

Library Director's Report

December 15, 2022

Program Attendance & Number of Programs Offered

	Children	Adults	Total Attendance	Children	Adults	Total Offered
Nov 2022	346	328	674	13	46	59
October 2022	646	577	1,223	18	58	76
Sept 2022	300	480	780	14	57	71
Nov 2021	189	158	347	12	18	30
Nov 2020	332	220	552	14	25	39
Nov 2019	904	668	1,592	65	54	119

New Patrons

Nov 2022	110
October 2022	164
Sept 2022	202
Nov 2021	110
Nov 2020	52
Nov 2019	98

Door Count

	Main	Bus	Total
Nov 2022	12,683	924	13,607
October 2022	13,966	3,235	17,201
Sept 2022	14,883	1,178	16,061
Nov 2021	9,476	1,346	10,822
Nov 2020	0	267	267
Nov 2019	18,567	1,117	19,684

Adult Volunteer Hours

Nov 2022	523
October 2022	595
Sept 2022	486
Nov 2021	423
Nov 2020	37
Nov 2019	778

Interlibrary Loan (ILL)

	Requested/Received/Shipped
Nov 2022	114 / 107 / 5
October 2022	130 / 119 / 1
Sept 2022	118 / 113 / 4
Nov 2021	124 / 122 / 5
Nov 2020	59 / 86 / 3
Nov 2019	111 / 107 / 2

Teen Volunteer Hours

Nov 2022	150
October 2022	144
Sept 2022	159
Nov 2021	123
Nov 2020	0
Nov 2019	191

Meeting Room Reservations

Nov 2022	13
October 2022	13
Sept 2022	20
Nov 2021	0
Nov 2020	0
Nov 2019	15

OverDrive	New Patrons
Nov 2022	54
October 2022	61
Sept 2022	62
Nov 2021	41
Nov 2020	38
Nov 2019	48

Circulation Transactions

	Main	Bus	OverDrive	Kanopy Plays	Total
Nov 2022	21,003	2,348	5,644	644	29,639
October 2022	22,926	2,560	6,015	800	32,301
Sept 2022	23,155	2,606	5,912	1,037	32,721
Nov 2021	19,947	2,277	5,504	502	28,230
Nov 2020	10,848	2,082	5,846	0	18,776
Nov 2019	28,847	3,063	3,907	0	35,817

Outreach News from Karen B.

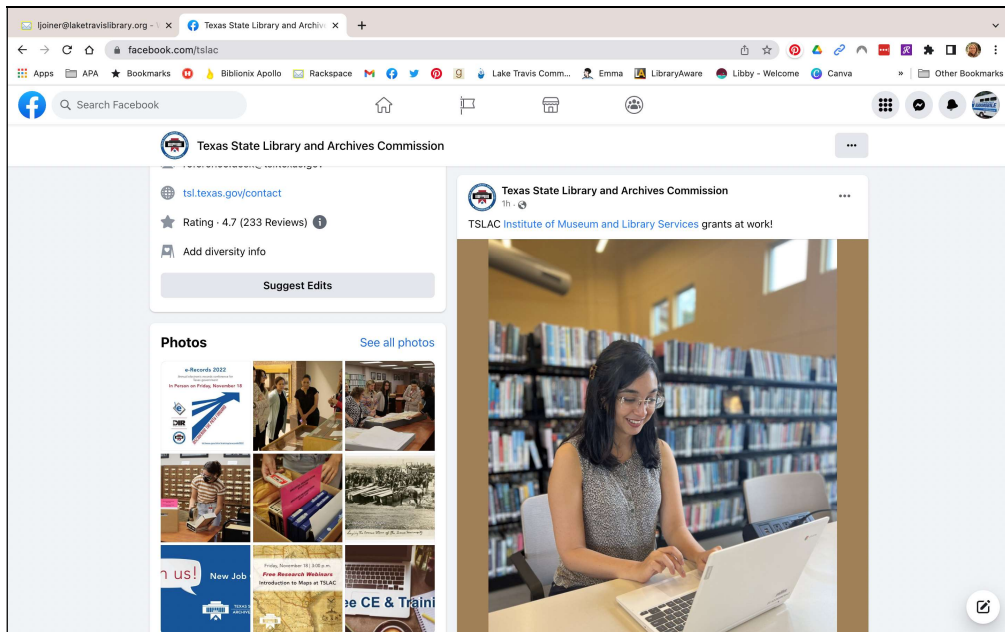
- Canyon Edge Auto Body fixed the damage to the back passenger corner of the bookmobile over the Thanksgiving holiday when bookmobile stops were already canceled.
- The bookmobile attended three holiday events in December, giving out over 450 books and telling over 900 people about library resources. Many thanks to Morgan, Raj, Julie Raines, and Debra Caporal who attended the City of Lakeway Lights On event on December 1st; Karen B., Renae Duncan, Nancy Andren, and Jana Dodd who attended the Emmaus Marketplace on December 4th; and Karen B., Sue Chiappetta, and Steve Crowl who attended the Apache Shores Breakfast with Santa on December 10th. We've had many new volunteers helping with the bookmobile these past few months which is much appreciated!
- Karen S. and Beth created beautiful cards and ornaments to give to home delivery patrons, which they've really enjoyed! Home delivery patron Jeanne Jarvis said, "Thank you all so much for your beautiful card and personal Christmas wishes. You all mean so very much to me. Please thank Beth for the handmade ornament that I can't begin to figure out how she crafted it. It now has a special place on my little tree."

