

# Chestatee Highlighter

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## Lumpkin County Library Honored

The Lumpkin County Historical Society honored the Lumpkin County Library at a recent meeting held on April 9. To correlate with Gold Rush Days this past October, our youth services specialist, Andrea Tucker, designed a program centered around pioneering skills for our Discovery Club, which is geared for grades six through eight. During the program, participants learned how and why cream turns into butter (with a special sample to share). The teens also made spindles to try hand spinning to see how and why wool sticks together when it is spun. Cotton handkerchiefs were tie-dyed with blueberries to replicate how pioneers used natural dyes to color fabric. The historical society presented this award in recognition of this program as it aided in the preservation of the History and Heritage of the people, places and events of Lumpkin County, Georgia. (Photo attached: Agnes Fuller, Information Specialist, accepts the award on the library's behalf.)



l-r: Barbara J. Butler, Shady Grove Cemetery Rehabilitation Project; Mel Hawkins, Mountain Music and Medicine Show; Dr. Jack Wynn, Blue Ridge Archaeology Guild; Agnes Fuller, Lumpkin County Library Discovery Club; Mary Jane King, donating Aunt Nine's Spinning Wheel

## North Georgia Authors Guild Event

Join members of the North Georgia Authors Guild at the **Lumpkin County Library on Thursday, May 7, 2015, from 5:00 – 7:00 p.m.**

The North Georgia Authors Guild is a newly formed group of published, professional authors. The group meets to discuss the art of writing, the craft of writing, and how to navigate through the "business" of how to get published.

Featured authors at the event include: Anne Amerson (*I Remember Dahlonega* series and others), Jack Anthony (*Mountains and Waterfalls of North Georgia*), Jameson Gregg (*Luck be a Chicken*), David Rothel (*Those Great Cowboy Sidekicks* and others), Trisha Slay (*Not So Long Ago, Not So Far Away*), Clint Smith (*Faith and the Formula*), Mitzi Szereto (*Getting Even: Revenge Stories*, and others), Sharon Thomason (*Sing Them Over Again to Me*), Paul Von Ward (*We've Never Been Alone*, and others), and Emory Jones (*The Valley Where They Danced*) The authors will be available at the library during this event with copies of their works for sale. They will also be glad to personally sign a copy of their book(s) as well. Many of the authors have books that have been cataloged and are a part of the library collection. In addition, copies of the Ludlow Porch book, *The Fat White Guy's Cookbook*, will also be available for sale by the late author's wife.

Come support this great group of talented authors. Drop in any time during the event to visit with the group and enjoy the evening. Members of the group will be sharing selected readings of their work throughout the evening as well. Light refreshments will be served. (Please note that this was a list of participating authors currently available; more authors may participate).

# Spotlight on Services

Chestatee Regional Library System is pleased to announce the launch of OneClickdigital, an online service that allows patrons to check out eAudiobooks and eBooks, including best-sellers, Recorded Books exclusives, classics, selections for children and young adults, and much more.



Patrons have free access to eAudio and eBooks at home, in the library, or on the go. Many titles are multi-access, so multiple users can check out a given title at the same time, eliminating holds. OneClickdigital is compatible with all popular listening devices, and mobile apps are available for the iPhone®, Android™, and Kindle Fire. OneClickdigital features an easy-to-use interface with streamlined navigation, fast downloads, and automatic software updates. Live toll-free technical support is available at 1-877-77AUDIO.

Details on how to access OneClickdigital may be found at [www.chestateelibrary.org](http://www.chestateelibrary.org), or see a library staff member.



Special thanks to **Keep Our Mountains Beautiful Lumpkin County** for planting flowers in front of the Lumpkin County Library. The organization donated both the materials and the time to help make the library grounds look great.

## Thanks to You!

The following have given us 180 volunteer hours worth \$ 4,186.80 in April:

- Raven Amey • Joyce Ball • Ellen Barlament  
 Reg Barlament • Fran Bodman • Jody Carlson  
 Daria Davis • Linda Dobson • Nan Donay • Ann Evans  
 Katelyn Ferguson • Amy Hood • Don Keeney  
 Hazel Kilgore • William Knight • Leslie Kupkowski  
 Susan Newell • Alondra Padilla • Michelle Pollard  
 Danielle Reddish • Barbara Reynolds  
 Ashley Rodriguez • Susan Roof • Pam Sheffield  
 Nicole Smith • Eydie Stegall • Michael Thomas  
 Trilla Wade

The library has received recent donations totaling \$ 432.52:

*If you have made a donation or volunteered during April and your name is not listed, please accept our apology, and call us so we can correct our records.*

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★ **Be a Hero this Summer – VRP is coming!** ★

