

ROCKY TOP NEWS

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AWARE Students of the Month at Lake City Elementary School

These students from Lake City Elementary School were recognized by their classroom teachers as AWARE Students of the Month for showing thankfulness: (seated left to right) Morgan Phillips; Emily Webber; Lillie Braden; Landon Wade; Anna Martin; Chevy Burris; Sierra Mitchell; Marley Elliott; (standing) Bryson Taylor; Katelynn Disney; Vansh Raj; Sarah Garbes; Brooklyn Bradley; Dakotah Berlin; Austin Smith; Abbigail Wells; Leeland Tucker; Ryan Askins. Not pictured: Ashlyn Sharpe; Matthew Berrian; Hailey Sellers; Lakelee Leinart; Nevaeh Hoffman



Night of Hope Dinner Raises \$19,720 for American Cancer Society

The 6th Annual Night of Hope Dinner in Anderson County was once again a huge success, with \$19,720 raised to benefit the American Cancer Society. The event was held at 205 Main on Thursday evening, November 9th with 170 guests seated at 21 tables hosted by area residents who have a desire to come together as a common voice against cancer. The emcee of the evening was Ron Arms. Special guest, Maria Cornelius, the author of "The Final Season – The Perseverance of Pat Summitt" talked to attendees about her breast cancer journey. A delicious barbecue dinner provided by Vernon's Burnins which was served by the table hosts and high school students from the Gear Up Program with Hoppy Merryman. Randy Lowe auctioned off the desserts donated by area restaurants, caterers and bakers that were served at the event, totaling \$3,545 in donations. Table hosts decorated their tables with various themes including: a 60's hippie theme, Fish'in For a Cure, Tropical island theme, "Dressed for a Cure", "Kick'in Cancer" western theme, "Cruisin For a Cure", Winter Wonderland, Autumn decorated tables and several others.

Kenny King dressed in 60's hippie attire was crowned the "2017 Table Host of the Year" due to his fundraising efforts, table decorations and his table guests enthusiastic performance of Aquarius by the Fifth Dimension including his mom, Anna Belle King who was adorned with 12 Relay For Life cancer survivor medallions she has collected since the inception of the Clinton event in 2001. The "Best Decorated Table" was awarded to Anderson County Health Department led by Art Miller with their tropical island theme. The top fundraising award went to the Y-12 Federal Credit Union at \$2,600 led by table host, Jason Lawrence. The second place fundraising award went to Fox Toyota table with \$2,555 raised. The third place in fundraising was awarded to breast cancer survivor, Vicki Gibson with \$1,956 raised. Clinton Physical Therapy Center raised \$6,243 as the event organizer. The event sponsors included: Knight's Flowers, Anderson County Chief Deputy Mark Lucas and Herbie Clark State Farm Insurance.

A fun and exciting evening was had by all, as they came together to celebrate those who have won their battle against cancer, remember loved ones and raise money to continue to support American Cancer Society programs, advocacy efforts and cancer research. If you don't want to miss the fun and being a part of this great event next year, please contact Kelly Lenz at Clinton Physical Therapy Center at 457-1649 or CPTCKLENZ@aol.com. Space is limited, so reserve your table early!!!

Congratulations to our Parade Award Winners!

Floats

- 1st - Pine Hill Baptist Church
- 2nd - Clinch River Baptist Church
- 3rd - Lake City Little League

Groups

- 1st - Sleepy Eyed Johns
- 2nd - Ultimate Tool & Die

Antique Cars

- 1st - Hobert Tudor
- 2nd - Kenneth Evans

Hot Rod Cars

- 1st - Josh Sampsel
- 2nd - Randall Daugherty



2017 Table Host of the Year - Kenny King with his Mom, Anna Belle



Best Decorated Table - Anderson County Health Department

SEND US YOUR NEWS

The Rocky Top News is published by volunteers who are not always able to gather all of the news happenings in Rocky Top. Therefore, we are asking for your help. If you are at an event, please take a picture and email it to the Rocky Top News at rockytopchamber@gmail.com with the details of the event. Also, if you are involved in an organization or group that is planning an event in Rocky Top, please email or call the Rocky Top News with the details. There is no event too big or too small to let us know about.

AREA EVENTS IN AND AROUND ROCKY TOP COMMUNITY

- December 2-24 Christmas in Old Appalachia at Museum of Appalachia
- December 9 Holiday Homecoming Celebration at Norris Dam State Park
- December 9 Clinton Christmas Parade at 2:00 p.m.
- December 9 Oak Ridge Christmas Parade at 6:00 p.m.
- December 1 New Year Hike at Norris Dam State Park

CITY OF ROCKY TOP MEETING SCHEDULE

City Court	2nd Wednesday of the Month at 8:00 a.m.
Planning Commission	3rd Tuesday of the Month at 5:30 p.m.
City Council Meeting	3rd Thursday of the Month at 6:00 p.m.

