



75 Days of Summer in Forsyth County

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About This Guide

This guide is intended to provide you with some fun, inexpensive (sometimes even free), activities and events in Cumming GA & Forsyth County. See how many places you go & things you do this summer by checking off the items on this guide.

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Most of all – have a FUN & SAFE Summer!!

Indoor Fun

- **Adventure Kids**
4335 Bethelview Road, Cumming GA 30040
Phone: 770.406.8952
40 Ton Indoor Sandpit, Playground, Inflatables, Plasma Car Racing, Wii Game Center, Trampoline & More.
- **Catch Air Cumming**
1515 Redi Road, Cumming GA 30040
Phone: 678.965.6868
3-Story Soft Play Castle, Interactive Dance Floor, 2-Story Balloon House, Ball Pits, Laser Dance, Inflatables, Arcade games & More.
- **Let's Roll Skate n' Fun Center** (formerly known as Slapsots Family Skate Center)
5065 Piney Grove Road, Cumming GA 30040
Phone: 770.888.5000
Skating Rink, Arcade games
- **Monkey Joe's Cumming**
5055 Post Road, Cumming GA 30040
Phone: 770.887.5678
Inflatables, Arcade Games
- **Recess by Charley**
3195 Trammel Road, Cumming GA 30041
Phone: 678.876.3456
Flexible Childcare

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- **Stars & Strikes Family Fun Center**
133 Merchant Square, Cumming GA 30040
Phone: 678.965.5707
Bowling, Arcade, Lazer Tag, Bumper Cars
- **Superior Play**
1355 Stonefield Court, Alpharetta GA 30004
Phone: 678.710.9237
Indoor Play Systems (Open Play)
- **The Ice**
1345 Atlanta Hwy, Cumming GA 30040
Phone: 678.845.0103
Skating Rink

Outdoor Fun

- **Warbington Farms**
5555 Crow Road, Cumming GA 30041
Phone: 770.380.2920
Strawberry Picking & Farm Fun
- **Cumming Aquatic Center**
201 Aquatic Circle, Cumming GA 30040
Phone: 770.781.1781
Outdoor Leisure Pool, Lazy River, Water Slide
- **North GA Quarter Midget Racing**
Cumming Fairgrounds – Enjoy some Racing at The Fairgrounds. Free Admission
 - June 9th, 11am
 - June 16th, 11am
 - July 3rd, 6pm
 - July 7th, 3pm
 - July 14th, 5pm
 - August 4th, 4pmAdditional Racing Dates Available. [Click here to check the NGQMA Schedule.](#)

(Outdoor Fun - continued)

Take a Park & Playground Tour



- Big Creek Parkway**
Walking, Jogging, Biking, Inline Skating
- Bennett Park**
5930 Burress Mill Road, Cumming GA 30041
Playground, Picnic Pavilions, Sport Fields
- Central Park**
2300 Keith Bridge Road, Cumming GA 30040
27-Hole Disc Golf Course, Playgrounds, Picnic Pavilions, Mountain Bike Trail, Rec Center
- Charleston Park**
5850 Charleston Park Road, Cumming GA 30041
Picnic Tables & Grills on the Lake
- Coal Mountain Park**
3560 Settingdown Road, Cumming GA 30028
Playgrounds, Walking Trail, Picnic Pavilion
- Duck Town Park**
5895 Heardsville Road, Cumming GA 30028
Picnic Pavilion, Fitness Playground, Outdoor Volleyball, Horseshoe Pits
- Fowler Park**
4110 Carolene Way, Cumming GA 30040
Outdoor Basketball, Pavilions, Playgrounds, Skate Park, Dog Park, Walking Trails
- Joint Venture Park**
3660 Melody Mizer Lane, Cumming GA 30041
Pavilion & Sport Fields
- Midway Park**
5100 Post Road, Cumming GA 30040
Playground, Picnic Pavilion, Walking Trail
- Midway Family Festival Playground**
5100 Post Road, Cumming GA 30040
Picnic Pavilion, Playground
- Poole's Mill**
7725 Poole's Mill Road, Ballground GA 30107
Playground, Horseshoe Pits, Picnic Pavilion with Grills, Creek with Waterfall
- Sawnee Mountain Park**
3995 Watson Road, Cumming GA 30040
Outdoor Basketball, Picnic Pavilion, Playground, Walking Trail

