Your library had a year of high-profile events, outstanding special exhibits, and the launch of a major new service!

In the library’s Cottonwood Room best-selling Wyoming authors C.J. Box and Craig Johnson read from their most recent novels and graciously signed books to large crowds; Indigenous comic book creator and publisher Dr. Lee Francis IV opened our eyes to Native American superheroes, and University of Wyoming professor Dr. Caskey Russell guided lively and important discussion of the film *Neither Wolf Nor Dog* in support of the *Native Voices* exhibit; popular character Pete the Cat charmed an audience of enthusiastic children; and world-renowned trumpeter Wynton Marsalis and Jazz at Lincoln Center were streamed straight from New York City into the library.

The exhibits *The Way We Worked* (Smithsonian’s Museum on Main Street), *Native Voices: Native People's Concepts of Health and Illness* (American Library Association and National Library of Medicine), and *Steaming through Wyoming* (Children’s Museum of Cheyenne) informed and educated our community. RSVP Artfest, LCSD#1 student art, and the annual Book Arts exhibit captured the imaginations of our diverse artists and library visitors.

The branch libraries in Burns, WY and Pine Bluffs, WY connected seniors with veterans and turned neighbors into friends with book discussions and movie nights.

Thanks to generous donations from individuals throughout the community, we launched our new service First Steps: Early Literacy Begins at Home, and had great success in developing a participating client base of underserved families.

Annual reports are often about numbers, but behind the statistics and figures is the story of us — of growing, learning, and engaging. Thank you for assisting in the library’s pursuit of providing lifelong learning and adventure, and for making Laramie County Library System a part of your lives this year.

Carey D. Hartmann
NUMBERS

Laramie County population 98,976
Patron registration 95,582
Registration percentage 96.5%
Total circulation 557,728
Circulation per capita 5.63
Children's circulation 234,674
Collection-print materials 277,244
Collection-audio materials 25,113
Collection-video materials 20,224
Magazines 201
Databases 81
Public Internet terminals 154
E Books 12,536
Downloadable Audio Books 33,928
Interlibrary loans-provided 3,645
Interlibrary loans- borrowed 1,986
Reference questions answered 13,083
Computer sessions 116,598
Wireless sessions 58,871
Hours of operation 6,872
Library visits 361,234
Volunteer hours of service 11,870
Total number of volunteers 220
Total number of employees 80
Program attendance/children 24,193
Program attendance/teen 1,087
Program attendance/adults 4,613
Number of programs 1,204
Summer Reading participants 7,653
Expenditures-staff $3,406,699
Expenditures- collection $304,939
Expenditures-other $1,630,299
Expenditures-total $5,431,937
Revenue-government $4,840,536
Revenue-other $620,843
Revenue-total $5,461,379

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