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Welcome to a Summer of Reading!



Teens Get "Serious" at the library this summer.

Summer is both a time to relax, enjoy good friends and to hone testing skills. With other school pressures off, the summer is a great time for students to focus on improving the academic areas that they need to work on. Being able to test well can have a positive impact on a stu-

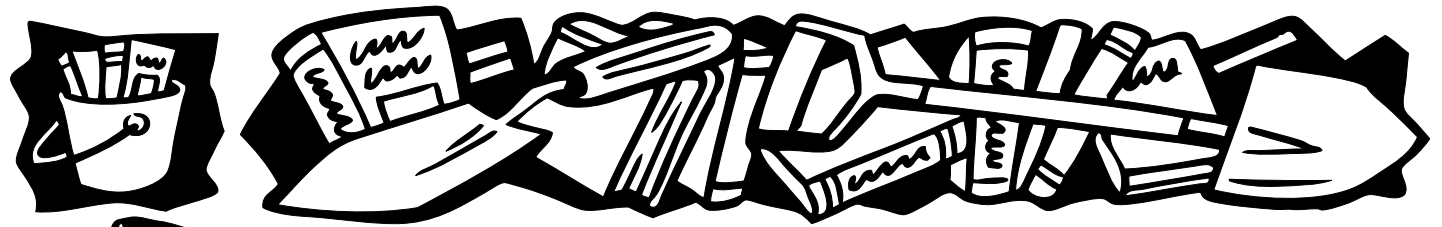
dent's life. Having the best possible grades translates to scholarship offers, and the ability to get into the school of choice. All students are invited to attend free study sessions.

All study sessions will take place at the Decatur County—Gilbert H. Gragg Library in Bain-

bridge, GA. They will be **each Wednesday from 2 to 4 p.m.** Students who have laptops should bring them.

Students will be given guidance when asked for and directed to the individualized sites and services they need.

ACT / SAT Study
Groups



Register for the Summer Reading Program

1. Log your books in and return your book log.
2. Get a leaf on Jack's Bean Stalk.
3. Come to programs.
4. Pick up your certificate and prize at the End of the Summer Celebration!



“Dig into Reading” this summer at the
Southwest Georgia Regional Library System!

Enjoy books, characters, art, archeology, live animals and magic

Registration begins Monday, May 13, How does it work?

- You must read or have read to you 20 books to complete a reading log.
- When turning in your reading log, make sure your **name** and **school** is on it!
- For chapter books, 25 pages is equal to one book.
- You may read the same book multiple times.
- Once you turn in your first log you will get your name on a leaf on the Jack-and –the Beanstalk Vine!
- A star will be placed next to your name for each additional log you turn in on your certificate plus your leaf will move higher on the Beanstalk Vine.
- Read 100 books or more to have your picture in the paper!
- Certificates and prizes will be distributed at the **Summer Reading Program Celebration on Tuesday, July 23, 2013.**
- Come to the library between **July 23 and August 30, 2013** to pick up your child’s certificate and prize if you are unable to attend the celebration.

**All reading logs are
due on or before Mon-
day, July 22, 2013.**



Summer Reading Programs:

Geronimo Stilton & Arthur Atsma

Come to our kick-off
event and
see intrepid
news reporter



Geronimo
Stilton!

June
4th!

Arthur Atsma - Magician!

June
11th!
Laugh
Your
Head
Off!



June
11th!
He's
fun
and
funny!

Chehaw Animals Visit!



Chehaw Animals Visit June 18th!

Games Day

June 25th

Make new friends, bring your old
ones, better yet, do both! Learn
card games to while away the
summer heat.



Dig into Reading Programs
will be held at:

Decatur— 10:00 a.m.

Seminole — 1:00 p.m.

Miller — 3:30 p.m.

How To Find Arrowheads!

Kevin Dowdy@ Decatur

Son Anderson@ Miller & Seminole

Teach us how to dig for arrow heads!

Scratch-off

Art Project

July 16

Remove a layer,
reveal the colors below!

Fuzzy the Clown

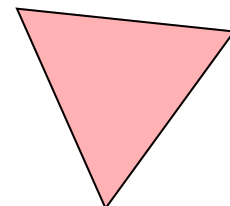
Come to the show of magic, balloons, and sheer tomfoolery, and stay after to collect your prize and your reading logs! Be sure to keep them to show your new teacher and as a keepsake from your youth.

*Note date change for Seminole



July 23—
Decatur and
Miller

July 27—
Seminole*



Hear stories, play, make simple arts and crafts!

