

Director's Report
Rusk County Community Library
May 12, 2026

General: 65 for Baby & Toddler Storytime, 62 for Preschool Storytime, 120 for Egg Decorating Contest, 40 for Easter Cards, 6 for Walking Group, 19 For Pokemon TCG, 400 for LES Family Engagement Night, 90 for Flambeau Child Development Day, 6 for Lego Club, 46 for Flambeau Literacy Night, 51 for County Government Day, 28 for Homeschool Hangout, 12 for Floral Arranging, 36 for Drug Takeback Day, 1 paper log for Beanstack and 23 participants on the app, reading a total of 37,269 minutes.

Budget: working on Act 150 notices currently but otherwise nothing to report.

Staff & Volunteers: First intern with CRI has finished his rotation and started with another intern for 45 days. Working with Friends of the Library to establish a few different committees with library staff to encourage positive working relationships between the two. Valerie attended a CCBC event in Gilman. Christinna attended dementia-friendly training with ADRC and a few trainings with ALA for the accessibility grant that are required, along with an asynchronous course on accessibility. DnD is still going strong and expanding to other tabletop games.

Planning: May is our last indoor farmers market before they head back outside for the summer. Christinna has been invited to speak with state legislators by ARSL later this month. Memory Screening will be held in the lower level this month and next month starts Brain Café and sign-ups for summer reading.

Other: Statistics Upper Level: 4,026 Lower Level: 1,866

<u>2025</u>		<u>2026</u>	
Checkouts	4,534 (9)	Checkouts	3,969 (10)
Checkins	4,437 (9)	Checkins	4,044 (10)
Renewals	1,746 (10)	Renewals	1,909 (9)
Total Circulation	6,280	Total Circulation	5,878
Items Borrowed	1,346 (12)	Items Borrowed	1,254 (11)
Items Lent	1,652 (9)	Items Lent	2,127 (8)
Net Difference	306	Net Difference	873
% Locally-owned Checkouts	70.31%	% Locally-owned Checkouts	68.41%
New Patrons	23 (17)	New Patrons	22 (16)
New Items	214 (13)	New Items	283 (8)
Pharos Sessions	265 (7)	Pharos Sessions	267 (7)
Wireless Sessions	1,062 (6)	Wireless Sessions	841 (6)
Overdrive Checkout	1,413 (12)	Overdrive Checkout	1,631 (12)
Freading Checkout	0	Freading Checkout	0
Website Pageviews	1,189 (17)	Website Pageviews	1,148 (16)