

Lonesome Pine Regional Library

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LIBRARY UPDATE

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Oh the Places you'll Go! There is Fun to be Done! SCUSS

And, the fun we have had all across our region—come go with us as you'll see *great* sights! The Wise County Public Library has enjoyed providing outreach services throughout the county and within the City of Norton:

- ◆ J.W. Adams Combined School
- ◆ J.I. Burton High School
- ◆ Pickin' in the Pound
- ◆ Norton City Park
- ◆ Norton Regency Towers
- ◆ Wise Fall Fling
- ◆ UVa-Wise Freshman Orientation
- ◆ Norton Farmer's Market
- ◆ Norton Kiwanis Club
- ◆ Health Wagon Visitation Sites



At each venue, the library staff read stories, issued library cards, and checked out books. WCPL staff met residents from various communities in the service area

and made new friends. Library Assistant Angela West fondly remembers a little girl who was always first in line for face painting at the Norton Farmer's Market and convinced her mother to have a matching puppy painted on her face also. Division Services Coordinator Hazel Jessee enjoyed reading stories to young children at the Norton Farmer's Market before they selected their own books to check out. And, kids had a blast bringing their favorite stuffed animals to go wild in Norton City Park as they enjoyed a special evening Storytime rendition of *When the Library Lights Go Out*.



Branch Librarian Philip Edwards recalls warm receptions and friendly atmospheres at instructional service presentations at places such as the Health Wagon and a meeting of the Norton Kiwanis Club. He enjoyed sharing in conversations about library services with city business and government leaders after being well fed as a guest of very gracious hosts. Library staff members also greatly enjoyed their time chatting with residents while circulating materials at Norton Regency Towers in cooperation with Mountain Empire Older Citizens (MEOC.) Even teenagers got into the mix with everyone else, receiving free fiction titles for young adults along with children and adults at the Wise Fall Fling thanks to the generous donations from Leonard D. Rogers and the Napoleon Hill Foundation.



From young children to teens and adults to senior citizens, from the general public to business and government leaders and everyone in between, the staff of the Wise County Public Library has conducted a very successful outreach effort in recent months, providing services to all segments of our population wherever they gather. The entire staff at Wise County Public Library feels enriched for the experience and is excited to continue outreach efforts as we explore and engage in any new opportunities in all the places where our citizens live, work, and play. What a reward it is to see those same smiling faces come into our libraries where they soar to new heights through the wonderful pages of a great book!

Start Here—Go Anywhere!



Today is your Day. You're off to Great Places! You're off and Away! Seuss

The staff of Jonnie B. Deel Library in Clintwood has also been off and away visiting local schools during Open House events, parent/teacher meetings and HeadStart Center sessions. Staff members provided informational



flyers of library activities/events, bookmarks, and issued library cards. HeadStart students were especially excited to receive library cards, like this young gentleman who is proudly ready to checkout his very own story books!

Clintwood's outreach efforts also extended to the older students who welcomed us onto their turf. During Clintwood's Football Homecoming Tailgate party, our library staff manned an information table and gave out free books.

In a cooperative effort with the Friends of the Library, a booth was manned at Dickenson County Pioneer Days. The Friends enjoyed a successful fundraiser while the staff conducted a "meet and greet" with the public.

The library is also participating in Clintwood's "Adopt-a-Pole Decorate the Town" by providing a fall display on Main St. This yearly event is sponsored by the Clintwood Steering Committee and Lions Club. Besides presenting a colorful display, this also reminds our community members that the library is a great place where "YOU are the guy who'll decide where to go" through a great book!

The More that you Read. The More things you will Know.

The More that you learn. The more Places you'll go.

Seuss

Fun never stops, particularly in Lee County where our staff has been warmly welcomed at community events that serve our youngest citizens attending HeadStart Centers at Dryden, Elk Knob and St. Charles. And, what a wonderful time we had sharing the library with those whose wisdom we most admire at the annual Lee County Senior Triad event. We learned from



these fine seniors that most attendees had treasured their library cards for decades, and we came away learning from them just how important the library has been in their lives, so thank you Lee County for your support!

The outreach action continues in Scott County, particularly at various HeadStart sites and for special programs held at venues across the County. Community residents and staff alike enjoyed a fun-filled Old Fashioned Day held at Lamar Farms in East Carters Valley. And, a visit to the Punkin Patch Farm remains an anticipated highlight of the year. It is our extreme pleasure to share the library, so be watching for us wherever you go ... and remember a good book will take you anywhere!



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Coeburn Community Library, Coeburn
J. Fred Matthews Memorial Library, St. Paul

Serving Dickenson County:
Jonnie B. Deel Memorial Library, Clintwood
Haysi Community Library, Haysi

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