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Adult Programming Palooza

It's Your Library. All Grown Up. On December 7, 2018, the first Adult Programming Palooza welcomed over 70 participants hailing from Savannah to the Tennessee border. With the goal of sharing information about adult programming and learning from one another, this PACE (Professional and Continuing Education Interest Group) and the Georgia Library Association (GLA) sponsored event was created and organized by Angela Glowcheski of Sequoyah Regional Library System and Tracy Walker of Forsyth County Public Library.

Gathering at the Sharon Forks branch of the Forsyth County Public Library, attendees began the day with a round of program speed dating. Highlighting successfully executed programs from across the state, nine presenters shared the ins and outs of their programs, as well as answered questions from attendees during timed segments. Presenters gave participants one-sheets detailing their programs

and how they can be recreated in other libraries.

The afternoon segment began with an interactive presentation about adult learning from Dr. Molly Daniel of the University of North Georgia's Center for Teaching, Learning, and Leadership. It was followed by Angela Glowcheski discussing the stages of program preparation, implementation, and evaluation. And the afternoon came to a close with round table discussions of pertinent topics in adult programming.

Thanks to the generosity of GLA, there was no cost to attend Adult Programming Palooza, and lunch was provided for all attendees. Oscar Gittemeier, vice president of membership for GLA spoke about the benefits of joining the organization and provided information to attendees throughout the day.

It was an exuberant program filled with ideas, learning, and camaraderie. Attendance for the event reached maximum capacity shortly after registration opened and due to the number of people on the waiting list as well as many requests, the program will be held in South Georgia in spring of 2019. More information regarding the South Georgia Spring Palooza will be available shortly.