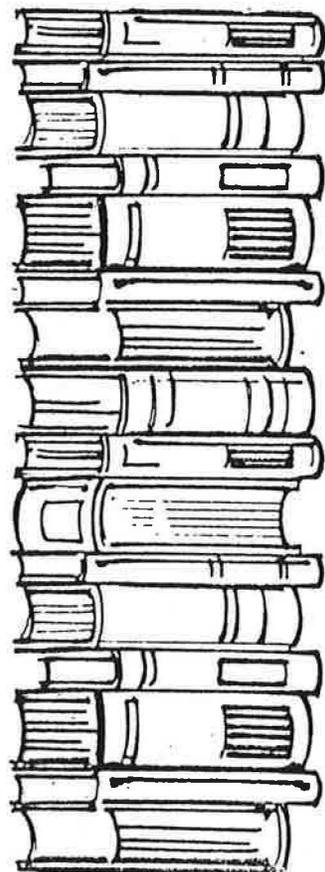
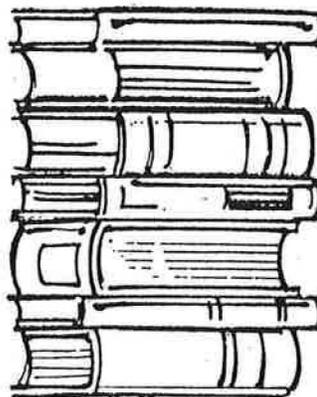
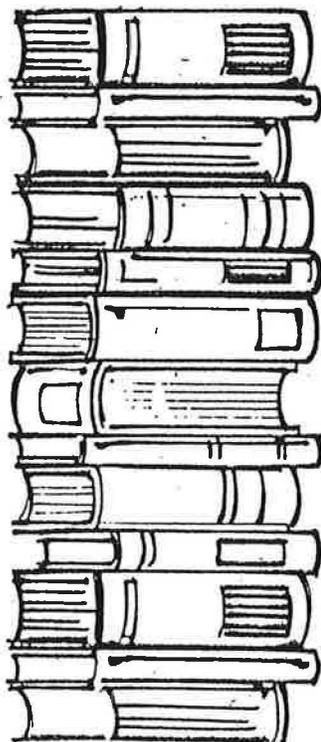


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A public library is an agency established for the collection, preservation, organization and dissemination of information and knowledge to the general public. In order for a library to carry out this mission it must build its operations on a solid foundation of informational resources and professional library policies, practices, and procedures.

Building and strengthening the library, its collections and programs is probably the best way to describe the majority of the activities carried out by the Logan Library during 1987. Both the library board and the library staff have been engaged in these responsibilities. During the past year the library board fulfilled its obligations through the review of established policies, the development of a new "Gifts Policy", a "Disruptive/Unattended Childrens Policy" and an "Inter-library Loan Policy", as well as the establishment of written goals and objectives for the 1987-88 fiscal year. Their involvement and input into the policies and directions of the library, as representatives of the general public, has had a significant, positive impact on the improvement of the library.

The library staff, in addition to their regular activities of cataloging, circulation, and reference has been involved in automating the "Holds" function in the circulation system, refining the accuracy of the on-line catalog, improving the quality of children's programming, developing local community resource files, improving reading guidance through expanded bibliographic listings, establishing security procedures to protect the library's holdings, and seeking outside sources of funding to supplement the library's budget.

A review of library usage indicators shows the success of these efforts. The circulation for 1987 was 271,219 while attendance figures at library-sponsored programs exceeded 8,000 people. Financial contributions from local businesses, individuals, and state and national grants were significant, reaching into the thousands of dollars. These donations made possible the purchase of the book security system, hundreds of new books, two dozen periodical subscriptions and one dozen art prints. Donations of time, in the hundreds of hours, by dedicated volunteers provided the necessary workforce to implement the security system and maintain many of the basic day-to-day operations of the library.

