



Around **CCPL**



PCX Ribbon Cutting Peculiar City Hall

PCX officially was relocated to outside of City Hall on April 1st. We celebrated (in the rain) with a quick Ribbon Cutting event and enjoyed refreshments inside City Hall before the Board of Alderman meeting.



Local Author Panel Harrisonville

Five local authors were present for the author panel: D.L. Rogers, Christina J. Thompson, Jonathan Jones, Susan Engle, and D.B. Woodling. They discussed how they got started writing and how to get published.



Alphabet Storytime Garden City

We continued with Alphabet Storytime this month. Lacey led the kids through the library in a Stick-horse Parade for the letter H. It was a bit chaotic, but the kids loved the horses and hats. Jana filled in and led letter I day, where they sang the “Itsy-bitsy Spider” and assembled ice cream cones.



Storytime & Craft **Drexel**

Amber read *Don't Touch that Flower* and *Spring Stinks*. Craft time: flowers.



Author Visit: Sara Brunsvold **Archie**

Sara talked about her newest book *The Divine Proverb of Streusel* and plans for her next book.



Peculiar Controls Visit **NRC**

Tweens & Teens were invited to practice coding and enjoy a hands-on experience to see how it directly affected the switches and gadgets on the control panel.



(After) Storytime **Pleasant Hill**

With the warmer weather, we were able to add in some patio time following Storytime. It was a great way to introduce the patrons to the outside areas around our branch.

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Teen Craft & Snack Bookmobile Stop

Teens stopped to make dreamcatchers with Miss Kim. Eight patrons came to craft and have a snack.

This month NRC had their first Mini-Comicon at the Library and it was quite a success! They had 60 people show up to meet with the artists and vendors. Due to the success of this program NRC has several more artists that are excited to participate in future events at the library.

12,352

Active Customers

51,372

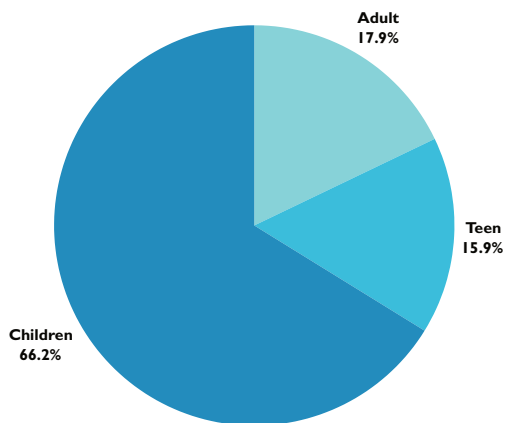
Circulation

78

Net Promoter Score

Customer Favorites

Program Highlights



Attendance by Age Group

202

Programs

2,612

In-Person Attendees

Top Checkouts

Print

Adult Fiction

Resurrection Walk
The Bad Weather Friend
Dirty Thirty

Adult Nonfiction

Killers of the Flower Moon
Do it Yourself Kitchens
Delusions of Gender

Young Adult Fiction

Delirium
Check & Mate
Fallen

Juvenile Fiction

Dingoes at Dinnertime
The Fenway Foul-Up
Charlotte's Web

eBooks

The Women
First Lie Wins
Fourth Wing
Iron Flame
Just for the Summer
The Nightingale
Funny Story
Happy Place

eAudiobooks

None of This is True
Fourth Wing
The Women
First Lie Wins
Iron Flame
Bride
Just for the Summer



Youth**Services**



Miss Kim reads a story to children during Storytime at the Peculiar Stop.

During the month of April, Youth Services hired a Teen Specialist for the Pleasant Hill Branch and secured funding for the library StoryWalk®.

Summer Library Program planning has been in full swing. Youth Services received a shipment of SLP promotional materials from the official CSLP shop and then divided the materials amongst the branches. Summer Library Program will be held June 1st through July 31st.

85
Storytimes

1,696
Storytime Attendees

ADVENTURE
— BEGINS AT —
YOUR LIBRARY™

Technology**Support**

904
WiFi Sessions

1,290
Computer Sessions

Technical**Services**

256
Print Titles
Ordered

165
Adult eMedia
Items Ordered

1,146
Items
Cataloged

Community**Outreach**

Marketing Coordinator, Danielle Gardner, has attended Chamber Coffee events and connected with various organizations, finding ways to partner together and better serve the community, including Welcome Wellness located in Belton and their Story Stroll and FUNESTA events as part of Wellness Week 2024 (May 6-11).

Youth Services Coordinator, Scott Pagel, secured funding through the CCPL Foundation to upgrade, simplify, and enhance the library's StoryWalk®. This includes a permanent StoryWalk® at Pleasant Hill Branch as well as the event with Welcome Wellness.

Outreach Coordinator, Amy Burkholder, mailed 4 birthday cards to Library by Mail (LBM) patrons and signed up two new patrons.

Capital**Improvement**



Harrisonville's Children's department entry way got a new coat of paint! The cabinets in the Children's department were also removed and the wall also received a fresh coat of paint.

Community**Spaces**

141

**Community Room
Reservations**

152

**Study Room
Reservations**

Community**Engagement**

CCPL took to social media asking patrons and community members to donate their gently used eclipse viewing glasses so that school aged children in South America can use them later this year. A total of 63 glasses were collected and mailed to Eclipse Glasses USA LLC.



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Marketing Emails Sent

45,428

Marketing Emails Opened

6,662

Total Website Users

10,027

Social Media Reach

16,934

Total Website Pageviews

363

Social Media Engagements

Community **Engagement**

“My childhood library showing up on my for you page all the way in california 😊 love u guys <3”

-Kailey M.
TikTok

“I have [visited the Peculiar Express Library] and it’s cool!”

-Amo B.
Facebook

“Thank you for offering this service and for your prompt reply.”

-Maggie M.
Facebook Messenger

“It was a good quiet and peaceful place to get your stuff done.”

-Leslie L.
Google Review,
Garden City Branch

“Thank you for sending all the audio books! My mom is really enjoying them!”

-Kathy
Library by Mail Patron

“Libby and Hoopla are fantastic options for audio and ebooks.

The staff at NRC and Harrisonville are super friendly and helpful. The displays of new and seasonal books have inspired me to choose new genres of books to read.”

Satisfaction Survey Response

“I love the Cass County library events email! I honestly had no idea there was that much going on around us.”

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Our Team

Milestone Service Anniversaries

CCPL did not celebrate any milestone anniversaries for the month of April. However, next month will be a month to celebrate!

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New Hires

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Position Changes



Throwback photo of the Harrisonville Branch staff supporting the Kansas City Chiefs!