HELP IN BAITING a hook was one of the lessons available to anglers at the fishing clinic offered recently by the library at Sandy’s Lake.

New Haven Library Offers Fishing Clinic

Scenic Regional Library’s New Haven branch trained over 15 new anglers at the library’s fishing clinic held at Sandy’s Lake Thursday, August 2.

From grandparents to preschoolers, everyone learned fishing basics from one of Scenic Regional Library’s fishing trainers, Rachel Pinkerton, who is also the Hermann branch’s adult programmer.

After an introduction to tying knots, fish recognition and casting, participants went outside and were given an opportunity to practice their new skills before dropping a line in the lake.

Picture-perfect weather made for ideal fishing and many caught bluegill and sunfish. The concluding activity of the event was a hot-dog cookout provided by Mike and Deborah Brown, owners of the lake.

The New Haven branch appreciates the community spirit of the Browns, who donated the use of their banquet venue and pay lake for the clinic.
POLICE CHIEF DAN TERRY talks to a group gathered at the old New Haven library for a ghost hunt offered by the Friends of the Library on July 28. Terry said several of the 36 attendees had some type of paranormal contact during hunts at the library and the old high school on Maupin Avenue, including two apparitions. Hunters used K-2 electrical meters to detect electromagnetic fields and dousing rods to communicate with spirits, he said. The group also heard a lecture from a speaker from the Midwest Spirit Seekers Society. Former local police officers Ray McDowell and Mike Rudden helped out.