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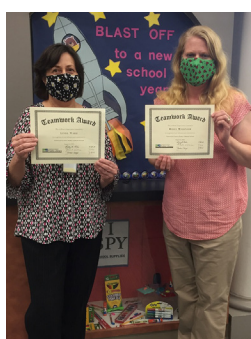
LEXINGTON COUNTY PUBLIC LIBRARY — CONNECT. ENGAGE. ENRICH.

September 2021

Summer Reading – Lexington County Public Library's 2021 Summer Reading Program came to an end in August. This year's theme was *Tails and Tales*. A total of **7, 664** patrons registered for the program and, this month, grand prizes were awarded at all of the branches for each age group — early literacy, children, teens and adults. There were over **40** winners, and prizes included building blocks, slime kits, books, gift certificates and more.



Employee Recognition – The Teamwork Award recognizes staff members excelling as a group. In September, this award was presented to Irmo Branch Library youth services staff members — Linda Ward and Holly Wessinger. They were instrumental in keeping the branch going during a long period of uncertainty. They are creative, work well together and always put forth a professional, colorful and enriching environment for their patrons.



Adult Programming – On September 28, Pelion Branch Library hosted a *North of 50* program organized by Karyn Myers (library assistant III). The seniors celebrated the start of fall with a harvest craft, fashioning corn husks into cute dolls.



Book Club Pick of the Month – In September, Swansea Branch Library's Blue Jay Book Club read *The Lies That Bind* by Emily Giffin. The club members had a rousing discussion about the characters, love, lies and morality. They rated the book 4.6 out of 5 stars.

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Programming – On September 23, Batesburg-Leesville Branch Library invited local beekeeper, Kevin Cullis, to host a program all about honey bees and their vital importance to the environment. There were **11** in attendance who were absolutely abuzz with excitement.



Chapin Branch Library hosted *Good Nature: Wildlife Walk* on September 30 to learn how to identify native birds, snakes and insects. Led by Habitat Education Manager Jay Keck, **11** patrons ventured into the great beyond (or Chapin Town Hall's newly created nature trail) armed with binoculars.



Library Card Promotion – September was Library Card Sign-Up Month, and Pelion Branch Library celebrated with a Wonder Woman photoshoot for new (and old) cardholders.



The youth services staff at South Congaree-Pine Ridge (SCPR) partnered with the media specialists from Airport High School to promote Library Card Sign-Up Month. Students who signed up were entered into a drawing for a prize basket sponsored by the SCPR Friends of the Library. The winner was De'Shala Gillings.

Storytime – Marianela Dieguez, a youth services library assistant III at Cayce-West Columbia Branch Library, held a bilingual storytime for patrons on September 18. She had a lot of crowd participation from the **26** attendees, who loved learning new words in Spanish.



Outreach – On September 14, Lexington Main Library's youth services librarian II, Amy Pittsenbarger, organized a fun *Midlands Montessori Storytime*. There was a total of **30** in attendance.



Swansea Branch Library held an outreach at Lexington School District Four's Early Childhood Center on September 17. Library Assistant Cindy Nowak read stories to the little ones.



Community – Every two seconds, someone in the U.S. needs blood. Lexington and Irmo Branch Libraries each hosted a *Red Cross Blood Drive* to give back to the community. There was a combined total of **41** participants.



FUN FACT THE MOST OVERDUE LIBRARY BOOK IN THE WORLD WAS **122 YEARS LATE.**

Monthly Circulation Report

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Material Type	Batesburg- Leesville	Lexington	Cayce- West Columbia	Irmo	Chapin	Swansea	Gaston	Pelion	Gilbert- Summit	Mobile Library	South Congaree- Pine Ridge	Ebooks	SYSTEM TOTALS
Fiction Adult	517	4,813	2,370	3,186	1,161	186	139	260	293	315	312	—	13,552
Paperback	33	326	166	32	54	14	15	42	0	0	19	—	701
NonFiction Adult	302	2,987	1,256	1,510	538	75	99	211	137	213	125	—	7,453
LARGE PRINT	417	2,175	975	749	338	90	64	61	84	644	153	—	5,750
Non-Circulating	0	16	6	0	0	1	0	0	2	0	0	—	25
Interlibrary Loan	0	21	35	27	0	2	0	0	0	0	1	—	86
Periodical	94	664	270	241	307	36	24	68	40	52	25	—	1,821
Fiction Juvenile	440	5,651	1,203	1,500	805	54	76	180	264	407	218	—	10,798
NonFiction Juvenile	331	4,140	1,193	1,480	808	62	112	119	297	1,274	298	—	10,114
EASY	594	12,123	2,806	3,286	1,882	226	410	371	925	5,857	509	—	28,989
Fiction Young Adult	195	2,186	542	631	215	50	63	108	131	172	91	—	4,384
NonFiction Young Adult	16	181	49	67	31	2	3	13	3	12	15	—	392
Subtotal YS Print	1,576	24,281	5,793	6,964	3,741	394	664	791	1,620	7,722	1,131	—	54,677
Total Print Books	2,939	35,283	10,871	12,709	6,139	798	1,005	1,433	2,176	8,946	1,766	—	84,065
Audio Book Adult	27	544	230	476	136	15	17	53	8	147	19	—	1,672
Audio Book Juvenile	15	246	81	194	124	0	6	6	8	96	5	—	781
Video Adult	514	1,871	1,556	1,161	311	276	203	243	208	79	109	—	6,531
Video Juvenile	276	1,282	468	410	237	97	94	93	119	396	54	—	3,526
Total A/V	832	3,943	2,335	2,241	808	388	320	395	343	718	187	—	12,510
Realia	4	7	5	9	2	0	0	1	2	0	1	—	
Total Hard Copy	3,775	39,233	13,211	14,959	6,949	1,186	1,325	1,829	2,521	9,664	1,954	—	96,575
Ebooks	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	14,236	14,236
Downloadable Audio	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	11,097	11,097
Downloadable Video	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	502	502
Downloadable Music	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	121	121
Downloadable Magazines	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	1,058	1,058
Total Downloadables	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	27,014	27,014
Total Circulation	3,775	39,233	13,211	14,959	6,949	1,186	1,325	1,829	2,521	9,664	1,954	27,014	123,589
Computer Internet	185	531	593	634	80	91	97	51	28	0	84	—	2,374
Computer Standalone	2	30	7	17	15	3	2	1	3	0	1	—	81
Wifi	286	2090	975	858	219	165	236	208	117	0	109	—	5,264
Laptop	7	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	—	9
Total Computer	480	2,651	1,575	1,509	314	259	335	261	148	0	195	0	7,728