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DAWSON COUNTY LIBRARY FOUNDATION RECEIVES \$2,500 DONATION FROM ROSS STORE IN DAWSONVILLE

On March 4 the Dawson County Library Foundation attended the ribbon cutting ceremony welcoming Ross Dress for Less to the Dawson Marketplace center. Prior to the ceremony, Ross awarded the Foundation \$2,500 as part of their corporate "Support Our Communities" program. Leslie Clark (CRLS Director), Wendi Bock (DCLF Chair), Stacey Leonhardt (DCL Branch Manager) and Vicki Atkison (CRLS Asst. Director) were on hand to receive the donation. The Ross Store-Based Giving Program provides support to federal tax-exempt 501(c)(3) organizations serving a community within 25 miles of a Ross Dress for Less store.

The Dawson County Library Foundation is extremely grateful for the support from our local businesses as well as our community. Donations such as these are used to help support the Dawson County Library public services within our community.

For more information about the Dawson County Library Foundation, please contact Wendi Bock at Wendi.Bock@gmail.com.

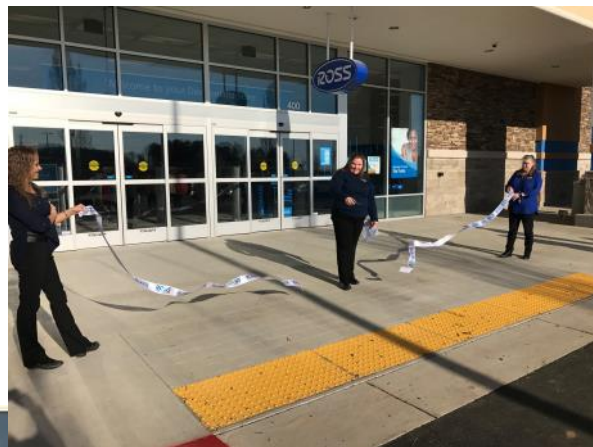


Photo (Stacey Leonhardt, Branch Manager, Samantha, Ross Store Manager, Leslie Clark, Library Director, Wendi Bock, Foundation Chairman, Vicki Atkison, Library Assistant Director.

Generous Donation from Delta Zeta Sorority

The Delta Zeta Sorority of the University of North Georgia recently made a generous donation of over \$ 750.00 to the Lumpkin County Library. Delta Zeta Sorority was founded in 1902 at the Miami University in Oxford Ohio. Delta Zeta's purpose, taken from their website at deltazeta.org, "is to create among a group of women a true and lasting friendship, to encourage one another in the pursuit of knowledge, to promote values-based living and embrace social responsibility."

There are over 160 collegiate chapters of Delta Zeta in the United States and Canada. The XiXi Chapter of Delta Zeta was founded at North Georgia College and State University in 1989. Since established, the sorority has continued to grow into a strong, united, and diverse group of women who strive to uphold the values upon which the organization was originally founded. In addition to the generous monetary gesture, which will be used to purchase library materials, the members of the sorority will also be volunteering their time at future children's events at the library.



(Photo: Julie Underwood, V.P. of Philanthropy and Britni Howard, Local Philanthropy officer presented a check to Lumpkin County Library Branch Manager, Tracey Thomaswick.)

DAWSON COUNTY SATELLITE LIBRARY DROP-IN CRAFT DAY THURSDAY, APRIL 13, 2017 3:00PM-5:00PM

Join us at our Satellite Branch for a drop-in craft! We're making paper birds; drop in anytime between 3-5 PM. You bring your imagination; the library provides everything else! This program is FREE and open to children of all ages.

The Satellite Library is located at 145 Liberty Drive inside Fire Station 2 next to Tractor Supply.



Teen Volunteers Needed!

Hey, teens! Are you looking for a way to fight boredom this summer and help your community at the same time? Need some volunteer hours for a service organization or to put on that college resume? If so, then the Dawson & Lumpkin County Libraries are hoping that you will volunteer to help with our Summer Reading Program this summer. We need volunteers from the beginning of June until the end of July to help on program days (Wednesdays beginning June 7) either morning shift (11:00 – 2:00 pm) or afternoon shift (1:00 – 4:00 p.m.) and one other day during the week (11:00 – 2:00 pm.).

If you volunteer, you would be manning the registration table, signing kids up for the program, and recording reading time for participating children. You would help with prizes and help shelve books in the children's area, too. You will receive a free T-shirt, and we will provide you with a letter that certifies you were an official volunteer!

If you think that this opportunity is too good to pass up, then stop by the library to pick up an application packet. Once we have received your completed application, we will contact you to set up an interview date and time. If selected, we will then set up training and get ready to roll into Summer Reading. The deadline for applications is April 29. Please call the Dawson County Library 706-344-3690 or Lumpkin County Library at 706-864-3668 for any questions.



Thanks to You!

