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News - West Georgia Regional Library

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*People, Libraries
and Agencies* **IN THE NEWS**

West Georgia Regional Library

The West Georgia Regional Library (WGRL), serving Carroll, Douglas, Haralson, Heard, and Paulding counties, hopes everyone is having a fantastic summer!

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The Ephesus Public Library was selected as a recipient of the 2015 Teens' Top Ten Book Giveaway from the Young Adult Library Services Association (YALSA). This collection of new titles will help further spur teen interest in the library's resources. WGRL has also recently rearranged the library to provide more space and a more inviting afternoon place for the young adult patrons. If you are in the area, WGRL invites you to stop by to check it out!

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Ruth Fuller of the Whitesburg Public Library has received the Tanner Medical Center Community Volunteer Award. The award was given due to her support of the local community through the library in encouraging education and health to all the citizens of Whitesburg. Ruth partners with Tanner Medical Center to bring health programs, such as a walking program, weight loss challenge, and Mammogram Bus, to the

City of Whitesburg on a regular basis. WGRL is very proud of her and the work that she continues to do in the Whitesburg area.

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On Saturday, June 6, WGRL continued the new tradition of kicking off summer reading simultaneously at all seventeen branches with a fantastic Super Saturday event. Between carnivals, reptile shows, performers, magicians,



crafts, mazes, parachute games, sidewalk art, puppet shows, face painting, and much more, WGRL communities came out in force to support their local libraries and all of the wonderful activities we have going on this summer. Last year, WGRL had a record breaking 10,000

people participate in summer reading; this year, WGRL expects the number to be even higher!

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WGRL announced some staffing changes at the libraries. Kristy Greene will be taking over as branch manager of the New Georgia Public Library on July 1. Also on July 1, Teresa Jones and Justin Nobles will be joining the administrative staff as the new children's coordinator and training coordinator, respectively.

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