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## CPS Parent Center Roundup

Students new to the kindergarten class at Clinton Primary School in the Fall 2018-2019 semester were introduced to the Parent Center at CPS recently, where their parents learned about the services and aids provided by the center. PI Center Coordinator Gina Karber said the CPS Parent Center is open Monday-Wednesday from 7:45 – 11:15 a.m. and 1-3 p.m., Thursdays from 7:45 a.m. to 7 p.m., and Fridays from 12:50 – 3:05 p.m. during the academic year. Parents have access to free services and learning aids such as books, flash cards, videos and DVDs, games, and worksheets for students, as well as parenting materials. Karber is in her second year as PI Center coordinator.



## CPS students get free books

Clinton Primary School students will have access to free books this summer as the result of donations of children's books to the early literacy program at Clinton Primary School.



## **‘Teacher Appreciation Week’ observed**

Hope Public Schools teachers were recognized May 7-11 as Arkansas and the Hope Public School District celebrated Teacher Appreciation Week. Superintendent Bobby Hart said the recognition was particularly deserved. “Our community is blessed to have such wonderful and dedicated teachers,” Hart said. “On behalf of the Hope Public Schools Board of Directors, I want to express our sincere appreciation to all of them for the job they do. They are leading the charge in improving the Hope Public Schools system.”

Teachers were recognized by the HPSD on each campus through the week with a luncheon provided by district administration. Clinton Primary School teachers also received treats and gifts during the week.

The First United Methodist Church donated books and bookshelves to first graders selected from the early literacy program May 16.

Each of the 33 children received a selection of books already shelved in a bookshelf built by FUMC members. Both the bookshelf and books become the property of each child, and are donated to encourage summer reading, according Marlon Ward, FUMC member.

“This is the fourth year that we have done this; and, it’s something that Dan Rohrbaugh saw done elsewhere and brought to us to do,” Ward said.

She said more than 100 bookshelves have since been built and donated to CPS students.

Rohrbaugh said the idea comes from a history of literacy encouraged by the pioneer circuit-riding Methodist ministers in Arkansas, who provided books to families in their preaching circuit.

Most of the books are purchased with funds raised from the annual FUMC Fourth of July Celebration, and volunteer donations, as well as the donation of slightly used books, Ward said.

Bookshelf builders included Rohrbaugh, Bob Lewis, Jerry Monroe, and Diane Willmon. Wright and Carey Rohrbaugh spearheaded the book collection.

The Lillie Mae Smith Resource Room Women’s Ministry of Rising Star Baptist Church in Hope donated 900 books on May 1, according to Mary White, church member.

“The Resource Room is located at the Rising Star Missionary Baptist Church,” White, said.

The church campus is located at 1002 E. Beech St., and the Smith Resource Room is open to the public, she said.

“The Women’s Ministry goal is for each Clinton Primary student to receive a new book to take home to read during the summer,” White said. “We invite the parents to visit the Resource Room during the summer to select additional books.” Books are provided through a program of donations to the ministry at Rising Star Baptist, part of which is underwritten by Dr. Roscoe Smith, of Dallas, a native and alumnus of Hope.

### *Bobcat View...*

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