

Weekly Library System Report

10/31/05-11/04/05

	Total To Date
Traffic	826
Reference Questions	201
Items Checked In	671
PC Use	427
Print Jobs	141
Fax	13
Copies	10

Projects, Problems, General

Everybody wants to know when we will begin checking out materials. Coffee, and candy were provided to patrons and all branches gave away children's books.

All branches received returned items and began shelving and sorting books to go back to their respective locations. Books that are designated for flooded branches will be distributed among dry locations later.

Demand also continues to be high for LA Division services. We are lucky to have Wayne and Irene available to answer some of these patrons' quick reference questions. Irene was able to make some extra time for a Tulane employee interested in obtaining plans for some buildings on Elk Place. We are not so lucky when it comes to questions we would normally refer to PAR or AARC.

Hubbell has had pest control issues which are currently being addressed.

Many of our displaced staff stopped in throughout the week to visit and to help out. The public has affectionately welcomed us back.. such as we are.

Reference/Internet Use

Patrons used the computers to find Blue Book information, locate a missing pet, type resumes, and find used car prices. Most used to the computers to apply for FEMA online and email.

Bib/Ready Reference

Phone books, Current Medical Diagnosis, Louisiana Driver's Test Guide, Occupational Outlook handbook, style guides, slang dictionaries, nutritional guides.

And Finally

MSNBC, Channel 4 and the Times-Picayune all covered the opening of the libraries. On the first day, staff decorated and served refreshments to patrons. At Nix they have been treated to candy and cookies by the patrons. At Main, Chuck, a volunteer, provided petit fours to patrons and staff.