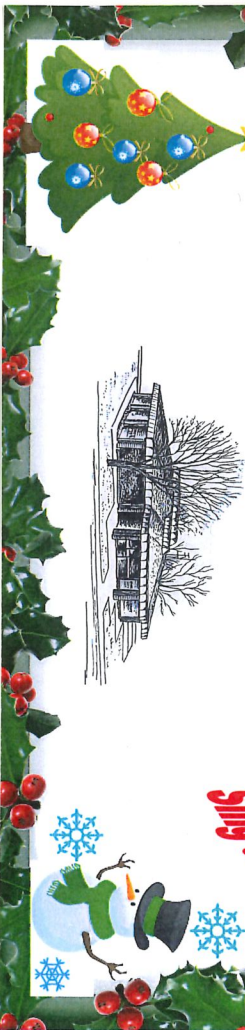




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**Christmas Trivia**  
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It's that time of year where we reflect on the past and look forward to the future. I thought I'd try to highlight the changes in our Library this year. One of our biggest changes has to be in staff. When Nancy moved away this spring, Allison Price became our Children's Librarian. Then this fall when Mary told us she wanted to retire, Kayla Craft came on board. Although we miss our friends Nancy & Mary, we enjoy working with Allison & Kayla and feel they are a great addition to our library.

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We've recently added a service, thanks to the Laurens Public Library Foundation's Fall Fundraiser. TumbleBooks kids' e-books are lots of fun and are a great addition to our other e-books available from the Willow consortium. If you'd like to know more about either of these services, just ask us!

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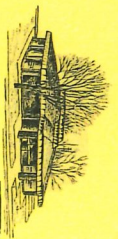
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By Chris Vrba

"I think I jumped out of my skin when I got this!" exclaimed Ramona Miller.

Miller, who is the director of the Palmer Public Library, described just how excited she was to learn that the venerable book repository in her community was selected to receive a bit of beneficence from the Pocahontas County Foundation.

All told, the Pocahontas County Foundation awarded a record sum of nearly \$115,000 to a total of 30 county non-profit organizations spread across all nine communities.

Miller said the library's award will be used to replace shelving that's been around for roughly four decades.

Much of the money went to Hometown Pride Committees, who have already managed to reel in a collective \$350,000 for beautification and enhancement projects since the program's founding just 18 months ago.

"They've had a 90 percent success rate on grants. That's unheard of," said Pocahontas County Economic Development



The Pocahontas County Historical Society was awarded a grant of more than \$1,000 to purchase display shelves and rolling dollies to help bring some of the treasures of the Laurens-based museum around the county. Pictured (l-r): PCEDC Chair Rolly Svoboda, Historical Society members Joe Sobotka and Dorothy Lamberti, and Pocahontas County Foundation Chair Bill Winkleback. Photo by Chris Vrba.

## GRANTS: Hometown Pride Committees lauded for outstanding efforts

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resulted in a new roof on the park shelter and new picnic tables, too.

"Our kids are our future, and this playground equipment is for them," O'Neill, nearly in tears, finished.

In Fonda, the Hometown Pride Committee was proud to announce they would use their award to lighting and landscaping as part of a comprehensive renovation at Straight Park.

An off-shoot of the Hometown Pride Committee, the Fonda Garden Club, also received an award for a swing, pergola, and message center at the newly-created community garden.

"Our community garden enables people a place to grow and socialize. It'll be beautiful," said a beaming Linda Mercer.

In the Princess City, the Hometown Pride Committee plans to add a touch of beauty and nostalgia at the east edge of town, as their \$10,000 award

will be used to construct a steel teepee that will sit behind the city's signature landmark. It'll also serve as a picnic shelter for the many visitors who make a pit-stop to take their pictures with the planet's largest princess.

PCEDC chair Rolly Svoboda heaped praise on the nine Hometown Pride Committees.



The Laurens Public Library was awarded more than \$2,000 as a grant to purchase a public access computer and stands at the Pocahontas County Foundation annual meeting Jan. 15. Pictured (l-r): PCEDC Chair Rolly Svoboda, LPL Board members Dwight Van Gendren and Connie Dallenbach, LPL Director Glenda Mulder, and Pocahontas County Foundation Chair Bill Winkleback. Photos by Chris Vrba.

"Last year, we kicked off something we thought would be pretty exciting," he said of the Hometown Pride partnership with Keep Iowa Beautiful. "It's far exceeded our expectations."

Margo Underwood, who serves as the community coach for the program, added that since its inception, there have been a total of 134 Hometown Pride meetings.

"I've marveled at the faith and determination I observe in the residents of Pocahontas County, and Hometown Pride is the perfect example," Grau reflected.

Other awards will benefit county residents in far different ways.

Gail Olson explained how a \$5,085 award to the Laurens Care Center for new exercise equipment will help in-house and community residents alike.

"We're trying to improve our equipment for our residents, because our residents are not as able as they were 20 years ago. We'll also open it up in the evening to the public," she said.

Director Tom Grau.

This year, many of those groups are continuing to focus on city park improvements.

In Varina, Stephanie Archer said her community's Hometown Pride Committee plans to use its \$9,400 award for a volleyball court as well as replace the park's dilapidated slide.

"Our main goal is to replace the slide. It is unsafe," she told a crowd gathered at the Rialto Theatre Jan. 15.

Hometown Pride groups plan similar improvements to parks in Palmer, Havelsok, and Plover.

"It's been a dream of mine to have new playground equipment in our park," relayed Havelsok Hometown Pride member Cindy O'Neill. "There hasn't been any new equipment there for 35 years."

Well, until last year, when the Hometown Pride committee constructed a new area for a sizeable piece of multi-purpose play equipment. Their efforts spurred others in the town to join in, which O'Neill said

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moviehouse hallway towards the money it needs to upgrade the theater's sound system and install much-needed acoustical tiling.

"Our picture and sound are fantastic," he said of last year's conversion to a digital projector. "Our walls aren't very good for acoustics. We're going to add acoustic panels that'll look nice and will be color coordinated."

Plover Hometown Pride member Jeanette Garrard made the case for why the Pocahontas County Foundation's efforts are so important.

"There are no boundaries in this state when it comes to collaboration for community improvement."

"The [Pocahontas County] Economic Development Commission is a catalyst. It represents the communities of the county," he remarked, adding that its revolving loan fund has helped two dozen businesses get off the ground or expand in recent years.

"Team efforts are paying off. Success builds success," Grau concluded.



Laurens HTC Chair Barb Smith (center) accepts a grant on behalf of the committee in the amount of \$6,440 to purchase park lights and an educational sign at Sportsman's Park.

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Did you hear there was a stripper at the Library? A wallpaper stripper that is! They've been stripping the wallpaper off the bathrooms, preparing the walls for paint. It's a bit of a mess, but it will be oh so worth it! We've got another surprise coming as part of this too, but I'm not quite willing to share it yet. I'll have a picture as soon as it's done! This is all possible by a surprise check we received in memory of G. W.E. & Sylvia Johnson. It's really fun to be able to do one of these projects we've

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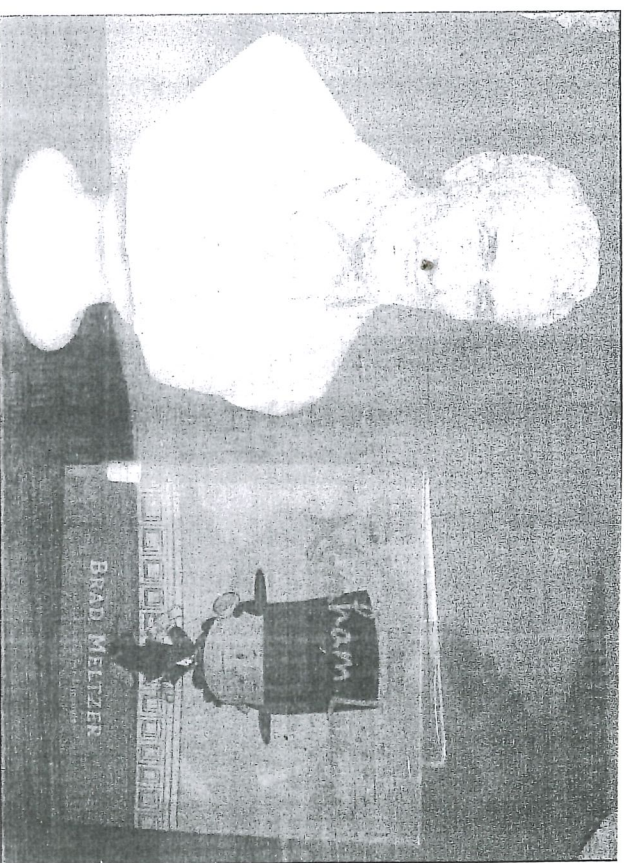
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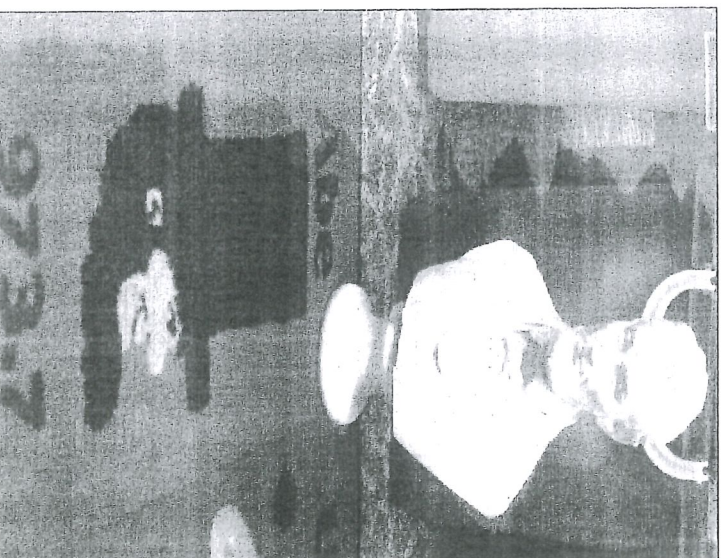
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Our nation's sixteenth president had a grand time on the tour of the library, and even got to see a few pieces related to the Great Emancipator.

Mr. Lincoln (above) thought this new book looked very interesting!

