

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

LIBRARY REPORT..... May 2021

**General News**

- A total of 86 children and 35 adults enjoyed programming provided by the Library in the month of May. These programs included a StoryWalk® in the park and Take Home Craft Kits.
- The Library received an \$800.00 Grant for Summer Reading through the Community Foundation of Marquette County and the Gwinn Community Fund.
- The Library Board of Trustees adopted a new Mission Statement: The mission of the Forsyth Township Public Library is to provide access to informational, educational, cultural, and recreational materials and services in a variety of formats and technologies; and to uphold the intellectual freedom for all members of the community.

**Circulation Stats**

1,428 books, audio books, magazines, and movies were circulated in our community. We loaned 328 of our items to patrons at other libraries in Michigan, and borrowed 124 items from other Michigan libraries. 182 new items were added to the collection, which includes 28 magazines. There were 14 new library cards issued in the month of May, which includes 3 Non-Resident cards. As of June 3, 2021 we have 3,580 users in our system.

**Foot Traffic**

We had 910 visits by patrons in May. The weekday average was 44. The Saturday average was 9. The Study Room was used 4 times by patrons.

**Electronic Stats**

Great Lakes Digital Library - 51 different patrons used this service, including 2 new patrons. Patrons checked out 74 eBooks, 161 audio books, and 7 magazines for a total of 242 items circulated.

Wi-Fi and Internet – Wi-Fi and Website statistics were not available at the time of filing. Public computers were used 56 times with 1:00 p.m. and 3:00 p.m. being the busiest times. Our Facebook page has 815 followers.

**Programs:**

- All programming inside the library is suspended due to social distancing guidelines.
- The *Bear's New Friend* by Karma Wilson StoryWalk® will be in Peter Nordeen Park beginning June 17, 2021 at 12:00 p.m. It will be available until Tuesday, June 22, 2021.
- The 2021 Tails & Tales Summer Reading Program will begin on Monday, June 21, 2021. Details will be released soon on our Facebook page and website.
- Summer Reading Story Time & Crafts will begin on Friday, June 25, 2021 at 10:30 a.m. in Peter Nordeen Park.

The next regular library board meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, July 14, 2021 at 5:30 p.m. via Zoom.

Respectfully submitted,

Leslie Makela, Director