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Juanita Pritchard wins the **2015 Tools for Life Assistive Technology Visionary Award** at the Institute Designed for Educating All Students (IDEAS) Conference

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St. Simon’s, Georgia | June 2015 – Juanita Pritchard was presented with the prestigious **2015 Tools for Life Assistive Technology Visionary Award** on **June 2, 2015**. Juanita Pritchard won the hotly contested prize over other nominees throughout Georgia.

The **Tools for Life Assistive Technology Awards Ceremony** has been a tradition within Georgia for the last **19** years. The **Visionary Award** recognizes a leader in the field of Assistive Technology in who has enhanced the field by demonstrating vision, innovation, and/or initiative. This award was created by Tools for Life, Georgia’s AT Act to promote creativity and encourage AT and universal design principles for equal access of all people.

Juanita Pritchard accepted the Assistive Technology Visionary Award in person in front of 775 educators and assistive technology professionals from throughout Georgia at IDEAS. Juanita Pritchard rose above the other nominees for a variety of reasons; including her ability to advance understanding, access, acquisition and/or quality service delivery.

Ms. Pritchard received a unique hand-crafted bowl created exclusively for the Tools for Life AT Award Winners by Georgia artisans, In the Woods Studio, LLC. These beautiful pieces serve as a reminder of the knowledge, skills and abilities that overflow from Ms. Pritchard’s “bowl” as she assists students with disabilities in achieving their educational goals.

Tools for Life, Georgia's Assistive Technology Act Program, is dedicated to increasing access to and acquisition of assistive technology (AT) devices and services for Georgians of all ages and disabilities so they can live, work and play independently and with greater freedom in communities of their choice. Find out more at www.gatfl.gatech.edu.

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