

Transforming Lives Through Literacy

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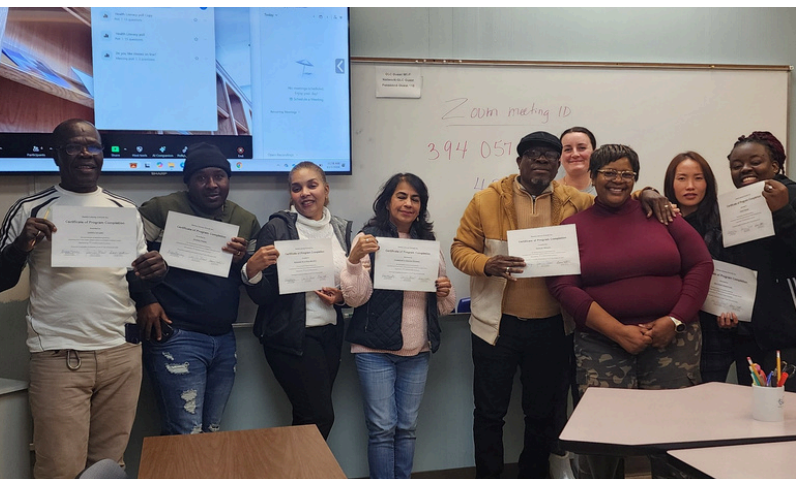
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An Evening with Claire Jimenez

On November 7th, at the Gaston Country Club, we were pleased to host Dr. Claire Jimenez, author of *What Happened to Ruthy Ramirez*, as the speaker for our fall fundraising event. Over 100 guests were entertained by her presentation and question-and-answer session. We also heard remarks from ESL student, Mileidy Palomino. We were able to raise \$14,221! Thank you to those able to attend!



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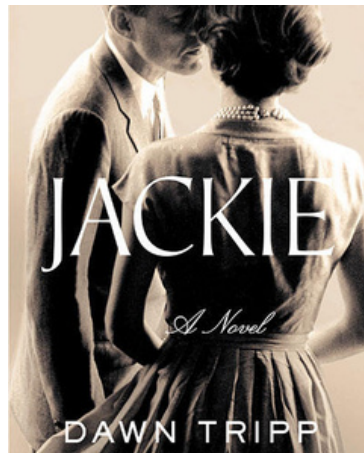
By the Numbers July - December

281 English-language learners
5 Adult literacy students
273 Second-graders in
Reading Soul Mates

Save the Date!

Meet the Author 2025
April 16th
Gaston Country Club
Details to come!

Merry
Christmas and
Happy New
Year from
GLC!



Reflection Pointe Teams up for Classroom Screens

At our Fall event, Board Member Jami Gibson described our programs and reported our need for new SmartBoards for classroom instruction. To date, we've received grant funds to replace one board from the NextGen Giving Circle at the Gaston Community Foundation and a second board from the Montcross Area Chamber. After the event we learned that residents of Reflection Pointe in Belmont, who attended our event, were challenging their neighbors to donate funds to purchase a third board. The great news is they raised \$1,725 of the \$3,300 purchase price. Thank you, Reflection Pointe and all of our funders!!

In this mesmerizing novel about Jacqueline Kennedy Onassis, acclaimed author Dawn Tripp has crafted an intimate story of love and power, family and tragedy, loss and reinvention. Jackie is the story of a woman who forged a legacy out of grief and shaped history even as she was living it—a deeply private person with a nuanced, formidable intellect. It is the story of a love affair, a complicated marriage, and the fracturing of identity that comes in the wake of unthinkable violence.