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APLA launches State Aid campaign

The Association of Public Library Administrators has launched a statewide campaign aimed at raising the level of State Aid funding to public libraries from \$1.05 per capita to \$2.00 per capita with \$50,000 minimum per county.

The theme of APLA's campaign is "\$2 TO GET READY!." The focus of the campaign is on preparing South Carolina's children for school and preparing all South Carolinians for the information age. The increase in funding would be used for the following:

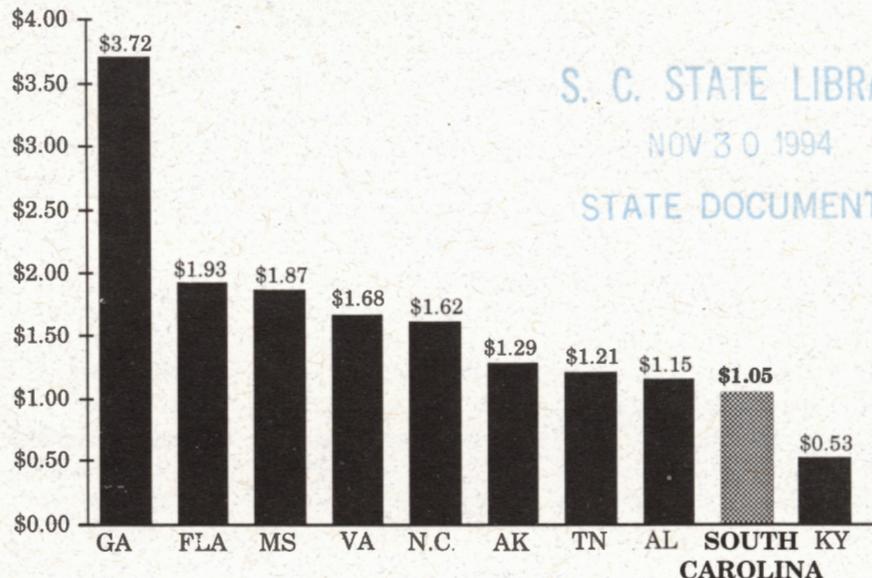
READY TO LEARN:

- Programs to give children the lifelong desire to read and learn
- Information for **new** parents about the importance of reading to their babies
- Resources to help parents take an active role in their children's development
- Provision of books and other resources for childcare centers

READY FOR THE INFORMATION AGE

- Access for **ALL** to the Information Superhighway
- Community Information Center
- New information technologies to serve the public
- Information to assist community economic development

Currently, South Carolina ranks next to last in the Southeast in State Aid funding for public libraries. This increase in funding to \$2.00 per person would help ensure quality library service to all of the state's citizens. Below is a graph showing how the Southeastern states rank in State Aid funding for public libraries in 1994-95.



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For additional information about APLA's State Aid campaign, contact your local public library director.

Library Services

- Library Planning and Development
- Interlibrary Cooperation
- Service for State Government and State Agencies
- Consultant Assistance for Public and Institutional Libraries
- Service for the Blind and Handicapped
- South Carolina Library Network
- Reference and Information Services
- Interlibrary Loan Services
- Audio-Visual Service
- Grants-in Aid
- Continuing Education
- Technical Assistance for Library Construction
- State and Federal Documents
- Statistical Information
- Grants Research Collection
- ERIC Collection
- Computerized Data Bases
- Public Information Program
- Publications

South Carolina Read-In V scheduled

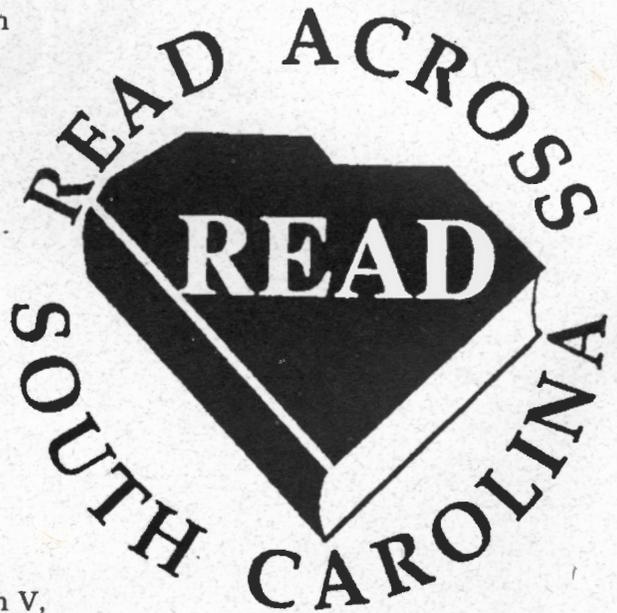
The South Carolina State Library will sponsor the fifth South Carolina Read-In on the State House grounds on May 3, 1995.

