We can put printed material into Braille

JAWS software – Installed on a public computer at the Headquarters library in Bainbridge

Optelec 20/20 – Enlarges materials placed underneath it by projecting on a screen, also available at the Headquarters library in Bainbridge.

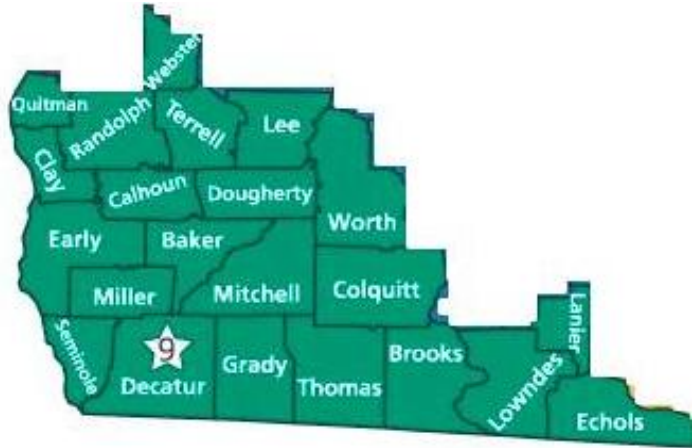
Perkins Brailier – Equivalent of a Braille typewriter

DAAS Vision Simulator Kit – Helps sighted persons develop a better understanding on different vision impairments.

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NOTE: Please submit information or news that you would like to share to Kathy Hutchins.