

Extreme Makeover—Lee Libraries Edition

The Lee County Public Library and Rose Hill Community Library were recent recipients of improvement funding from the Lee County Community Foundation. Computer replacement was the focus for the Rose Hill library, and we are happy to report that library researchers are already enjoying the new equipment. The Foundation's contributions for the Pennington Gap facility is providing a myriad of improvements from new furniture for the adult and children's areas to special book display units.

The furniture in the adult area has been replaced with six new vinyl upholstered club chairs and three complimentary end tables. By far the most popular of the new



acquisitions has been the soft, animal-themed chairs in the children's area. As the picture shows, the kids have really taken to the new furnishings. Three-year-old Peyton Woodward picked out his favorite soft frog-shaped chair because in his words, "frogs are cool!" In addition to the furniture, a new rug in the meeting room is providing a bright, attractive spot on which the children can enjoy stories during our programs.



Providing easy access to our newest and most popular materials has become a priority within our library system and our new display units allow us to do just that. The new adult display unit provides ample room for us to show off our newest titles with the book covers "face-out," making browsing much easier for our readers. The same is true of the kid-friendly "ladybug" display unit in the children's area.



"The library extends its appreciation to the Lee County Community Foundation for the opportunity it has afforded us with this recent grant," says Manager Audrey Evans. "The library belongs to the entire community and it is our pleasure to provide an attractive, inviting atmosphere both outside and inside our building. A cooperative effort such as this promotes and encourages our community bond for a facility that strives to be of service to our residents and visitors alike."

Also, new to the Lee County Public Library is free Wi-Fi service provided by a major contribution from the Town of Pennington Gap supplemented with funding from the Friends of Lee Libraries. Community residents and visitors alike are already enjoying this new service. Assistant Director, Julie Short says, "One of the most rewarding library experiences I have seen recently occurred in the teen area at Pennington Gap where a father and daughter were sitting at a café table, happily researching potential college choices on their laptop. That scene reconfirms Lonesome Pine Regional Library's commitment to making a positive difference in the lives of our families, and we look forward to continuing for many years. Be sure to come visit the library with your wireless device, enjoy the new furnishings, and checkout something fun to enjoy this summer!"



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“I love this app!” exclaims Director Amy Bond. “Having access to the library on my phone is the most convenient way that I have found to manage my personal use of library materials. Now I find that my library books are never overdue thanks to the way in which the library sends me a text message the day before my books are due. As soon as I get the text, I just open LS2 Mobile and renew the books that are available for additional check out. The whole process takes only a few seconds. Searching for titles and placing requests for books is easy as well. The Randomizer is just fun to use. I just give my phone a little shake to see what’s new and request what I want to read. What could be easier?”



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