The theme of this year's event is "Read Across South Carolina."

This annual pro-literacy event will focus attention on the importance and joy of reading and the role of libraries in the education process. It will also highlight the part libraries play in helping to develop a literate citizenry in South Carolina.

To help make this event a successful one, the State Library hopes to have the support and participation of South Carolina's schools and public libraries. We would like to have groups of interested readers from each county participate in this event. Each group would be responsible for providing its own reading material to use during the Read-In, and one adult for every five children is required.

If you are interested in participating in South Carolina Read-In V, please contact Angie Soots, public information specialist, at the State Library at 734-8666, before February 3, 1995.



From the State Library director

On October 8, 1994 the presidents and legislative committee chairs and committee members of various statewide library organizations met to discuss the feasibility of developing a unified library legislative program.

This meeting was called by Bob Williams and Henry Hall, legislative chairs of the South Carolina Library Association and the South Carolina Association of School Librarians, respectively. Last year the State Library convened a meeting with some of these organizations and developed a set of legislative principles and a legislative agenda for FY94. It was envisioned that the library organizations would continue this effort.

Organizations represented at this meeting included the South Carolina Library Association, the South Carolina Association of School Librarians, the Association of Public Library Administrators, the South Carolina Chapters of the Special Library Association, the Association of Educational Communications Technology, and the Association of Record Managers, and the State Historical Records Advisory Board. The State Library was also represented.

There is a need for the library community in South Carolina to support all library programs, not just those of a particular type of library.

This meeting gave members of different organizations the opportunity to discuss what they would like out of a multi-organizational legislative program.

It provided the opportunity to learn what other groups were doing. There was general agreement that cooperating in this fashion would benefit all.

Since legislative programs need to be developed months in advance, it is unclear what will happen this year since one group already has made a major commitment for a legislative initiative. Committees will examine prospects for cooperative legislative activities and will report in the fall.

This group will develop a legislative agenda after each organization has a clearer idea of its own legislative needs. Each organization will be asked to endorse this agenda.

The associations are to be commended for trying to develop a system for dealing with the many issues affecting libraries at the state and federal level. Such a cooperative effort should greatly expand the number of people active in legislative affairs in South Carolina.

-- Jim Johnson

News from around the state

Aiken-Bamberg-Barnwell-Edgefield Regional Library System

Vic McGraner has joined the staff of ABBE Regional Library System as technical services librarian.

Nicola Gaitor has been named children's librarian of the Aiken County Public Library.

The Aiken County Library Friends sponsored a Children's Day at the Aiken County Public Library on Sunday November 6. Activities included face painting, hay rides, candlemaking and storytelling. The Friends also donated \$5,000 to purchase new children's books for the Aiken County Public Library.

Chester County Library

The Chester County Library, along with thousands of libraries around the country, participated in the "JumpStart" program designed to promote library card sign-up and use among children, and to give parents fresh, practical information on reading and learning. The program is sponsored by the Prudential Company in cooperation with the American Library Association.

Florence County Library

The Florence County Library Board recently elected new officers for the 1994-95 fiscal year. These officers are: Ann Hays, chairman; Janis Munnerlyn, vice-chairman; Bertha Sumter-Cooper, secretary.

Greenville County Library

Dr. Thompson Cummins, director of the Greenville County Library, has been appointed to the Long Range Planning Committee of the White House Conference on Library and Information Services Taskforce. The committee is charged with preparing a plan to carry public, academic, corporate, special, and school libraries to the year 2001 and beyond.

Georgetown County Library

Award-winning harpist Beck Nissen performed at the Georgetown County Library in September. Nissen played a variety of classical music, show tunes, blues and jazz. The free concert was the first in a series of the library's First Fridays Noon Concert Series, sponsored by the Friends of the Georgetown County Library.

Lexington County Library

The Lexington County Library is the proud owner of a new bookmobile manufactured by Ohio Bus. The new

bookmobile, which is twenty-eight feet in length, replaces a 1982 Gerstenslager.

Spartanburg County Library

Judith Chase is the new catalog librarian at the Spartanburg County Library.

Tell It! Conference

Seven librarians from South Carolina, along with librarians throughout the Southeast, attended a TELL IT! conference October 5, 6 and 7 in Atlanta. TELL IT! was developed by the University of Wisconsin-Madison under contract to the US Department of Education to enhance evaluation efforts and skills in libraries, particularly with Library Services and Construction Act grants. Attending from South Carolina were Louise Dorton, Darlington County Library, Faith Line, Sumter County Library, Ann Ramsey, Chester County Library, Thompson R. Cummins, Greenville County Library, and Charlie Band, Jane Connor, and Libby Law, SC State Library.