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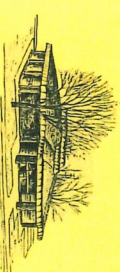
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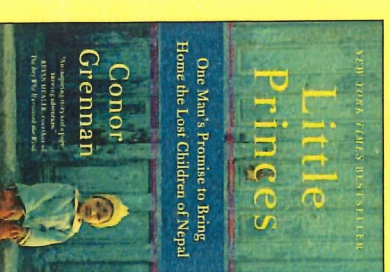
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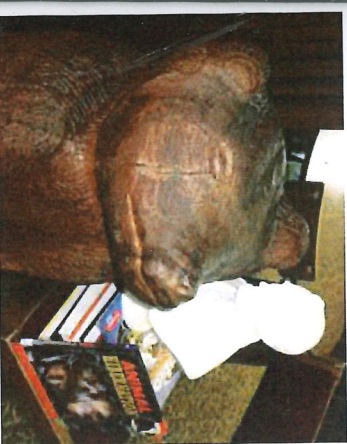


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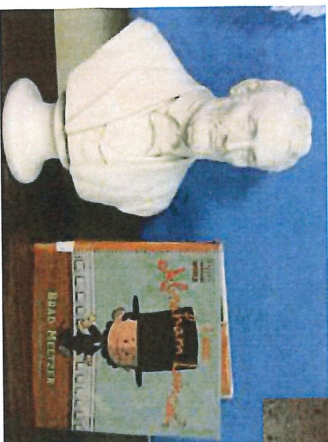


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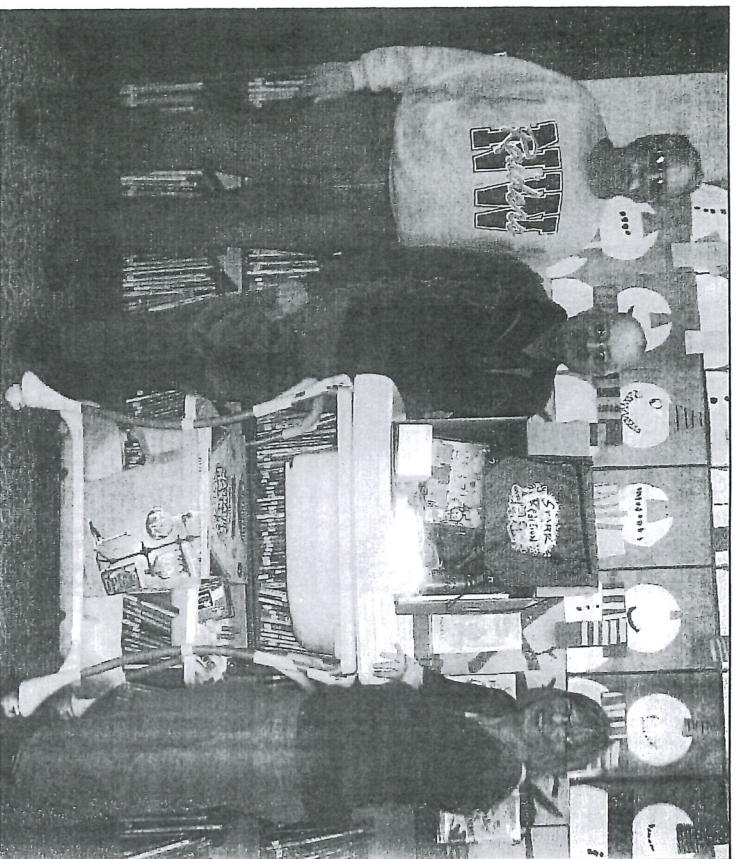
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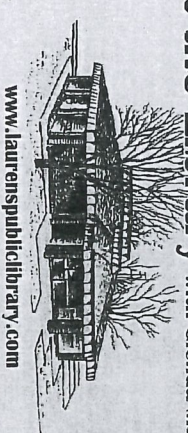
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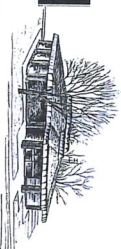
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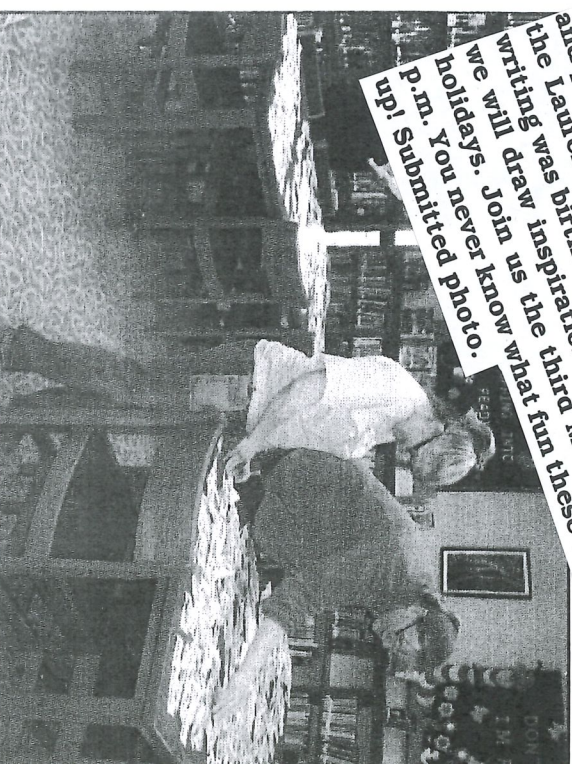


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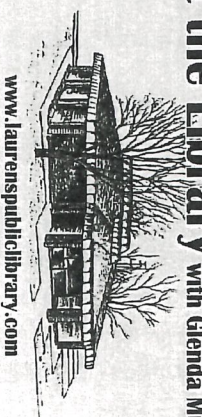


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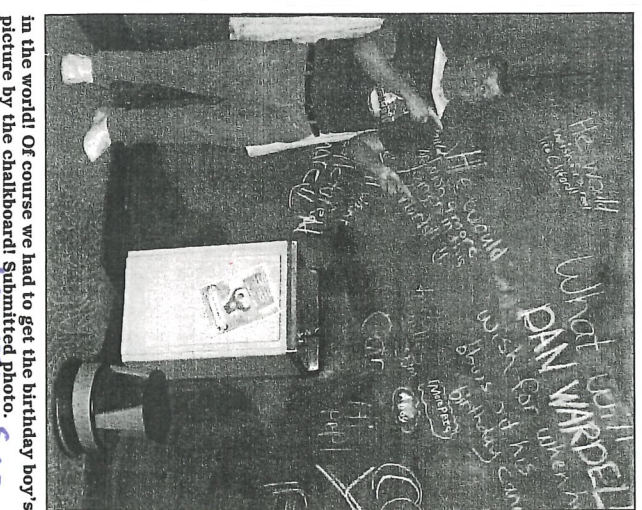
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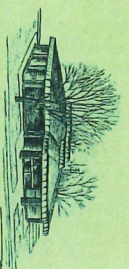
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# IPTV KIDS COLORING BOOK





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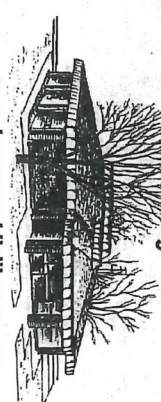
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## At the Library with Glenda Mulder



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The Sennett family of Rabbit Gulch purchased three books in memory of Bill Peterson. They are children's book *Bill & Pete, The Kellor Report* by Garrison Kellor, and *Think Like a Freak* by Steven Levitt. Other new books include: *The Skin Collector* by Jeffery Deaver, *The One & Only* by Emily Giffen, *Blessings* by Elise Jaska, *Last Kind Words Saloon* by Larry McMurtry, *Resistant* by Michael Palmer, and *Bone White Dust* by first time author Karin Salvaggio (I hear it's really good!) just one new DVD, but it's a great one – *Monuments Men*!

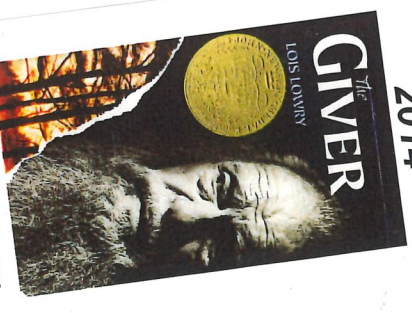
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# Writers' Free for All





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Morgan Lewis  
June 2014



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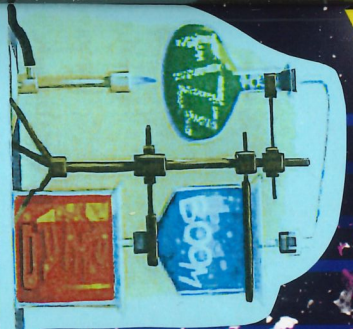
WWWW is our teen writers group. We will be starting again June 18 at 1:30 p.m. and continuing each Wednesday through July. This group is for teens that are interested in writing. Sometimes topics are picked for each other, they may write about a specific picture, or just write about what you want. If you would like, you can share your stories with other teens. Come when you can.  
Lego Mania will be starting tomorrow from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. and continuing each Thursday during the summer. We will have a theme for you to use your building skills to create or create something on your own.  
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# Children's Public Library Summer Reading

Wednesdays at 1:30 p.m., starting June 10<sup>th</sup>  
 at the 10<sup>th</sup> Conservation Station and Water Rocks!  
 1:30 p.m. 4<sup>th</sup> grade and younger  
 2:30 p.m. 5<sup>th</sup> grade and older  
 June 17<sup>th</sup> Animals and plants  
 June 24<sup>th</sup> Blank Park Zoo-Weird Animal Science  
 June 31<sup>st</sup> Fizz, Boom, Pop  
 July 8<sup>th</sup> RU Curious  
 July 15<sup>th</sup> It's Alive  
 July 22<sup>nd</sup> Sound and Music  
 July 29<sup>th</sup> Pockets Full of Fun with puppet making



Week #1  
 Conservation  
 Station &  
 Water Rocks  
 1:30-Younger  
 Kids  
 June 16,  
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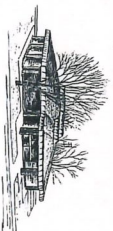
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TO JOIN THE FUN AS  
AUTHOR

JENNIFER DUKES LEE

VISITS THE

LAURENS PUBLIC LIBRARY



FRIDAY, JUNE 13  
AT 3 O'CLOCK

\*REFRESHMENTS FOLLOWING THE PROGRAM



Jennifer Dukes Lee w/ daughters  
& friends before the book talk



Glenda Muddler ready to introduce  
Jennifer talking w/ Lois & Ron



The crowd assembled ready  
for Author Jennifer to show



Author Jennifer Dukes Lee  
talks about her book



Dorothy Long & Verlae Nicol  
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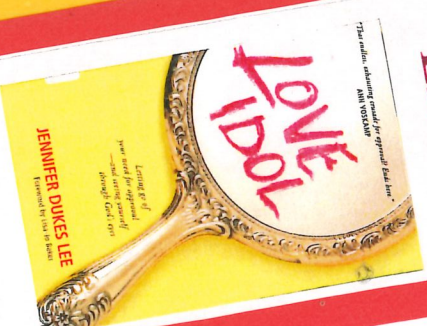
Jennifer talks w/ Soni Perkins as  
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Line'd up to get their books  
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Week 2  
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 Boom  
 Pop  
 L. June 17, 2014

