

South Milwaukee Public Library

2021 Annual Report

New Library Director, New Collections Added, Local History Investment, & Thousands of Take Home Kits Provided to the Community.

- ▶ Started in-person programming for the first time since March 2020
- ▶ **241** take-home kits & in-house programs provided with over **8,412** participants.
- ▶ **7,455** patron use of **10** public computers.
- ▶ Added Little Free Library to the premises; built using old library shelving by Librarian Matt Prigge.

Added 5,051 print books, 246 audio materials, and 818 video materials.

12,168 reference transactions
24,976 patron library visits
28,512 website visits
17,358 electronic items checked out
5,775 WiFi connections

\$4,000 in programming funds provided by the Friends of the South Milwaukee Library.

For membership info:
smlibrary.org/friends

Library Collection

Expenses:

\$73,189

Staff Salaries & Benefits:

\$551,706

Technical Support:

\$33,286

Other Expenses:

\$112,290

Total Expenses:

\$770,471

Number of Items Circulated in 2021

Interlibrary Loan Incoming: 24,324

Interlibrary Loan Outgoing: 36,338

Children: 34,788

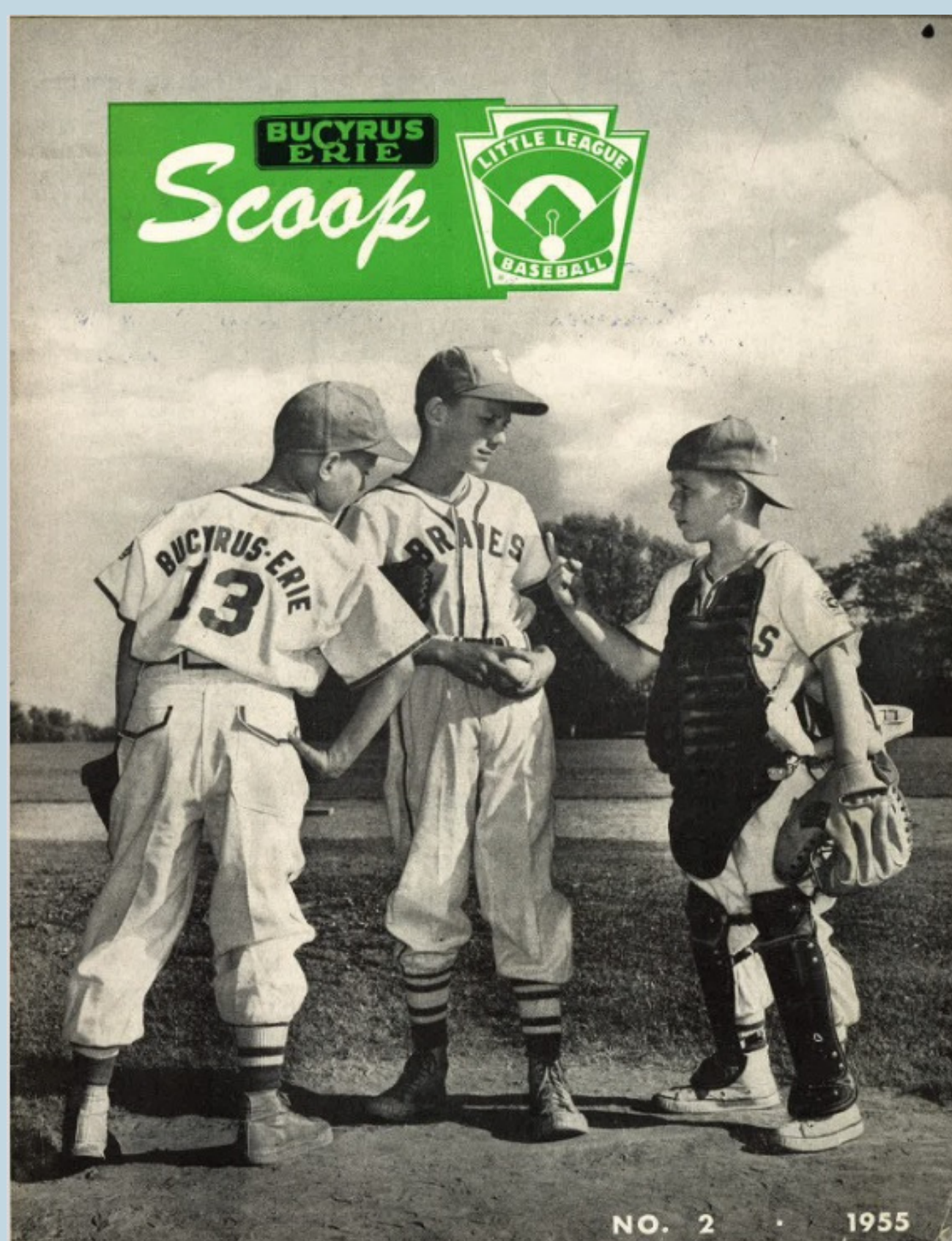
Adult/Young Adult: 9,949

Other: 633

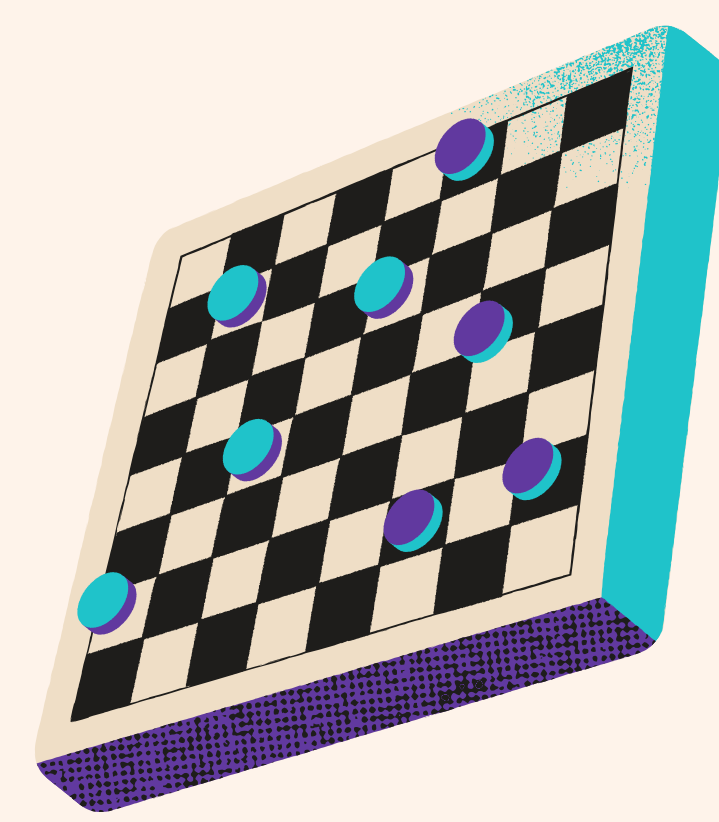
Circulated 106,032 Items Total

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► New Collections Added! ◀



Anime
BluRay
Board Games
Local Music
STEAM Kits



Local History Investment

In partnership with the South Milwaukee Historical Society and the South Milwaukee Industrial Museum, SMPL started a digital archive of South Milwaukee history in 2021. Our digital collections include a set of city directories dating back to 1912, a set of South Milwaukee High School Bay Mist yearbooks, 1926-2012, and a nearly complete collection of Bucyrus-Erie 'Scoop' magazines, from 1919-1983. The library also has digitized a set of scrapbooks from 1930-1992. The books contain hundreds of news items and articles from the local newspaper related to the library and events. All are accessible via the "Local History" tab at the library's website and are keyword searchable.

Library Board Members

Dan Reszel, *President*

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Friday, 9 a.m. – 5 p.m. • Saturday, 10 a.m. – 4 p.m.