University of South Carolina

Nancy Washington has been named director of publications and reference librarian in the Division of Libraries and Information Systems at the University of South Carolina. Washington previously served as associate university librarian for System Library Services.

Williamsburg County Library

New board members of the Williamsburg County Library are Mary Montgomery, Kingstree, and Mary Sutton, Hemingway.

York County Library

Diane Williams has been appointed Coordinator of Children's Services/Department Manager. In addition, she will also continue coordinating bookmobile services.

Teresa Cole is the new manager of children's services for the headquarters library in Rock Hill.

Sympathy

To the family of Eleanor McMillan who died May 11, 1994. McMillan was the former librarian at the Denmark Public Library.

To the family of Ella Sue Smith who died September 28, 1994. Smith was a former librarian in Anderson County.

"Really Rosie" coming to Columbia

Richland County Public Library is sponsoring several performances of the Night Kitchen Theater March 16, 17, and 18, 1995 at the Koger Center in Columbia.

The company will perform the musical, "Really Rosie." Book and lyrics are written by the illustrious author and illustrator, Maurice Sendak, who also designed and directed the production. The music is by Carole King.

Many librarians are probably familiar with the musical from the film in the State Library collection. The Night Kitchen Theater company devotes itself to the development of quality performing arts productions for children and adults.

There will be public as well as special school class performances of the play. Public performances are Thursday, March 16 at 7:30 p.m. and Saturday, March 18 at 10:00 a.m. Tickets are \$5.00 for children and \$8.00 for adults.

On Friday, March 17, there will be performances for school classes at reduced rates.

For more information contact Ginger Shuler at 929-3474.



Children's Book Week
November 14 - 19, 1994

Off the shelves and into the hands of children. Part II

By Jane Connor, Children's Services Consultant

The September/October issue of this newsletter talked about displays and exhibits as a collection marketing tool. However, they are only some of the many resources available to libraries as they promote their collection.

Another effective tool is the booklist or bibliography. Libraries have been doing booklists for years and they may not seem very exciting, but they work if they are well done and attractively packaged. While some public libraries in South Carolina compile topical booklists regularly, others make little use of this standard promotional tool.

In the children's area, parents and children often find browsing the shelves at random for books which the child can read and will enjoy a frustrating and overwhelming experience. By providing some suggestions for reading, the library can help them find new authors and titles.

One of the great advantages of booklists is their portability. They can be taken home with children. They can be taken out of the building and used with classes and groups of children and adults. Many bibliographies do not date quickly, and since they can be used for a long time, they are a good value for the staff time involved. In the children's area they are valuable in identifying books by grade range or reading level.

Doing booklists, as with library activities, requires planning. Decide on topics that would benefit from a booklist a year in advance and set target dates for completion. This will help ensure they don't get pushed aside in the press of daily activities. It also provides staff time to make suggestions of book titles, to check bibliographies for other ideas, and to read titles you may want to include with which you are not familiar. The key to doing good booklists is book knowledge. Select titles from staff recommendations.

A booklist is really a "sales" tool, and it is important to make it do its job. Titles often tell little about the book. A short one-line annotation for each book is just enough to pique interest in most cases. For children, booklists can be done by reading level, such as Books for Beginning Readers, or by topic. Choose subjects of interest to children or young adults and give the booklist an attention-getting title. Include a few popular titles along with less known ones. If someone has read one or two books on a list already and liked them, they will be more willing to try others. Include enough titles for variety but not so many it overwhelms young people; 30 or 40 titles is usually sufficient.

Give booklists on different subjects a distinctive look by using a variety of formats, shapes and sizes. Make sure art and lettering are well done and look appropriate for the intended reader. An inviting, attractive product is necessary to attract interest. With clip art, computer type and graphics, press on letters and other products, it is possible for any library to produce a professional looking list that will help young people and their families select good books to read.

Note: Using copyrighted illustrations from books on displays or printed materials violates copyright laws. Write to the publisher to request permission before using book illustrations or other copyrighted material.

Looking forward to December holidays

By Jane Connor, Children's Services Consultant

December is such a busy month for people that public libraries often find it a difficult time to attract children to library holiday programs.

Last year Chester County Library held a successful intergenerational program early in December. The program was advertised for children and their grandparents or older friends and relatives.

Using a Christmas Remembering kit, one of a series of kits developed for programming with older adults, the program focused on how Christmas was celebrated many years ago. The library had a good turnout and enthusiastic response.

A program inviting children to bring a grandparent to hear a Christmas story and make a Christmas craft could also make a successful program.

Rather than focusing programs on traditional Christmas celebrations and activities, consider programs that focus on the celebrations of another country.

Have a program for the Swedish Santa Lucia Day (December 13). On this day, the eldest daughter of the family wears a candlelit crown and wakes the family to a special treat of Santa Lucia buns.

