

# Chestatee Highlighter

**Chestatee Regional Library System**  
Serving Dawson and Lumpkin Counties

Volume 18, Number 3

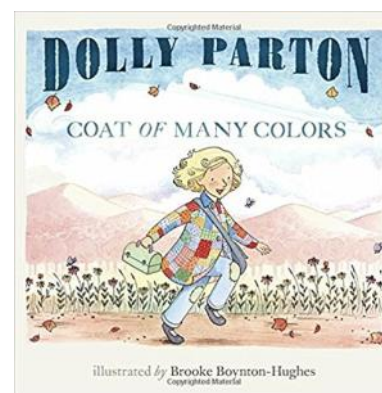
## DOLLY PARTON DONATES HER 100 MILLIONTH BOOK TO THE LIBRARY OF CONGRESS

In 1996, country music legend Dolly Parton commenced the Imagination Library program in her home town of Sevier County, Tennessee. She wanted to foster the love of reading among her county's preschool children and their families. To accomplish this, Dolly Parton started mailing free, hard-cover, age-appropriate books to every child under the age of 5 in her community through the Dollywood Foundation. Mrs. Robin Ferst Howser was inspired by Dolly Parton's Imagination Library and contacted Parton for support in starting a program in Georgia. In 1999, Mrs. Howser established the Ferst Books Foundation. The foundation sent books obtained from Dolly Parton's Imagination Library to children, birth to 5 years of age, in Howser's home town of Madison, Georgia. The Ferst Foundation now serves over 46 counties in Georgia. Each county manages the program through a community action team. Each county handles the cost of the program through donations from various sources including private donations. Materials are sent at no cost to the children enrolled, and enrollment is not based on any socioeconomic factors. Dawson (Wee Books) and Lumpkin Counties both participate in this exciting program. The only requirement is the child must live in the county and is under the age of 5. To register visit our website at [www.chestateelibrary.org](http://www.chestateelibrary.org) or by stopping by your local library. The library also sponsors a program called 1,000 books before kindergarten to encourage preschoolers to read. Stop by the library to pick up a registration form and learn more about it.

In celebration of this wonderful program, Country Music legend, Dolly Parton donated the 100 millionth book to the Library of Congress. The book is titled, "Coat of Many Colors" by Dolly Parton and Illustrated by Brooke Boynton Hughes.



Dolly Parton speaks at the Library of Congress. Photograph: Andrew Harnik/AP



1,000  
BOOKS  
BY Kindergarten

### Headquarters

342 Allen Street  
Dawsonville, GA 30534  
Phone: 706-344-3690  
Fax: 706-344-3692

### Lumpkin County Library

342 Courthouse Hill  
Dahlonega, GA 30533  
706-864-3668

### Dawson County Library

342 Allen Street  
Dawsonville, GA 30534  
706-344-3690

### Dawson County Satellite Library

145 Liberty Drive  
Dawsonville, GA 30534  
706-216-3800 Ext. 71200

### Director

Leslie Clark

### Assistant Director

Vicki Adkison

### Dawson County Library Branch Manager

Stacey Leonhardt

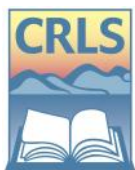
### Lumpkin County Library Branch Manager

Tracey Thomaswick

Chestatee Highlighter is a  
monthly publication of  
the Chestatee Regional  
Library System

[www.chestateelibrary.org](http://www.chestateelibrary.org)





# Chestatee Regional Library System

Serving Dawson and Lumpkin Counties

[www.chestateelibrary.org](http://www.chestateelibrary.org)

## March Happenings

### CHILDREN

#### Movers and Shakers

Dawson County Library

Thursdays, March 1-29, 2018 10:00-10:45AM

Stories, songs, rhymes, and a craft for children aged 2-5.

#### Reading to Dogs

Lumpkin County Library

Saturday, March 3, 2018 1:00PM-2:00PM

Dawson County Library

Tuesday, March 20, 2018 5:45PM-6:45PM

Your child can practice his or her reading skills for fifteen minutes, working one-on-one with a therapy dog. Ages: 1st grade and up.

Registration required.

#### Book Babies

Lumpkin County Library

Mondays, March 12-26, 2018 11:00AM-11:45AM

Dawson County Library

Tuesdays, March 6-27, 2018 10:30-11:30AM

The storytimes include songs, action rhymes, and stories. Structured activity for 15 minutes with playtime after. Ages: Birth – 23 months.

