

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

LIBRARY REPORT..... July 2020

**General News**

- July Summer Reading events, which were all done at the window saw 69 Adults and 159 children. Everyone has been very thankful that we were able to still offer a program this year.
- The Library started a fundraiser through Teegora. Community members are able to purchase t-shirts and coffee mugs directly from teegora.com with proceeds benefiting the Library.
- Patrons continue to thank Library Staff for being open as many rely on us for their computer needs, as well as being able to browse for their own books and movies.

**Circulation Stats**

1,695 books, audio books, magazines, and movies were circulated in our community. This is more than double from June. We loaned 341 of our items to patrons at other libraries in Michigan, and borrowed 211 items from other Michigan libraries. 93 new items were added to the collection, which includes 23 magazines. There were 15 new library cards issued for the month of July. As of August 3, 2020 we have 4,248 users in our system.

**Foot Traffic**

We had 1,673 visits by patrons in July. The weekday average was 76. The library remains closed on Saturdays at this time.

**Electronic Stats**

Great Lakes Digital Library - 63 different patrons used this service. Patrons checked out 135 eBooks and 194 audio books for a total of 329 items circulated.

Wi-Fi and Internet – Wi-Fi service continued to be offered 24/7 in the library parking lot. Wi-Fi & website statistics will be a month behind. Our Wi-Fi was used 276 times in the month of June. Our website was visited 392 times. Public computers were used 147 times in July with the busiest time being 10:00 a.m. Our Facebook page has 757 followers.

**Programs:**

- All in-person programming inside the library is suspended due to social distancing guidelines.
- The Summer Reading Program will continue to offer opportunities to reserve and pick-up free craft/activity bags, and to claim additional free books and prizes through August 21, 2020.
- The final prize drawings for all ages will be held on Monday, August 24, 2020 with winners being notified by phone. Prizes for children were purchased with grant funds received from the Community Foundation of Marquette County and the Gwinn Community Fund. Adult and Teen prizes were donated from members of the community.

The next regular library board meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, September 9, 2020 at 5:30 p.m. in the Donna Adams Community Room. If the meeting must be held via Zoom that information will be posted on our website, Facebook page, and on our entrance doors.

Respectfully submitted,

Leslie Makela, Director