Notes

- Please see the attached January calendar.
- Raj attended the TALL Texans leadership institute in Lake Dallas November 13-17. "It was a great learning experience. The class was comprised of librarians from all over Texas and their contributions and experience during the classes were incredible. I came away with some great connections and learning material I can use for the future. Thank you to the library for sponsoring my participation."
- We were awarded the Community Partner Award for the City of Lakeway!
- We will host UT iSchool student Abi Glasser for her capstone experience starting the week of January 16th.
- Spicewood patron Andrew Forsythe contributes to *Humble Dollar*, a personal finance website. His piece on December 10 was all about public libraries, "with a grateful nod to the Lake Travis Community Library. Many thanks for all you do every single day!" <https://humbledollar.com/2022/12/booking-it/>
- We have removed the limit of 10 DVDs for each section and now patrons can borrow up to 50 items of any type.
- Representatives from We the People Lake Travis will staff a Voter Registration Table at the library the morning of December 29. The volunteers are Travis County Volunteer Deputy Voter Registrars.
- We are planning a special March art exhibit and programs in partnership with the Lakeway Arts District in honor of Women's History Month.
- Mike and Matt Pouttu donated a poinsettia to the library in memory of their mom Susie, a beloved longtime volunteer.
- HdL mailed us holiday chocolate nuts.
- The LTCL website had 3,545 unique visits and 5,782 total visits in November 2022.
- Kanopy stats for November were 1,905 visits, 616 plays and 17,580 minutes watched. We are up to 644 total library users who have created Kanopy accounts.
- LTCL currently has 14,028 active cardholder accounts.
- I plan to take vacation days on December 21-23 and January 19-23.

- Staff member Beth wrote on November 17: Having someone on staff that speaks fluent Spanish is really nice. Marie was able to help someone with a print job today that I would have had a difficult time assisting on my own.
- We received a five-star Google review on December 2: Amazing well maintained and organized library. Very friendly staff. Weekly events for the community.
- We received a five-star Yelp review on December 3: Wonderful library in our community. Quiet with scenic views... Well organized with friendly and accommodating staff. Volunteers are always welcome!
- Patron Karen attended Dr. Pam Sachant's online art class on December 6 and wrote: Thank you very much. I greatly appreciated this presentation. A wonderful reminder of my art history classes way back when and beautiful travels.
- Tim wrote on December 9: Morgan, thank you for organizing last night's meeting [with Dr. Jeremi Suri]. As always, fine speaker, fascinating topic and great discussion. Under your excellent leadership, our "little" community library continues to "punch above our weight"! I loved Jeremi's comments about the importance of libraries as one of those great institutions that is the glue that holds communities together and in so many ways is foundational to our democracy. Thank you for the many ways that you continue to make the Lake Travis Community Library a vital part of our community. Keep up the great work and I look forward to great activity in the new year, especially *Great Decisions*. Thank you and your able staff for all you do for our community!
- Nancy wrote on December 12: I just read this week's newsletter from the library and saw the news that the library received the Community Partner Award. Your programs and the atmosphere you have created at Lake Travis Library should be emulated all over the country. Congratulations!
- We received 28 comments on our Facebook post about the Lakeway Community Partner Award. One of the best was from Linda: Congratulations! Awesome news - I don't know what I would have done without our library after retirement. When they did the high tea weekly showing of Downton Abbey I met my best friend there. She was a snowbird in Texas so how lucky for me. Even better in her home town in MN she lives within 30 minutes of my husband's family so now that she has moved back I see her often still. I also raised my 2 adopted granddaughters at the activities there. Always something for everyone at our library and so thankful for all the volunteers/staff who keep it going.

Morgan McMillian
12/14/2022



TSLAC shared our Chromebooks (Raj!) post on their Facebook page on November 18.

Top Library Recommended Titles for December

[LibraryReads](#), the nationwide library staff-picks list, offers the top 10 December titles public library staff across the country love:

Top Pick

The Circus Train by Amita Parikh (Putnam, \$17, 9780593539989). "Lena is a polio survivor whose father is an illusionist with a traveling circus. One day she rescues Jewish stowaway Alexandre. Growing to be more than friends with World War II looming, the two are torn apart when disaster strikes. A beautiful story mirroring the horrors of war with the innocence of young love, this is for fans of historical fiction and circus tales like *Water for Elephants*." --Kimberly McGee, Lake Travis Community Library, Austin, Tex.