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- ❑ **Sawnee Mountain Preserve**
4075 Spot Road, Cumming GA 30040
Hiking Trails, Playground, Picnic Pavilion
- ❑ **Shady Grove Park** (Visitor Fees may apply)
7800 Shadburn Ferry Road, Cumming GA 30041
Beach & Swim Area, Playground, Camp Sites (additional fee)
- ❑ **Sharon Springs Park**
1950 Sharon Road, Cumming GA 30041
Outdoor Basketball, Walking Trail, Picnic Pavilion, Playground
- ❑ **Windermere Park**
3355 Windermere Pkwy, Cumming GA 30041
Dog Park, Nature Path, Walking Patch, Picnic Pavilion
- ❑ **Young Deer Creek Park**
7300 Heard Rd, Cumming GA 30041
Sand Beach / Lake Swimming, Swing Set, Picnic Pavilion

Create Something

- ❑ **Artistic Adventures – Open Studio**
1581 James Burgess Road, Suwanee GA 30024
Phone: 404.642.6564
Open Studio
- ❑ **Cool Bees – Open Studio**
4710 Atlanta Hwy, Alpharetta GA 30004
Phone: 770.871.9271
Open Studio Painting
- ❑ **Glazed & Fired – Open Studio**
435 Peachtree Pkwy, Cumming GA 30041
Phone: 678.208.6096
Open Studio Canvas & Pottery Painting, Special Events

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Glazed & Fired – Friday Night Fun

435 Peachtree Pkwy, Cumming GA 30041

It's a Date Night for the Parents & a Fun Night for the Kids. \$35/ Night includes materials & pizza. 5pm to 8pm. Pre-Registration Required. Ages 5 to 12 years.

- June 1st
- June 8th
- June 22nd
- June 29th
- July 13th
- July 20th
- July 27th

Home Depot Kid's Workshop

Home Depot – Market Place Blvd, Cumming GA 30041

FREE hands-on workshop designed for children ages 5-12 offered the 1st Saturday of every month. 9am to 12Noon

- June 2nd – Build an Organizer
- July 7th – Project TBA
- August 4th – Project TBA



Lowe's Build & Grow

Lowe's – Market Place Blvd, Cumming GA 30041

FREE hand-on workshop offered the 2nd & 4th Saturday of every month at 10am. And during the summer, select Sundays too beginning at 2pm – for more fun! NOTE: Pre-Registration is required and classes are already filling up!

- Saturday, May 26th 10am – Build an Ice Cream Truck
- Saturday, June 9th 10am & Sunday, June 10th 2pm –Monkey Powered Plane
- Saturday, June 23rd 10am & Sunday, June 24th 2pm – Madagascar 3 Luxury Assault Vehicle
- Saturday, July 14th 10am & Sunday, July 15th 2pm – Kung Fu Panda Spinning Attack
- Saturday, July 28th 10am & Sunday, July 29th 2pm – Kung Fu Panda Stacking Friends

Additional Clinics Available, [Click here for Full Schedule](#)

Michael's Crafts

Michael's – Market Place Blvd, Cumming GA 30041

Be sure to check out the monthly crafts offered through Michael's Craft Store. Some events are free and others are free with a small purchase. [Click here for the Store Calendar](#).

