

South Fulton Retired Educators Newsletter Winter/Spring 2023

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Co-Presidents- Acting Co-Presidents Executive Team

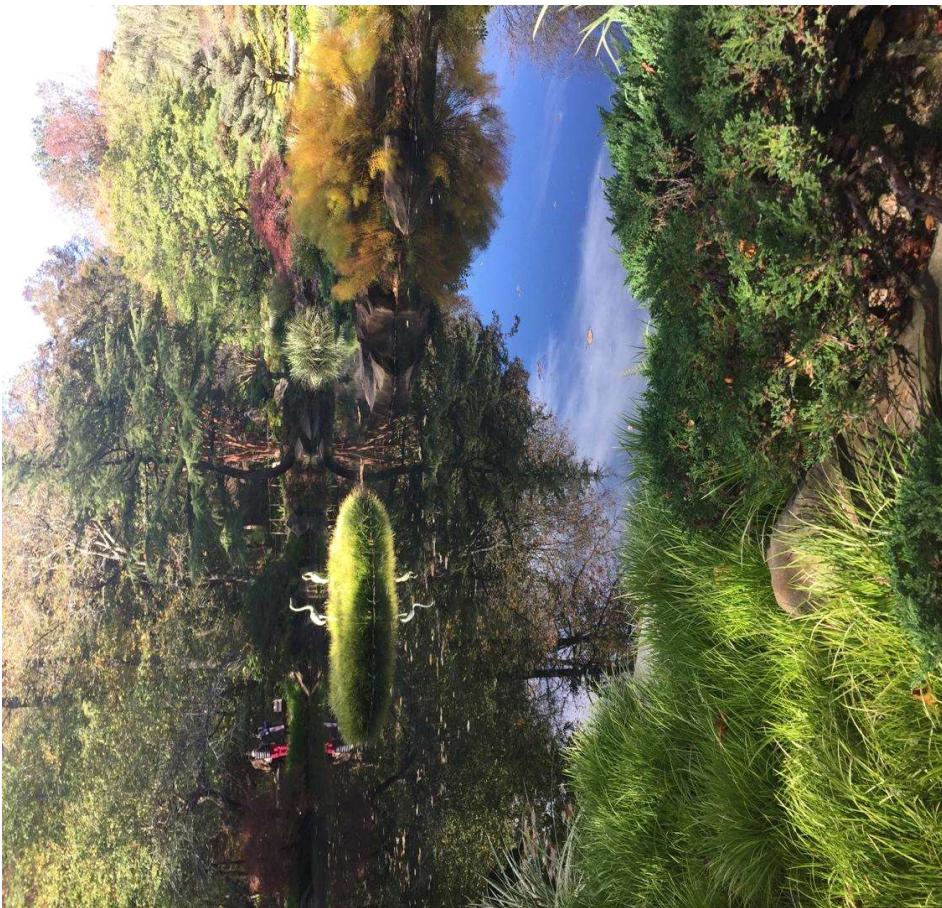
Vice-President – Deborah Butler

Treasurer – Gisele Prater

Secretary - Yvonne Waters

Assistant Secretary – Ann Alston

Gibbs Gardens



SFRE visited Gibbs Garden on a crisp October Day.

We enjoyed the fellowship and the beautiful fall scenery.



Join us for our Next outing to the Jimmy Carter Presidential Library on April 20, 2023. Check your email for information from SFREA about the tour.

Retired Educators Day Proclamation

South Fulton Retired Educators Marilyn Udeh and Helen Kelley received a proclamation from South Fulton's Mayor Kamau and Council Members in recognition of 'Retired Educators Day' in Georgia.



Celebrating Retired Educator Day on Sunday,

November 6, 2022 at Trinity AME Church in Atlanta with Rev. Marilyn Udeh, City of South Fulton Mayor Khalid Kamu and Educators.



Upcoming events

April 20, 2023 Tour Jimmy Carter Presidential Library

Lunch Mary Mac Tea Room

May 2-4, 2023 GREA Convention Augusta, GA

May 18, 2023 SFREA Meeting/Celebration 11:30 am
Village Café Fayetteville, GA

November 9, 2023 SFRE 50th Anniversary
Celebration

Hotel Indigo Atlanta Airport
College Park, GA

SFREA January 2023 meeting



Melvin Knight of the South Fulton Chamber of Commerce provided information about the purpose and goals of the Chamber

SFREA Executive Board toured the South Fulton Learning Center in Union City, GA.



