

LIBRARY LINES

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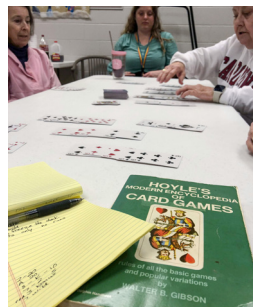
Lifelong Learning – South Congaree-Pine Ridge Branch Library's Lauren Flinner (library assistant III) presented *Lifelong Learning: French Cheese Tasting* on January 31. She discussed the regions in France where different cheeses originate and how they are made. The 12 patrons in attendance thoroughly enjoyed sampling the six varieties — mimolette, reblochon, Port Salut, Roquefort, Camembert, Comté — that were available.



Handmade – On January 31, Jennifer Hagler (library assistant III) from Pelion Branch Library organized *Handmade: Library Social Club*. The 9 patrons had a grand time creating cupcake photo holders out of foam while they chatted with their fellow crafters.



Game On – Karyn Myers (library assistant III) from Batesburg-Leesville Branch Library brought back an old favorite, *Game On: Tabletop Games*, on January 30. The group learned Canasta at their first meeting, with Dot — a regular patron — teaching everyone how to play.



Winter Fun – South Carolina winter is in full effect, and the branches celebrated the season with a variety of fun programs. On January 19, Gaston Branch Library held *Kid Zone: Ice Investigation*. Jill Hester (library assistant III) froze sea animal toys and the little ones experimented with different melting methods, pouring vinegar, flour, baking soda and salt over their ice blocks.



Swansea Branch Library's Cindy Nowak (library assistant III) put together *Family Palooza: Winter is for the Birds* on January 20. She taught the families how to attract wildlife to their yards, and then they all made pinecone bird feeders to take home.



On January 20, Christine Meade (library assistant III) from Chapin Branch Library lead everyone in fun STEAM activities demonstrating how penguins stay dry and polar bears stay warm during *Family Palooza: Extreme Cold*.



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So Creative – On January 19, Cayce-West Columbia Branch Library held *Handmade: So Creative*. Nicole Molyneux (library assistant III) taught all **16** patrons how to make unique luminaries out of mason jars, fabric and paint. She set out additional craft books for them to check out other relaxing projects.



Full STEAM Ahead – Lexington Main Library put together *Full STEAM Ahead: Mission Creativity* on January 13. The theme was Dr. Seuss, and the **56** kids had a blast building wacky structures.



Nature Nook – Megan Rikard (library assistant III) from Batesburg-Leesville Branch Library organized *Nature Nook: Camp Out* on January 17. The **15** camp-goers built a paper campfire, listened to *A Camping Spree with Mr. Magee* by Chris Van Dusen and made water bottle fireflies out of glow sticks and recycled materials.



Kid Zone – South Congaree-Pine Ridge Branch Library hosted *Kid Zone: Winter Bingo* on January 13. A total of **17** kids competed, and the winners got to choose a prize from the treasure chest.



Outreach – On January 9, Pelion Branch Library's youth services (YS) staff, Faith O'Neal-Roberts and Katie Simpson (library assistant IIIs), visited Pelion Elementary School. The **60** students got to be little archaeologists as they dug for chocolate chip fossils out in the sunshine.



Gilbert-Summit Branch Library's YS staff, Kelsey Arender and Angie Brooks (library assistant IIIs), added Deerfield Elementary School as a new outreach partner. On January 9, Kelsey worked an escape room with a STEM class. On January 20, Angie discussed the fantasy genre with three different groups. Their combined efforts reached **181** students.

FUN FACT The most searched for title in January was *As Good As Dead* by Holly Jackson.