#### Building Blocks Storytime

Lumpkin County Library

Wednesdays, March 14-28, 2018 11:00AM-11:45AM

The program lasts approximately 45 minutes and may include songs, fingerplays, and crafts in addition to the stories. Ages 2-5

#### Art Explorers

Dawson County Library

Monday, March 26, 2018 4:00-5:00 PM

Every month we will explore a different artist, style, or technique and create our own works of art! Ages 5-10

### FAMILY

#### Chess Club and Board Game Night

Dawson County Library

Tuesday March 6, 2018 3:30-5:30PM

Play and learn chess basics and tactics, or enjoy a wide range of board games for all skill levels! Boards and pieces are provided.

#### Theater Thursday

Lumpkin County Library

Thursday, March 8, 2018 5:00PM-6:30PM

Free family movie! We will be showing "Ratchet & Clank" (PG)

Popcorn will be provided, or you are welcome to bring your own snacks!

#### 3-D Printer Demo

Lumpkin County Library

Mondays, March 5-26, 2018 2:00PM-5:00PM

Stop in and watch a 3-D printer demonstration and enter to win one of the creations!

#### Pajama Storytime

Dawson County Library

Tuesday, March 13, 2018 6:00PM-6:45PM

Lumpkin County Library

Thursday, March 15, 2018 6:00PM-6:45PM

Put on your best pajamas and join us for stories, crafts, and snacks.

Fun for the whole family!

#### Create Your Own Family Tree

Lumpkin County Library

Thursday, March 1, 2018 6:00PM-6:45PM

This is a kid-friendly introduction to genealogy. There will be stories, a group activity, and a family tree to color.

#### Origami Club

Dawson County Library

Tuesday March 20, 2018 5:30-6:30

Master the ancient art of Origami! Paper, instruction, and refreshments will be provided for children of all ages.

#### Lego Club

Dawson County Library

Wednesday March 7, 2018 4:00-5:00PM

Lumpkin County Library

Tuesday, March 13, 2018 4:00PM-5:00PM

Calling all Master Builders! We'll supply the Legos you bring your creativity. Grades K-5th & 6th-12th.

#### STEAM Power

Lumpkin County Library

Tuesday, March 20, 2018 4:00PM-4:45PM

During this program, we explore a new STEAM topic each month.

In March we will be exploring the science of bubbles. 3rd-5th grade.

#### Picking Up STEAM!

Lumpkin County Library

Tuesday, March 27, 2018 4:00PM-4:45PM

We explore a different STEAM topic each month. In March we will be exploring the science of bubbles. K- 2nd Grade

### TEENS

#### Teen Cupcake Decorating

Dawson County Library

Wednesday, March 7, 2018 3:00PM-4:00PM

Come turn a plain cupcake into an adorable panda bear! Supplies will be provided. Registration required. Teens ages 13-18.

#### Mental Health Talk for Teens

Dawson County Library

Wednesday, March 14, 2018 3:30PM-4:30PM

This FREE program will allow teens an opportunity to talk in a group environment with a mental health counselor from Avita Partners.

#### Teen Anime Club

Dawson County Library

Wednesday, March 21, 2018 3:00PM-5:00PM

Teens ages 13-18 meet to watch anime films and discuss anime, manga and Japanese pop culture. The movie played will be PG-13 this month, parent permission slip is required.

### BOOKS

#### A Different Kind of Book Club

Lumpkin County Library

Thursday, March 1, 2018 1:30PM-3:00PM

For the March discussion, participants are asked to come prepared to discuss a nonfiction book about the Elizabethan Age (1558-1603).

#### Happy Bookers Book Club

Lumpkin County Library

Thursday, March 15, 2018 1:30PM-3:00PM

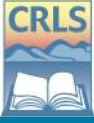
The group discusses fiction, nonfiction, and award-winning books. March's selection: "The Nightingale" by Kristin Hannah.

#### Book Sale

Lumpkin County Library

Saturday, March 3, 2018 10:00AM-3:00PM

Come browse a great selection of hardback and paperback books, and help the library at the same time!



## MARCH HAPPENINGS

### Georgia On My Mind Book Club

Dawson County Library

Wednesday, March 21, 2018 3:30PM-4:30PM

This month's selection will be *The Roswell Women* by Frances Patton Statham.

### ADULT

#### Yoga

Dawson County Library

Thursdays, March 1-22, 2018

Floor Yoga 11:00AM-12:00PM

Chair Yoga- 3:00PM-4:00PM

This program is senior based but all ages are welcome.

Instructor: Lynne Campbell. Bring your own yoga mat for floor yoga. FREE!