Toddler Time

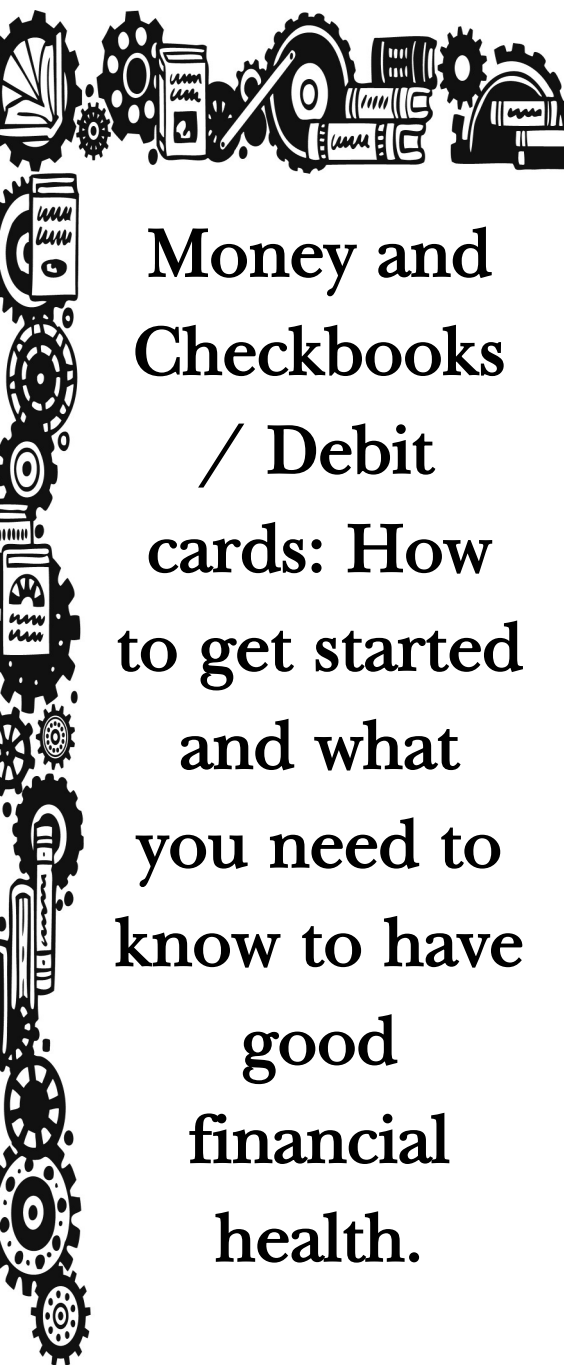


June and July, Thursdays!

10 a.m. Decatur; 1 p.m. Seminole; 3:30 Miller

Story time is a wonderful way for tots to socialize, hear books, and participate in educational activities which will prepare them for school.





**Money and
Checkbooks
/ Debit
cards: How
to get started
and what
you need to
know to have
good
financial
health.**

Monday, June 3 @ 5 p.m.

Program presented by
Jessica Myers
of Regions Bank

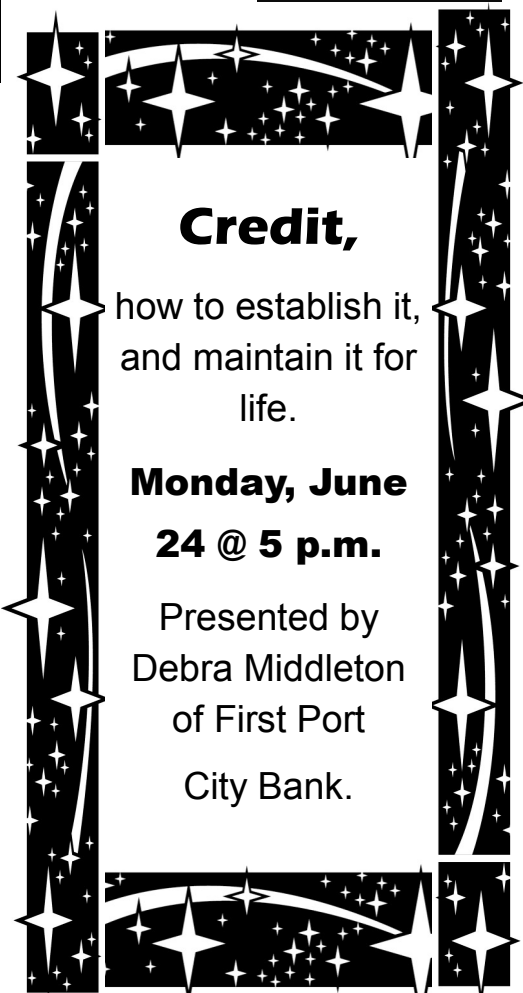
In's and Out's of MOVING OUT

Dorm Room or Apartment
there are things you are go-
ing to want to think about
and know before you make
the big leap. What do rent-
als require? What is your
obligation when
you sign a contract?

Monday, June 10 @ 5

Program presented by
Rollins Miller of
Miller-Griffin Realty

How to find the
best post High
School Education.
Discussion and
online resources
Program given by
Carole Albyn
Youth Librarian
SWGRL



Credit,

how to establish it,
and maintain it for
life.

**Monday, June
24 @ 5 p.m.**

Presented by
Debra Middleton
of First Port
City Bank.

Programs

Teen's

Congratulations to Catherine Vanstone, named one of *The Albany Herald's* 40 under 40 in 2013!