SFRE member Frankie Arnold has been honored in the city of Fairburn, Georgia. The Frankie Arnold Stage and Courtyard bears her name. This is a venue used for music concerts and other local activities. You may want to visit

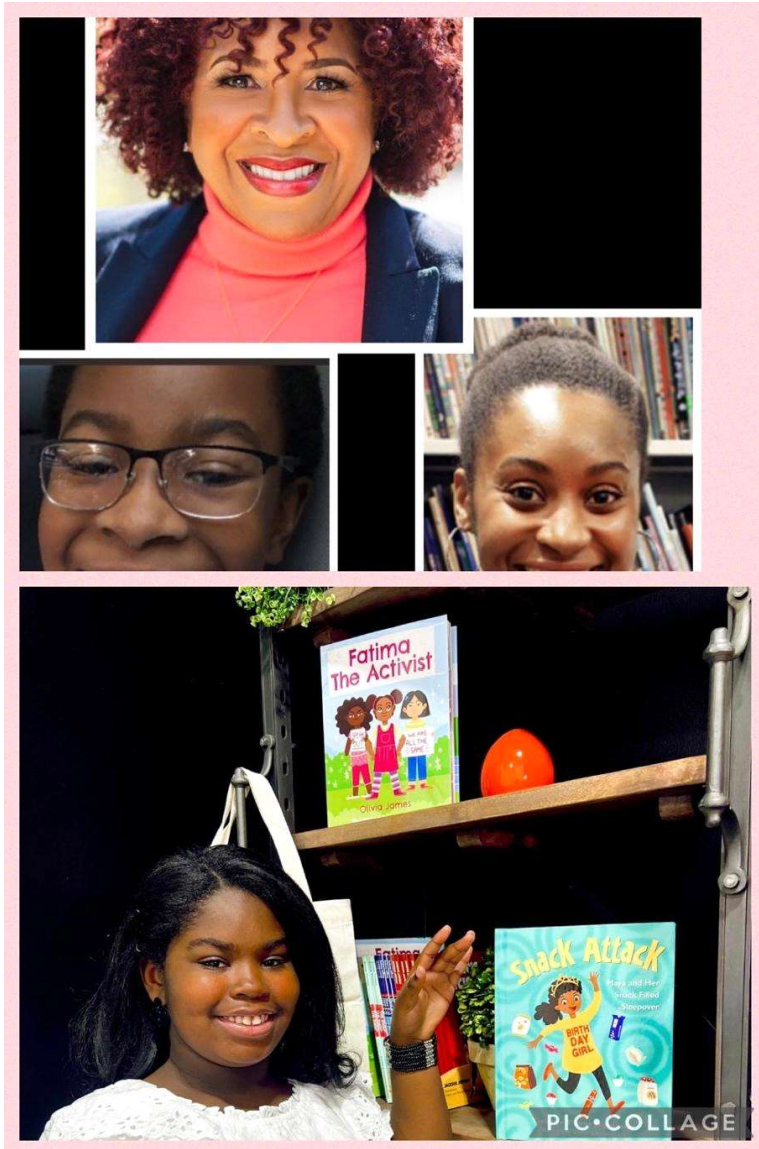
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Frankie Arnold Stage and Courtyard

15 West Broad Street Fairburn, Georgia



SFRE member Linda Hightower is Proud of her Family



- Hats off to you to my family members!
- You are an inspiration to many and a promise of great things ahead. Taylor Hightower (granddaughter), Ashton Hightower (nephew), and Wanda Morris (sister-in-law) are authors. Alex Hightower (neice) is an editor.
- Taylor and Ashton participated in the Young Authors program through their church (Ebenezer Baptist Church). This company helps to write stories of Black and Brown children. Taylor wrote *Snack Attack* and Ashton wrote *Sketches*.
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- Wanda Morris has written two books *All Her Little Secrets* and *Anywhere You Run*. Wanda's books have been featured on Good Morning America and the Today Show. Showtime is developing *All Her Little Secrets*, into a

- one-hour limited series drama based on the novel.
- Alex recently received two awards as the editor of Freewater. The book won the Coretta Scott King Award and the Newberry Award

Join the Executive Team

SFREA is still looking for two members to volunteer for the Co-Presidents officer positions. Currently we have five active former Presidents (Jackie Johnson, Audrie Kelton, Helen Kelley, Marilyn Udeh and Vickie Menefee), that are available to assist/help you in any way we can. Now would be a great time to grab a SFREA friend and volunteer to work together as Co-Presidents.