One key to success for a library is how it interacts with the public on an individual basis, and with other businesses and agencies. What, when, where, and how these transactions occur is determined by board policy and staff implementation. The desired results are to improve the capabilities of the library and to provide the services the local community desires. The impact that these decisions make is important and often far reaching. For example,

beginning on September 1, 1986 the library began a new policy of charging non-residents of Logan City an annual user's fee. This policy has been in effect during all of 1987 and we can now begin to analyze its impact on the library and its operations. The first noticeable impact was an immediate reduction in the number of people checking books out of the library. Approximately 9,400 non-Logan city residents were eliminated from the library's active file status. Since that time 559 cards have been issued to non-city residents, virtually all of which are cards used by a family not just an individual. It is estimated that these 559 cards represent approximately two thousand individuals. However, during the first few months since the change, there has been a noticeable increase in the number of individuals who come in and use the library's collections and staff to get information who do not have an active library card do not intend to acquire one. This increase in in-house usage has put additional strain on the ability of the library to provide immediate service to the public.

On the other hand, the change in policy created a significant increase in the number of resources available to Logan City residents. All of the books and materials that were previously checked out by non-city residents were now available and the result was an increase in circulation from city residents. While the number of people checking books out of the library was reduced by about 24% the reduction in the annual circulation was only 8.5%. In effect, Logan City residents were given better access and usage of the collections that were already in existence, a fact on which they readily capitalized. Also, it should be noted that the "waiting" time for books was reduced by several weeks.

Now instead of having to wait four to six months or more for a popular title the waiting period is now in the two to four month range. In summary, the ability of the library to provide resources to Logan City residents has been much improved.

Even though 1987 was a very successful and busy year the challenges that the near future could bring will not be easily met. As the statistics compiled indicate the library still is not capable of meeting the present demand from the public. Significant requests for children's literature, adult literature, and non-fiction type materials, particularly in the technological, scientific, and business areas are not readily available to fill the informational needs of our community. What is making this dilemma even more challenging is that those other agencies on whom we could rely in the past to meet many of these requests locally, such as the local school district media centers and the university library, are also experiencing shortages of resources. The local student requests for current curriculum-oriented materials that the Logan Library is now receiving are far beyond the budgetary capabilities of this institution, and the future indications are that this situation will get far worse before it begins to improve.

My intention is not to paint a bleak picture of the future, but rather to signal the beginning of challenges that are being placed before us over which we have little or no control, but with which we will have to deal. The Logan Library is meeting many of the informational needs of this community effectively, efficiently, and economically. This library will continue to do this in the future also, but the status quo is changing and we

will need to make adjustments and decisions regarding what services will be provided, how we will provide these services and to whom we will provide them. The future is both exciting and challenging and something for which the Logan Library intends to be prepared.

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 LIBRARY USAGE INDICATORS
 STATISTICAL BREAKDOWN

1. Library Sponsored Programs: 180
 Attendance 8,196

BREAKDOWN:

	Times Held	Attendance
Special Storytimes	21	386
Preschool Storytime	128	4,922
Summer Storytime	30	2,853
Adult Programs	1	35
Summer Reading Program (Not included in Attendance figures)		512

2. Scheduled Public Meetings: 474
 Attendance Unknown

3. Items Circulated: 271,219

Circulation for previous years:

1983	233,185
1984	261,989
1985	269,074
1986	294,467
1987	271,219

Per cent of change from previous year: (-8.5%)

4. Interlibrary Loan Requests Processed: 3,270

Patron requests from our patrons: 1,030
 Patron requests unfilled: 106

Requests from other libraries: 2,240
 Requests filled for other libraries: 960

Per cent of increase over previous year: 27%

5. Population served (1985 report) 33,658

BREAKDOWN OF REGISTERED CARD HOLDERS*

Logan City Residents: 9,449

Non-Logan City Residents 559

Out-of-County Residents 30

GRAND TOTAL: 10,038 cards

* This report only reflects cards that have been issued on the computerized circulation system since August 1986. All library cards issued on the manual system were discontinued.

