

# GLS News

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## Meet our newest staff members

We are pleased to announce the hiring of four new staff members. Read about the Fab Four ladies who have recently joined GLS.

Meet **Kristin White**, MLIS, GLS Director! Kristin previously worked at the South Carolina State Library Talking Book Services in Columbia, SC. She is most looking forward to reconnecting with old friends and colleagues here in Georgia, and expanding the GLS program to include more nontraditional patron groups such as those with learning disabilities or temporary physical impairments. When not working, Kristin likes to visit the beach and eat very good food. She'd like to add, "Although I greatly miss South Carolina and my wonderful staff and colleagues, it feels good to be home!"



Kristin recently read *Empowering Women* by Louise Hay and highly recommends it.

Meet **Brandi Robertson**, MLIS, Outreach Librarian! Brandi previously worked at the Homer M. Stark Law Library of Gwinnett



County. She is most looking forward to broadening her knowledge and experience, and using her skills to make an impact. When not working, Brandi enjoys exercising, reading, and listening to music. She would like to add, "I enjoy watching college football. I am a huge Alabama football fan. Roll Tide!"

Brandi just finished reading *Sideways Stories from Wayside School* by Louis Sachar (DB048595) with her daughter. She and her daughter loved it!

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Meet **Sarah Trowbridge**,

MLIS, Outreach

Librarian! Sarah

previously worked at the Fayette County Public Library in Fayetteville, GA. She is most looking



forward to collaborating with the rest of the GLS team to expand our reach and strengthen our connections with the community. When not working, Sarah enjoys piecing together a jigsaw puzzle and is an avid reader of books. You may find Sarah messing around with paper and glue to make small collages when the mood hits her and she also practices yoga several times a week. She would like to add, "I am a lifelong cat person who finds herself currently in a temporarily feline-free condition."

Sarah is currently reading *Dolphin Junction*, a new collection of short stories by Mick Herron. She highly recommends this book for crime fiction fans who enjoy a wicked sense of humor.

Meet **Sophia Bryan**,

Library Assistant! Sophia

previously worked at the

Switzer Branch of the Cobb County Public Library System. She is



most looking forward to serving as a part of the GLS team in providing accessibility by bringing the library to the homes of many throughout Georgia. When not working, Sophia enjoys listening to R&B and reggae music, trying out new restaurants, or simply relaxing at home with a good book, watching a movie, or just spending time with her family. She would like to add, "My roots in library services started back in Jamaica. I am happy to still be able to serve in a field that I enjoy after moving to Georgia six years ago. When I feel homesick I like to whip up some of my signature dishes such as rice and beans, oxtails and jerk chicken."

Sophia is currently reading *An Extraordinary Union* by Alyssa Cole (DB089362). She also recommends *A Woman of No Importance* by Sonia Purnell (DB095178), a thrilling and gripping page turner.

## Book club corner

Do you need a new book to read? Check out a few recent favorites from our book clubs. GLS book clubs offer engaging conversations about books available through GLS. Book clubs meet monthly via conference call. To join a book club, or to find out about upcoming selections, give us a call at 1-800-248-6701.

Note: Talking books begin with DB. Braille titles begin with BR.

### **For Men Only Book Club**

***A Time for Mercy*** by John Grisham  
DB102496

Set in Clanton, Mississippi. Jake Brigance—from *A Time to Kill* (DB 35891)—is appointed attorney for Drew Gamble, a timid sixteen-year-old boy accused of murdering a local deputy. Many in Clanton want a swift trial and the death penalty, but Brigance digs in and discovers that there is more to the story.

### **For Women Only Book Club**

***The Island*** by Victoria Hislop  
DBC05520

A beloved schoolteacher, Eleni, is diagnosed with leprosy and is exiled to a Greek island forcing her to leave

her family behind on Crete. Years later, Eleni's great-granddaughter returns to Crete to find answers to her family's mysteries.

### **For Grown Folks Only Book Club**

***What Looks Like Crazy On an Ordinary Day*** by Pearl Cleage  
DB046770

Ava had long ago traded her small-town life in Idlewild, Michigan, to be part of the successful crowd in Atlanta. Now, newly diagnosed with HIV, Ava has returned to Idlewild for a short visit. Soon caught up in her sister's good deeds, Ava slowly realizes she's falling in love with a much-changed family friend they had called Wild Eddie. Strong language and some descriptions of sex.

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