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	603	5,387	2,565	3,134	1,386	174	201	388	281	345	403	—	14,867
Paperback	52	284	94	13	68	21	2	18	3	0	11	—	566
NonFiction Adult	376	3,548	1,487	1,595	631	80	107	240	181	168	218	—	8,631
LARGE PRINT	347	2,343	854	859	338	51	89	74	88	887	136	—	6,066
Non-Circulating	1	23	3	3	1	0	0	0	0	7	3	—	41
Interlibrary Loan	1	3	25	17	3	0	0	0	2	0	0	—	51
Periodical	164	409	233	267	343	40	25	57	52	0	34	—	1,624
Fiction Juvenile	389	6,188	1,225	1,731	1,005	64	119	161	265	435	249	—	11,831
NonFiction Juvenile	400	4,744	1,200	1,366	994	56	137	160	247	1,286	244	—	10,834
EASY	634	14,398	2,567	3,384	1,852	275	318	594	996	5,988	640	—	31,646
Fiction Young Adult	106	1,914	496	587	237	32	49	108	83	46	139	—	3,797
NonFiction Young Adult	16	195	78	59	27	0	3	18	9	8	9	—	422
Subtotal YS Print	1,545	27,439	5,566	7,127	4,115	427	626	1,041	1,600	7,763	1,281	—	58,530
Total Print Books	3,089	39,436	10,827	13,015	6,885	793	1,050	1,818	2,207	9,170	2,086	—	90,376
Audio Book Adult	33	470	144	332	114	6	8	28	20	182	19	—	1,356
Audio Book Juvenile	20	249	119	163	79	4	9	2	8	75	6	—	734
Video Adult	561	1,944	1,011	1,027	308	292	215	319	265	199	134	—	6,275
Video Juvenile	137	1,248	352	368	242	44	86	129	118	180	131	—	3,035
Total A/V	751	3,911	1,626	1,890	743	346	318	478	411	636	290	—	11,400
Realia	1	5	8	4	4	1	1	0	1	0	0	—	25
Total Hard Copy	3,841	43,352	12,461	14,909	7,632	1,140	1,369	2,296	2,619	9,806	2,376	—	101,801
Ebooks	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	15,863	15,863
Downloadable Audio	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	14,076	14,076
Downloadable Video	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	461	461
Downloadable Music	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	102	102
Downloadable Magazines	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	1,055	1,055
Total Downloadables	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	31,557	31,557
Total Circulation	3,841	43,352	12,461	14,909	7,632	1,140	1,369	2,296	2,619	9,806	2,376	31,557	133,358
Computer Internet	233	643	731	644	96	101	114	93	27		90	—	2,772
AWE Computer Sessions	53	455	208	226	159	21	22	52	84		45	—	1,325
Wifi	234	2418	1071	827	128	116	206	204	97		101	—	5,402
Laptop	1	3	4	12	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	—	21
SmartBoard	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	—	3
Total Computer	521	3,521	2,014	1,709	383	238	342	349	208	0	238	—	9,523

