

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

LIBRARY REPORT..... December 2021

General News

- A total of 96 children and 12 adults enjoyed programming provided by the library in the month of December.
- If you know someone who requires the services of Great Lakes Talking Books due to visual impairment, the library can help with demonstrations of the listening equipment and guidance on signing up for the free program.
- In 2021, the library experienced 14,749 visits from patrons.
- Patrons checked out 18,621 items from the library this year.

Circulation Stats

1,749 books, audio books, magazines, and movies were circulated in our community. We loaned 306 of our items to patrons at other libraries in Michigan and borrowed 240 items from other Michigan libraries. 106 new items were added to the collection, which includes 12 magazines. There were 10 new library cards issued in the month of December. As of January 3, 2022, we have 3,729 users in our system.

Foot Traffic

We had 1,192 visits by patrons in December. The weekday average was 52. The Saturday average was 24. The Study Room was used 4 times by patrons. The Community Room was used once.

Electronic Stats

Great Lakes Digital Library - 64 different patrons used this service, including 5 new patrons. Patrons checked out 129 eBooks, 127 audio books, and 33 magazines for a total of 289 items circulated.

Wi-Fi and Internet – The Wi-Fi experienced 356 connections with 107 being unique. Our website was visited 425 times. Public computers were used 83 times in December with 11:00 a.m. & 1:00 p.m. being the busiest times. Our Facebook page has 848 followers.

Programs:

- Story Time will be offered on Friday mornings at 10:30 a.m. in the library beginning January 7, 2022.
- Literature at the Lodge will meet on Tuesday, January 18, 2022, at 7:00 p.m. The January selection is *As Long As We Both Shall Live* by Joann Chaney.
- After School LEGO Club will be held on Wednesday, January 19, 2022, from 4:00 to 5:00 p.m. in the Community Room.
- January is Braille Month. Patrons can write their names in braille using our writing tool and learn about the history of braille when visiting the library.

The next regular library board meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, February 9, 2022, at 5:30 p.m. in the Donna Adams Community Room.

Respectfully submitted,

Leslie Makela, Director