

**Chambers County Library System – October, 2017**

October was a month full of fun (and spooky) festivities for all ages. On the 5<sup>th</sup>, the Anahuac branch held a Hispanic Heritage Month interactive display. Patrons stopped by, made their own quesadilla and learned a little about what Hispanic Heritage Month is all about. This same day, Master Gardener A. Lynette Parsons led a Hanging Basket Gardening class. Lynette talked about the types of flowers and herbs to plant in the fall. Each participant created their own basket to take with them with materials provided.



**Hanging basket class at Anahuac**



**Hispanic Heritage Month interactive display**

The teens at Mont Belvieu were treated to an “Escape the Room” (library edition) program that included a little bit of mystery, intrigue, and a lot of detective work to find your way out of the locked library. Due to the popularity of the event, a repeat of the program will take place in November for all ages. Teens at Winnie enjoyed Live Clue at the library. The popular classic board game was brought to life with suspects, evidence gathering, and ultimately a winner. Teens were immersed in a live action ‘whodunit’ program and its success sparked more programs like this in the future. Anahuac teens were treated to an outdoor movie and Frito pie bar on the Chambers home lawn. After dark, the movie Lights Out was shown with plenty of spooky sounds nearby. These programs tied in nicely with Teen Read Week which was held the 8<sup>th</sup> – 14. Teen Read Week is an initiative of the Young Adult Library Association and is aimed at encouraging teens to become regular readers and library users. Each of these programs brought in new groups of teens who hopefully saw the library as much more than a place for books.



Mont Belvieu's Escape the Library event



Winnie teens at Live Clue



Anahuac teens enjoy a scary movie on the lawn

The little ones were treated to a Family Ninja Night at Anahuac with a live demonstration from Third Coast Integrated Martial Arts. Winnie and Mont Belvieu held traditional Halloween parties for the after school aged crowd. Candy, costumes, and of course lots of fun!



Family ninja night at Anahuac



**All dressed up for Mont Belvieu's after school Halloween party**

The 2<sup>nd</sup> annual Genealogy After Dark program was held on October 20<sup>th</sup> from 11am-9:30pm. Live stream sessions were offered throughout the day and evening on several topics such as basic genealogy, DNA matches, Czech genealogy, WWI Ancestor resources, and more. This is the Waco McLennan County Library's 17<sup>th</sup> year to organize the event, and other libraries across the state have the chance to participate in the program. The public could also register for a one on one Skype session for research assistance. Several people stayed the entire day, while others popped in and out depending on the topic being discussed.



**Participants at the Genealogy After Dark program at Mont Belvieu**

Other programs that took place in October included craft club, Pinterest Day, Homeschool Explorers, movie programs, book club, storytime, Babygarten, and more!



**Dressed up for the Halloween storytime at Anahuac**

On the staff side, we held our annual Summer Reading planning meeting on the 16<sup>th</sup>. This meeting (which used to be held in February) is our first attempt to strategize and brainstorm ideas for the upcoming summer reading program. Key staff from all the branches attended and shared ideas for programs, received important deadline dates, and talked about new ideas that we can incorporate for the next year.

On the 30<sup>th</sup>, all Chambers County Library System staff attended a training on “Communication, Diversity and the Generations”. Mary Ann Saenz with the Texas Association of Counties was the presenter and provided good tips and strategies on working and communicating with all ages of staff/public.

In Historical Commission news, the Commission held their annual breakfast meeting at the Sam Houston Regional Library in Liberty. The guest speaker for the meeting was Franklin Daniel, grandson of former governor Price Daniel. The group discussed highlights from the year as well as exciting events coming up for 2018.



Until next month!

