

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

LIBRARY REPORT..... June 2020

General News

- The library opened for Curbside Services on June 11, 2020 after nearly three months of closure. Curbside Services included vehicle delivery and window walk-up service.
- After two weeks of Curbside Services, the library entered Phase 3 and opened to the public on June 25, 2020 with restrictions in place according to Executive Orders. Delivery to vehicles continues to be an option for those patrons not ready to come inside the building.
- The library received a \$750.00 grant from the Community Foundation of Marquette County and the Gwinn Community Fund to support the 2020 Summer Reading Program.
- New Wi-Fi equipment was installed. Wi-Fi continues to be accessible 24/7 from the parking lot.

Circulation Stats

806 books, audio books, magazines, and movies were circulated in our community. We loaned 26 of our items to patrons at other libraries in Michigan, and borrowed 46 items from other Michigan libraries. 227 new items were added to the collection, which includes 22 magazines. There was 1 new library card issued for the month of June. As of July 3, 2020 we have 4,235 users in our system.

Foot Traffic

We had 340 visits by patrons in June. The weekday average was 24. The library remains closed on Saturdays at this time. An average of 17 people per day used our Curbside Services.

Electronic Stats

Great Lakes Digital Library - 71 different patrons used this service. Patrons checked out 140 eBooks and 212 audio books for a total of 342 items circulated.

Wi-Fi and Internet – Wi-Fi service continued to be offered 24/7 in the library parking lot. Statistics are not available at this time for the month of June. The public computers were used 20 times this month with the busiest time being 10:00 a.m. Our Facebook page has 751 followers.

Programs:

- All in-person programming inside the library is suspended due to social distancing guidelines.
- The 2020 Summer Reading Program will begin on Wednesday, July 15, 2020 with minimal contact registration and book bag pick-up. Participants from birth through 8th grade will receive a free book just for registering for the program.
- The program will include opportunities to reserve and pick-up free craft/activity bags, and opportunities to claim additional free books and prizes.
- Adults & Teens will be entered in a final prize drawing for every book they read between July 15, 2020 and August 21, 2020.

The next regular library board meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, August 5, 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