Snack: Goldfish  
 Craft: Paper Bowl  
 Prize: Baggie Broom  
 Activity: Diet Coke & Mentos  
 Experiment: Spaghetti in Ocean  
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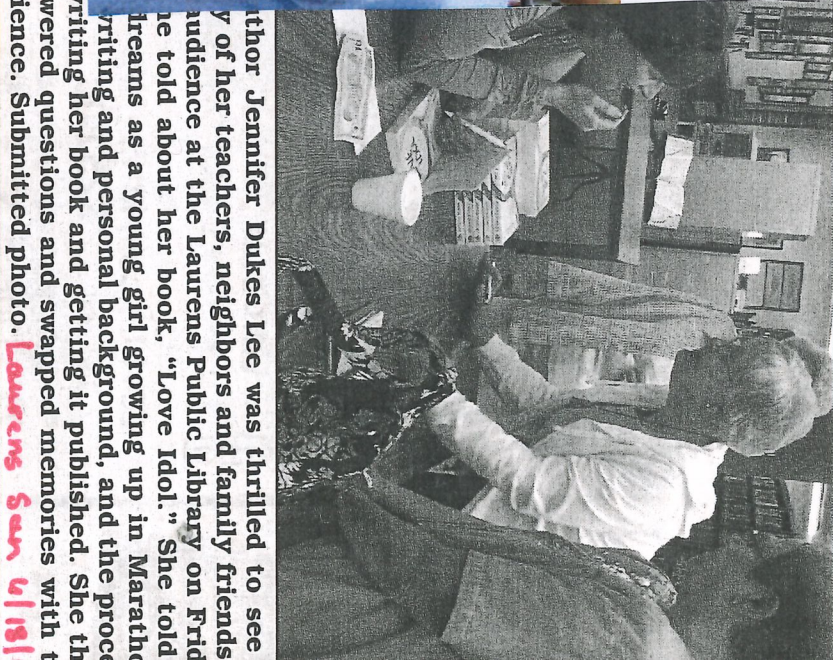
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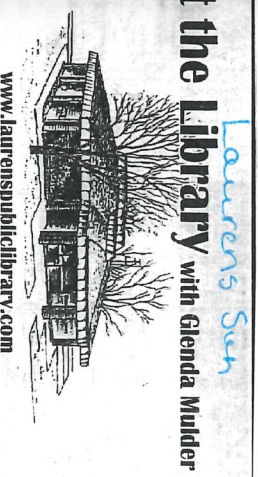
# Author Jennifer Dukes Lee Visits the Library! *The Paper* 4/18/14

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## the Library by Glenda Mulder June 18, 2014

Who Wish Me Dead by Michael Koryta, China Dolls by Lisa See, The Lincoln Myth by Steve Berry, Top Secret 21 by Janet Evanovich



June 18, 2014

"Fizz, Boom, Read!" our summer reading program is on Tuesday at 1:30 through the end of July. Next week (June 24) Blank Park Zoo will be here to teach us about Weird Animal Science. I'm sure they'll be bringing a few critters to show us too. We've had them visit our library for the last few years. They put on a fun show - and we always have a few things too! Toddler Play Group is the first and last Monday at 10 a.m. Also for the kids, we will have LegoMania every Thursday 11-5!

Lots of new books this week! Here's a few of the novels: *Who Wish Me Dead* by Michael Koryta, *China Dolls* by Lisa See, *The Lincoln Myth* by Steve Berry, *Top Secret 21* by Janet Evanovich (CD book too!), *Terminal City* by Linda Lausten, *Written in My Own Heart's Blood* by Diana Hamilton, *Matchmaker* by Eliza Hilderbrand (CD book too!), *My Other Name* by Craig Johnson, *Stormy Persuasion* by Hannah Lindsey, *Red Room* by Ridley Pearson, *Nantucket* by Nancy Thayer, *All Fall Down* by Jennifer Weiner, *A Love and Treasure* by Ayelet Waldman. In nonfiction received: *1 Nation* by Ben Carson, *Unstoppable* by Ralph

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*The Paper*

## At the Library with Glenda Mulder June 25, 2014



June 25, 2014

Boy, did we have a memorable program last Monday evening! Helen Beneke was here to talk to our Writers Group about the "Legends of the Great Plains" Pochohontas County art project. Because of the weather warnings, only two people showed up, but she valiantly began her program. And then the sirens went off again and we got the call that a tornado had been sighted south of Laurens. Helen grabbed her laptop and the four of us headed to the tornado shelter (aka the ladies bathroom) along with two other random people seeking shelter from the storm. Helen hardly missed a beat, just continued her program to her captive audience. So, do you remember where you were when the sirens sounded?

Hopefully our weather will be calmer next Monday, June 30, when the Laurens Sister Cities Delegation will give us a report about their recent trip to Laurens, France. I've seen some pictures of the places they visited and the meals they ate and I have to say, I'm really looking forward to this program! Join us at 7 p.m. Monday, June 30!

"Fizz, Boom, Read!" our summer reading program is on Tuesdays at 1:30 p.m. through the end of July. We've had lots of fun with experiments, books, crafts, and special programs. One week we tried the Mentos and Diet Coke experiment - it worked and created a fabulous geyser! The creations during LegoMania have been pretty fabulous - stop in and play with us all day any Thursday!

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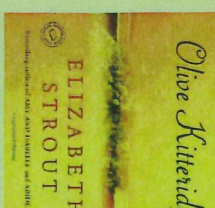
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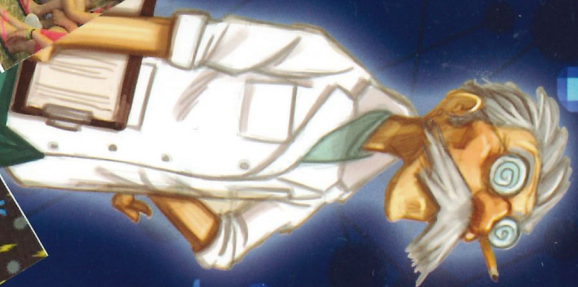
## Laurens Public Library June 2014



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Week 4's  
Blank Park Zoo  
Weird Animal Science  
June 24, 2014



## Blank Park Zoo Visits the Library

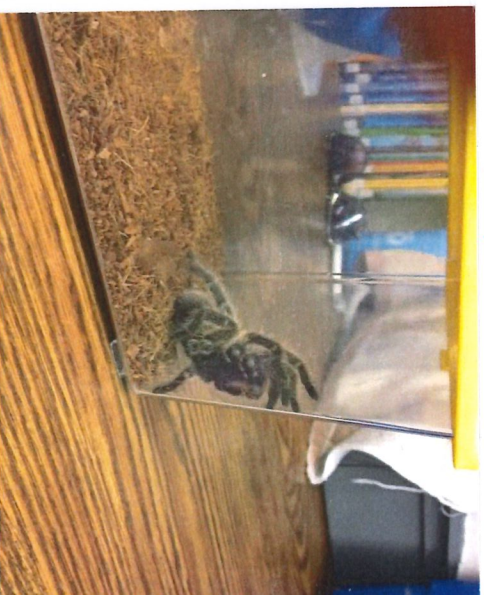
Sam from Blank Park Zoo visited the Laurens Public Library with four of her animal friends for a program called Weird Animal Science. The first animal she brought out was a spotted gecko. The kids thought it was pretty cool that he could shed his tail if caught and then escape to grow a new one. The next animal looked a bit more ferocious and a bit prehistoric with it's hard shell and long claws - it was a nine banded armadillo. She then told us she was going to show us something that most people are afraid of, and that is often misunderstood....it was a tarantula! There were a few "yikes" and "eww's" but the kids were very interested. A sigh of relief was heard when she showed us her last animal - the one we knew would be able to touch. It was a domesticated rabbit. He was much larger and a bit different looking than the rabbits we see in the wild. Approximately 123 kids of all ages enjoyed zoo visit sponsored by the Laurens Public Library Foundation for our summer reading program!



Tarantula



Nice crowd for Blank Park Zoo



tarantula



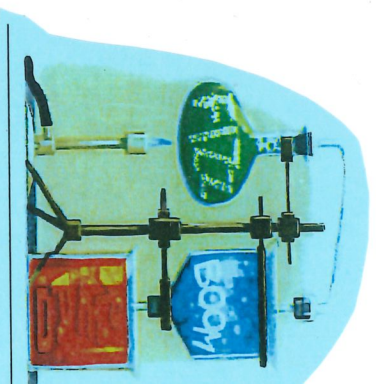
Experiment



Rabbit

Armadillo

Michelle Gordon & Zakiah Christensen



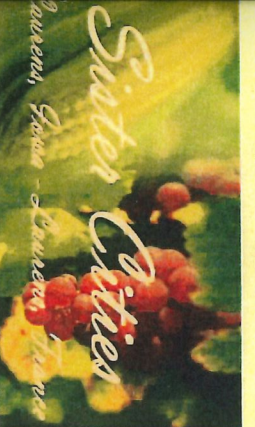
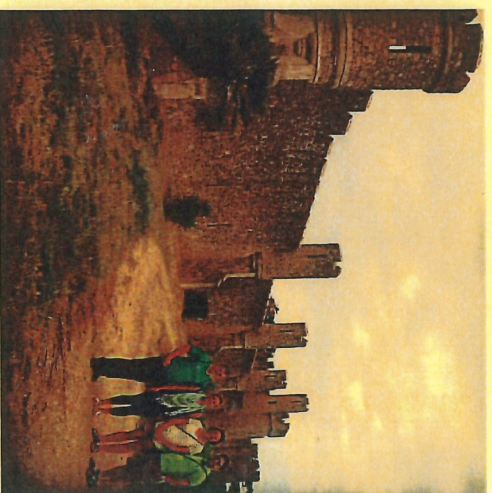




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Middle: Lander Tate & Jacob  
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Right: Marcus Price

FIZZZ

Join us 7 pm  
Monday, June 30<sup>th</sup>  
at the  
Laurens Public Library  
to learn about



From the team that  
just visited  
Laurens, France!



