June Director’s Report – Colon Township Library       June 17, 2019

May 2019          May 2018          May 2017
Computer/Wi-Fi: 524  Computer/Wi-Fi: 356  Computer/Wi-Fi: 418
Circ: 2070          Circ: 2666          Circ: 2222

Regular Programs:
Note: Friends of the Library is abbreviated as FOL.
- Yoga on Tuesdays
- Ladies of Literature Book Club every fourth Thursday of each month.
- Bookworms Book Club (for kids ages 8-12). Meets every Thursday. (FOL Program)
- Quilting Club on Wednesdays at 1 pm.
- Storytime with Erica on Thursdays at 10:30 am (FOL Program)
- Mindful Readers Book Club every third Thursday of the month.

Past Events:
- FOL Murder Mystery on May 31st and June 1st. FOL made $2396 from the Murder at Farrand Hall event. We have added two new members to the FOL group as a result of the event, and helped Farrand Hall gain some new customers. We are very happy with how well it turned out, and received a lot of positive press from the event. I appreciate everyone who helped out, especially my staff and library board members. Thank you! Thank you notes are being sent out this week.

Upcoming Events:
- Summer Reading Program Kick-off on June 21st from 10-12 pm. Summer Reading events attached. (FOL Program)
- July 4th Parade. Bookworms will be representing the library with an “Annie” movie-themed float. (FOL Program)
- Friends of the Colon Township Library Meeting on July 8th at 7 pm.
- A program about the USS Indianapolis on July 30th at 7 pm. (FOL Program)
- “Chair-ity” auction during Magic Week. (FOL Program)
- FOL Arts and Crafts Fair during Magic Week. ARF Kissing Booth and Bookworm’s running a lemonade stand to raise funds for ARF.
- True-crime author, Tobin Buhk, author of Michigan’s Most Dangerous Women” will be here to talk about his book on October 10th at 7 pm. (FOL Program)

Other Information:
- FOL are funding a gift basket for the raffle for the fundraiser for Chief of Police, Mark Brinkert.
- FOL is purchasing a wagon from Engel Farms. We are currently negotiating a price. I offered $700 today. We will be able to use this every 4th of July (hooray!). This wagon will be used by other community groups throughout the year and stored in the Township Park barn. Thank you to John Parr for helping me coordinate all of this.

Respectfully Submitted by: Julie Censke 6/17/19
• Tri-State Security will be here on Tuesday to fix the lock on the Women’s restroom door. It stopped working properly on Saturday.

• Elevator update

• A new YA Fiction Book club is coming soon. Assistant Director, Erica Gentz will be heading this one up.

• Julie is working on a grant for security cameras through our insurance agency. I have to gather quotes to be ready for the October timeline to submit the grant proposal. Grant for a Fire alarm notification?

• I would like to close the library for two days and take all of my staff to training up in Traverse City on April 13-15th, 2020. That would mean the library would be closed Tuesday and Wednesday. This is training for rural libraries and is very applicable to issues we face on a daily basis.

• Diane is going down to an on-call status. She would like to work from time to time when we need help. She is busy traveling and helping family. We wish her well and look forward to her filling in as needed.