

LIBRARY STATISTICS

CARDHOLDERS

7,562 Total
636 New Cards

INVENTORY

35,419 Collection
4,255 New Items
28,266 MO Lib 2 Go

CIRCULATION

87,386 Total
24,842 Adult
18,380 Easy
8,364 Juvenile
3,304 Young Adult
26,990 Media
101 ILL
297 Tumblebooks
5,108 OverDrive

TECHNOLOGY

3,431 Public Computers
1,208 Wi-fi

PROGRAMS

52 Story Time
912 attendees
12 Evening Story Time
59 attendees
5 Head Start Story Time
69 attendees
33 Summer Reading
1,189 attendees
12 LEGO Play
204 attendees
8 Book Club
46 attendees
3 Youth Book Discussion
7 attendees
12 Youth Volunteer Days
39 attendees
3 Adult Programs
83 attendees
3 Children's Programs
132 attendees

COMMUNITY ROOM

134 uses

The Book Worm is released weekly in our local paper, posted on our website and our Facebook page. Various activities and upcoming events are highlighted in the article.

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2017 the Year of Grants

2017 was a banner year for grants for the library. The library received 3 different LSTA grants.

Each grant was supported by the Institute of Museum and Library Services and Technology Act as administered by the Missouri State Library, a division of the Office of the Secretary of State.



PROUD #IMLSGRANT RECIPIENT!

THE INSTITUTE OF MUSEUM
AND LIBRARY SERVICES

The library received a Summer Library Program Grant for \$4825. This grant allowed us to provide programming for all ages. We were also able to extend SRP, from May to the end of July. Previous SRPs had only been during the month of June.

The theme for the 2017 SRP was "To Build a Better World." A highlight of 2017 was building our Can-struction Pyramid.

Patrons earned cans for each book they read. The food was donated to the local food pantry, Food for Morgan County.



In October we received a Show-Me Steps grant for \$1344 dollars, this offered the opportunity to send our Children's Librarian and Director to the Missouri Library Association Conference. The conference is a great resource for ideas and professional development for our staff.

We rounded out the year with a Technology Mini-Grant for \$15,014. This grant covers from September of 2017 thru March of 2018. Software was updated. We purchased Microsoft Office 2016 to be installed all computers, public and staff. Four Photoshop Elements licenses were purchased to be installed on laptop computers.

8 Laptops were purchased with the grant funds. The laptops and charging cart were purchased to create a mobile computer lab. The computer lab will create the opportunity for the library to provide computer classes to the public. 3 extra laptops were purchased with privately donated funds to better round out the number of people that could be served. Classes are planned and scheduled for 2018. Susan Brinson, a retired teacher and library volunteer will be teaching the classes.



Calling Down Thunder



During the 2017 year, we were able to enjoy a variety of programming.

In March, Bryan Jones shared his collection of drums. Not only were we able to learn the history of the percussion instruments Bryan has collected, his son and him actually performed using a variety of the collection.

Butterflies

An unplanned unique event happened at the library this year. Our volunteer, Betty Copeland, shared a monarch display at the library. This inspired a patron, Patty Renolds to share some monarch chrysalis with us. We hatched more than one set and were inspired to build our own Butterfly garden in 2018.

Solar Eclipse

The 2017 Solar Eclipse, one word...glasses. We honestly should have recorded the number of inquiries we had for eclipse glasses. An announcement was made in the national media that libraries had free glasses, not all libraries, not us. No need to fear, we purchased 100 glasses and gave them out in record time. Our youth volunteer time was used to build a variety of solar viewers. We closed during the height of the eclipse and enjoyed viewing it with a special telescope.



Under the Night Sky

After our patron, Dennis Van Landuyt shared his telescope with us for the eclipse, we decided to use the telescope to view more wonders. The sky was perfect for viewing Venus, Jupiter and other wonders of the night sky.



*The
Morgan County
Facebook page has
almost doubled
their "Likes"*

*We have over 150
followers on
Instagram*

LEGOs, Robots, and STEAM

LEGO Play was introduced at the end of the 2016 year. In 2017 it was continued, meeting the second Saturday of each month. During Summer Reading Program, the children built LEGO creations for the SRP display case. We also had a special LEGO party, with 29 children in attendance.

Our SRP grant offered us the opportunity, along with a partnership with the University of Missouri Extension Office, to provide a 4 week Robotics program for our youth. This event inspired the plan

to add STEAM programming.

STEAM is a curriculum based on the idea of educating students in four specific disciplines — science, technology, engineering, art and mathematics — in an interdisciplinary and applied approach. On December 16th, with continued partnership with the University of Missouri Extension Office, the library conducted their first STEAM event. STEAM events will continue into 2018, meeting the third Saturday of each month.



Teams of robotics experts!

Farmers' Market and SRP One Read

On June 24th the library hosted our first Farmers' Market. The Market was planned as part of our Summer Reading Program.

Our goal, for the 2017 SRP, was to provide programming for all ages. Some of the SRP programs were geared for all ages, but we did create 2 adult specific activities. The Market was planned along with seminars that would highlight local

farmers in our community.

The Market was so successful we cancelled the first 2 seminars, because we couldn't get people to come into the building. The final seminar closed out the Market, a family shared about their homemade soap business that is used as source of income for their young daughter.

The vendors and attendees were so pleased with the Market we continued it through the month of September and plan to continue it in 2018.

Our second activity was a One Read. Our patrons were encouraged to read the book, *Lab Girl* by Hope Jahren. 2 book discussions were held.

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Library Governance, Staff, and Volunteers

The Board of Trustees is the governing body of Morgan County Library.

Board Meetings are held the second Thursday of each month.

The Board of Trustees is composed of 5 members, appointed by the Morgan County Commission.



Board of Trustees: Brenda Steffens, President; Mary Jo Jackson, Vice-President; Kathy Jones, Treasurer; Ann Brinson, Secretary; Jesse Calvin, member.

Library Staff: Stacey Embry, Director; Berenice Clark, Children's Librarian; Shirley Root, Clerk; Jessica Adair, Clerk; Amy Martin, Clerk, Sheree Adair, Part-time Clerk,

Kelly Rottman, Part-time Clerk

Adult Volunteers: Dori Davis, Bill and Beverly Ricker, Susan Brinson, Kat Boyd, along with various volunteers throughout the year.

Youth Volunteers: On the third Wednesday of each month youth volunteer under the direction of our children's librarian.

2017 Income and Expenses