LTCL Reviewer in Residence Kim McGee continues to be featured in nationwide publications, such as the above Shelf Awareness newsletter. Her review of *Woman in the Library* made the 2022 Library Reads Best of the Year list, see attached.



Sarah and Linden have once again pulled together 2022 Staff Favorites Reads. Linden is featuring the reviews on social media and author Phaedra Patrick tweeted us back!

Circulation Snapshot – Tuesday, December 6, 2022

Type	Holdings	% of Total	Out	Titles	Main	Main Out	Bus	Bus Out	% of Total Out
1 - 000 - 099	103	0.2	15	102	101	14	2	1	0.2
2 - 100 - 199	298	0.6	45	295	291	43	7	2	0.5
3 - 200 - 299	243	0.5	22	240	236	20	7	2	0.2
4 - 300 - 399	1413	2.7	127	1387	1386	120	27	7	1.4
5 - 400 - 499	47	0.1	9	47	46	9	1	0	0.1
6 - 500 - 599	199	0.4	22	199	196	21	3	1	0.2
7 - 600 - 699	1480	2.8	167	1480	1455	156	25	11	1.8
8 - 700 - 799	567	1.1	35	567	564	34	3	1	0.4
9 - 800 - 899	286	0.5	16	279	281	12	5	4	0.2
10 - 900 - 919	253	0.5	37	252	249	34	4	3	0.4
11 - 920 - 921	30	0.1	1	30	30	1	0	0	0
12 - 922 - 999	885	1.7	63	838	868	60	17	3	0.7
13 - Adult Graphic Novel	100	0.2	13	99	98	11	2	2	0.1
14 - Audio	1723	3.3	54	1723	1710	54	13	0	0.6
15 - Beginning Reader	1979	3.8	575	1828	1731	472	248	103	6.1
16 - Biography	774	1.5	51	762	737	42	37	9	0.5
17 - Bluebonnet	40	0.1	36	20	38	34	2	2	0.4
18 - Board Books	1056	2	585	988	869	469	187	116	6.2

19 - Caldecott	152	0.3	32	82	148	30	4	2	0.3
20 - Chapter Book	2453	4.7	662	2280	2291	598	162	64	7.1
21 - Default/Unassigned	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
22 - DVD	3155	6	363	3080	2915	292	240	71	3.9
23 - Family DVD	580	1.1	131	540	477	87	103	44	1.4
24 - Fiction	10164	19.4	1315	9807	10008	1242	156	73	14
25 - ILL	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
26 - J Audio	322	0.6	25	319	312	25	10	0	0.3
27 - J Biography	524	1	68	518	511	65	13	3	0.7
28 - J DVD	725	1.4	154	702	662	149	63	5	1.6
29 - J Foreign Language	20	0	0	20	20	0	0	0	0
30 - J Graphic Novel	1376	2.6	543	1242	1233	458	143	85	5.8
31 - Juvenile	3448	6.6	717	3292	3342	686	106	31	7.6
32 - Kits	237	0.5	61	223	218	56	19	5	0.7
33 - Laptop	5	0	5	1	4	4	1	1	0.1
34 - Laptop- In Library Use	3	0	0	1	3	0	0	0	0
35 - Large Print	750	1.4	117	749	673	93	77	24	1.2
36 - Launchpad	29	0.1	13	29	25	13	4	0	0.1
37 - Launchpad - In Library Use	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
38 - Lone Star	60	0.1	10	30	55	10	5	0	0.1
39 - Magazine	1132	2.2	145	150	1123	144	9	1	1.5
40 - Mobile Hotspot	83	0.2	75	1	50	44	33	31	0.8
41 - Music CD	59	0.1	3	59	59	3	0	0	0
42 - NF Audio	400	0.8	9	400	389	9	11	0	0.1
43 - NF Juvenile	3000	5.7	648	2958	2801	582	199	66	6.9
44 - Online Database	2	0	0	2	2	0	0	0	0
45 - Oversize	13	0	2	13	13	2	0	0	0
46 - Picture Books	8146	15.5	2012	7855	7400	1728	746	284	21.4
47 - Professional	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
48 - Reference	30	0.1	0	7	30	0	0	0	0
49 - Scouts	128	0.2	4	128	128	4	0	0	0
50 - Spanish - Adult	142	0.3	14	142	100	6	42	8	0.1
51 - Spanish - Children	627	1.2	82	611	508	48	119	34	0.9
52 - Story Time	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
53 - TV	1366	2.6	124	1349	1300	107	66	17	1.3
54 - YA	1520	2.9	148	1483	1491	137	29	11	1.6
55 - YA Audio	54	0.1	0	54	54	0	0	0	0
56 - YA Graphic Novel	252	0.5	28	252	241	27	11	1	0.3
Total	52433		9383	49457	49472	8255	2961	1128	