Storytimes



- **Barnes & Noble**
410 Peachtree Pkwy, Cumming GA 30041
Phone: 770.781.0867
Storytimes every Tuesday & Saturday (check schedule for book selection & times)
- **Forsyth County Public Library**
Most storytimes held Monday – Thursday at various locations (click links to check schedule for themes & times)
 - **Cumming Library**
585 Dahlonega Road, Cumming GA 30040
 - **Hampton Park Library**
5345 Settingdown Road, Cumming GA 30041
 - **Sharon Forks Library**
2820 Old Atlanta Road, Cumming GA 30041

Movies



- **FREE Summer Movies at Movies 400**
Shows start at 10am every Tuesday & Thursday. \$1 Drinks and \$1 Popcorn Available. Bring a can of food to support a local food drive & receive a free popcorn. Limit one per person. Movie titles subject to change without notice.
 - ❖ June 5 & 7: Puss N Boots
 - ❖ June 12 & 14: Chicken Run
 - ❖ June 19 & 21: Over the Hedge
 - ❖ June 26 & 28: Kung Fu Panda
 - ❖ July 3 & 5: Shark Tale
 - ❖ July 10 & 12: How To Train Your Dragon
 - ❖ July 17 & 19: Madagascar 2
 - ❖ July 24 & 26: Bee Movie
 - ❖ July 31 & August 2: Monsters vs. Aliens
 - ❖ August 7 & 9: Megamind

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☐ **Georgia Movies in the Park**

Visit the Cumming Fairgrounds for a FREE Outdoor Summer Movie. Free Admission. Pre-Movie Activities starting at 7pm. Feature presentation beginning at dusk. Will be shown rain (under the arena) or shine. Bring or blanket or a lawn chair.

❖ Saturday, June 23rd: Alvin & the Chipmunks Chip Wrecked

❖ Saturday, July 28th: The Three Stooges



☐ **Summer Family Cinema Series at Hampton Park Library**

All showing are at 2pm at 5345 Settingdown Road, Cumming GA 30041

❖ May 30: The Muppets

❖ June 6: TinTin

❖ June 13: Cars 2

❖ June 20: Mars Meets Moms

❖ June 27: Kung Fu Panda 2

❖ July 11: Rango



Performances - Plays, Dance & Music

☐ **Cumming Dance Academy – A European Escapade**

Performances at West Forsyth High School

❖ Shows June 1st – June 3rd. \$10 Admission. [Click here for Ticket Information.](#)

☐ **The Cumming Playhouse – The Wizard of Oz**

Performances at Cumming Playhouse. Showing every Thursday – Sunday, June 7th – July 1st. Tickets starting at \$17.50 per person. Additional productions available during the summer.

(Performances - continued)

□ **Music in the Park at Forsyth Avenue**

Every Wednesday, May 23 – August 1. 6pm to 9pm. Enjoy Complimentary Live Music, Food and Drink Samples, Trivia, Giveaways, Free gift with purchase & additional special perks.

- ❖ May 23
- ❖ May 30
- ❖ June 6
- ❖ June 13
- ❖ June 20
- ❖ June 27
- ❖ July 4
- ❖ July 11
- ❖ July 18
- ❖ July 25
- ❖ August 1



(Plays, Dance & Music – continued)

□ **Concert on the Lawn at Browns Bridge Church**

3860 Browns Bridge Road, Cumming GA 30041

June 7th, 8pm. Event is for married & single adults. Bring your blankets, food, beverages (no alcohol), and your friends! Food Vendors will be on site if you wish to purchase. Gates open at 6:30pm. Tickets are \$10 per person in advance, \$15 at the event. [Click here for ticket information.](#)

□ **Forsyth County Public Library – Summer Showcase Schedule**

In addition to regular Storytimes and Library Activities, the FCPL has put together a "**Summer Showcase Event**" to be held at all three locations.