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Program by the  
students who  
recently visited  
Laurens, France



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Monday,  
June 30

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Addy Boettcher  
give a presentation  
on their trip  
to Laurens,  
France



## At the Library with Glenda Mulder



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July 2, 2014 *Laurens Sun*

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## Surprise library career suits Mulder, she says

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But Glenda Mulder, director of the Laurens Public Library, had no interest in becoming a librarian while she was growing up. "I thought I was going to do alterations and tailoring, because that's what I went to school for," Mulder said. "That's what I did as a career first, and

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While owning her own business, Mulder said she learned about business management and budgeting, skills she uses every day as library director.

Mulder said she began working at the library part-time in 2000 after getting a job at the Laurens Marathon Community School District as an aide. "I learned all about kids there," she said. "The library has been taking those two interests and melding them together."

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## At Your Service

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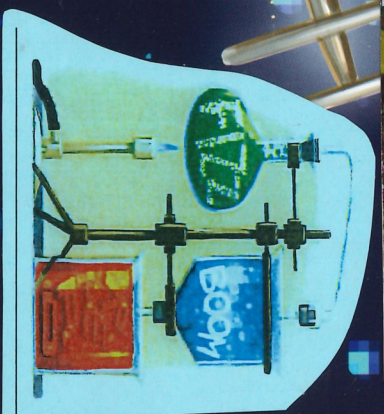
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was when a lawn mower threw a rock that shattered the window on one of the entry doors. Mulder said the door had to be locked until new glass could be installed. "We're all so using online e-books, which the kids really enjoy."





Alison Price, Children's Librarian reading to kids.  
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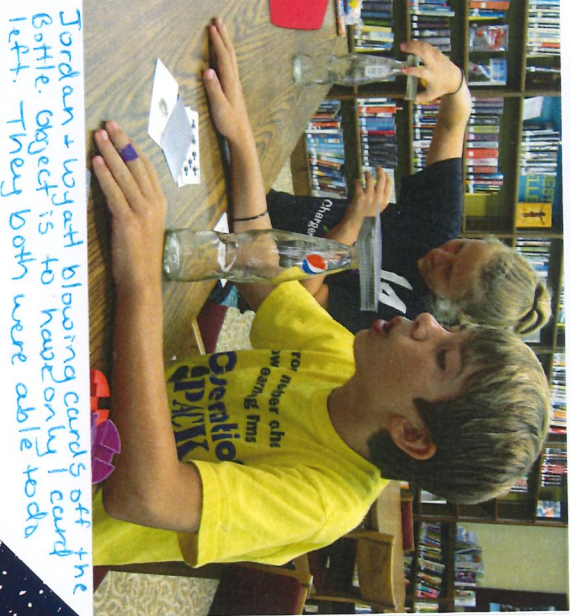
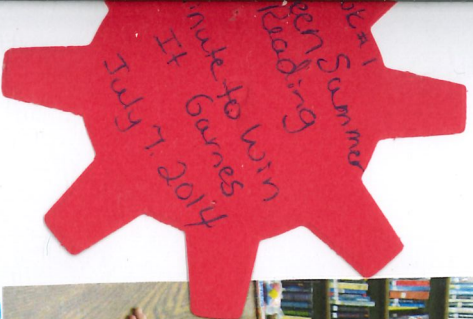




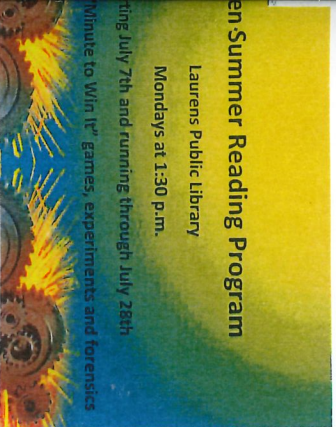
Erickson stacked 3 balls for over a minute



Jordan Saunders stacking paper plates + paper plates



Jordan + Wyatt blowing cards off the bottle. Object is to have only 1 card left. They both were able to do



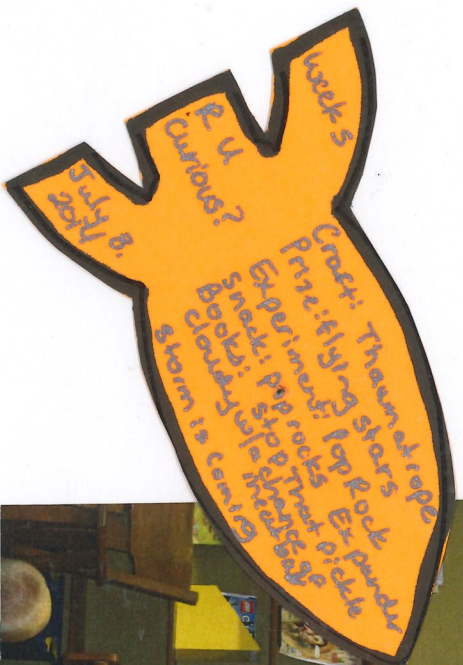
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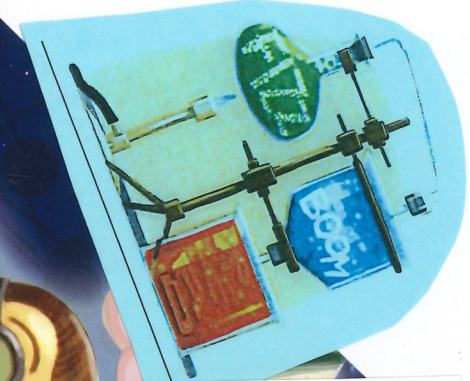
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Week 5  
R U Curious?  
July 8, 2017

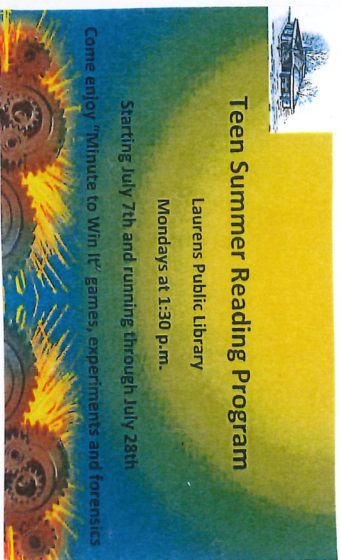
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Fire: flying stars  
Experiment: Pop Rock  
Snack: Pop Rocks  
Books: Pop Rocks  
Cloudy with a chance of rain  
Storm is coming



Moore: Gabi Elm, Landon Tate, Breanna Shome.  
Delaney Elm - coloring  
Top: Mad Scientist, Gunda  
3rd: Grandpa Mary Rumberg  
3rd: Sawyer Storms, Derrice  
Foley + a granddaughter  
Katie Grant Landon Gish  
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4th: Tracy Brown Schoeig,  
Teddy Louker, Kylie  
Bailey showing off







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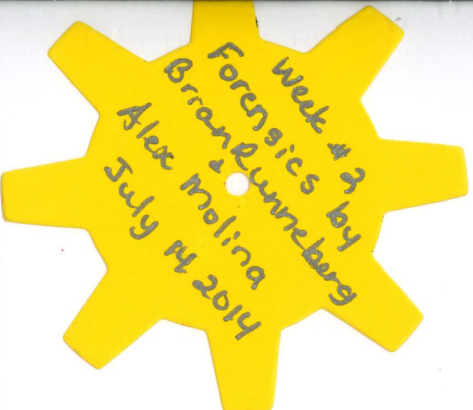
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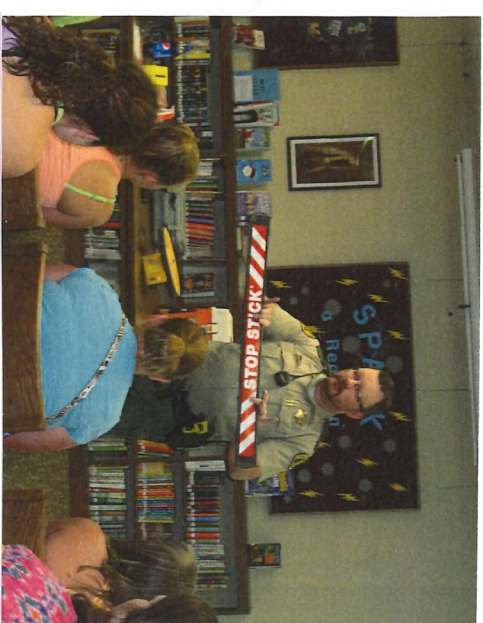
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Alex showing how they label the forensics.



Alex Molina & Brian Runneburg showing their forensics supplies & explaining how to use



Brian showing a stop stick

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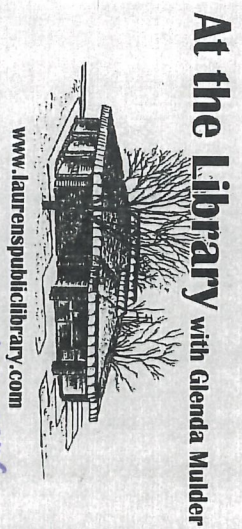
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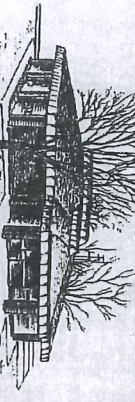
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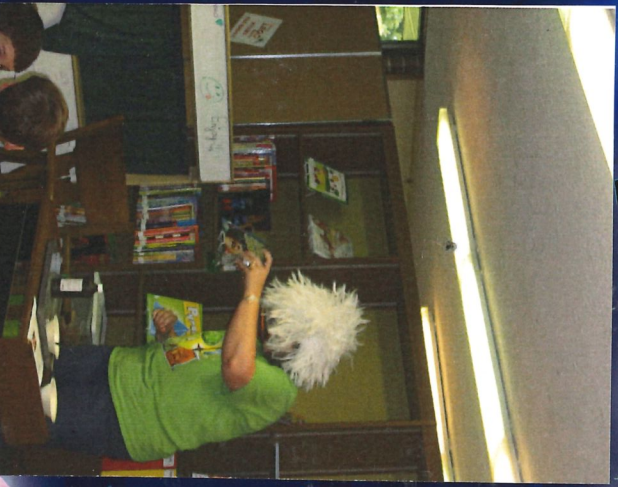
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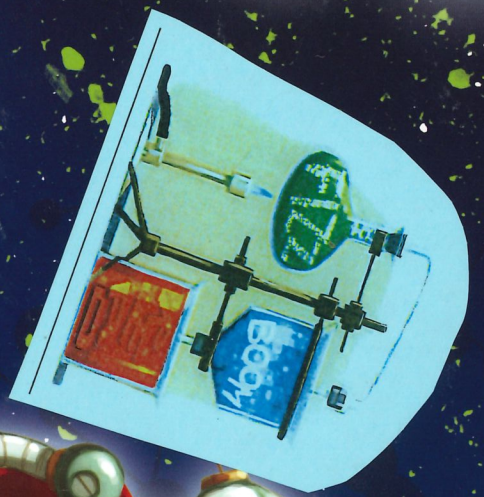
Snack: Gummy worms  
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 Cards: Elephant Toothpaste  
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Top (C): Children's Librarian Allison Price reading  
 (M): Mad Scientist Allison doing experiment  
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 Allison Price, Landon Grisch, scratching spiders or webs  
 (M): Melia Hoffman & Olivia Dahlberg  
 (C): Everyone busy scratching  
 Bottom (C): Cydnee Skyles Hopkin & Jordan Saunders  
 (C): Cameron Leith & Riley Owsen der-shaw-off time



READ







Rocket goes off



Stacy & Zone on the right, Shavon & Fieschfresser watch Carin set up the rocket.



