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LIBRARY NOW OFFERS PRELOADED EREADERS FOR CHECKOUT

The library has purchased ten Nook Simple Touch ereaders that are now available for circulation. Each Nook comes preloaded with three books and can be checked out for 21 days.

"We are so pleased to be able to offer Nooks for circulation," said Library Director Pauline Emery. "We are a library that enjoys learning about and keeping up with technology and with what our patrons want from their library experience."

Content on the ereaders is arranged by popular fiction, popular nonfiction, Young Adult, selected recommendations, Science Fiction, mystery, romance and action/thriller.

Our selections are based on what is currently popular, recommended or what is unavailable in the electronic format to libraries. Not all publishers sell electronic editions to libraries.

Many of our patrons have been downloading library ebooks to their ereaders for several months now, but not all books are available to libraries in the electronic format," said Acquisitions Librarian Linda Reimer. "Steve Jobs' biography by Walter Isaacson is one example. By purchasing our own lendable ereaders, we are able to offer the ebook version of this book to our patrons. By having this additional format available to patrons, we cut down on the wait time for book holds."

To find out which ereaders are available patrons should choose the Library Catalog button on our website, ssclibrary.org, and choose the advanced search. In the "all these words" field, type in "electronic books." Then choose the Southeast Steuben County Library. The results will show our list of Nooks and information about the content on each one. Patrons can use their library card to put a Nook on hold from this screen.

When a patron checks out a Nook, they will receive the ereader in a case, USB cable and power adapter for charging, an instruction manual and messenger tote to keep all the items together.

For longevity of the devices, a firm policy is in place for borrowing a Nook, which can be found on the policy page of our website, http://ssclibrary.org/Policy.html. Those interested in borrowing a Nook should click the ereader policy link on that page.

To check out a Nook, patrons will be required to show their library card and a photo ID.

Our Nooks are currently loaded with the following books:

E-Reader 1: Popular Fiction 1 (Current New York Times Bestsellers, Fiction Selection

Betrayal by Danielle Steel Private Games by James Patterson Lost Years by Mary Higgins Clark

E-Reader 2: Popular Non-Fiction 1 (Current New York Times Bestsellers, Non-Fiction Selections)

Steve Jobs: The Biography by Walter Issacson Imagine: How Creativity Works by Jonah Lehrer

Power of Habit: Why We Do What We Do in Life and Business by Charles Dunhigg

E-Reader 3: For Current & Popular Young Adult (New York Times Bestsellers):

The Hunger Games Trilogy by Suzanne Collins
This e-collection contains all three books in the series

E-Reader 4: (Selected NPR Recommended Titles Starred/Critically Reviewed Titles Review Titles)

Escape from Camp 14: One Man's Remarkable Odyssey from North Korea to Freedom in the West by Blaine Harden Immobility by Brian Evenson

Day in the Life of a Smiling Woman (Fiction/short story collection) by Margaret Drabble

E-Reader 5: Science Fiction & Fantasy

Wind Through The Keyhole by Stephen King Series: Dark Tower Unholy Night by Seth Graham Green Joe Golem and the Drowning City by Mike Mignola:

E-Reader 6: Popular Fiction 2

50 Shades of Grey Trilogy by E.L. James This e-collection contains all three books in the series

E-Reader 7: Mysteries

Elegy for Eddie by Jacqueline Winspeare Beastly Things by Donna Leon

One Red Bastard by Ed Lin

E-Reader 8: Non-Fiction 2

Krupp: A History of the Legendary German Firm by Harold James

President's Club: Inside the World's Most Exclusive Fraternity by Nancy Gibbs

Why Nations Fail: The Origins of Power, Prosperity, and Poverty by Daron Acemoglu

E-Reader 9: Romance

The Marriage Bargain by Jennifer Probst Turn in the Road by Debbie Macomber Redwood Bend by Robin Carr

E-Reader 10: Action/Adventure/Thrillers

Ashes to Dust: A Thriller by Yrsa Sigurdardottir

Scarecrow Returns by Matthew Reilly The Inquisitor: A Novel by Mark Smith

How often individual Nooks are checked out will likely be the determining factor in how often their content is changed. As long as readers want the titles that are available, they will continue to circulate.

Not knowing how to use a Nook shouldn't deter patrons from checking out these lightweight and convenient ereaders. As always, we have staff available for one-on-one sessions in how to use this and many other types of technology.

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