

Fun at the park



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The Seneca Fire Department hosed down participants at the Oconee County Public Library's End of Summer Bash on Wednesday at South Cove County Park.

Oconee library hosts End of Summer Bash for kids

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SENECA — About 700 people made it out to South Cove County Park for the Oconee County Public Library's End of Summer Bash on Wednesday.

The summer bash celebrated the kids who completed the Summer



Isaac Clay holds his grand prize and certificate for completing the summer reading program on Wednesday at South Cove County Park in Seneca.



Oconee County Public Library's Bookmobile was stationed at the End of Summer Bash on Wednesday at South Cove County Park.

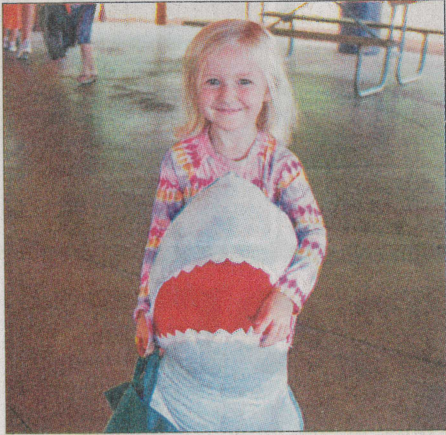
Reading Program with playtime at the park and in Lake Keowee, games, food and prizes.

Youth services librarian Darcy Arnall said Emmaline Hughes, Hensley Nix, Isaac Clay, Emmett Cassell and Marly Porter all won one of the event's grand prizes.

"We gave certificates and med-

als to the kids who had completed the Summer Reading Program, and we also handed out free snacks, sno-cones and books," she said. "Some of our grand prize winners were able to come to the party, so we gave them their

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Marly Porter holds her grand prize at the End of Summer Bash on Wednesday at South Cove County Park.



Wyatt Merck wears his medal for completing the summer reading program.



Emmaline Hughes holds her grand prize at the End of Summer Bash on Wednesday at South Cove County Park.

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prizes as well. We had a huge turnout, and it was a very successful day

Arnall said many community members lent a hand.

"We had several community partners help us out with the bash, including the Seneca Fire Department, Oconee County Sheriff's Office, Friends of the Library, Oconee First Steps and the Oconee Humane Society," she said.

A fire truck was even parked near the lake and sprayed water at the kids for an extra cool-off as they swam.