



Chambers County Library System – January, 2019

January began with good news for the Technical Services/Administrative offices with the official move to their new location. A fully renovated space is now home to the system offices for the library system. The renovated building is owned by the county and provides a better layout and space for the work that goes on in this division of the library. We are excited to finally be in our new location to better serve the needs of the library staff and community.

January is also the time of year we receive our yearly budget. Throughout the year we work hard to determine what is needed for the upcoming budget year, and request those funds from Commissioners' Court. This year we received additional funding for part-time hours, a much needed vehicle for the library department, automatic doors for Mont Belvieu, security cameras for Mont Belvieu, funding towards a new library in Winnie, Consumer Reports database, an increase in travel and programming, and money to digitize local newspapers. We're thankful to the court for their continued support of the library, and always seeing the importance of library services for the community.

Throughout the year we try to offer continuing education opportunities for the staff. Currently, the Children's Librarians from each branch are taking Supercharged Storytime courses online through WebJunction, an online training portal. These courses teach ways to boost early literacy in children attending library storytimes and incorporate new ideas for the little ones.

On the 26th, the Friends of the Chambers County Library System held their annual meeting at Anahuac. This meeting is open to the public and includes a speech from the Friends president, a Treasurer's report, State of the Library System from the County Librarian, and a discussion of other items as needed. We had a great turnout this year and as always, the library is thankful for their Friends. If you're not a Friend, the cost is just \$5/year with money benefiting library programs and services.

In programming news, Anahuac held their Tasty Pages homeschool book club where students discussed the book, Chicken Soup with Rice. Everyone had a chance to help prep ingredients and enjoy some chicken soup! Winnie teens were treated to an evening of games and made homemade salsa, while the tweens at Mont Belvieu made personalized bookmarks. Anahuac continued their "Off the Hook" crocheting program for ages 7-18 where staff were on hand to assist with knitting and crocheting projects. A stress management program was held for adults on the 24th at Mont Belvieu. Certified Health Coach Valerie Coyle led the class to help people conquer the "stress monster". Other ongoing adults programs included basic computer classes, craft club, and book club. Movie nights, Storytime, and Baby & Me also continue monthly for the public. The library boasts over 30 programs a month on a regular basis, and that's all because of the time and talents of the library staff.

Until next month!



Technical Services/Administration entrance



Storytime at Anahuac



Book club at Anahuac



Storytime at Winnie



Winnie teens making salsa!



Storytime at Mont Belvieu

Year 2019	January
Books	7355
Vertical Files	1
Magazines	48
Newspapers	0
Permits	0
Total Print Circulation	7404
AudioCassettes	5
AudioCDs	134
Cassettes (Music)	0
CDs	0
CD-ROMs	0
DVDs	1208
Kits	9
Microforms	0
Optical Disks	6
Total A-V Circulation	1362
E-books	0
Equipment	52
Puzzles	0
Rooms, Meeting	114
Public Computer Logons	1265
Wireless logons	437
Database Logons	3878
Total Other Circulation	5746
Total Juv Circulation	
Total Circulation	14512
Remote Logons	3319
Number of Juv Programs	22
Children at Juv Programs	178
Adults at Juv Programs	137
Total at Juv Programs	315
Number of Adult Programs	7
Total at Adult Programs	41
Computer/device assistance use	1
Total at adult computer classes	1
Number of YA Programs	4
Teens at YA programs	15
Adults at YA programs	5
Total at YA Programs	20
Number of Juv outreach programs	3
Children at outreach programs	20
Adults at outreach programs	12

Year 2019	January
Total at outreach programs	32
Number of adult outreach programs	2
Children at outreach programs	0
Adults at outreach programs	48
Total at outreach programs	48
Patron Visits to Library	6982
Site visits: Anahuac	1910
Site visits: Winnie	1714
Site visits: Mont Belvieu	3358
Interlibrary loans returned	114
Interlibrary loans sent	5
Intralibrary loans to Anahuac	18
Intralibrary loans to Winnie	20
Intralibrary loans to Mt Belv.	81
Volunteer Service Hours	113
Hours Open for Patrons	629
Family Card Totals	
Patron cards: Anahuac	2640
Patron cards: Winnie	3106
Patron cards: Mt Belvieu	6605
Patron cards: Blocked	2023
Collection development:	
Print titles added	185
Book titles withdrawn	0
Previous total	90430
New print title total	90615
Magazine titles added	0
Magazine titles withdrawn	122
Previous total	1551
New magazine title total	1429
Audio-visual titles added	80
Audio titles withdrawn	0
Previous total	6684
New audio-visual title total	6764
Other item titles added	3
Other item titles withdrawn	0
Previous total	1626
Other item title total	1629
TexShare Cards Issued:	0
Reference questions	341