★ Kids and Teens! Are you ready to read for prizes this summer? Sign up beginning June 1st at the Dawson and Lumpkin County Public Libraries! Our themes this summer are: ★ **EVERY HERO HAS A STORY** ★ and **Unmask** (teens)! ★

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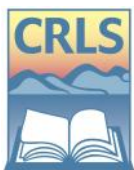


## It is time for the Great Dawson County Scavenger Hunt!

**Dawson County Library**  
**Saturday, June 13, 2015 9:00 AM - 1:00 PM**  
 Go on wild goose chases, act silly, spend time with your friends and family, explore Dawson County AND support the Friends of the Dawson County Library. Teams will be given a list of tasks to complete, each worth different point values based on the level of difficulty. They will then travel around the county and take pictures as proof of completion. All teams then return to the library at a designated time to see who wins. The Dawson County Scavenger Hunt will be held Saturday, June 13, 2015. All you need are 4 people, a car, a camera, and \$100. The grand prize for the winning team is a cash prize of up to \$500!\*

*\*Prize will be based on 10% of the gross profits up to \$500.*





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## May Happenings

### BOOK CLUBS

#### Page Turners

##### *Dawson County Library*

**Thursday, May 14, 2015 1:00 PM**

The Page Turners book discussion groups rotate 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. The group will be discussing Still Alice by Lisa Genova.

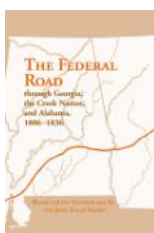


#### Georgia History Book Club

##### *Dawson County Library*

**Wednesday, May 20, 2015 2:00 PM - 3:00 PM**

Do you love reading books about Georgia History??? Then you will love to join this book club. The book club will meet the 3rd Wednesday of every month at 2:00PM. The book for May is The Federal Road Through Georgia by Henry Deleon Sutherland. Ask the circulation staff for a copy today!



#### Happy Bookers Book Discussion Group

##### *Lumpkin County Library*

**Thursday, May 21, 2015 1:30 PM**

The Happy Bookers book discussion group meets the 3rd Thursday of each month at the library. The group rotates discussing fiction, nonfiction, and award-winning books. New members are welcome! May's selection is The Light Between the Oceans by M.L. Stedman.



### COMPUTERS & TECHNOLOGY

#### Computer Basics Class

##### *Lumpkin County Library*

**Wednesday, May 06, 2015 9:30 AM - 10:30 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 required. Please call 706-864-3668 to sign up. Class size is limited to 4.



#### Introduction to the Internet

##### *Lumpkin County Library*

**Wednesday, May 20, 2015 9:30 AM - 10:30 AM**

This class teaches a basic knowledge of the internet. Learn the parts of the Explorer window and how to navigate search engines (such as Google). Registration required. Please call 706-864-3668 to sign up. Class size is limited to 4.



### Ebook/Zinio Q&A Sessions

#### *Lumpkin County Library*

**Wednesday, May 27, 2015 1:30 PM - 5:30 PM**

Do you need help downloading library e-books and/or digital magazines (Zinio) onto your Kindle, iPhone, Nook, or other device? Schedule an individual 1-hour session with the Information Specialist and get all your questions answered! Bring your device(s) to the appointment. Registration is required. Please call 706-864-3668 to sign up.



### ADULTS

#### AARP Safe Driving Course

##### *Lumpkin County Library*

**Saturday, May 02, 2015 9:00 AM - 4:00 PM**

This is a driver safety course conducted by AARP volunteers. Learn about current rules of the road and defensive driving techniques. Those who complete the class are eligible for a discount on their auto insurance. The course is specifically designed for drivers over the age of 50, but it is an excellent review of Georgia laws and safe driving practices for everyone. Contact Don Linnartz at 770-538-4816 or via email at [delinnartz@gmail.com](mailto:delinnartz@gmail.com) to sign up or for more information.

### AUTHOR TALKS

#### Wicked Atlanta: The Sordid Side of Peach City History

##### *Dawson County Library*

**Saturday, May 16, 2015 11:00 AM**

Laurel-Ann Dooley, author of Wicked Atlanta: The Sordid Side of Peach City History, will be here to take the audience on a journey through the underworld of Atlanta's past filled with kidnapping, bribery, wives hiring hit men and all sorts of other criminal debauchery. This event is sponsored by the Dawson County Friends of the Library. Light refreshments will be served.



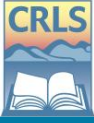
#### Another Long, Hot Day

##### *Dawson County Library*

**Saturday, May 09, 2015 11:00 AM**

Join us as author, Stan Waits talks about his new book, Another Long, Hot Day. Following their parents' violent deaths, Charlie and his three brothers are cast into the sometimes-brutal world of orphanage life. Against the backdrop of the racial injustice of Georgia in the 1960s, two old men--one white and one black--help Charlie discover his self-worth. Through hunting trips, hard work, and conversation, these two men guide Charlie through the emotional minefield between devastating loss and long-lasting peace.