A cardboard crown with paper candles can be made by children after the traditional celebration is demonstrated. You may want to include a story such as *The Tomten* by Astrid Lindgren and make a yarn version as a Christmas ornament.

For a Mexican Christmas celebration you could include

a posada, or procession, and a pinata. *Nine Days to Christmas* by Marie Hall Ets is an older Caldecott winner describing a Mexican Christmas celebration.

A program on other December holidays celebrated by Americans, such as Hanukkah or Kwanzaa, helps children develop an understanding of other cultures. There are numerous books on both holidays. There may be someone on the staff or in your community who can help plan these events or who would talk to the children about one of these celebrations.

Another suggestion is to spend the time you would use planning a program to do a bibliography of Books for Christmas Giving that would be directed at parents. Include titles that are available in paperback and encourage families to include a book for each child under the Christmas tree. A library display could feature children's magazines suitable for Christmas gifts.

Think about activities that may be helpful to busy parents. Caroline Feller Bauer in her book, *Celebrations*, suggests having a game workshop for parents.

One possibility is to arrange for children to bring their favorite games and toys and set up exhibits at tables where children can demonstrate a game and talk with parents about why they like it.

Finally, you may want to think about a program for the week after Christmas when presents have often been put aside, the schedule quieted down, and parents may be looking for something for children to do. Often these programs are more successful than ones which conflict with other community Christmas activities.

For Your Information

Newsletter

News for South Carolina Libraries has moved in a direction of more feature articles, but we still want to know what you are doing so that we can share it throughout the state. Please let Jane Connor know about any interesting projects or programs in children's and young adult services.

Storytelling tape

Mary Lloyd Dugan from Myrtle Beach who is on our program resource list and has told stories at a number of public libraries, has recently released a tape of stories. *Ba...Ba...Boom!* includes familiar stories such as "The Wolf and the Seven Little Kids" and less well-known ones such as "The Pixie's Scarf" which is told with a clear and accurate Irish lilt. For more information, contact Mary Lloyd Dugan at P.O. Box 1862, North Myrtle Beach SC 29598.

Three S.C. AHEC libraries receive outreach grants

The National Network of Libraries of Medicine recently awarded three South Carolina Area Health Education Center Libraries a \$10,000 year-long outreach grant.

The three AHEC libraries receiving a \$10,000 grant are Catawba-Wateree AHEC in Lancaster, Low Country AHEC in Walterboro and the Upper Savannah AHEC in Greenwood.

The grants, coordinated by Dr. Jan Bellack, director of Nursing Programs at the Medical University of South Carolina, will be used to introduce library services to nurse practitioners, nurse-midwives, community and public health nurses and home health nurses working in 30 counties.

AHEC librarians will travel throughout their regions to instruct nursing professionals in the use of the Grateful Med and Loansome Doc computer programs. These programs enable users to search entries in the National Network of Libraries of Medicine's database and to request material from their local AHEC library.

Part of the grant funds will purchase a computer with the Grateful Med and Loansome Doc software that will be available on loan to nurses in rural locations, as well as to purchase additional software and modems for nursing facilities that are already equipped with computers.

The grants are part of the National Network of Libraries of Medicine's recognition of the centennial of public health nursing.

For more information on the grant programs contact Thomas Hill at the Upper Savannah AHEC Library at (803) 227-4851.

Trustee spotlight:

H. Hugh Rogers

chairman of the Lexington County Library Board

Attorney Hugh Rogers first became interested in libraries during the summer following his high school graduation.

"I was a big user of the Lexington County Public Library's bookmobile during the summer between high school and college," Rogers said. "I especially remember reading John Gunther's *Inside USA*."

Rogers' interest in libraries was further strengthened while he served in the U.S. Army where "high-quality library service" was provided by the military library.

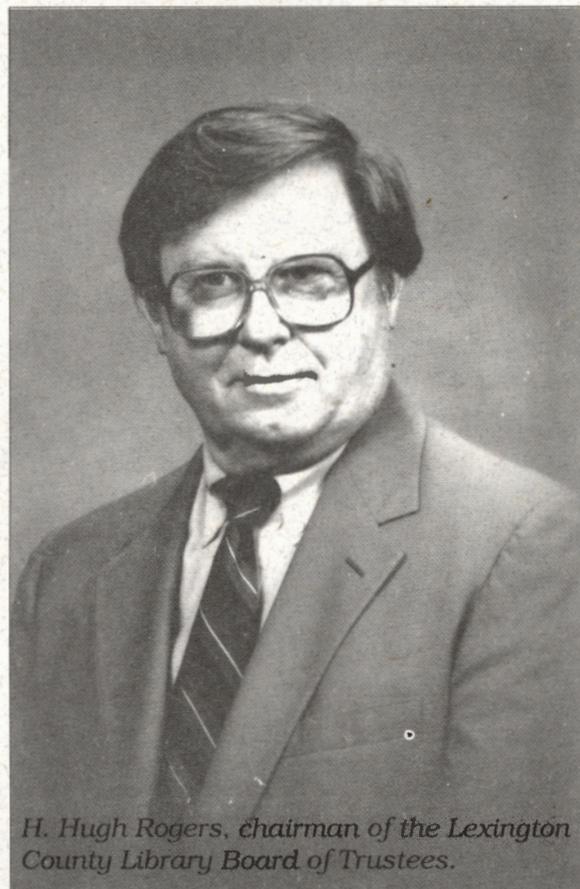
This interest in libraries soon led to Rogers' involvement with the Lexington County Library Board of Trustees, to which he was appointed in 1977 and has served as its chairman since 1979.