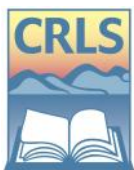
The following have given us 135 volunteer hours
worth \$ 2,700.00 in March:

Syed Ahmed • Joyce Ball • Reg & Ellen Barlament •
Anne Bowser • Kay Campagnoli • Jody Carlson •
Sue Cisson • Nancy Clackum • Fate Cheramie •
Linda Dobson • Nan Donay • Ann Evans •
Selena Figueroa • Betty Florence • Diane Hanley •
Hazel Kilgore • Leslie Kupkowski • Ruby Marshall •
Sharon Morris • Susan Newell • Margaret Popplard •
Emily Poplin • Susan Roof • Pam Sheffield • Evelyn Shirley
• Corbyn Smith • Judy Sousa • Michael Thomas •
Donald Vining • Laura Wharton • Kailey Webb

The following have given recent donations totaling
\$ 4,086.10:

Stephen & Margie Carey • Phil & Sherri Donehoo •
Delta Zeta of UNG • Robin & Mitchel Evans •
George & Sharon Jacobs • The Gratitude Group •
Lumpkin County Friends of the Library • Ross Stores •
Lanny & Barbara Tribble

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



BOOKS

A Different Kind of Book Club

Lumpkin County Library

Tuesday, April 4, 2017 1:30PM-3:00PM

This book club is for all those who may be interested in discussing nonfiction historical books, including biographies and/or memoirs. April's selections should focus on the years 1929 – 1939 in a particular country.

GA History Book Club

Dawson County Library

Wednesday, April 19, 2017 3:30PM-4:30PM

Do you enjoy reading and discussing books about Georgia History? Then join us for our monthly book discussions. This month we will be reading "Lamb In His Bosom" by Caroline Miller.

Happy Bookers Book Discussion Group

Lumpkin County Library

Thursday, April 20, 2017 1:30PM-3:00PM

The Happy Bookers rotates discussing fiction, nonfiction, and award-winning books. New members are welcome! March selection: "The Good Father" by Noah Hawley

TEEN

Teen STEAM

Dawson County Library

Wednesday, April 26, 2017 4:00PM-5:00PM

Adventures in science, technology, engineering, art, and math. Whose PVC pipe launcher will send marshmallows flying the farthest? Find out! This program is FREE. Grades 6-12

ADULT

Happy Cookers Cookbook Club

Lumpkin County Library

Monday, April 3, 2017 12:00PM-1:00PM

April's theme will be favorite Easter, Passover, or spring dish. Choose a recipe that fits the theme, make your dish at home, and then bring it to the library to share with others. You may choose a recipe online, from one of the books on display at the library, or from your own recipe files. Bring a copy with you that day, too!

Nutrition Discussion Group

Lumpkin County Library

Tuesday, April 4, 2017 11:30AM-12:30PM

Dawson County Library

Thursday, April 20, 2017 11:30AM-12:30PM

Join Susan Brown Warren, a certified Health & Nutrition coach, as she facilitates a free Nutrition Discussion Group. Each program will include handouts, recipes, food samples, and reading suggestions.

Colorama Adult Coloring Club

Lumpkin County Library

Wednesdays, April 5-26, 2017 11:00AM-1:00PM

Drop in anytime during these hours and color, have fun, and de-stress. All materials will be provided for this relaxing time of creativity and conversation.

641 Cookbook Club

Dawson County Library

Tuesday, April 11, 2017 12:00PM

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, April 11 & 25, 2017 2:00PM-4:00PM

All levels of experience are welcome, and all materials are provided.

Art Exploration

Dawson County Library

Wednesday, April 12, 2017 1:00PM-3:00PM

Looking for a fun, artistic opportunity? Look no further! The library will be hosting monthly art programs for beginner adults to explore their artistic spirit. Supplies are included and the entire program is FREE!! Registration required.

CHILDREN

Reading to Dogs

Lumpkin County Library

Saturday, April 1, 2017 1:00PM-2:00PM

Dawson County Library

Tuesday, April 18, 2017 5:45PM-6:45PM

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. Registration required. 1st grade & up.

Building Blocks Storytime

Lumpkin County Library

Wednesdays, April 5-26, 2017

11:00AM-11:45AM & 2:00PM-2:45PM

The program lasts approximately 45 minutes and may include songs, finger plays, and crafts in addition to the stories. Building Blocks Storytime is designed for children ages 2 to 5.

Book Babies

Dawson County Satellite Library (145 Liberty Drive)

Wednesdays April 5-26, 2017 11AM-11:45AM

Lumpkin County Library

Mondays April 3- 24 from 11AM-11:45AM

It's never too early to chew on a good book! This program is designed for babies (along with their parents) from birth to 23 months.



Art Explorers, Jr.

