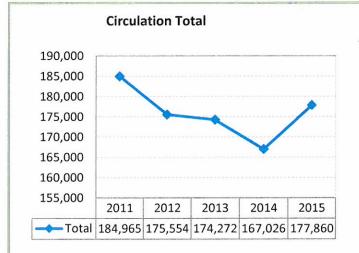
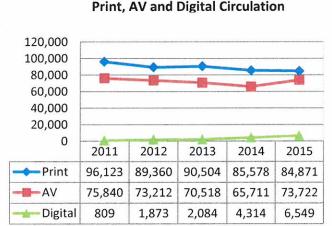


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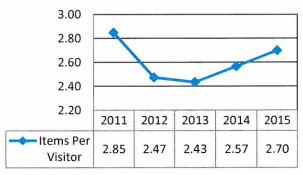
Provide Access - Foster Learning - Build Community

Value: Provide Access

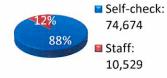




#### Items Checked Out Per Visitor

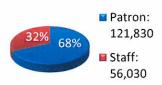


# Transaction type by patrons in the building



\* Total circ less BKM, ILL, LINKin, eResources, and renewals

## Transaction type across all uses



\* Patron includes eResources and web renewals

#### Overdrive



Skokie's collection on Overdrive contains thousands of eBooks and eAudiobooks. Our patrons checked out 3352 items from Overdrive last month and appear to be partial to romance series books. Here are the mostviewed titles during April.

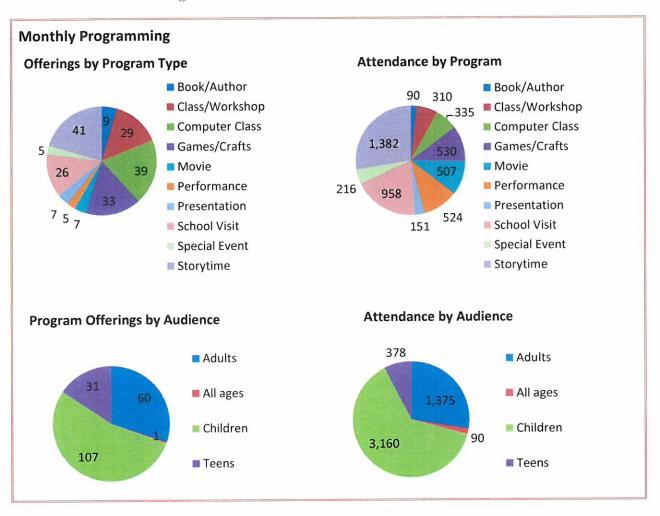
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Brighter Than the Sun
The First Wife
Station Eleven
Every Fifteen Minutes
Between the Devil and Ian Eversea
Dancing at Midnight (Blydon series)
Minx (Blydon series)
Splendid (Blydon series)
Bound (Blydon series)
A Man's Promise
Colter's Promise (Colter's Legacy series)
The Dark Highlander (Highlander series)
Breathe (Colorado Mountain series)

Where They Found Her
The Nightingale
All the Light We Cannot See

**Top Catalog Searches** 

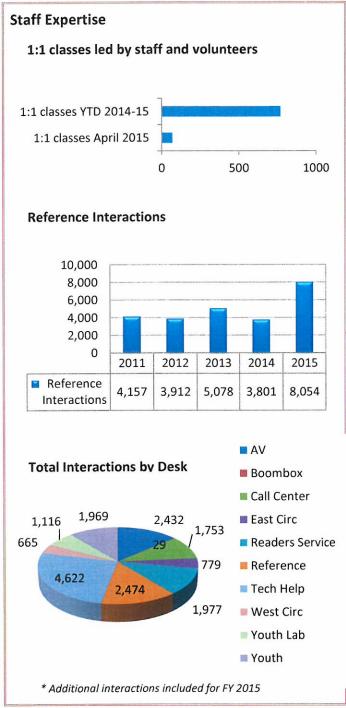
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## Value: Foster Learning

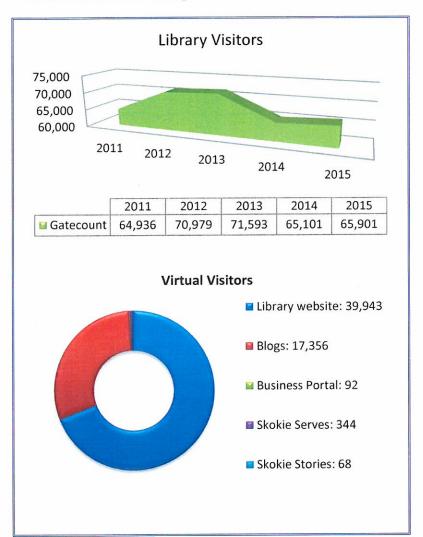


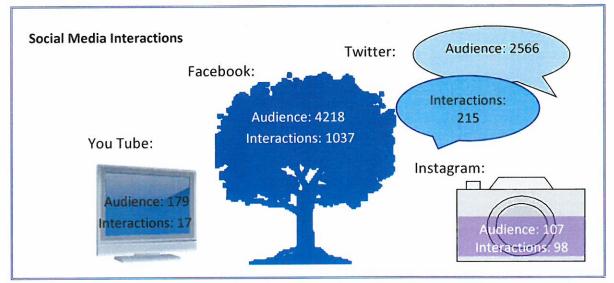
### Stargazer Nights

In conjunction with the spring BOOMbox theme of Big & Small, the library has been offering two monthly Stargazer Nights on the Village Green. About 80% of participants had not come to the library specifically for the event; they discovered it was happening on their way into or out of the library. Individuals of all ages learned basic telescope skills and etiquette as well as simple astronomical identification skills. Stargazers were able to successfully view Orion in March and the Big Dipper, Polaris, and Leo in April. The most exciting observations with the telescopes were the planets Venus and Jupiter, the latter of which could be seen through our larger Cometron telescope along with 5 of its moons. Participants expressed appreciation for the opportunity to see and use telescopes in the community. Parents commented that it was great to have their children exposed to this type of technology. One mother-daughter pair had never seen a telescope before attending.



## Value: Build Community







Every week on our Facebook page, we join the #ThrowbackThursday party by featuring images from our local history collections. Skokie residents have enjoyed seeing the places and faces (and mustaches and elaborate hats!) of our community's past.

"Starting to think about your spring garden? Here's the Dahm Brothers Truck Gardeners truck from Niles Center (Skokie), Illinois in 1921 with a group of unidentified people on backand their fantastic hats." (Posted 4/23)

## **Homebound Delivery Partnership**

On April 20<sup>th</sup> School District 219 honored Skokie Public Library at their annual Power Partnerships Breakfast held at Niles West High School. Dawn Wlezien (Community Engagement and Human Resources) and Lee Leibik (Community Engagement) working with Special Education staff at the high school developed a program in which special needs students deliver books, movies and music to our Homebound Program patrons. This win-win effort gives students hands-on job experience, ensures our patrons receive their library materials and have the opportunity to interact with some young people. As part of the program the students were interviewed by one of their teachers, answering questions about what they did and what they liked about the program. A short video featuring the students making deliveries with comments from four patrons about what the Homebound Program means to them was created by Taylor Ervin and featured at the event.