❖ **Cumming Library Branch**

- Saturday, June 2nd – 10:15am: The Puppet Guy
- Thursday, June 7th – 3:30pm: Polkas, Music & Dancing
- Saturday, June 9th – 1:15pm: Magician
- Thursday, June 21st – 6:30pm: Magician
- Saturday, June 30th – 11am: "I Likel to Recycle" Production
- Saturday, July 7th – 11:30am: Storyteller
- Saturday, July 14th – 10:30am: Magician
- Thursday, July 19th – 6:30pm: Magician



❖ Hampton Park Branch

- ❑ Saturday, June 2nd – 1:15pm: The Puppet Guy
- ❑ Saturday, June 9th – 10:15am: Magician
- ❑ Thursday, June 21st – 3:30pm: Magician
- ❑ Saturday, June 23rd – 11am: Magician
- ❑ Tuesday, June 26th – 5:30pm: Magician
- ❑ Saturday, July 7th – 10am: Storyteller
- ❑ Thursday, July 12th – 3:30pm: Singer / Storyteller



❖ Sharon Forks Branch

- ❑ Saturday, June 2nd – 10:15am & 11:30am: Magician
- ❑ Saturday, June 9th – 11:15am: Storyteller / Drummer
- ❑ Tuesday, June 12th – 6:30pm: Storyteller
- ❑ Monday, June 18th – 6:30pm: Musician
- ❑ Saturday, June 23rd – 2pm: Magician
- ❑ Saturday, July 7th – 1:30pm & 3:30pm: The Puppet Guy
- ❑ Saturday, July 14th – 1:30pm: Magician



Markets

❑ Brookwood Farmer's Market

Caney Creek Preserve – Caney Road, Cumming GA 30041

Bring your market tote, dogs on leashes, children & an appetite. The Brookwood Farmer's Market is back for Summer 2012 beginning Friday, June 15th.

- ❑ Every Friday, 4pm to 7pm. June 15th through September.

❑ Cumming Farmer's Market

Cumming Fairgrounds – Castleberry Road, Cumming GA 30040

- ❑ Every Saturday & Wednesday, 7:30am to 12Noon. June 2nd through August.

❑ Lakewood Antique Market

1321 Atlanta Hwy, Cumming GA 30040

Time: Friday 9am to 5pm, Saturday 9am to 6pm, Sunday 10am to 5pm

\$3 Admission (Ticket is good all weekend), 12 & Under FREE

- ❑ June 15 – 17
- ❑ July 20 – 22

(Additional dates available throughout the year. Always the 3rd weekend of every month)

Sweets & Treats

- **Creations Bakery**
101 Meadow Drive, Cumming GA 30040
Phone: 770.887.4944
Closed Sunday & Monday
- **Donut Depot**
440 Canton Road, Cumming GA 30040
Phone: 770.888.9993
Open 7 Days
- **Dutch Monkey Doughnuts**
3075 Ronald Reagan Blvd, Cumming GA 30041
Closed Monday
- **Ice Cream Social**
5910 Bethelview Road, Cumming GA 30040
Phone: 678.341.9922
Closed Monday
- **Hagen Daz**
410 Peachtree Pkwy, Cumming GA 30041
Phone: 770.888.9852
Open 7 Days
- **Menchie's**
905 Market Place Blvd, Cumming GA 30041
Phone: 770.781.9721
Open 7 Days
- **The Chill Hill**
5860 South Vickery Street, Cumming GA 30040
Phone: 404.644.9537
Open 7 Days
- **Yogli Mogli**
405 Peachtree Pkwy, Cumming GA 30041
Phone: 770.844.0451
Open 7 Days

Fundraising & Charity Events

☐ **Stick it 2 Cancer Events**

Benefiting the \$104,000 goal to "Stick it 2 Cancer".