Dawson County Library

Monday, April 10, 2017 4:00PM

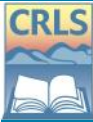
Every month we'll explore a different art project. You bring your imagination, the library provides everything else! FREE and open to grades K-5th

Movers and Shakers

Dawson County Library

Thursday, April 6-20, 2017 11:00AM

These storytimes are intended for children ages 2 to 5. A fun and exciting experience for you and your child. These programs last 30 to 45 minutes and include songs, finger plays, crafts and a snack in addition to the stories.



APRIL HAPPENINGS

Elephant and Piggie Party

Dawson County Library

Saturday, April 8, 2017 10:30AM-11:30AM

Join your favorite pals, Elephant and Piggie, and enjoy games, crafts, and FUN! Even try our 'Bird on Your Head Walk!' FREE family fun, and open to all.

Full STEAM Ahead

Lumpkin County Library

Tuesday, April 25, 2017 4:00PM-5:00PM

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. This month we will be trying our hand at some computer coding games! Open to students: K-5th grade.

Keats Quarterly at Your Library

Lumpkin County Library

Thursday, April 27, 2017 5:00PM

Join us for these special, FREE programs made possible through a generous grant from the Ezra Jack Keats Foundation! Each program begins with a fun writing prompt based on an Ezra Jack Keats picture book, followed by the creation of individual pieces of art. Open to grades K-8
Registration is required.

COMPUTERS & TECHNOLOGY

Technology Tuesdays

Dawson County Library

Tuesdays, April 4-25, 2017 All Day

Each Tuesday in April drop by for computer assistance. Bring your device, login to our computer or borrow one of our laptops. Don't forget you can always schedule a one-on-one computer session!

Using Mango Languages

Lumpkin County Library

Wednesday, April 5, 2017 9:00AM-10:00AM

Learn how to get started with Mango Languages, a great online resource you can utilize to learn a foreign language (or English) at the library, at home, or on-the-go with apps on a number of devices. Registration required.

BYOT-Bring Your Own Technology

Lumpkin County Library

Thursday, April 27, 2017 1:30PM-4:30PM

Do you have a new electronic gadget or computer that you need help with? Call the library to make an appointment.

FAMILY

Ukulele Gathering

Dawson County Library

Saturday, April 1 & 8, 2017 10:30AM-11:30AM

Come join us to learn or play your ukulele or borrow one of ours. All levels of expertise are welcome.

Pajama Storytime

Lumpkin County Library

Thursday, April 20, 2017 6:00PM-6:45PM

Dawson County Library

Tuesday, April 25, 2017 6:00PM-7:00PM

Wear your PJ's and bring your teddy bear to this special evening-edition of storytime. We'll share a couple of stories, and create a fun craft to take home. All ages welcome!

Let's Get Ready for Spring! Plant and Seed Swap!

Dawson County Library

Saturday, April 15, 2017 11:00AM

Let's Get Ready for Spring with another Seed & Plant Swap Event! If you would like to participate, please bring at least one item (vegetable, fruit or flower seeds that have been purchased or saved). Participants may also bring seedlings, house plant cuttings, or small plants. All are welcome!

Lego Club

Dawson County Library (All Ages)

Thursday, April 20, 2017 4:00PM

Lumpkin County Library (Grades K-5 & 6th-12th)

Tuesday, April 11, 2017 4:00PM

You bring the imagination and we bring the LEGOS!

Lumpkin County Library Theme: Barnyard

Theater Thursday

Lumpkin County Library

Thursday, April 13 2017 5:00PM

Free family movie! We will be showing "Finding Dory" (PG) this month. Popcorn will be provided, or you are welcome to bring your own snacks!

GENEALOGY

Gold Diggers Genealogy Club

Lumpkin County Library

Monday, April 10, 2017 11:00AM-12:00PM

The topic for April is Genealogy Resources At Your Library. We will discuss print and online resources available at Lumpkin County Library. This club is free and open to everyone at all levels of knowledge and experience. Join us while we go "digging" into genealogy.

Using Fold3 & World Vital Records

Lumpkin County Library

Wednesday, April 12, 2017 2:00PM-3:00PM

This class will provide an overview of two powerful genealogy databases to which the Chestatee Regional Library System subscribes. Laptops will be provided, but feel free to bring your own. Please call 706-864-3668 to sign up.

Family Tree Genealogy Club

Dawson County Library

Thursday, April 20, 2017 11:00AM-12:00PM

This club meets monthly for anyone interested in genealogy. Computers are also available to do genealogical research using Ancestry Library Edition, Dawson County Digital Newspaper Archive, World Vital Records, and Family Search. If you are interested in starting the journey to find your family roots – join us, all are welcome! A beginner's packet is available at each meeting.

Genealogy for Beginners

Wednesday, April 26, 2017 2:00PM-3:30PM

Lumpkin County Library

This class is intended for those new to genealogy, and will provide the basics of how to begin family research. If you've ever been interested in genealogy but just didn't know where to start, then this is the class for you! Registration required.