

Forsyth Township Public Library
180 W. Flint St. Gwinn, MI 49841

LIBRARY REPORT..... September 2019

General News

- Programming returned in the month of September with 67 children in attendance and 47 adults. Activities included Story Time, Lego Club and a Play-Doh Critters activity.
- Four classes from Gilbert Elementary School and 3 classes from Gwinn Middle School began monthly visits to the library. These include fourth, fifth and sixth grade students.
- Library staff began advertising a change to the Circulation Policy effective October 1, 2019. All patrons will need to present their library card when intending to check out items, place staff-assisted holds or renew items. If a patron would like someone else to pick up their held items, they will need to send their library card along or call ahead and inform library staff who is coming to pick up their items.

Circulation Stats

2,221 books, magazines, audio books, and videos were circulated in our community. We loaned 343 of our items to patrons at other libraries in Michigan, and borrowed 234 items from other Michigan libraries. 185 new items were added to the collection, which includes 23 magazines. There were 98 new library cards issued for the month. As of October 3, 2019 we have 4,040 users in our system.

Foot Traffic

We had 2,716 visits by patrons. The weekday average was 127 patrons. Our Saturday average was 43 patrons. The Donna Adams Community Room was used 16 times and the Study Room was used 18 times in the month of September.

Electronic Stats

Great Lakes Digital Library - 52 different patrons used this service, including 3 new patrons. Patrons checked out 102 eBooks and 207 audio books for a total of 309 items circulated.

Wi-Fi and Internet – 354 users connected to the Wi-Fi. The library computers were used 365 times this month, the busiest time being 10:00 a.m. Our website was visited 490 times in September. Our Facebook page has 681 followers.

Programs:

- Story Time is offered every Friday morning at 10:30 a.m.
- After School Lego Club will be held on Wednesday, October 16, 2019 at 4:00 p.m.
- Kids Halloween Crafts activity will be held on Wednesday, October 23, 2019 at 4:30 p.m.
- The library will be open late on Thursday, October 31, 2019 for Trick-or-Treating from 5:00 to 7:00 p.m.

The next regular library board meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, November 13, 2019 at 5:30 p.m. in the Donna Adams Community Room.

Respectfully submitted,

Leslie Makela, Director