Carin, Zone, Shavon & Stacy setting up another rocket



Carin pumping up the rocket so it will go off.



Stacy helping the rocket



Alexandra, Phyllis watched the boys puppet show. Lander



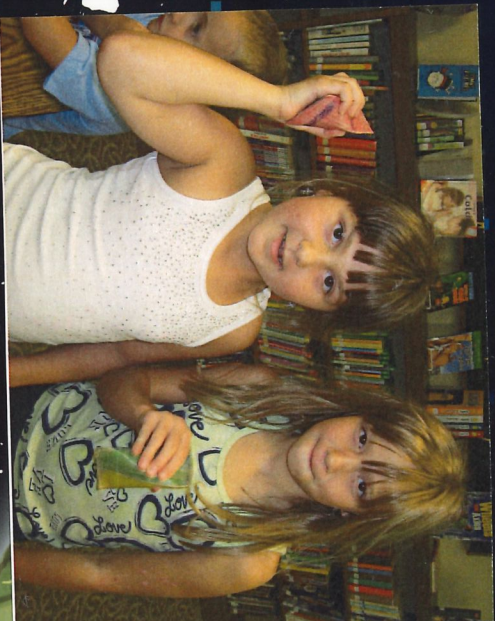
Katy & Payton rolling



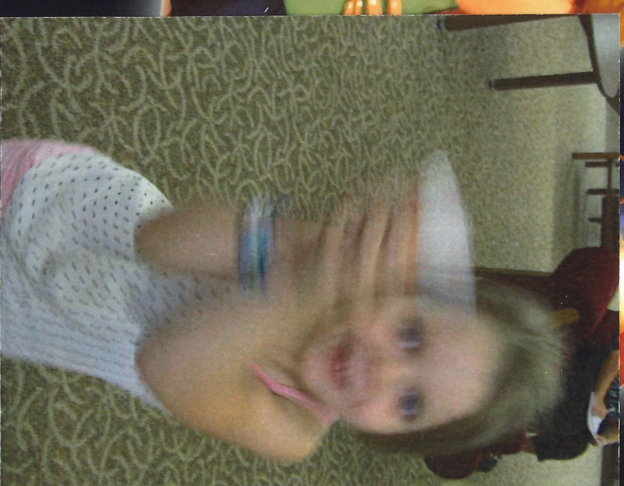
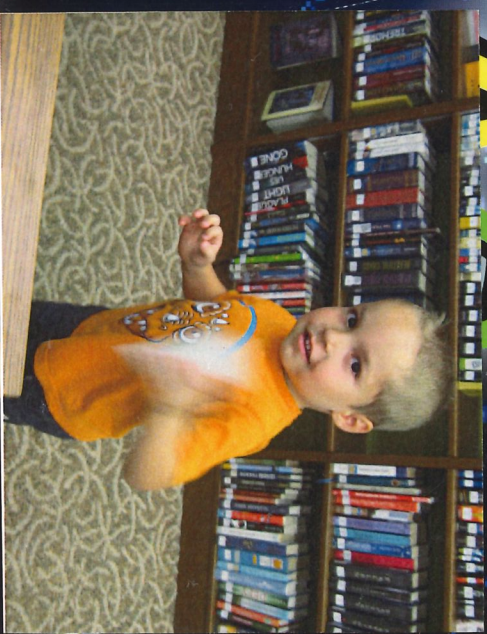
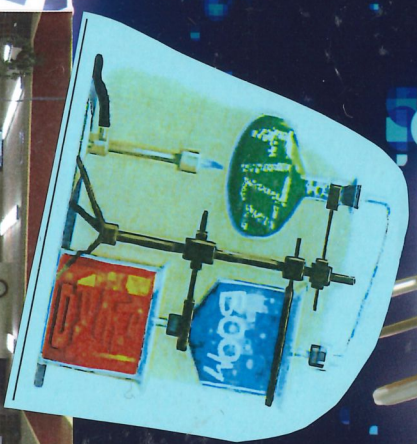
Week #7  
 July 22, 2014  
 Sound Music  
 Craft: maracas  
 Prize: maracas  
 Experiment: density Sam Sam  
 Music activity: Chubby Checker  
 Snack: Cheese & Crackers  
 Books: I Got a Shy Fellow in a  
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 Board game in a



Top: Allison Price. Children's Librarian talking to kids  
 Middle: Mad Scientist- Allison doing a density test  
 Bottom: Savannah Fonder, Hunter Valentine & Alexander Price showing their maracas



Top: Allison leading the kids in  
 Rain, Sam Sam  
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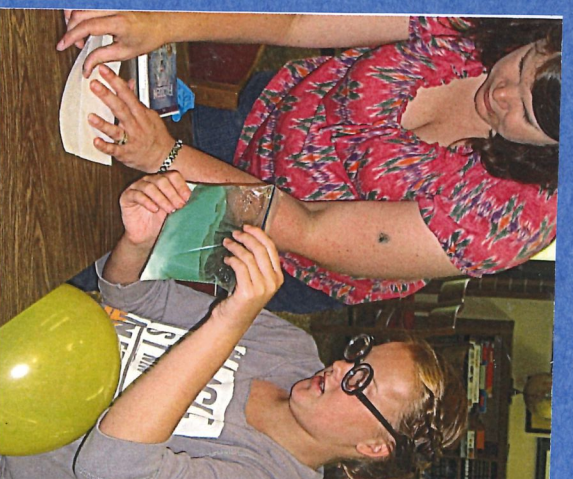




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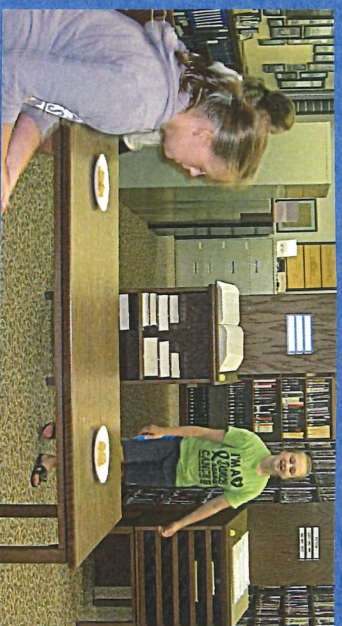
Jordan picking up the ball  
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Children's Librarian Allison Price  
helps Kyle & more exploring  
chairs



Enriquez, Jordan & Shavonne  
Plecker-tresser with their  
sidewalk chalk explor



Top: Jordan Saunders gets the  
golf ball stuck like surprise  
Kyle & household watching  
Bottom: Kyle & Enrike card  
Jordan



Shavonne Plecker-tresser blow  
up balloons & use that paper to  
crack cups on table



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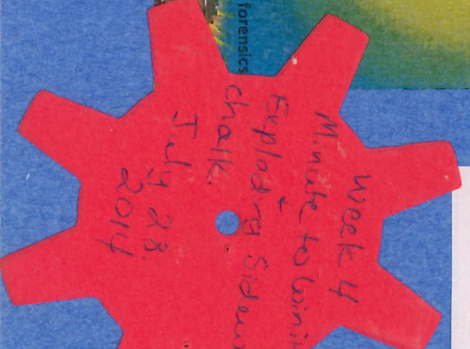
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**Teen Summer Reading Program**  
Laurens Public Library  
Mondays at 1:30 p.m.  
Starting July 7th and running through July 28th  
Come enjoy "Minute to Win It" games, experiments and forensics  
chairs



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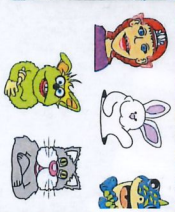
Week # 8  
Pockets Full of Fun  
July 29th  
Pocket making

# SPARK an ATTRACTION to BOOKS!

with Lisa Laird and her friends from **POCKETS FULL OF FUN!**



www.pocketsfulloffun.com



Lisa and her friends Lily, Shiloh, Jemimah, Ed Static and Gideon would like to introduce you to the wonderful world of Electricity and Magnetism. Discover some little known facts about **NIKOLA TESLA**. Delve into the habitats of **ELECTRIC ANIMALS**. Detect **MAGNETIC FIELDS** around you!

Day, Date and Time: **Tuesday, July 29 at 1:30**

Location: **Laurens Public Library**

Sponsored By: **Laurens Public Library Foundation**



Laurens Public Library



Lisa or Pockets Full of Fun doing her show. Kids were in lots of corners as a fuel house we had

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Draw a line from the picture to the correct name.

Circle all the words you can find from the word list.

LILY

GIDEON

ED STATIC

JEMIMAH

SHILOH

L S T Y T I E L L I S  
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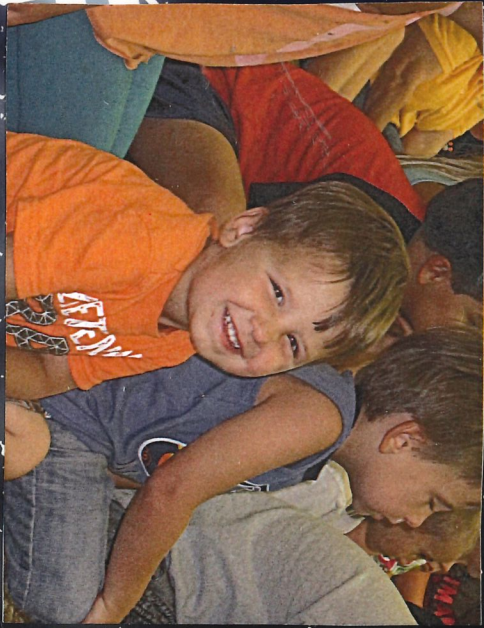
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## Fun Facts:

- Nikola Tesla designed the first hydroelectric power plant on Niagara Falls in 1896. He made this his goal at 5 years of age after he successfully built a waterwheel powered by the stream near his home.
- Nikola Tesla also discovered laser beams, remote control, and wireless communication.
- At 3 years old Nikola became fascinated with electricity after he saw sparks fly from the fur of his cat while petting it.
- Nikola built a engine powered by June bugs when he was 9 years old.