Rogers views his role as a library trustee as an important job. "My role is to keep abreast of developments in the library and information services and to influence local government and others to provide these services to all residents," he said.

Rogers feels the most important contribution he has made while on the library board has been to "present the library's needs and plans to public supporters and to local government."

Watching patrons utilizing the library's services is what Rogers enjoys most about being a trustee, and he and the other Lexington County Library Board members continually strive to expand these services to better serve the public.

"Our goal is to establish a comprehensive public library system providing state of the art services for all," Rogers said.



H. Hugh Rogers, chairman of the Lexington County Library Board of Trustees.

ADA awareness update: closed captioning your library

By Guynell Williams, Director, South Carolina State Library for the Blind and Physically Handicapped

Captions display spoken dialogue as printed words on a television screen. Designed to communicate to deaf viewers, captions are timed and placed to identify speakers, on and off-screen sound effects, music, and laughter. Captions can be accessed through the use of a set-top decoder (about the size of a cable box).

Decoders are available through most major electronics retailers. However, through December 31, 1994, the National Captioning Institute is offering to libraries, at greatly reduced prices, two decoder models.

One model has a built-in cable tuner and wireless remote control. It retails for \$180, but NCI is making it available at \$115. The other model must be used with a VCR or cable box. It retails for \$130; libraries can purchase it for \$75.

Captioning not only assists deaf and hard-of-hearing people, but also children and adults learning to read as well as those learning English as a second language.

The Americans With Disabilities Act requires that libraries make verbal information, imparted through soundtracks on video tapes, accessible to deaf and hard-of-hearing persons through such means as captioning. When ordering videos for your library, look for the (CC) or [cc] symbol. Then, make sure your playback equipment contains the necessary hardware to display the captions.

The Television Decoder Circuitry Act, signed into law by President Bush in October 1990, mandated that every television set manufactured for sale in the U.S. after July 1, 1993 with a screen 13 inches or over must contain built-in circuitry to display closed captions.

If your library owns television sets manufactured before July 1, 1993, now is the time to either upgrade those sets or take advantage of offers, such as NCI's, to acquire closed caption decoders at reduced prices.

For NCI TeleCaption decoders, contact: National Captioning Institute, 1900 Gallows Road, Vienna, VA 22182; 1-800-533-9673 (Voice or TDD); (703) 917-4317 (Fax). For other set-top decoder models, contact any major electronics retailer.

How do you know if a program is captioned?

(CC) or **CC** are symbols commonly used in television listings or on the screen to indicate that a program is closed captioned. Another symbol, **□**, is also used to denote captioned programs.

New report focuses on evaluation of coverage of the public library statistics program

The U.S. Department of Education's National Center for Education Statistics announces the release of the *Report on the Evaluation of Coverage of the Public Library Statistics Program*.

The report reflects the results of a study of the annual Public Library Statistics Program, a joint federal-state information collection project. The coverage evaluation study is the first phase of a broader project being conducted by the Bureau of the Census and NCES.

Some highlights from the report:

- Public Library Statistics Program coverage is nearly complete, with a coverage rate of 98.6 percent.
- There is a degree of inconsistency among the states owing to different applications of definitions or criteria for reporting information about public libraries.
- The process of collecting and analyzing data about public libraries involves information collection from a disparate universe of respondents. The structure and organization of public libraries are controlled at the state level, with each state setting different goals and objectives for providing library services. Therefore, it is important to understand each state's public library structure to fully understand and use the Public Library Statistics program data.

Copies of the report are available from New Orders, Superintendent of Documents, P.O. Box 371954, Pittsburgh, PA 15250-7954. The stock number is 065-00-0062-6, and the price is \$11.

