If you give a librarian an idea, the idea may grow into an event. So, the librarians will make a plan, advertise, and ask for help from faculty. The faculty will ask their students to participate in the event. When the students bring their works to the event everyone who sees it will be impressed. So, the librarians will want to show more people. They will have a second event to honor the students’ hard work. Because the students made cake the event will be during lunch. So, it will need to be in the cafeteria, where an employer is on campus recruiting. The employer will be impressed and tell the students about a job opening. The students will love that the library brought them a new opportunity. When students love their library they talk with the librarians. And when you talk with a librarian you tend to give them ideas.

The Sullivan University Main Campus Library held an Open House event on November 8, 2018. The event celebrated the creation of the marzipan dragon that is displayed at the library. Norbert (named by student suggestion this past spring) was created 30 years ago by Dale Gregory in the second class of the culinary program. The Open House celebration included a birthday cake for Norbert and snacks for all visitors.

A major part of the celebration was an edible book contest. “Edible books” are creative food projects inspired by books and stories. They can be in the shape of a book, show a scene, or
make a pun on the title. They can be made of anything that can be eaten, but often are made of cake. Chef Sams’ helped enlist Chef Perez and students from her class, Modern Pastry Arts and Design, participated and made cakes based on If You Give a Mouse a Cookie, If You Give a Pig a Pancake, the works of Dr. Seuss, and the fantasy genre.

The students who participated received awards and had their works displayed in the cafeteria on November 12.

**Awards:**

Most Appetizing and Judge's Choice - If You Give a Mouse a Cookie - Madison Whitney-Schaale

Best Team Entry - Dr. Seuss - Andrew Buckner, Meredith Dawson, and Oliver Bronnbauer

People's Choice - If You Give a Pig a Pancake - Ed Schuler

Best Depiction of a Genre - Fantasy Genre - Alica Davis

After the event, Norbert’s Twitter account (@SULibraryDragon) was followed by Laura Numeroff, the author of two of the books honored in cake! She had very complementary things to say about the cakes. Both the students and the faculty should be proud, and the library humbly thanks all involved in this great event.