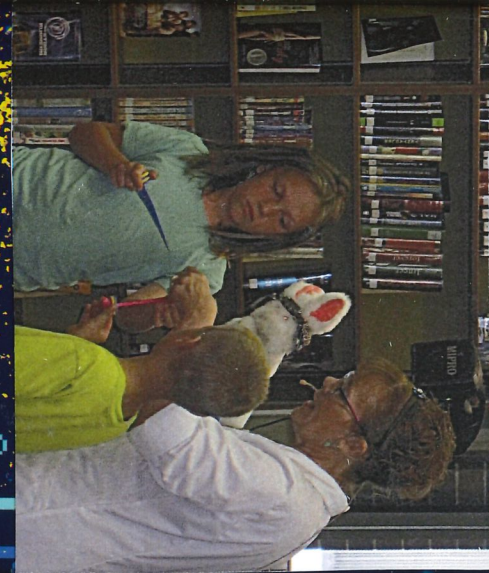


Left: Logan Gisch  
 Middle: Isaiah Schossow +  
 Sawyer Storms  
 Right: Beckett Souba



Huge crowd for the  
 puppet show. Looks  
 like they are having FUN!

Left: Bookworm held up by  
 Gus Slama, Hunter Valentine,  
 Alyssa Kunz + Paxton Reeling  
 Middle: Marcus Price pets puppet  
 Right: Lisa's helpers Alex Price,  
 Savannah Fonder, Michelle Gordon,  
 + Marcus Price



Left: Kendall Evans  
 showing magnets  
 Middle: Lisa + puppet  
 Right: Kaitlynn Schuler



Left: Cameron + Morgan Leith  
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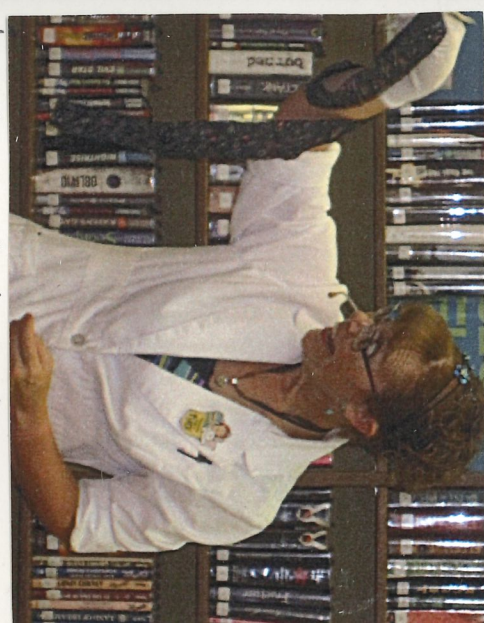
Lisa Laird giving instructions to  
 make their own puppets



Kids listening to the instruction



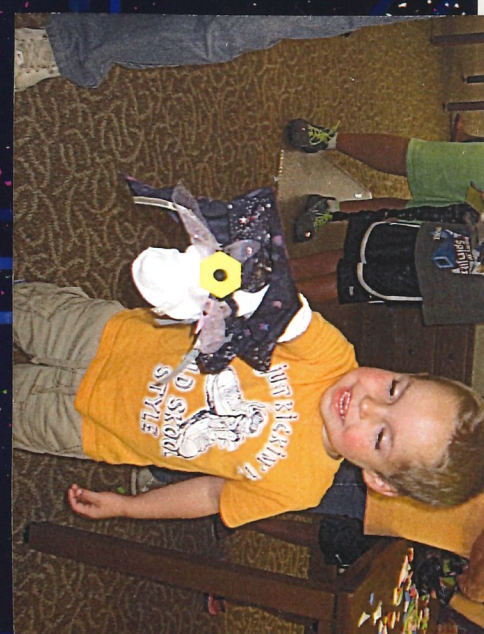
Kadenne Madison showing  
 her puppet  
 Below: Sawyer Storms  
 + her puppet



Lisa Laird finished project



Hunter Valentine w/ puppet  
 Below: Kable Graff w/ his puppet





# the Library

by Glenda Mulder

August 6, 2014

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Our Town Our Paper!

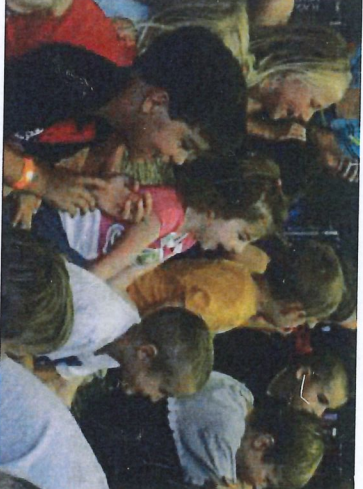
The Paper 8-6-14



Shown are Alex Price, Savannah Forder, Michelle Gordon & Marcus Price. Each are holding an invention made possible by the work of Nikola Tesla.



"I need a volunteer. I'm going to choose someone who is sitting with their hands in their lap and a big smile on their face." Just look at how nice those kids are sitting!



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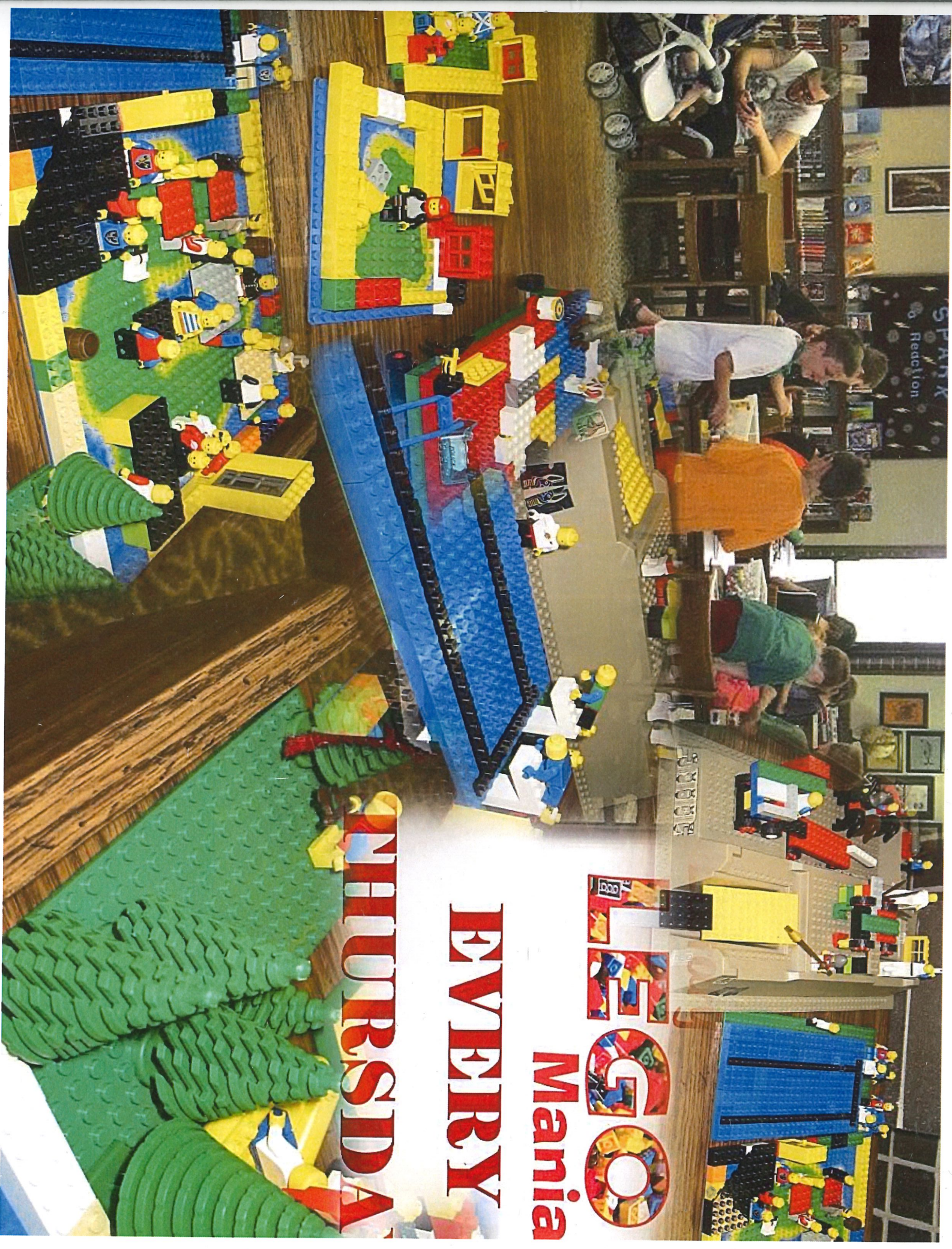
Thank You

Thank you to the Library:  
"Thank you for getting my zoo tickets. I like them so much."  
Morgan Leith

Thanks!

Thank you to the Laurens Public Library for the zoo ticket that I won!  
I LOVE my library & librarians!  
Trinity Brazel





LEGO Mania was every Thursday - All day during the summer. It is fun to see  
so creative our children + adults are! :)





OPERATION TSINELAS

REACH FOR THE STARS

Family Project

ESTABLISHED: MAY 12, 2011

Come hear about the recent mission trip to the Philippines!

7 pm Monday, August 11

Laurens Public Library



Pat Frantz, Seannette Kernet,  
Steve Fabrolo Cruz Rachel Deling, Heather  
Diana Johnson



Flora Johnson selling of her mission trip





## At the Library with Glenda Mulder

August 13, 2014

*The Paper*

August 20th, Julie Wurr will talk about the national Retail Summit she attended at our Nation's Capitol. Retailers from across the country flew to Washington, D.C., the end of July to discuss several key issues, but it was all for one goal: To let their lawmakers know what happens on Capitol Hill impacts their businesses back at home. There was a lot of action that took place over the course of two days, and Julie is ready to fill us in on the details!

