

LIBRARY LINES

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January 2022

GOODBYE 2021, HELLO 2022

Let it Snow – Lexington County experienced some snowfall in January, and branches celebrated with snow-themed programs. Lexington Main Library hosted *Full STEAM Ahead: Snow Chemistry* on January 13. Kids got to play with fake snow and explore the simple chemistry behind melting snowmen. There were **43** in attendance.



On January 14, South Congaree-Pine Ridge Branch Library presented *Craft Squad: Sock Snowman*. The kids had a blast transforming boring socks into extraordinary snowmen with help from Outreach Coordinator Kate Barry.



When the temperatures drop, all we want to do is stay in our pajamas. Luckily, Gilbert-Summit Branch Library planned ahead with a *Pajama Storytime* on January 18. Everyone got to stay cozy during this fun program.



Gaston Branch Library held *Kidzone: Penguins* on January 20. The program began with a discussion about fun penguin facts, followed by three penguin-themed stories. Then the kids got crafty, making snow out of baking soda and conditioner for their little toy penguins to play in.

Employee Recognition – The Rising Star Award was presented to Emily Harris (library assistant III reference) at Lexington Main Library. Emily was nominated due to her enthusiasm, optimism and knowledge. Since beginning her position, Emily's initiative and love of learning has shined through.



North of 50 – Pelion Branch Library's Jennifer Hagler (library assistant III) hosted her first program, *North of 50: DIY Hats*, on January 25. The branch provided loopy yarn and the senior group had a fun time putting together winter hats.



On January 24, Swansea Branch Library's senior group participated in a program all about astrology, horoscopes and the zodiac hosted by Lucinda Saylor (library assistant III). The topic was handled all in good fun, with the **14** in attendance receiving handouts about their signs followed by a reading of the short story *The Sea Horse* by Edward Marston.

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Adult Programming – On January 24, Karyn Myers (library assistant III) hosted *Handmade: Vision Board Workshop* at Batesburg-Leesville Branch Library. Karyn gave a presentation on creating a vision board and the benefits of putting together a visual display of your goals and dreams. Materials were provided for the patrons to make their own boards and, at the end, everyone was thrilled to share the meanings behind the images they chose to the group.



Lexington Main organized *Handmade: T-Shirt Quilts* on January 20. Sewing machines and batting were provided for sewing enthusiasts to stitch together their own cute and cozy quilts. Patrons brought in t-shirts with sentimental value and some that just matched their aesthetic to make the project more personal.



Chapin Branch librarian, Amanda Stone, hosted *Handmade: Winter Candles* on January 27. Patrons got to dabble in the delicate art of candlemaking, melting wax together to make their own unique colors and scents. There were **18** in attendance.



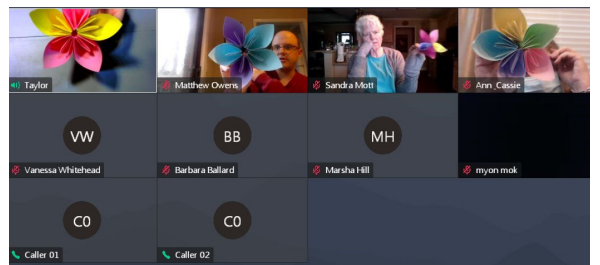
Tween Programming – Cayce-West Columbia Branch Library put together *Tween Extreme: Amateur Magician Society* on January 13. Patrons were eager to learn some beginner magic tricks and were quick to show off their newfound skills.



Relaxation was the priority at Lexington Main with *Tween Extreme: Hygge Time* on January 5. Hygge is a Danish word for a quality of coziness that makes a person feel content and comfortable. The lights were dimmed and patrons got comfy with hot chocolate and cozy crafts.



So Creative – On January 20th, Cayce-West Columbia Branch Library invited special guest Taylor Collier to the live virtual *So Creative* program. Patrons learned the basics of how to create origami flowers using kami (origami paper). There were **21** patrons in attendance.



FUN FACT The most searched for title in January was *The Left-Handed Twin* by Thomas Perry.

Monthly Circulation Report

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Material Type	Batesburg- Leesville	Lexington	Cayce- West Columbia	Irmo	Chapin	Swansea	Gaston	Pelton	Gilbert- Summit	Mobile Library	South Congaree- Pine Ridge	Ebooks	SYSTEM TOTALS
Fiction Adult	477	4,834	2,317	3,287	1,262	202	196	255	265	229	370	—	13,694
Paperback	32	297	124	14	47	29	25	10	16	0	12	—	606
NonFiction Adult	253	3,164	1,161	1,607	577	83	122	186	133	230	209	—	7,725
LARGE PRINT	401	2,277	901	815	354	65	90	42	114	791	126	—	5,976
Non-Circulating	0	14	10	2	3	0	0	0	0	2	2	—	33
Interlibrary Loan	2	7	14	3	0	1	2	5	0	0	0	—	34
Periodical	117	566	243	240	317	52	31	72	61	47	23	—	1,769
Fiction Juvenile	355	4,688	1,036	1,296	813	54	96	111	154	523	238	—	9,364
NonFiction Juvenile	208	3,901	1,061	1,325	869	51	82	84	248	1,540	292	—	9,661
EASY	556	11,696	2,091	2,910	1,488	190	362	357	658	7,262	490	—	28,060
Fiction Young Adult	82	2,165	540	538	217	59	57	69	71	164	92	—	4,054
NonFiction Young Adult	15	154	53	54	26	8	2	7	4	16	12	—	351
Subtotal YS Print	1,216	22,604	4,781	6,123	3,413	362	599	628	1,135	9,505	1,124	—	51,490
Total Print Books	2,498	33,763	9,551	12,091	5,973	794	1,065	1,198	1,724	10,804	1,866	—	81,327
Audio Book Adult	14	396	227	397	135	6	7	35	3	215	11	—	1,446
Audio Book Juvenile	38	179	104	176	50	25	0	3	7	128	5	—	715
Video Adult	568	1,903	1,279	1,204	357	142	203	372	246	84	91	—	6,449
Video Juvenile	270	1,123	410	311	199	41	71	98	73	291	75	—	2,962
Total A/V	890	3,601	2,020	2,088	741	214	281	508	329	718	182	—	11,572
Realia	0	5	11	5	3	0	0	0	1	0	0	—	25
Total Hard Copy	3,388	37,369	11,582	14,184	6,717	1,008	1,346	1,706	2,054	11,522	2,048	—	92,924
Ebooks	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	14,034	14,034
Downloadable Audio	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	11,908	11,908
Downloadable Video	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	1,505	1,505
Downloadable Music	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	373	373
Downloadable Magazines	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	1,256	1,256
Total Downloadables	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	29,076	29,076
Total Circulation	3,388	37,369	11,582	14,184	6,717	1,008	1,346	1,706	2,054	11,522	2,048	29,076	122,000
Computer Internet	165	458	542	563	71	73	93	74	35		72	—	2,146
Computer Standalone	4	66	3	23	19	6	0	5	5	0	9	—	140
Wifi	244	2305	919	912	229	211	262	228	136		105	—	5,551
Laptop	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	—	1
Total Computer	413	2,829	1,464	1,498	319	290	355	308	176	0	186	—	7,838