

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

LIBRARY REPORT..... December 2020

General News

- Due to the Superiorland Library Cooperative partnering with three other Cooperatives in the state, Forsyth Township Public Library card holders now have access to over 100,000 digital items through Libby and Overdrive.
- The Library continued to offer Curbside Services with Browsing by Appointment. Patrons are able to email documents to be printed to the Library's general email as well as receive Fax and Copy Services curbside.
- Non-Resident Library Cards expired on December 31, 2020. Non-residents interested in continuing patronage are able to pay a fee to re-activate their cards. Individual and family rates are available annually or seasonally.

Circulation Stats

1,370 books, audio books, magazines, and movies were circulated in our community. We loaned 373 of our items to patrons at other libraries in Michigan, and borrowed 262 items from other Michigan libraries. 98 new items were added to the collection, which includes 26 magazines. There was 1 new library card issued for the month of December. As of January 3, 2021 we have 4,287 users in our system.

Foot Traffic

We had 444 visits by patrons in December. The weekday average was 21. The library continues to be closed on Saturdays.

Great Lakes Digital Library - 64 different patrons used this service. Patrons checked out 124 eBooks, 217 audio books, and 2 streaming videos for a total of 343 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 450 times with 135 of those connections being unique. Our website was visited 453 times in the month of December. No public computers were able to be used in the month of December. Our Facebook page has 789 followers.

Programs:

- All programming inside the library is suspended due to social distancing guidelines.
- Take Home Craft Kits will be offered in late January. An announcement will be made on our Facebook page.

The next regular library board meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, February 10, 2021 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