

**Director's Report**  
Rusk County Community Library  
October 10, 2023

**General:** 35 for Baby & Toddler Storytime, 15 for Preschool Storytime, 30 for Safety Fair, 9 for Cookbook Club, 9 for OLS Field Trip, 11 for Lego Club, 16 for Teen Tuesday, 49 for Harvest Décor Painting and 24 for Peter Kwong Cooking Demo. 15 for Library Card Signup Month and 18 participants for Beanstack, reading a total of 19,112 minutes.

**Budget:** on-track. Waiting for notification on City & County budgets being approved.

**Staff & Volunteers:** Val & Christinna got 75% scholarships (\$825 each) for WLA and will be attending toward the end of October.

**Planning:** Working on winter programming, including Winter Magic. New bottle filler should be coming in soon. Partnering with Rusk County Historical Society again this year for Indigenous Peoples Day. WiSciFest is coming up and we have "Science in a Bag" to give away and also a presentation by a local scientist. Going to have Tech Tuesdays in November, using funds from the PLA Digital Literacy grant to purchase laptops and tablets for teaching the required classes (grant stipulations) and in-library use.

**Other:** One of the broken windows in the lower level has been repaired. Waiting for contractor to finish the other one but County maintenance did make sure that it was secure.

**Statistics**    **Upper Level:** 3870    **Lower Level:** 1274

**2022**

Checkouts	4,408 (9)
Checkins	4,256 (9)
Renewals	1,870 (9)
Total Circulation	6,278
Items Borrowed	1,344 (10)
Items Lent	1,403 (11)
Net Difference	59
% Locally-owned Checkouts	69.51%
New Patrons	55 (11)
New Items	195 (18)
Pharos Sessions	199 (9)
Wireless Sessions	475 (16)
Overdrive Checkout	1,266 (11)
Freeding Checkout	9 (11)
Website Pageviews	1,293 (16)

**2023**

Checkouts	5,239 (9)
Checkins	4,615 (9)
Renewals	1,989 (9)
Total Circulation	7,228
Items Borrowed	1,714 (9)
Items Lent	1,566 (11)
Net Difference	-148
% Locally-owned Checkouts	67.28%
New Patrons	32 (16)
New Items	267 (10)
Pharos Sessions	231 (8)
Wireless Sessions	626 (10)
Overdrive Checkout	1,153 (13)
Freeding Checkout	0
Website Pageviews	1,452 (15)