January 2023 - Monthly Programs and Services Report



Lifelong Learning Programs	Batesburg-Leesville	Lexington	Cayce-West Columbia	Irmo	Chapin	Swansea	Gaston	Pellon	Gilbert-Summit	Mobile Library	South Congaree-Pine Ridge	Virtual			SYSTEM TOTALS
Adult Programs (In-House, Not Including Outreach)	5	14	22	7	4	2	2	5	2	0	5	—	—	—	68
Adult Programs (In-House, Not Including Outreach) Attendance	35	93	173	79	41	6	6	30	20	0	29	—	—	—	512
Virtual Adult Programs	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	—	—	—	0
Virtual Adult Programs Attendance	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	—	—	—	0
Mixed Ages Programs	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	—	—	—	1
Mixed Ages Programs Attendance	0	0	0	0	12	0	0	0	0	0	0	—	—	—	12
Children's/Teen Programs (In-House, Not Including Outreach)	9	60	16	19	18	12	7	15	9	0	11	—	—	—	176
Children's/Teen Programs (In-House, Not Including Outreach) Attendance	95	1,586	243	199	300	37	12	192	82	0	157	—	—	—	2,903
Virtual Children's/Teen Programs	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	—	—	—	0
Virtual Children's/Teen Programs Attendance	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	—	—	—	0
Outreach Programs (Adults + Children/Teens)	4	59	15	8	7	2	0	3	11	0	13	—	—	—	122
Outreach Programs (Adults + Children/Teen) Attendance	90	1,178	332	195	261	31	0	314	297	0	205	—	—	—	2,903
Virtual Outreach Programs (Adults + Children/Teen)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	—	—	—	0
Virtual Outreach Programs (Adults + Children/Teen) Attendance	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	—	—	—	0
1:1 Training Sessions	3	3	5	6	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	—	—	—	18
Take and Make Kits	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	76	—	—	—	76
Book Drop Offs	0	0	46	0	0	0	0	0	0	60	0	—	—	—	106
TOTAL # VIRTUAL PROGRAMS	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	—	—	—	0
TOTAL # VIRTUAL PARTICIPANTS	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	—	—	—	0
TOTAL # PROGRAMS	18	133	53	34	30	16	9	23	22	0	29	—	—	—	367
TOTAL # PARTICIPANTS	220	2,857	748	473	614	74	18	536	399	0	391	—	—	—	6,330
Resources Used													Electronic Resources		SYSTEM TOTALS
Adult Books	1,381	11,593	5,036	5,625	2,431	327	400	720	556	1,407	771	—	—	—	30,247
Children's/Teen Books	1,545	27,439	5,566	7,127	4,115	427	626	1,041	1,600	7,763	1,281	—	—	—	58,530
Downloadable Reading	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	16,918	—	16,918
Magazines, Newspapers	164	409	233	267	343	40	25	57	52	0	34	—	—	—	1,624
Downloadable Watch/Listen	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	14,639	—	14,639
Adult Audio Books	33	470	144	332	114	6	8	28	20	182	19	—	—	—	1,356
Children's Audio Books	20	249	119	163	79	4	9	2	8	75	6	—	—	—	734
DVDs	561	1,944	1,011	1,027	308	292	215	319	265	199	134	—	—	—	6,275
Children's DVDs	137	1,248	352	368	242	44	86	129	118	180	131	—	—	—	3,035
Database Searches	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	52,207	—
TOTAL CIRCULATION	3,841	43,352	12,461	14,909	7,632	1,140	1,369	2,296	2,619	9,806	2,376	—	31,557	—	133,358
Individualized Assistance	Batesburg-Leesville	Lexington	Cayce-West Columbia	Irmo	Chapin	Swansea	Gaston	Pellon	Gilbert-Summit	Mobile Library	South Congaree-Pine Ridge	Email	Chat	Admin	SYSTEM TOTALS
General Questions	635	775	1,245	479	432	43	62	295	197	5,687	181	13	18	10	10,072
Technology-Related	143	104	168	42	24	2	28	115	7	0	99	1	3	0	736
Job-Related	3	30	22	10	0	1	20	10	3	0	1	0	0	0	100
Ebook-Related	0	86	23	18	54	3	2	40	2	0	55	2	0	0	285
TOTAL ASSISTANCE	781	995	1,458	549	510	49	112	460	209	5,687	336	16	21	10	11,193
Other Library Uses															TOTALS
Door Counter	2,103	19,425	11,566	13,453	3,172	621	691	579	586	0	1,027	—	—	—	53,223
Meeting/Study Room Use	1	142	75	34	15	0	0	1	1	0	3	—	—	—	272
Meeting/Study Attendance	8	677	290	285	56	0	0	12	4	0	15	—	—	—	1,347
Computer Use	287	1,103	943	882	255	122	136	145	111	0	137	—	—	—	4,121
WiFi	234	2418	1071	827	128	116	206	204	97	0	101	—	—	—	5,402
New Cards Issued	32	499	153	130	79	18	21	33	16	1	33	—	—	—	1,015