☐ **Slice Cancer at Pizzeria Azzurri**

3560 Browns Bridge Road, Cumming GA 30028

Tuesday, June 5th

11am to 9:30pm. Dine at Pizzeria Azzurri and a donation will be made when you mention Stick it 2 Cancer. [Keep up to date on the event by clicking here.](#)

☐ **Mix Menchies ... FREEZE Cancer!**

905 Market Place Blvd, Cumming GA 30041

Tuesday, July 17th

5pm to Close. Purchase your Menchie's Fro Yo and 20% of proceeds will be donated to Stick it 2 Cancer. Also enjoy balloon pop, fro yo eating contest, blindfold taste test & more fun! [Keep up to date on the event by clicking here.](#)

☐ **Mutts & More**

Benefiting the Forsyth County Humane Society

Date: Saturday, June 6th

Location: Fowler Park

Time: 10am to 4pm

Pet Adoptions, Demonstrations, Vendors, Games, Food, Live Music, Rucker Dog Show
FREE Admission



☐ **Kids Jump for Kelly Mill**

Benefiting Kelly Mill Elementary School

Monkey Joe's – 5055 Post Road, Cumming GA 30040

Thursday, June 7th

Jump from 10am to 6pm and Monkey Joe's will donate 25% of proceeds to Kelly Mill when kids mention they are there to "Jump for Kelly Mill".

☐ **Food for Thought**

Benefiting Local Food Pantries in Forsyth County. The next pick-up is Saturday, June 9th.

There are two ways to volunteer:

☐ **Sign Up to Donate Food:** Make this a Family event by letting the kids help you grocery shop & fill your orange bag.

☐ **Sign Up to Volunteer:** After registering to donate, consider taking it a step further. It takes about 3hours of your time on the morning of Saturday, June 9th. [Read more about my family's experience](#) & why we're signed up to volunteer again. Volunteer this Summer!

Fun at Home

- Make an Obstacle Course in the backyard & let the whole family compete. Consider giving out prizes for fun!
- Make homemade ice-cream. Don't have a maker? That's ok. Let the kids "make" it. Read this article for a "[make your own ice-cream in a baggie](#)" recipe.
- Camp in the backyard – complete with tent, sleeping bag, camp food & fun!
- Go on a Scavenger Hunt – in either the backyard or inside. Consider these options:
 - Find something that starts with every letter of the alphabet.
 - Find something that is each color of the rainbow.
 - Find something that starts with each letter of your family's last name.
- Enjoy some "[Lazy Times](#)" together! Check out the Lazy Times website by Lauren, a 3^d grade student at Vickery Creek Elementary School. She shares:
 - [Recipes](#) for kids to make.
 - [Spa Treatments](#) for girls to make at home.
 - [Fun Forts](#) to make in the living room. Maybe even sleep in it for more fun!
 - And a list of [Games](#) to play at home.
- Make Water Balloons – have a fight or just throw them for fun.
- Create a Journal – Let the kids create a journal & chronical their summer. What a fun way to see the summer through their perspective! Even young children can get involved with this. Visit this article on [Impress Your Kids](#) for ideas.

Special Events

□ **Adventure Kids – School’s Out Blow Out Weekend**

4335 Bethelview Road, Cumming GA 30040

Phone: 770.406.8952

- Saturday, May 26th – Glow Party, 8pm to 10pm
- Sunday, May 27th – Sand Castle Sunday, 1pm to 6pm

□ **Down Under Fest at the Polo Fields**

Polo Fields

Saturday, May 26 – Monday, May 28

Individual & Weekend Passes Available

Food, Musical Talents, Marketplace, Activities for Kids, Down Under Fest Ale & more!

□ **4th of July Activities at the Cumming Fairground**

□ **Tuesday, July 3rd – Independence Day Celebration**

6pm at the Fairgrounds

Food/ Drink Vendors, Inflatables, Live Band (7:30pm), Fireworks(9:30pm), Dance Contest (10pm – All Ages)

No Admission or Parking Fee



□ **Wednesday, July 4th – Steam Engine Parade**

9am to 1pm at the Fairgrounds

Vendors (9am to 1pm), Parade (10am – 12Noon)



□ **4th of July – 3rd Annual Doughnut Eating Contest**

Dutch Monkey Doughnuts

Wednesday, July 4th – 1pm

[Click here for more information.](#)

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