

Director's Report
Rusk County Community Library
May 14, 2019

General: We completed one of the required Reference Count weeks. We had 67 questions during the week, which means we answer almost 3500 reference questions every year.

We have new lights over the circulation desk. We need to replace the remainder of the tube lights to improve the visibility throughout the library.

3 Baby and Toddler Storytimes with 48 participants; 3 Preschool Storytimes with 42 participants (one had 0 participants, snow day); 1 SPED Storytime with 11 participants; 1 Field Trip with 26 participants; 5 classroom visits with 79 participants; 2 WAC meetings with 18 participants; 1 teen Animanga event with 31 participants (hooray!!!); 2 all ages Watercolor events with 64 participants; 1 Adult event – Judy Cook (Hollis) with 33 participants; 1 Make and Take with 90 participants; 1 Scavenger Hunt with 60 participants; 1 drop in Easter egg coloring (all week) with 91 participants; Total of 23 events and activities with 613 participants

Valerie's other April activities: Weeding; set up garden center interactive play station; attended Rusk County Community Awards banquet as a recipient with Rusk County Youth Council; Rusk County Youth Council Meeting; planning weekly Animanga events for teens to run concurrently with the Summer Library Program

Budget:

Meetings: Hollis attended the RSCD meeting via GoToMeeting and the City Safety meeting on Wednesday 17. She also attended the WAPL conference on May 1-3.

Staff & Volunteers:

Planning:

Statistics:

Upper Level: March = 5991 April= 6246 **Lower Level:** March = 2070 April= 2338

2019		2018	
Checkouts	6,794 (9)	Checkouts	6,854 (9)
Checkins	6,826 (8)	Checkins	6,856 (9)
Renewals	2,526 (8)	Renewals	2,160 (10)
Total Circulation	9,320	Total Circulation	9,014
Items Borrowed	1,931 (8)	Items Borrowed	1,840 (8)
Items Lent	2,348 (7)	Items Lent	2,556 (7)
Net Difference	417	Net Difference	716
% Locally-owned Checkouts	71.58%	% Locally-owned Checkouts	73.15%
New Patrons	34 (10)	New Patrons	25 (10)
New Items	303 (11)	New Items	287 (11)
Pharos Sessions	626 (7)	Pharos Sessions	672 (7)
Wireless Sessions	2,078 (9)	Wireless Sessions	2,063 (12)
Overdrive Checkout	914 (11)	Overdrive Checkout	639 (14)
Freeding Checkout	8 (14)	Freeding Checkout	9 (9)
Website Visits	1,589 (8)	Website Visits	1,572 (7)