"Agenda for Change" activities update

By James B. Johnson, Jr., Director, South Carolina State Library

It has been a year since the State Library issued "Agenda for Change," a report which outlined plans to implement program changes designed to benefit the State Library, and to address the needs of public libraries and their patrons. During the past year, the State Library staff has devoted considerable energy to addressing "Agenda for Change" priorities. Since many time-honored traditions and policies were targeted for revision, this process has involved continued careful analysis and planning on the part of the staff.

One of the major changes involved the provision of consulting services to public libraries. The State Library discontinued the practice of assigning public library consultants to specific county libraries. A team approach using the entire resources of the State Library has resulted in more State Library staff members being available to respond to queries from public libraries for assistance and/or information. An interdepartmental team met for several months to discuss the mission, principles, guidelines, and procedures that guide the State Library's consultant services.

Several enhancements improved the State Library's provision of reference services to public libraries. A reference hotline for public libraries was initiated in April. A new position, Reference Librarian for Electronic Services, was created to provide assistance to public

librarians and to work in-house on developing State Library expertise in the area of CD-ROM and online technology.

A major activity this year was the acquisition of a new computer to support the South Carolina Library Network. The State Library has been active in encouraging the state to consider the needs of the State Library and public libraries as it develops a state telecommunications plan.

A revision of the LSCA grant program was initiated. This activity will continue as LSCA begins the reauthorization process in Congress.

The State Library recognizes that effective communication is essential to State Library/public library cooperation. We are making a concerted effort to improve communication at all levels. This is an area which will demand constant attention to avoid any misunderstanding of the roles of the State Library and some of the constraints under which it operates.

Much has been accomplished during this past year, and there is work still to be done. The entire State Library staff is to be commended for its support and dedication to making the State Library more responsive to the needs of public libraries.

Magic School bus to stop at the South Carolina State Museum

The irrepressible "Ms. Frizzle," teacher extraordinaire, was on hand when "The Magic School Bus" arrived at the S.C. State Museum on October 8, 1994.

The program is a companion activity to PBS's new animated science adventure, "The Magic School Bus."

Based on the best-selling books by Joanna Cole and Bruce Degan, the series features Ms. Frizzle, whose voice is Lily Tomlin's, and a class of sometimes-skeptical but always inquisitive pupils. Viewers are introduced to basic science information and concepts as Ms. Frizzle's class journeys through the human body, outer space, an ant colony and other intriguing locations.

Ms. Frizzle will visit the museum's "Magic School Bus" from 12:30 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. on November 19 and December 10.

The museum's "Magic School Bus" can be seen and



enjoyed on the first floor from 2 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. weekdays, from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturdays and from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. Sundays from October 8 - December 31.

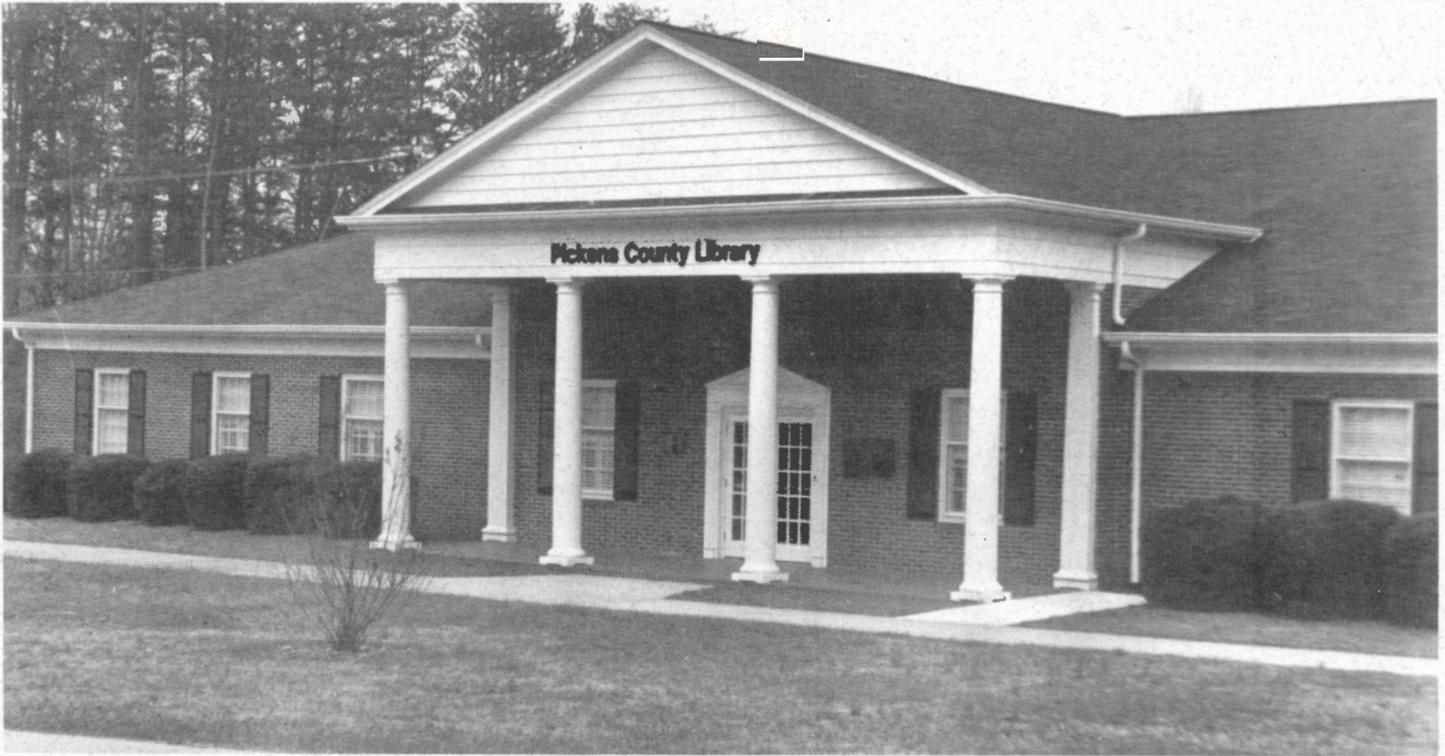
Elementary school-age children and their families will learn more about science and natural history through hands-on activities inspired by the series and by the museum's exhibits.

