

**Directors Report  
Library Board Meeting**

**October 26, 2016**

Laurens County library Statistics for July 1, 2016 through September 30, 2016					
	Laurens	Clinton	Bookmobile	Ebooks & Flipster	Totals
Visitors	22154	13591	381	-	36126
Circulation	20401	13548	5783	3895	43627
New Library card/users	332	131	18	62	543
computer sessions	10106	4031	-	-	14137

Our numbers are good and steady. Checkout of ebooks is increasing while print and AV circulation stay almost the same.

**Staff day:** Staff Day was Friday, October 14 and our theme was taking customer service to the next step. Everyone learned a little more about the Elaine Martin History Room, the Bookmobile and Discus, Flipster and our other electronic resources. We talked about how everyone should know something about everything! We had lunch at Roma's then in the afternoon Nancy Rosenwald led a session of customer service and how to evaluate our work and what to do next. Feedback from staff was very positive and everyone seemed to enjoy the day and find it useful.

**Risk Management:** Charlie Miller and I were able to attend a day and a half workshop on risk management and learn more about the workman's compensation program. It was very useful.

**Summer Reading Wrap-Up:** Summer Reading went very well this summer. 1775 children attended programming and 611 signed up for summer reading and received a t-shirt. The leftover t-shirts were given to the school district offices to distribute as needed. Caitlin is already starting to look at summer reading for next year!

**Audit:** Again, we were part of the county audit and everything seemed to turn out fine. They did not notify me of any problems. I will share the results when I receive them.

**Coming Up:** I will be on vacation November 14 through Thanksgiving. A special newsletter will be sent around December 1 and will have the envelope to renew your Friends membership. As usual, we will be doing Food for Fines for a week early in December and will also have the honor gift books out the week before Thanksgiving. We are working on several programs to have a focus on Financial Literacy in January. Also, author Karen White will be here to do a talk and sign her books on Monday, January 23.

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