# MAY HAPPENINGS

## GENEALOGY

**Ancestry Library Edition Basics Class**  
**Lumpkin County Library**

**Thursday, May 28, 2015 2:00 PM - 3:00 PM**

A public library version of the popular Ancestry.com, Ancestry Library Edition is an online collection containing thousands of genealogical databases and billions of records. This course will teach participants how to use Ancestry Library Edition to research their family history, which is free when accessed on any of the library's public computers. Registration is required, with a class size limited to 5. Basic mouse and keyboarding skills are pre-requisites. Call 706-864-3668 to sign up.

## FAMILY

**Book Sale**  
**Dawson County Library**

**Friday & Saturday, May 1 & 2, 2015 10:00 AM - 3:30 PM**

Come to the library for a fantastic book sale! The Dawson County library will have a wide variety of gently used books on sale at extremely low prices. Proceeds from the sale will help sponsor our library programs as well as purchase new library books for the collection.

**Kentucky Derby Party**  
**Dawson County Library**

**Saturday, May 02, 2015 2:00 - 4:00 PM**

You are cordially invited to our Kentucky Derby Party. Come eat appetizers, drink sweet tea, and merrily bet on your favorites while wearing your derby attire. Please RSVP 706-344-3690 or by email: chunter@chestateelibrary.org.



**Friends of the Lumpkin County Library Used Book Sale**

**Lumpkin County Library**  
**Saturday, May 09, 2015 11:00 AM - 1:00 PM**

In partnership with the Friends of Lumpkin Library, there will be a used book sale in the downstairs book sale room of the Lumpkin County Library. Come and shop for great books and great values!

**Friday Flicks**  
**Dawson County Library**

**Friday, May 15th @ 7PM**

Join us once a month for a Friday Flick at the library! We'll show the latest movies on the big screen in the meeting room. Friday, May 15th, we'll be showing Academy Award winner Big Hero 6! Popcorn and drinks provided. So bring your pillows and sleeping bags and join us for FREE family fun!



**Touch-A-Truck**  
**Lumpkin County Library**

**Saturday, May 16, 2015 11:00 AM - 12:30 PM**

Visit the library to get an up close view of trucks and other interesting vehicles. We are expecting a fire truck, garbage truck, semi-trailer truck, police car, and many more!



## CHILDREN

**Reading to Dogs**  
**Lumpkin County Library**

**Saturday, May 02, 2015 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM**

**Dawson County Library**  
**Tuesday, May 19, 2015 5:45 - 6:45 PM**  
Reading to dogs helps children build self confidence in a comfortable, accepting environment. This is an opportunity for your child to practice his or her reading skills for fifteen minutes, working one-on-one with a therapy dog and his or her trainer. Register at the circulation desk or call 706-864-3668 in Lumpkin County or 706-344-3690 in Dawson County.



**Full STEAM Ahead - Grades K-5**  
**Lumpkin County Library**

**Tuesday, May 26, 2015 4:00 PM - 5:00 PM**

Each month we will be focusing-in on a topic related to Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts, and Math in a fun and hands-on way. May's topic: Engineering & Construction.



## TWEENS & TEENS

**Teen Scavenger Hunt and Cinco de Mayo**  
**Dawson County Library**

**Tuesday, May 5, 2015 3:30 PM**

Race through the library finding clues and answers! If you or your team wins, you get to take home a prize book! Enjoy Cinco de Mayo treats, too! Friends, Food, Fun, FREE!



**Discovery Club - Teens**  
**Lumpkin County Library**

**Tuesday, May 19, 2015 4:00 PM - 5:00 PM**

Every 3rd Tuesday we will be discovering and exploring a new science-y topic! Grades 6th - 12th. May's theme: Engineering / Construction.



**Lego Club**  
**Lumpkin County Library - Grades K-5th and 6th-12th**

**Tuesday, May 12, 2015 4:00 PM - 5:00 PM**

**Dawson County Library - Tweens**  
**Wednesday, May 13, 2015 3:30 PM**  
Join us for two rooms of LEGO building fun! We provide the LEGO's and you provide the talent! May's Theme: "Super-heroes!"



**Full STEAM Ahead - Tweens**  
**Dawson County Library**

**Tuesday, May 12, 2015 4:00 PM**

Full STEAM ahead! Explore the wonderful worlds of science, technology, engineering, art, and math every month! Join us this month and learn all about mechanical engineering!

