



**Chestatee Regional Library System**  
Lumpkin County Library  
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**Lumpkin County Library Monthly Report – August 2011**

- **Library Visits:** 9,889
- **Circulation:** 17,893 items
- **Internet Use:** 1,514
- **Requests Filled:** 1,417
- **Attendance during Meeting Room Uses:** 634
- **Information Questions Answered:** 840
- **Volunteer Hours:** 77.5
- **New Patron Registrations:** 85

**HIGHLIGHTS**

**Branch Activities:**

- Installed a wireless printer so that patrons can print from their personal laptops.
- Have begun to sell the book "Observations from a Peak in Lumpkin County" by W.B. Townsend and edited by local author Deborah Smith. All proceeds benefit Chestatee Regional Library System.
- Procured books for eleven community book discussion groups.
- Volunteer-led genealogy class held on August 20 welcomed six folks for an introduction to genealogy.

**Youth Services Activities:**

- Planned upcoming session for story times. Totally Toddlers will serve children ages 2-3 and Movers & Shakers will serve ages 4-5.
- Attended Stewards of Children workshop at the Lumpkin County Board of Education on August 18. The focus of the workshop was prevention and recognizing the signs of sexual abuse in children.

**Information Specialist Activities:**

- Created Career Center, a designated area where a patron can find job postings, job seeking information, resume help as well as interview help.
- Three computer classes were offered: Beyond Computer Basics, Internet Searching, and Microsoft Word.
- The library held a computer classes for Avita on June August 31. Avita serves adults with developmental disabilities in the community. The individuals learned how to use a mouse, how to perform a basics search on the internet and how to use Microsoft Word templates.

## UPCOMING EVENTS

- **Great Lumpkin County Scavenger Hunt**

**Saturday, October 1, 9 AM-1PM**

**TEAMS NEEDED!**

For \$100 donation to Lumpkin County Library you could win up to \$1000!\* Participating teams receive a list of wacky tasks that must be completed in 4 hours. The team with the most points wins the prize!

Go on wild goose chases, act silly, spend time with your friends and family, explore Lumpkin County AND support Lumpkin County Library. Call 706-864-3668 for more information.

A special thanks to our sponsors:

- Dahlonge Gymnastics
- Dahlonge Sunshine Rotary Club
- Dahlonge Woman's Club
- McDonald's
- North Georgia Continuing Education

\*Prize will be based on 10% of the gross profits up to \$1000.

- **Computer Basics**

**Wednesday, September 7 at 9 AM**

This computer class will focus on the basic parts of the computer, the ability to navigate through the Windows system and troubleshooting. No prior knowledge needed.

Registration is required. Please call 706-864-3668 to sign up.

- **Lumpkin County Library Crocheting & Knitting Group**

**Saturday, September 10, 10 AM-12 PM**

After a long summer break the crochet and knitting group is reconvening! Come join this lively knitting group as we create different knitted and crocheted projects to benefit the community. All ages and experience levels welcome. PLEASE NOTE: The meeting length has changed from 4 hours to 2 hours.

- **Local Author Book Signing: *Words to Read By (random ramblings of a roving reporter)* by Matt Aiken**

**Saturday, September 10, 11 AM-12 PM**

Stop in and meet local author Matt Aiken and learn more about his book. *Words to Read By* contains the very best of Matt Aiken's *Nugget* columns. We're talking about witty literary adventures that feature anything from spray tans to sky diving to his scruffy dog Scamper. Come by and read for yourself!

- **Totally Toddlers - 11 AM Tuesdays**

**September 13-October 18**

This program is designed for children ages 2 to 3. The program is shorter than Movers and Shakers Story Time and offers age appropriate books, songs, and fingerplays.

Children in this age range tend to have a shorter attention span, so several short activities are used between each book in order to hold the child's interest.

- **Movers and Shakers - 11 AM Wednesdays**

**September 14-October 19**

This program is intended for children ages 4 to 5. We hope this will be a fun and exciting experience for you and your child. The programs are designed to best serve groups of not more than 20 children. No pre-registration is required, but groups larger than five are requested to call at least two days in advance. The programs last 45 minutes to an hour and may include songs, finger plays and crafts.

- **Internet Basics**

**Wednesday, September 14 at 9 AM**

This computer class teaches a basic knowledge of the internet. Learn the parts of the explorer window and how to navigate Google. We will also discuss email accounts and search tips for the internet. Students need to be familiar with a computer and have basic knowledge on how to use a keyboard and mouse. Registration is required. Please call 706-864-3668 to sign up.

- **Happy Bookers**

**Thursday, September 15 at 1:30 PM**

September Selection: *Wins, Losses, & Lessons: An Autobiography* by Lou Holtz  
The Happy Bookers book discussion group meets the third Thursday of each month. The group rotates discussing fiction, non-fiction, and award-winning books. New members are welcome! Please ask a staff member if you would like to reserve a copy of this month's book.

- **Genealogy Workshop**

**Saturday, September 17 at 11 AM**

Interested in learning how to use the web to trace your family roots? Then you don't want to miss this class! Volunteer William Knight will share his knowledge and teach you how to use and access different databases available on the web. Call 706-864-3668 to reserve your space.

- **Teen Magazine Mosaics Craft**

**Wednesday, September 21, 4 PM**

What can you do with an old magazine? Join our teen craft group and make a wallet, messenger bag, or wall art. Grades 6-8.