The Laurens Class of 1964 held a Class Reunion recently. They decided they would like to purchase library books in memory of their classmates who have passed away. They sent me a list of names, along with a bit about each person. So, this is what we came up with: For Connie Virgil Johnson: "The Long Way Home" by Louise Penny, which comes out in August and "Hounded" by David Rosenfelt because she loved a mystery. For Charles Michael Johnson we ordered "The Aviators Eddie Rickenbacker, Jimmy Doolittle, Charles Lindbergh, and the Epic Age of Flight" and "Disney Pixar: Planes: Look and Find" (children's book) because of his love of flight and airplanes. Because Art Steinamp loved to travel, we got "Travels with Casey" and "Carisack." Classmate Larry Younggreen enjoyed construction so we got "Renovation 4th Edition: Completely Revised and

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Hey, don't forget you were going to come to the library tonight to hear Julie Wurr talk about the National Retail Summit she attended at our Nation's Capitol. See you at 7 p.m.!

Starting in September we will be having monthly scrapbooking and monthly card making classes. The only cost will be for materials. This is a perfect time for you to try out something new. We'll be firming up the details, so contact us if you want to express an evening preference, or stay tuned for more details to follow.

Next Wednesday, August 27, an aide from Senator Grassley's office will have a Town Meeting from 4:40-5:30 p.m. to hear your concerns. Come let the politicians that represent you know your opinion on the issues that are important to you. Do you have any empty tissue boxes that have the oval shaped opening on top? Please bring them to the library...we've got an ideal!

Believe it or not, I've started reading this month's Book Club nonfiction selection, "Devil in the White City: Murder, Magic, and Madness at the Fair that Changed America" by Erik Larson. It was a little slow going at first as they were laying out the key players, but it's really picking up steam now that I'm about a quarter of the way through it. The World's Fair are interesting to me, and it's fascinating to read how it was read in a relatively short period of time. Oh, and then there are the chapters about the serial killer no one suspected could be the loose...Join our discussion Monday, August 25, at 7 p.m.

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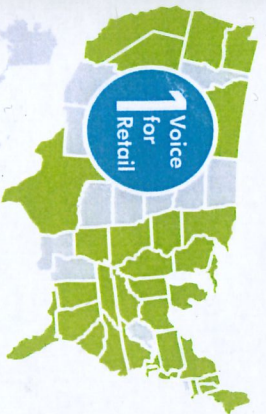
Cement being poured by the cement truck

Digging out dirt to make sidewalk



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July 29-30 | Marriott Grand Hotel Washington, DC



STATE ASSOCIATIONS REPRESENTED **18**  
AMERICA'S RETAIL CHAMPIONS **44**  
TOTAL ATTENDEES REPRESENTED **32**  
CAPITOL HILL MEETINGS **129**  
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Laurens Retailer Julie Murr  
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7 pm Wednesday, August 20<sup>th</sup>

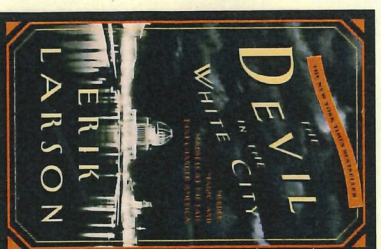


## Laurens Public Library

Posters around the town



## Laurens Public Library August 2014



Please return  
this book  
by our  
discussion  
Monday,  
August 25<sup>th</sup>  
@ 7:00 pm

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Angela Christenson is shown on the left sharing her experiences as the leader of the Laurens Area Youth Group during their mission trip to Milwaukee this summer. On the right are Destini Oehlert, Hailey Farsega, Hayden Anderson, Wyatt Shannon and Maili Todd representing the Youth Group. They all had many stories to share about their days spent doing building repairs and evenings spent in worship and community outreach. The patrons and staff of the Laurens Public Library would like to thank this group for sharing with us! [The Paper 9/10/14](#)



Destini Oehlert, Hailey Farsega, Hayden Anderson, Wyatt Shannon, Maili Todd & Angela Christenson, Presenting their Mission Trip @ the Library



The audience for the mission trip presentation.



Angela is speaking to the crowd



Destini, Wyatt, Hailey is speaking. Hayden Maili

September 3



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**MONDAY**  
 10 AM  
 (When 1-10 hrs  
 School)

**LAURENS PUBLIC LIBRARY**

1st Tot Time w/ Kayla  
 Monday, September 8<sup>th</sup>  
 Shaylyn DeYoung - Addie Keegan  
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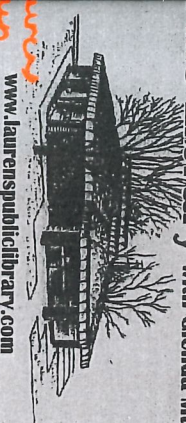
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Holly Storms, Melissa French & Glenda Mulder



Allison Price & Deb Hertz using the embossing machine  
Photographer: Glenda Mulder



Laura Toft, Holly Storms & Glenda Mulder



Kate Ellis & Donna Smith making cards.



Deb Hertz, Laura Toft getting instructions from  
Melissa French  
Glenda Mulder not in pictures



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only \$5! Preregistration required. Class  
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Storms are sharing their talents and  
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Here's a collage of the pictures from Tuesday's first scrapbooking night! Cardmaking & scrapbooking are now monthly events. Pictured are now Cleveland, Deb Hertz, Glenda Mulder, Holly Storms and Laura Todd.



October 14.  
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March 1, 2014



Michelle Gordon gives Dan Wardell thumbs up

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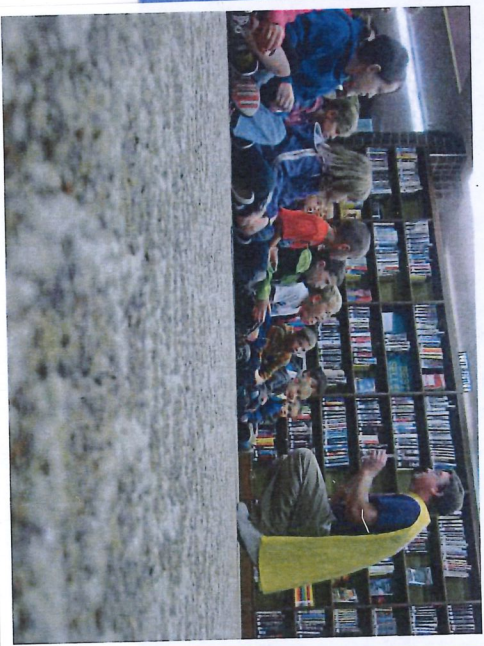


Aiden Saunders is really getting into the program



### Dan Wardell Visits the Library

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I think Glenda is leaving Dan Wardell







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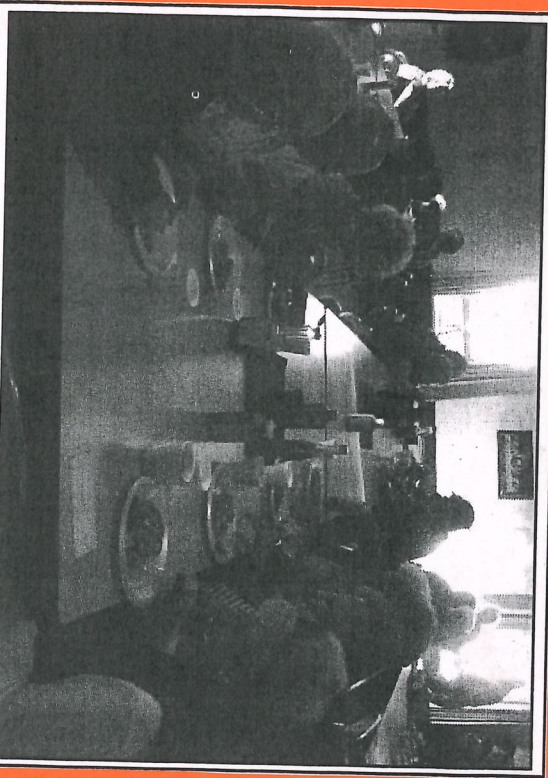
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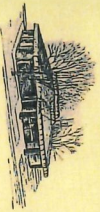
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Alex Price



Nice Crowd for supper



Dorothy Sandvig waiting for  
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Arlene & Bob Edge enjoying the supper



Kable & Kayla Gruff



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Roger Threlkill & Lyle Wallin chat



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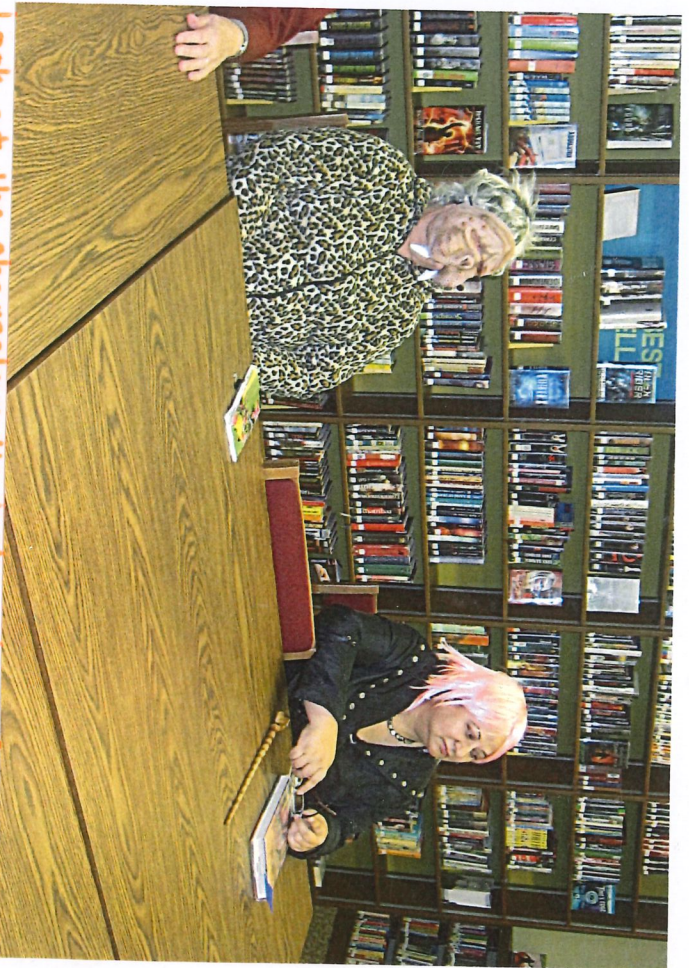


