

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

LIBRARY REPORT..... September 2021

General News

- A total of 78 children and 123 adults enjoyed programming provided by the library in the month of September.
- The Fundraising Friends raised over \$3,200.00 at the Tea Party this year. Funds will help to offset the cost of new furnishings in the library.
- The library was named the 2021 UPRLC Library of the Year at the UPRLC Annual Conference this year.
- Mr. Rice's 6th grade Literature classes from the Gwinn Middle School began their monthly visits this month.

Circulation Stats

1,760 books, audio books, magazines, and movies were circulated in our community. We loaned 376 of our items to patrons at other libraries in Michigan and borrowed 228 items from other Michigan libraries. 129 new items were added to the collection, which includes 21 magazines. There were 59 new library cards issued in the month of September. This includes 43 student library cards for visiting classes. As of October 3, 2021, we have 3,698 users in our system.

Foot Traffic

We had 1,518 visits by patrons in September. The weekday average was 69. The Saturday average was 24. The Study Room was used 16 times by patrons. The Community Room was used 8 times.

Electronic Stats

Great Lakes Digital Library - 65 different patrons used this service, including 8 new patrons. Patrons checked out 112 eBooks, 143 audio books, and 37 magazines for a total of 292 items circulated.

Wi-Fi and Internet – Wi-Fi and website statistics were not available at time of filing. Public computers were used 132 times in September with 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. being the busiest times. Our Facebook page has 844 followers.

Programs:

- After School LEGO Club will be held on Wednesday, October 20, 2021, from 4:00-5:00 p.m. in the Community Room.
- Story Time is offered on Friday mornings at 10:30 a.m. in the library.
- Literature at the Lodge will meet on Tuesday, October 19, 2021, at 7:00 p.m. The October selection is *The Mother-in-Law* by Sally Hepworth.
- An Evening Halloween Story Time for Families will be held on Wednesday, October 27, 2021, from 6:00 – 6:45 p.m.
- The library will be open for Trick-or-Treating on Halloween from 5:00 – 7:00 p.m. No regular library services will be offered, but families can stop in for treats, to use the restroom & to warm up.

The next regular library board meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, November 10, 2021, at 5:30 p.m. in the Donna Adams Community Room.

Respectfully submitted,

Leslie Makela, Director