6. Volunteer Hours: 1,794.25

RESOURCES:

1. Catalogued items: 68,872

2. Serials: 161

Purchased Current Subscriptions: 137

Donated Current Subscriptions: 24

3. Newspapers: 9

ACQUISITIONS 1987

1. New Items Purchased: 6,952

2. Donated Items: 1,009

3. TOTAL: 7,961

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LIBRARY USAGE INDICATORS:

1. Collection Analysis
2. Average Circulation per Volume Analysis
3. Patron Analysis
4. Circulation by Patron Category Analysis
5. Holds Function Analysis
6. Fine Activity 1987

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COLLECTION ANALYSIS

BREAKDOWN BY COLLECTION CATEGORY:

	1986	1987
Art Prints	14	26
Biography	2,100	2,380
Board Books	410	511
BSA Booklets	244	245
Christmas	653	730
Easy Read (Graded Readers)	1,401	1,528
Easy (Picture Books)	5,517	6,092
Equipment--audio visual	21	21
Fiction	6,755	7,358
Fiction Mystery	1,815	2,108
Fantasy Science Fiction	3,106	3,133
Fiction Western	817	836
Juvenile Biography	815	898
Juvenile Fiction	5,255	5,758
Juvenile Nonfiction	1,345	1,486
Juvenile Story Collection	265	280
Large Print	210	223
LDS Collection	1,734	1,886
Nonfiction	24,579	27,463
Reference	1,829	1,996
Story Collection	542	640
Special Collection	Not Catalogued	
Young Adult	2,479	2,869

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 AVERAGE CIRCULATION PER VOLUME ANALYSIS:

Collection Category	Volumes in Collection	Circulation 1987	Average Circulation per Volume
Art Prints	26	198	7.61
Biography	2,380	4,411	1.85
Board Books	511	9,100	17.80
BSA Booklets	245	510	2.08
Christmas	730	2,041	2.79
Easy Read (Graded Readers)	1,528	18,701	12.23
Easy (Picture Books)	6,092	50,060	8.21
Equipment	21	200	9.52
Fiction	7,358	28,684	3.89
Fiction Mystery	2,108	9,186	4.35
Fantasy Science Fiction	3,133	10,641	3.39
Fiction Western	836	4,043	4.83
Juvenile Biography	898	1,860	2.07
Juvenile Fiction	5,758	24,347	4.22
Juvenile Nonfiction	1,486	7,061	4.75
Juvenile Story Collection	280	610	2.17
Large Print	223	667	2.99
M200's	1,886	11,087	5.87
Nonfiction	27,463	70,595	2.57
PB-Adult	405	3,897	9.62
Reference	1996	12	--
Story Collection	640	1,040	1.62
Young Adult	2,869	12,265	4.27
TOTALS	68,872	271,219	3.939

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PATRON ANALYSIS

BREAKDOWN BY PATRON CATEGORY:

	1986	1987
Amalga	1	1
Clarkston	0	0
Cornish	1	2
Hyde Park	16	45
Hyrum	27	54
Lewiston	4	6
Logan	5,199	9,449
Mendon	15	27
Millville	12	21
Newton	1	3
Nibley	10	22
North Logan	54	134
Out of County	23	30
Paradise	6	14
Providence	37	85
Richmond	8	14
River Heights	17	42
Smithfield	13	36
Trenton	1	2
Unincorporated	10	23
Wellsville	13	28

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CIRCULATION BY PATRON CATEGORY ANALYSIS:

Patron Category	Card Holders 12-31-87	Circulation 1987	Average Circulation per Card
Amalga	1	19	19
Cornish	2	11	5.5
Hyde Park	45	4,354	96.7
Hyrum	54	4,364	80.8
Lewiston	6	467	77.8
Logan	9,449	222,445	23.54
Mendon	27	3,008	111.4
Millville	21	2,373	113
Newton	3	287	95.6
Nibley	22	1,573	71.5
North Logan	134	10,822	80.76
Out Of County	30	1,136	37.8
Paradise	14	836	59.7
Providence	85	7,085	83.3
Richmond	14	1,965	140.35
River Heights	42	3,057	72.7
Smithfield	36	3,024	84
Trenton	2	14	7
Unincorporated	23	1,264	54.9
Wellsville	28	3,116	111.2
TOTALS:	10,038	271,219	27.01

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HOLDS ANALYSIS: (7-1-87 to 12-31-87)

Requested	Filled	Cancelled	Waiting
5,483	4,087	395	1,001

FINE ACTIVITY 1987

Fines

Misc.

Number

Amount

Number

Amount

35,702

\$9,523.71

340

\$1,748.65

27¢ average per transaction

\$5.14 average per transaction