# Laurens Public Library

## October 2014



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10/27/14  
@ 7:00 pm



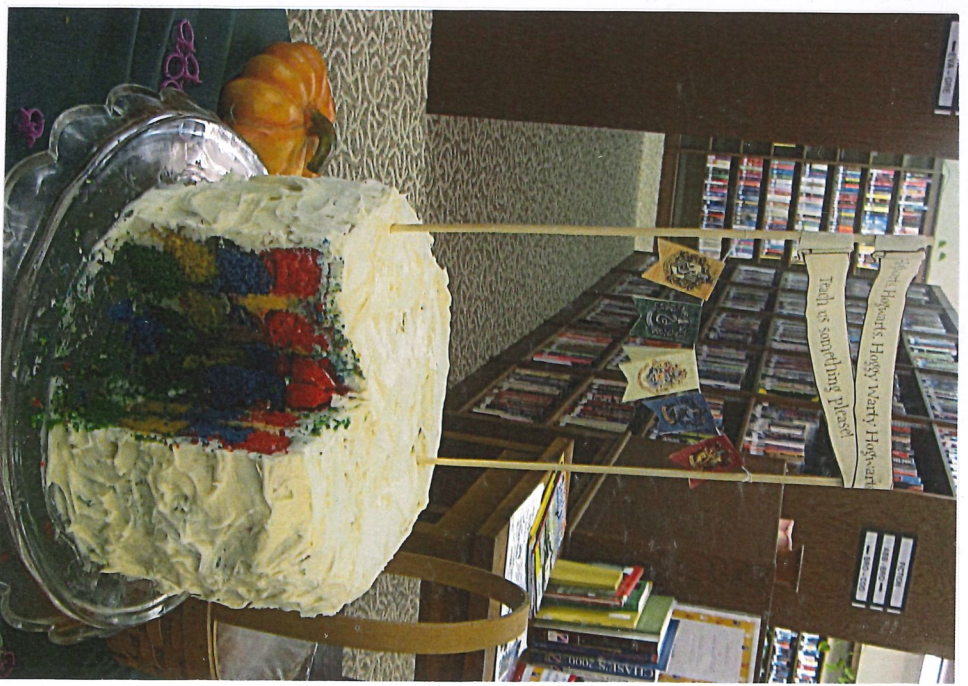
Look at the characters that showed up for Book Club - Barb Wallin - Gussie Thumma



L to right: Sarah Winkler, Glenda Muder, Grace Hertz, Denise Kerschel, Dorothy Lambarth, Sandi Neary, Barb Wallin, Gussie Thumma, Gail Olsen & Lorene Thumma



The food for Book Club



Gussie serving her cake





Top Time: Top Keegan DeYoung en joy's a  
Middle Addie DeYoung & sister craft. Kayla  
Teresa make a spider craft. Glenda Mulder. Kayla  
from mom withy librarians Glenda Mulder. Kayla  
Grade 2 Deb Hertz



Top: Addie Miller & Paelyn Johnson  
Bottom: Ariana, Ardena & Monica Sweeney



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It was a packed house at the Laurens Public Library as costumed kids were  
delighted to watch magician Larry Dunbar on Halloween (above). Library staff  
(below, l-r) Glenda Mulder, Kayla Graft, and Deb Hertz got in on the fun as witches.  
Submitted photos. NDS 5 2014 - Laurens Sun







Alyssa Kune - where's your hand?

Large crowd - 140 people - approx.

Celsey Hayes helping

Marcus Price is helping

Savannah Foster - Michelle Anderson

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Spiderman waving wand

Take your fingers + thumb make a circle... touch your chin... he said chin!

**Halloween**  
at the  
**Laurens Public Library**  
The Magic of Larry Denbar & Company  
Friday,  
October 31st  
@ 7:00



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November 5, 2014

The library is part of the city, we will be closed next Friday in celebration of Veteran's Day. Stock up now so this puts a crimp in your plans.

The L-M doesn't have school this Friday, we are having a "Seuss-a-Palooza" of a story time at 1:30. We'll also have a story from 2:30 to 5:00. Send the kids to the library for a fun afternoon!

I fun we've had with our new scrapbooking and card making page for more information.

Tuesday night! Stop at the library or check out our new books this week include: *Wolf in Winter* by John G. Miller, *Train* by Susanna Isen, *The Burning Room* by Michael Connelly, *By Winter's Light* by Stephanie Laurens, *Big Strong* by Diana Palmer, *Private India On Fire* by James Patterson, *New York Christmas* by Anne Perry, *Blue Christmas* by Douglas Preston, *Pegasus* by Danielle Steel, *Christmas* by Nancy Thayer, and *Nora Webster* by Colm Toibin.

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That's what our total circulations were in October! Holy Buckets no wonder it felt like we just couldn't quite catch up! Normally we check out between 3,000 and 3,500 items in a month. A few times we have broken into the 4,000s, but never quite like this! 4,436 books divided by the 191 hours we were open during the month means we checked out an average of 23 books per hour. Of course, as we check out that many books, we also check in and reshelve the returned books for story times and other events, making displays, making the library run smoothly. So a big thanks has to go to Deb, Kayla, and all they do - and still they make it fun!

You written anything lately? Maybe you should, then next time we meet - Monday, November 17, at 7 p.m. I just want to be inspired, come join the fun!

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Kayla Graft reads to a host of youngsters at the Laurens Public Library's "Seuss-a-palooza" on Friday. Submitted photo. The Laurens Sun 11/12/14

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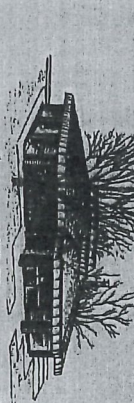
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The snow and cold temperatures have put the library staff into a tizzy. They are changing bulletin boards and making Christmas book displays. Don't worry, we still have the Thanksgiving books out (you know how I love that holiday!) but the Christmas books are oh so fun and the season is just too short to get them all read! So start now, these books will jumpstart your Christmas spirit!

Just a word of warning that we will be closed for the entire weekend of Thanksgiving, so plan now to check out plenty to keep you busy!

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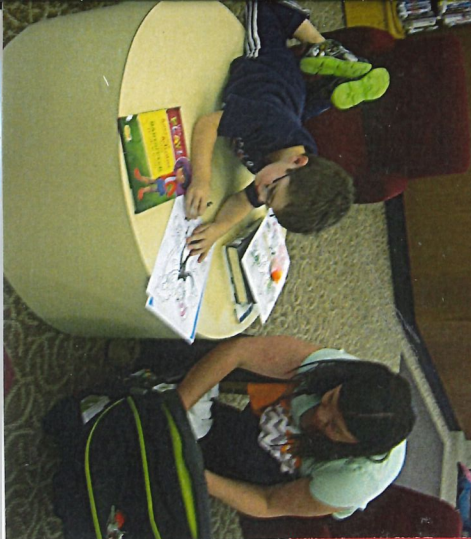
Reading before Seuss-a-Palooza  
Aiden Tate, Marcus Alex Price +  
Avery Storms



Reading to the kids to  
Seuss-a-Palooza



Seamus, Kable Craft, Alex Price,  
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Price coloring on 10x10 Kable  
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Children's Librarian Kayla Craft



Friday, November 7  
1:30pm

Join us for Books, Treats and make your own  
Seuss hat for our free at the Festival of Trees



Taylor + Logan Shireff, Tyson Squier,  
I Sarah Schossau, Ziaah Christen  
making Dr. Seuss hats for Festival  
of Trees



Kayla Craft helping the kids making  
their hats



Emma Olson, Jenna Saunders  
Ataya Arends + Kendall Evans, crafting



Ornaments for Festival of Trees,  
Lejo Maria, Isarah Schossau,  
Olivia Dahlberg, Tyson Squier, Chandler  
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Sawyer Storms getting  
colors



Nickolas Squier, Chandler  
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- Patrons who tell us about books they think we should get.
- Close proximity to the school so we can do fun things together!
- Beautiful library building.
- A four day weekend!
- We always know when our favorite authors have a new book coming out.
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- Pinterest (You didn't think all these ideas were original, did you?)
- Patrons who give us book reviews, as much as we'd like to, it can't read them all!
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Kaitlyn Schuler, Deontez Williams, Kymberly Cooper & Emma Spermers - work on the State Puzzle



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## Local Resident Receives Prestigious Award! The Paper 11/26/14

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Angels in Laurens  
Laurens Public Library Writers Free for All



Songs of the Season  
Laurens Public Library



# Seuss-A-Palooza Laurens Public Library



## Christmas Past Laurens Library



Some old women's Club  
ornaments. we found







PRESENTS THROUGH THE DECADES  
WITH  
THE PRINCESS CITY PLAYERS  
7 PM WEDNESDAY,  
DECEMBER 10  
LAURENS PUBLIC LIBRARY



Lois Hammer didn't want to show  
preference by choosing a favorite  
gift, but...



Blenda Muller explaining the  
finer points of present speaking.  
Squeezing, sliding, snatching, etc.  
to figure out what each  
present contains



Lois Jirgens no opening her presents  
early



Nice crowd for the Princess City Players  
Through the Decades



Carolyn Alstott sings while Connie Oallender  
is playing piano. Singing Christmas carols.



Heleen Banke expected a doll for  
Christmas, imagine her surprise



Laurans Public Library's  
**PJAMA STORY TIME**  
 Tuesday, December 30<sup>th</sup>  
 7:00 PM



**Join us for games, popcorn, stories and fun!**  
 Wear your favorite PJs!  
 Bring your blankets & favorite stuffed animals!  
 After Story time let one of your favorite stuffed animals stay for a sleepover at the library. See what kind of fun they can have when they get the place to themselves for a night!



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## At the Library with Glenda Mulder



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We have something new coming soon - crocheting classes! This will be geared to the beginner, but everyone is invited to join the fun! Whether this is something you've wanted to learn, you want to brush up your skills, or you just want to join us and show off your current projects. Stay tuned, we'll let you know when we're starting!

This brings up an idea that's been rolling around in my head lately. Makerspaces. Have you heard of them? They are popping up in libraries, campuses, and wherever creative people gather. They reflect the interests of their users. Well, our library seems to have very crafty sort of patrons. We already offer paper arts with our scrapbooking and card making classes. With the addition of crocheting classes, we'll be branching into yarn arts. Hey, let's create a Makerspace right here in the Laurens Public Library! We already have a die cut machine that we and our patrons use, let's build on this. Here are a few things we'd like to have available. Do you have any of these laying around that you could donate to our library? We are in need of crocheting hooks, knitting needles (and a knitting teacher!), yarn, Cricut machine and accessories, stamps, different shape punches embosser and accessories, sticker maker, paper trimmers and mats, glue gun, an iron, and a 3D printer - OK, I don't really expect any of you to have that, but it would be interesting, wouldn't it?

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