



Chestatee Regional Library System
Lumpkin County Library
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Lumpkin County Library Monthly Report – December 2011

- **Library Visits:** 6,662
- **Circulation:** 12,039 items
- **Internet Use:** 922
- **Requests Filled:** 1,670
- **Attendance during Meeting Room Uses:** 124
- **Information Questions Answered:** 505
- **Volunteer Hours:** 53
- **New Patron Registrations:** 47

HIGHLIGHTS

Branch Activities:

- Worked with the Community Helping Place by providing free books to families who qualify for the White Christmas program. So far, the library has provided books to 173 children and 122 adults. We will continue this program until the end of January.
- Staff member created a display featuring “Season’s Eatings”—a collection of cookbooks/recipes for the holidays.
- Library was closed December 24-January 2 for winter holidays and furlough.

Youth Services Activities:

- Hosted Holiday Evening Story Time. Reader, Jane Czajkoski shared 4 stories, Braden Barrentine and Brandon Helton performed 4 songs, and Maddie Moore helped with 3 crafts. We had 31 folks in attendance for this festive event.
- Planned and implemented 3 sessions of gingerbread house workshops. We had 27 children attend this popular annual event.
- Our middle school teen group made Christmas cards which were delivered to a local nursing home for the holidays.

Information Specialist Activities:

- Prepared and implemented an eBook Workshop. The workshop informed users on how to navigate and access the free eBook materials the library provides from their personal devices. The workshop was attended by 15 patrons.
- Prepared and implemented a Computer Basics Class attended by 5 patrons.
- Prepared and implemented an Internet Basics Class attended by 2 patrons.
- Prepared an email handout to assist patrons in creating an email account.

Highlights of plans for upcoming month:

- We will be hosting a representative from Barnes & Noble, who will be facilitating a workshop for the Nook e-Reader on January 27. We already have eight patrons who have signed up for this class
- Wayne Knuckles, editor and writer for the Dahlonega Nugget, will be presenting a talk on January 26, featuring the recently republished "Observations from a Lumpkin Peak", featuring stories/anecdotes from W.B. Townsend.
- Finalizing details for the inception of a chess club for teens at the library, enlisting volunteers from North Georgia College.
- Create and organize a coupon display where patrons are able to take, leave and use coupons.
- Display and organize state and federal tax forms for patrons.