#### AARP Safe Driver Program

Lumpkin County Library

Thursday, March 8, 2018 9:00AM-4:00PM (break for lunch)

Learn about current rules of the road and defensive driving techniques. Those 25 and older who complete the class are eligible for a discount on their auto insurance. Contact Don Linnartz at 770-538-4816 or via email at: delinnartz@gmail.com to sign up or for more information.

#### Nutrition Discussion Group

Lumpkin County Library

Tuesday, March 13, 2018 11:30-12:30PM

Susan Brown Warren, a certified Health & Nutrition coach, will facilitate a free group. This month we will discuss spring health tips.

#### Colorama Adult Coloring Club

Lumpkin County Library

Wednesdays, March 7-28, 2018 11:00AM-1:00PM

Come join us for our adult coloring club. All materials are provided for this FREE program.

#### Knitting Club

Dawson County Library

Wednesdays, March 7-28, 2018 10:00AM-12:00PM

Thursdays, March 1-22, 2018 6:00PM-7:00PM

Gather to work on your current project and have a fun time with fellow knitters. Beginners welcome...just bring your own yarn & needles. Ages 18 and up.

Please note: The evening knitting club will enter through the meeting room door on the left side of the library.

#### Crochet Club

Dawson County Library

Friday, March 2-23, 2018 10:00AM-12:00PM

Gather to work on your current project and have a fun time with fellow crochet fanatics. Beginners welcome...just bring your own yarn & hook (size G hook is recommended for newbies). This club is for ages 18 and up, completely FREE!

#### Tai Chi

Dawson County Library

Mondays, March 5-26, 2018 10AM-11:00AM

If you're looking for a way to reduce stress, consider tai chi (TIE-CHIEE). Often described as meditation in motion, tai chi promotes serenity through gentle, flowing movements.

#### BUNCO

Dawson County Library

Monday, March 12, 2018 1:00PM-4:00PM

BUNCO is a group for fun and socialization. This game is easy to pick up and loads of fun. Bring a friend.

#### 641 Cookbook Club

Dawson County Library

Tuesday, March 13, 2018 12:00PM-1:00PM

Choose a recipe from the cookbook on display at the library. Bring your prepared recipe and share your results.

#### Just Words Scrabble Club

Lumpkin County Library

Tuesdays, March 13 & 27, 2018 2:00PM-4:00PM

All levels of experience are welcome, and game boards are provided.

#### American Red Cross Blood Drive

Lumpkin County Library

Thursday, March 15, 2018 12:00PM-5:00PM

To make an appointment, please visit [www.RedCrossBlood.org](http://www.RedCrossBlood.org) and enter sponsor keyword: Lumpkin, or call 1-800-733-2767.

#### Adult Craft Night

Dawson County Library

Tuesday, March 27, 2018 5:00PM-7:00PM

No artistic skills required...just come and have some fun at your library! All supplies will be provided. Registration required.

#### Stitch in Time Craft Craft Session

Lumpkin County Library

Fridays, March 2-30, 2018 10:00AM-12:00PM

Enjoy the company of other craft folks as you work on your own knitting, crochet, crosstitch, or other project! (Note: No instruction provided).

### GENEALOGY/TECHNOLOGY

#### Genealogy for Beginners

Lumpkin County Library

Wednesday, March 7, 2018 2:00PM-3:30PM

This class is intended for those new to genealogy and will cover all the basics you need to get started. Registration required.

#### Pinterest for Beginners

Lumpkin County Library

Wednesday, February 14, 2018 2:00PM-3:00PM

Pinterest is a social media site that lets you save and organize pictures of things you like. Registration required.

#### Using Fold 3 & World Vital Records

Lumpkin County Library

Wednesday, March 28, 2018 2:00PM-3:00PM

Fold3 contains U.S. military records, and more. World Vital Records boasts over 21,000 collections that include birth, marriage, and death records from around the world. Registration required.

#### Lunch-and-Learn Genealogy Program: Dahlonega's Dough-boys, presented by Tim Ragland

Lumpkin County Library

Wednesday, March 21, 2018 11:00AM-12:30PM

Local historian Tim Ragland will discuss the history of World War I and its effects upon the citizens of Lumpkin County, with special emphasis upon the methods and resources used in compiling the information about those who fought in the Great War. A light lunch will be served after the presentation. Register by March 17.

#### Bring Your Own Technology

Lumpkin County Library

Thursday, March 22, 2018 1:30PM-5:00PM

For all your tech-related questions, register for a one-hour session with the Information Specialist. Call 706-864-3668 to sign up.