Activities will include creating a moon crater and building a food pyramid. There will also be a fossil touch table and a reading area. Young visitors will receive a scavenger hunt list, which will encourage them to take their own "field trips" to science and natural history exhibits related to "The Magic School Bus."

The museum's "Magic School Bus" is made possible by an SCETV grant from BMW Manufacturing Corp. For more information, call (803) 737-4921.

*The Magic School Bus is a registered trademark of Scholastic Inc.

PICKENS BRANCH LIBRARY
PICKENS COUNTY LIBRARY SYSTEM
Pickens, South Carolina



(Date of Opening to the Public: April 26, 1993)

Architect: Gil Stewart of the Ellis Group

Furniture & Equipment: Brooks Office Furniture; Library Equipment/Space Design

Gross Square Footage: 8,225

Population Served: 11,750

Book Capacity: 23,000

Seats in Reading Areas: 43

Seats in Meeting Room: 50

Type of Construction: Renovation of former funeral home

Costs

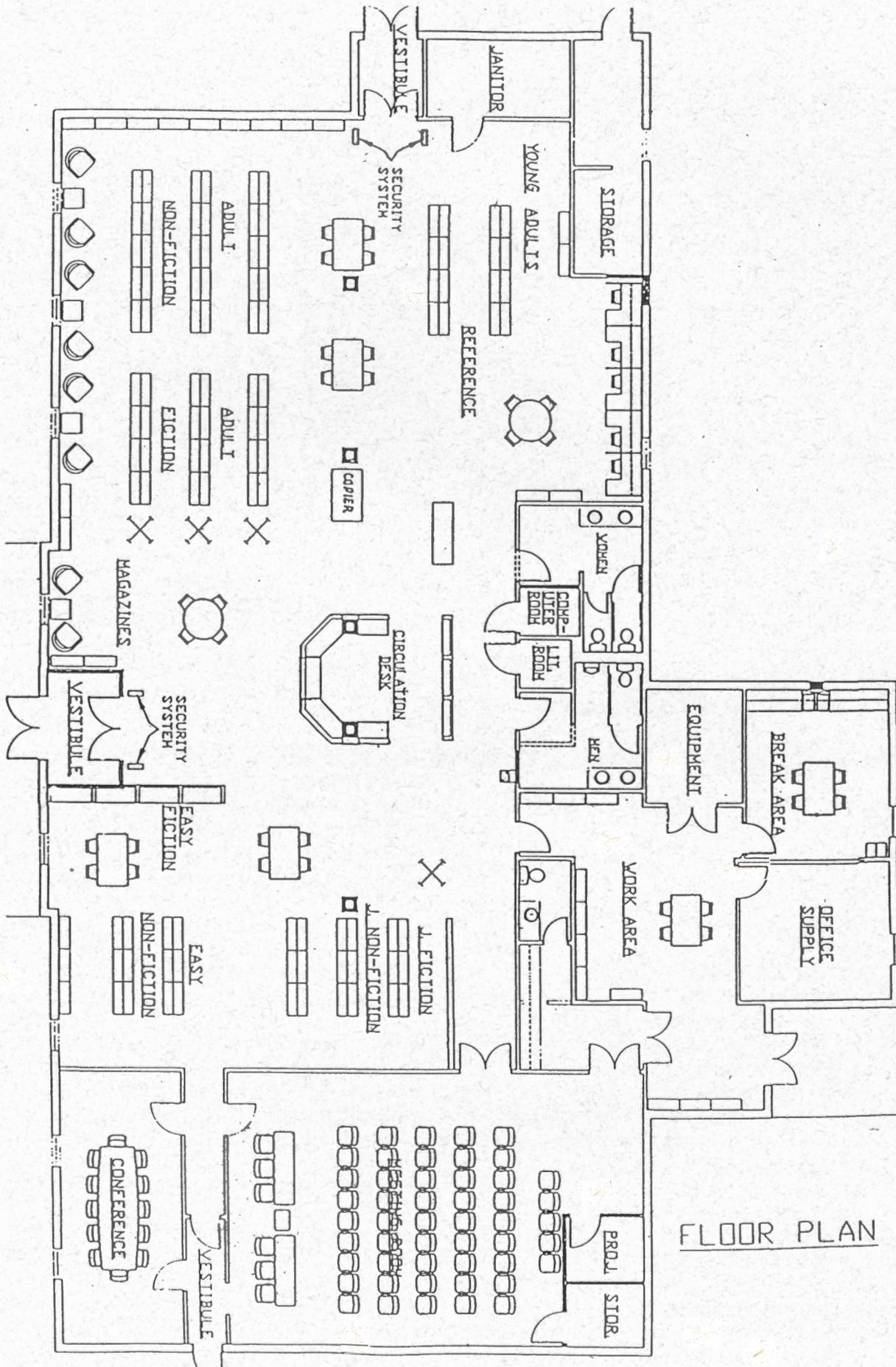
Site (& Existing Building)	\$ 166,000.00
Architect	\$ 8,225.00
General Construction	\$ 151,451.00
Furniture and Equipment	\$ 21,000.00
Other Costs	\$.00

