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

LIBRARY REPORT...... October 2020

#### **General News**

- October programming to include our second StoryWalk® in Peter Nordeen Park was attended by 100 adults and children.
- The Non-Resident Fee schedule was decided upon at the October Library Board Meeting. Both annual and three-month seasonal memberships will be offered for individuals and families beginning January 1, 2021. All current non-resident library cards will expire on December 31, 2020. More information can be found on the library website.
- Non-Residents who do not have a library card will be able to use a public computer for a nominal fee of \$5.00 per person per day. Printing costs will remain the same at five free pages per day and \$.10 per page after that. Time limits will also apply.

### **Circulation Stats**

1,962 books, audio books, magazines, and movies were circulated in our community. We loaned 361 of our items to patrons at other libraries in Michigan, and borrowed 320 items from other Michigan libraries. 115 new items were added to the collection, which includes 21 magazines. There were 15 new library cards issued for the month of October. As of November 3, 2020 we have 4,285 users in our system.

## Foot Traffic

We had 1,271 visits by patrons in October. The weekday average was 58. The library will continue to be closed on Saturdays through the remainder of the year.

Great Lakes Digital Library - 62 different patrons used this service. Patrons checked out 119 eBooks and 234 audio books for a total of 353 items circulated.

Wi-Fi and Internet – Wi-Fi service continued to be offered 24/7 in the library parking lot. Our Wi-Fi was used 456 times in the month October with 229 of those connections being unique. Our website was visited 465 times. Public computers were used 136 times in October with the busiest times being from 1:00 to 3:00 p.m. Our Facebook page has 771 followers.

#### Programs:

- All in-person programming inside the library is suspended due to social distancing guidelines.
- Literature at the Lodge will be held on Tuesday, November 17, 2020 at 7:00 p.m.
- Thanksgiving Craft Bags will be ready on Monday, November 23, 2020.
- The library will be closed for the Thanksgiving holiday on Thursday, November 26, 2020 and Friday, November 27, 2020.

The next regular library board meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, December 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