ANDERSON COUNTY SCHOOL CLOSINGS

December 20 - January 2	Winter Break
January 3	In Service - No School for Students
January 4	Classes Resume
January 15	Martin Luther King Day - In Service

THANK YOU TO OUR CHRISTMAS PARADE JUDGES

Thank you Aaron Evans (Chief Deputy at Campbell County Sheriff's Office), Sara Mitchell (Reporter) and Larry Foster (Former Anderson County Schools Director) for judging the Rocky Top Christmas Parade this year!



Judge Don Layton, General Sessions I, swears in Rocky Top's New Councilman, Juston Jobe



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The third, fourth and fifth grade students of Lake City Elementary School will present Santa's Holiday Playlist on Monday evening, December 11th at 6:00 p.m.

VETERANS DAY PROGRAM

Lake City Elementary School was so proud to honor our Veterans with a special program and breakfast on Wednesday, November 8th. Pictured below is Mrs. Brenda Goins with some of her students waiting to wave their flags and cheer as the veterans make their way to the cafeteria.



Anderson County Chamber of Commerce Presents

"The Heart of Christmas"
Christmas Parade
December 9, 2017 at 2 p.m.
In Downtown Clinton

COAL CREEK SCHOLAR WORK DAY AT HISTORIC FORT ANDERSON ON MILITIA HILL

Saturday, November 11th was a WONDERFUL morning for our Coal Creek Scholar workday at historic Fort Anderson on Militia Hill. We sanded and painted the cannon where vandals had carved into it, cut trees blocking the view from the overlook, picked up lots of broken glass and trash, and trimmed weeds, shrubs, and small trees from the trenches and parking area.

A BIG thanks to the parents who joined us as a great example to their children, especially Todd Mazingo for bringing his chainsaw to cut down more trees to enhance the view into the town of Coal Creek. In addition to having fun and renewing childhood relationships, Scholars earned credit towards our Coal Creek Scholarships!



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ROCKY TOP CHRISTMAS PARADE 2017 GRAND MARSHAL

Pictured below is Mayor Mike Lovely and Maria Hooks, Rocky Top Chamber President, honoring the Family of Freddie Hatmaker as Grand Marshal. Mr. Freddie Hatmaker worked as an employee for the City of Rocky Top for 38 years, he passed away in June of this year. We appreciate Mr. Hatmaker's family for taking the time to ride in our parade this year!

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Willow Brook Baptist Church

Willow Brook Baptist Church held its annual Thanks-Giving-Away on Saturday, November 18th. The church was able to assist 200 families with food boxes and also toys, clothes, and household items. The church wishes to thank the Rocky Top community for its support, especially the following businesses: Shoprite; Food City--Jacksboro; UGO--Jacksboro; Save-a-lot--LaFollette; Walmart--Jacksboro; Food City--Clinton; Walmart--Clinton; Save-a-lot--Clinton. You are invited to attend the church Children's Christmas Program, "The 'Twas of Christmas" at 11:00 a.m. on December 17th and the youth and adult choir program "The Nativity" that evening at 6:00 p.m.

LCES STUDENT SPOTLIGHTS

KINDERGARTEN

HUNTER NEWBERRY



~Works very hard in class
~Helpful and thoughtful to his classmates
~Doesn't quit trying when he is struggling with a lesson, he keeps working until he gets it

FIRST GRADE

KATIE MILES



~Kind and compassionate to ALL her peers
~Respectful and works very hard
~An all around great student

SECOND GRADE

CINDLE JUSTICE



~Always looks on the bright side of things
~Friendly & encourages others
~Diligent Worker

THIRD GRADE

JAIDYN PEBLEY



~Always Focused
~Willing to help others with their work
~Finishes her work on time and is kind to others

FOURTH GRADE

MYLEE PIETROBURGO



~Always puts forth great effort
~Has outstanding behavior and very respectful
~Always has a positive attitude

FIFTH GRADE

JASMINE AMAYA



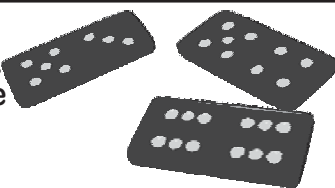
~Diligent Student
~Kind and compassionate
~Always Attentive

LIBRARY NEWS & EVENTS

NEW BOOKS & DVD'S

Senior Game Day

Join us on Monday, December 4th at 11:00 a.m. for a game of Dominos, Yahtzee or your favorite card game. Games are provided by the library.



LEGO Club - All Ages

LEGO Club will be on December 12th and 19th from 3:30 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. We provide the LEGOS and you provide the imagination! Build your creations and we'll display them in the library until our next LEGO

Club Meeting. The LEGO Club meets every Tuesday from 3:30-5:00. No registration is required.

Adult / Teen Coloring Day

Join us on Monday, December 18th at 11:00 a.m. for a fun and relaxing hour of coloring. Coloring pages and supplies will be provided or you may bring your own.



Adult Craft Day

The December Craft Class is Ornament Making! Come and join us on December 11th at 12:00 p.m. to decorate ornaments that you can take home with you! The class is free, space is limited, so sign up soon!

Book Discussion Group

Book Discussion Group will not meet in December due to the Christmas Holiday.