Catherine Vanstone, Assistant Director for Technology, Training and Development for the Southwest Georgia Regional Library System, received the honor of being named one of *The Albany Herald's* Southwest Georgia's 40 under Forty, 2013. This honor is given to celebrate people who are committed to shaping Southwest Georgia. The recipients work both behind the scenes and on the "front lines" to help shape a better Georgia.

Catherine Vanstone is a leader at the Southwest Georgia Regional Library. Under her guidance, she has helped create a technology enriched environment for the region. In addition, Catherine oversees adult collection development and programming as well as statistics for the library. She represents the library system in the Miller and Seminole County Chambers and Family Connections . In 2007, she was name a Mover and Shaker by *Library Journal*. She has served as secretary of the Bainbridge Rotary Club and is currently on the literacy committee. She has served on numerous other committees including the Decatur County Special Olympics and as co-chair for the 2008 Georgia Literary Festival.



Thank you to our 2013 Summer Reading Program Sponsors:



These people donated their time and talents
to help make the summer special:

Laura Sudderth and Shatavia Smith - Stilton Team

Kevin Dowdy and Son Anderson—Arrowheads Speakers

Jessica Myers, Regions Bank—Opening 1st Bank Accounts

Rollins Miller, Miller-Griffin Realty—1st Apartment or Dorm

Debra Middleton, First Port City Bank—Credit, how to establish
and keep it.

**A special thanks to: Skate Towne, Dairy Queen,
McDonald's, and Hardee's for providing coupons!**

Summer Schedule!

- ♦ June 4: Geronimo Stilton, 10 a.m.
- ♦ June 4: Geronimo Stilton, 1 p.m.
- ♦ June 4: Geronimo Stilton, 3:30 p.m.
- ♦ June 6: Toddler Time, 10 a.m.
- ♦ June 6: Toddler Time, 1 p.m.
- ♦ June 6: Toddler Time, 3:30 p.m.
- ♦ June 11: Magician Arthur Atsma, 10 a.m.
- ♦ June 11: Magician Arthur Atsma, 1 p.m.
- ♦ June 11: Magician Arthur Atsma, 3:30 p.m.
- ♦ June 13: Toddler Time, 10 a.m.
- ♦ June 13: Toddler Time, 1 p.m.
- ♦ June 13: Toddler Time, 3:30 p.m.
- ♦ June 18: Chehaw Animal Visit, 10 a.m.
- ♦ June 18: Chehaw Animal Visit, 1 p.m.
- ♦ June 18: Chehaw Animal Visit, 3:30 p.m.
- ♦ June 20: Toddler Time, 10 a.m.
- ♦ June 20: Toddler Time, 1 p.m.
- ♦ June 20: Toddler Time, 3:30 p.m.
- ♦ June 25: Games Day, 10 a.m.
- ♦ June 25: Games Day, 1 p.m.
- ♦ June 25: Games Day, 3:30 p.m.
- ♦ June 27: Toddler Time, 10 a.m.
- ♦ June 27: Toddler Time, 1 p.m.
- ♦ June 27: Toddler Time, 3:30 p.m.
- ♦ July 9: Finding Arrowheads, 10 a.m.
- ♦ July 9: Finding Arrowheads, 1 p.m.
- ♦ July 9: Finding Arrowheads, 3:30 p.m.
- ♦ July 11: Toddler Time, 10 a.m.
- ♦ July 11: Toddler Time, 1 p.m.
- ♦ July 11: Toddler Time, 3:30 p.m.
- ♦ July 16: Scratch off Art Project, 10 a.m.
- ♦ July 16: Scratch off Art Project, 1 p.m.
- ♦ July 16: Scratch off Art Project, 3:30 p.m.
- ♦ July 18: Toddler Time, 10 a.m. (last one until September)
- ♦ July 18: Toddler Time, 1 p.m. (last one until September)
- ♦ July 18: Toddler Time, 3:30 p.m. (last one until September)
- ♦ July 23: End of the Summer Reading Program Celebration with Fuzzy the Clown, 10 a.m.
- ♦ July 23: End of the Summer Reading Program Celebration / Fuzzy the Clown, 3:30 p.m.
- ♦ July 27: End of the Summer Reading Program Celebration with Fuzzy the Clown 1 p.m.
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Stay tuned!

Have a great summer!
The SWGRL Spotlight will return
in August to bring you
all of the fantastic library
happenings this fall!

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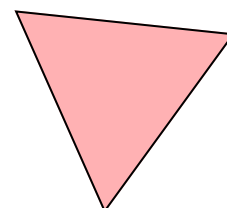
Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
9:00—8:00	9:00—6:00	9:00—6:00	9:00—7:00	9:00—6:00	9:00—4:00

Miller County—James W. Merritt, Jr. Memorial Library
259 E. Main Street
Colquitt, Georgia 39837

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
10:00—5:30	10:00—5:30	10:00—5:30	10:00—5:30	10:00—5:30

Seminole County Public Library
103 West Fourth Street
Donalsonville, Georgia 39845

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
9:30—5:30	9:30—5:30	9:30—5:30	9:30—5:30	9:30—5:30	9:30—5:30



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