Year 2017	June	July	August	September	October
<b>Books</b>	22865	12956	7374	7232	8004
<b>Vertical Files</b>	0	0	0	0	3
<b>Magazines</b>	234	175	67	82	84
<b>Newspapers</b>	47	40	53	29	40
<b>Permits</b>	0	0	0	0	0
<b>Total Print Circulation</b>	<b>23146</b>	<b>13171</b>	<b>7494</b>	<b>7343</b>	<b>8131</b>
<b>AudioCassettes</b>	6	8	4	2	5
<b>AudioCDs</b>	816	362	165	163	306
<b>Cassettes (Music)</b>	0	0	0	0	0
<b>CDs</b>	8	4	110	4	1
<b>CD-ROMs</b>	1	0	0	0	4
<b>DVDs</b>	3577	2357	1439	1238	1429
<b>Kits</b>	12	4	8	16	23
<b>Microforms</b>	0	0	0	0	0
<b>Optical Disks</b>	20	21	8	12	11
<b>Total A-V Circulation</b>	<b>4440</b>	<b>2756</b>	<b>1734</b>	<b>1435</b>	<b>1779</b>
<b>E-books</b>	0	0	0	0	0
<b>Equipment</b>	140	103	37	94	162
<b>Puzzles</b>	0	0	0	1	0
<b>Rooms, Meeting</b>	55	100	14	46	58
<b>Public Computer Logons</b>	2427	2566	1877	2072	1945
<b>Database Logons</b>	5217	3766	3709	3328	4130
<b>Total Other Circulation</b>	<b>7839</b>	<b>6535</b>	<b>5637</b>	<b>5541</b>	<b>6295</b>
<b>Total Juv Circulation</b>					
<b>Total Circulation</b>	<b>35425</b>	<b>22462</b>	<b>14865</b>	<b>14319</b>	<b>16205</b>
<b>Remote Logons</b>	6309	3626	2822	3780	3170
<b>Number of Juv Programs</b>	25	11	5	22	32
Children at Juv Programs	3359	610	70	178	315
Adults at Juv Programs	2347	291	30	144	213
<b>Total at Juv Programs</b>	<b>5706</b>	<b>901</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>322</b>	<b>528</b>
<b>Number of Adult Programs</b>	8	7	4	6	9
Total at Adult Programs	63	41	15	34	57
Computer/device assistance use	113	102	32	47	64
<b>Total at adult computer classes</b>	0	0	0	0	0
<b>Number of YA Programs</b>	11	7	2	1	8
Teens at YA programs	102	96	8	2	64
Adults at YA programs	22	18	0	1	8
<b>Total at YA Programs</b>	<b>124</b>	<b>114</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>72</b>
<b>Number of Outreach programs</b>	0	0	0	5	4
Children at outreach programs	0	0	0	390	362
Adults at outreach programs	0	0	0	142	29
<b>Total at outreach programs</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>532</b>	<b>391</b>

<b>Year 2017</b>	<b>June</b>	<b>July</b>	<b>August</b>	<b>September</b>	<b>October</b>
<b>Patron Visits to Library</b>	<b>21002</b>	<b>13196</b>	<b>10395</b>	<b>10101</b>	<b>13100</b>
Site visits: Anahuac	5537	3518	3411	3265	5582
Site visits: Winnie	5414	3245	2491	2362	2254
<b>Year 2017</b>	<b>June</b>	<b>July</b>	<b>August</b>	<b>September</b>	<b>October</b>
Site visits: Mont Belvieu	10051	6433	4493	4474	5264
Interlibrary loans returned	137	132	130	111	128
Interlibrary loans sent	7	3	15	7	9
Intralibrary loans to Anahuac	71	43	26	32	47
Intralibrary loans to Winnie	45	40	31	35	26
Intralibrary loans to Mt Belv.	226	86	73	93	61
<b>Year 2017</b>	<b>June</b>	<b>July</b>	<b>August</b>	<b>September</b>	<b>October</b>
Volunteer Service Hours	199.5	182.5	164	119.5	109
Hours Open for Patrons	660	614	565	577	625
<b>Family Card Totals</b>					
Patron cards: Anahuac	2971	2984	2994	3029	3039
Patron cards: Winnie	3408	3437	3457	3474	3489
Patron cards: Mt Belvieu	6437	6516	6579	6645	6699
Patron cards: Blocked	1891	1894	1900	1894	1921
<b>Collection development:</b>					
Book titles added	448	530	240	154	0
Book titles withdrawn	0	0	0	0	109
Previous total	84922	85370	85900	86140	86294
<b>New book title total</b>	<b>85370</b>	<b>85900</b>	<b>86140</b>	<b>86294</b>	<b>86185</b>
Magazine titles added	0	59	0	61	0
Magazine titles withdrawn	30	0	44	0	80
Previous total	1297	1267	1326	1282	1343
<b>New magazine title total</b>	<b>1267</b>	<b>1326</b>	<b>1282</b>	<b>1343</b>	<b>1263</b>
Audio-visual titles added	40	40	73	31	11
Audio titles withdrawn	0	0	0	0	0
Previous total	5730	5770	5810	5883	5914
<b>New audio-visual title total</b>	<b>5770</b>	<b>5810</b>	<b>5883</b>	<b>5914</b>	<b>5925</b>
Other item titles added	2	0	0	0	0
Other item titles withdrawn	0	4	1	1	0
Previous total	1612	1614	1610	1609	1608
<b>Other item title total</b>	<b>1614</b>	<b>1610</b>	<b>1609</b>	<b>1608</b>	<b>1608</b>
TexShare Cards Issued:	0	0	0	0	0
Reference question	242	169	105	202	524
Wireless logons	659	531	538	630	614