TOTAL **\$346,676.00**

Source of Funds

Local	\$ 271,676.00
State	\$.00
LSCA Title II	\$ 75,000.00
Other (Gifts, etc.)	\$.00

Cost per square foot **\$ 42.15**



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New Professional Literature

The following books are available on interlibrary loan from the South Carolina State Library.

Library Displays on a Shoestring: 3-Dimensional Techniques for Promoting Library Services. Wendy D. M. Barteluk. The Scarecrow Press, Inc., Metuchen, NJ, 1993.

(Call #: 021.7)

Intended to show library staff in small to midsized libraries how to put together a display.

Serving the Difficult Customer: A How-To-Do-It Manual for Library Staff. Kitty Smith. Neal-Schuman Publishers, Inc., New York, NY, 1993.

(Call #: 025.5)

Addresses the attitudes, feelings, values, and communication problems experienced by library staff every day, explores a variety of difficult situations and their probable causes, and recommends strategies and tactics to handle difficult situations.

Library Volunteers-Worth the Effort!: A Program Manager's Guide. Sally Gardner Reed. McFarland & Company, Inc., Jefferson, NC, 1994.

(Call #: 027.473)

Topics include volunteer recruitment, training and evaluation, challenges, and recognition.

Lobby for your Library: Know What Works. Lisa F. Kinney. ALA, Chicago, 1992.

(Call #: 021.8)

Primer for apolitical librarian who realizes the importance of being political. Contains reasons for and ways and means of lobbying.

Working Together: A How-To-Do-It Manual for Trustees and Librarians. James Swan. Neal-Schuman Publishers, Inc., New York, 1992.

(Call #: 021.82)

Focuses on the relationship between the librarian and the trustees, promoting cooperation.

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Calendar

November

3-5: 14th Annual Charleston Conference, "The Savage Marketplace." College of Charleston.

9-13: American Association of School Librarians National Conference, Indianapolis.

11: Friends of South Carolina Libraries annual meeting. Main Library, Richland County Public Library. 12:30 PM - 3:00 PM. Contact Frannie Ashburn, 737-4409.

14-20: Children's Book Week. Theme: READ ACROSS SOUTH CAROLINA.

16: S.C. State Library Board meeting. 12:00 p.m. at the State Library.

18: SLA Meeting. 12:30-3:30 at Cryovac Division/W.R. Grace & Co. in Duncan. The program will include information about Cryovac, Grace InfoNet, and a tour of the Cryovac Technical Library which concentrates in the areas of polymers, plastics, packaging, and food science. Registration fee (includes lunch): \$12 for SLA members, \$15 for non-members, \$10 for students. Call Harriet Oglesbee, Cryovac, at 433-2584 for information.

January

18: S. C. State Library Board meeting. 12:00 p.m. at the State Library.

February

21-24: Joint Conference of the South Carolina Library Association and the South Carolina Association of School Librarians. Hilton and Radisson Hotels, Myrtle Beach.

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