Free Computer Classes

Rocky Top Public Library provides Basic Desktop Computer Classes every Tuesday (except the first Tuesday of the month)

Note we have made some changes in the times our computer classes are offered

Level I Class is for "New and Beginning" Students.

If you are new to computers and need to learn basic skills, then this is the class for you! Class times are from 11:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

Level II class is for students that are "Beyond the Basics".

If you already have basic computer skills and would like to learn something new, join us from 12:00 p.m. to 1:00 p.m.

Children's Story Time

Story Time for the month of December will be Fridays at 4:00 p.m. and Saturdays at 12:00 p.m. A story, craft and snack will be provided for children of all ages.

Friday, December 8th is a special "Frozen Themed Story Time" from 4:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m., come dressed like a princess or your favorite Disney character!

Friday, December 15th at 4:00 p.m. is a "Christmas Story Time", come join us for a Christmas story and craft!

The library will not have a story time on Saturday, December 23rd or 30th. We will be closed for the Christmas Holiday.

Friends of Rocky Top Public Library

Join the Friends of the Rocky Top Public Library. Become more involved in your community! Pick up a brochure today at the circulation desk!

December Closings

~The Library will close at 6:00 p.m. on Friday, December 22nd and re-open at 9:30 a.m. on Thursday, December 28th in observance of Christmas.

~The Library will close at 6:00 p.m. on Friday, December 29th and re-open on Tuesday, January 2nd at 1:00 p.m. in observance of the New Year!

All Rocky Top Public Library events are free (unless specified) and open to the public.

Adult Fiction:

The Rooster Bar by John Grisham
Two Kinds of Truth by Michael Connelly
Deep Freeze by John Sandford
Lilac Lane by Sherry Woods
Fairytale by Danielle Steel
The Beekeeper's Son by Kelly Irvin
The Bishop's Son by Kelly Irvin
The Saddle Maker's Son by Kelly Irvin
Return to Woodbury by Robert Kirkman
The Stories We Tell by Patti Callahan Henry
Every Breath You Take by Mary Higgins Clark
The Good Widow by Liz Fenton
The Midnight Line by Lee Child
City of Lies by Victoria Thompson
The Noel Diary by Richard Paul Evans
A Christmas Return by Anne Perry
Thalia, A Texas Trilogy by Larry McMurtry
Cherished Mercy by Tracie Peterson
The House of Unexpected Sisters by Alexander McCall Smith
The Gift by Shelley Shepard Gray
Typhoon Fury by Clive Cussler

Paperback:

Wyoming Strong by Diana Palmer
Wyoming Fierce by Diana Palmer
Just a Little Christmas by Janet Daily
Christmas with My Cowboy by Diana Palmer

Non-Fiction:

The Woman Who Smashed Codes by Jason Fagone
Holy Spirit, the One Who Makes Jesus Real by Michael Kouilanos

Awaken by Pricilla Shirer

American Radical by Tamer Elnoury
The Alzheimer's Solution by Dean Sherzai
The World of Laura Ingalls Wilder by Marta McDowell

Young Adult Fiction:

The Final Spark by Richard Paul Evans
Everything, Everything by Nicola Yoon
Turtles All the Way Down by John Green
Far from the Tree by Robin Benway
I am not Your Perfect Mexican Daughter by Erika Sanchez
Daughter of the Burning City by Amanda Foody

Juvenile Fiction:

Dolphin Rescue by Catherine Nichols
Farm Friends Escape! by Gail Herman
Zoo Camp Puzzle by Gail Herman

Juvenile Nonfiction:

Animal Planet: Dinosaurs
Animal Planet: Sharks!

Children's Easy:

Timothy Acorn and the Shimmering Sky by Dr. Chip
Goldilocks and the Three Bears
I Don't Want to be Nice! by Sue Graves
I Want to Win by Sue Graves
A Stampede of Dinosaurs by Lisa Barlow
Don't Push the Button by Bill Cotter
In November by Cynthia Rylant
Seek and Find! By Richard Scarry
Horray for Shoppypood! By Judy Katschke
Paw Patrol Big Lift-and- Look Book
When Emily Carr Met Woo by Monica Kulling
The Valley of Rhyme by Adam Parsons
The 12 Days of Kindergarten by Jenna Lettice
Peppa Goes Apple Picking
Life by Cynthia Rylant

We Found a Hat by Jon Klassen

Miss Smith's Incredible Storybook by Michael Garland
This is not My Hat by Jon Klassen
A Perfect Day by Lane Smith

Every Autumn Comes the Bear by Jim Arnosky

Cinderella by Barbara Karlin
Scaredy Squirrel Prepares for Christmas by Melanie Watt

Duck on a Tractor by David Shannon

Naptastrophe! by Jarrett Krosoczka

No Pirates Allowed! by Rhonda Greene

The Mermaid by Jan Brett

A Perfect Day by Lane Smith

Duck on a Bike by David Shannon

Peanut Butter and Jellyfish by Jarrett Krosoczka

Westerns:

Sidewinders by William Johnstone

Redemption by William Johnstone

The Edge of Violence by William Johnstone

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Audio Cds:

The Right Time by Danielle Steel

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