August Director’s Report – Colon Township Library

August 26th, 2019

July 2019  July 2018  July 2017
Computer/Wi-Fi: 566  Computer/Wi-Fi: 338  Computer/Wi-Fi: 472
Circ: 2159  Circ: 2516  Circ: 2454

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:

- Summer Reading Program: Box Creations on July 26th (35), Colon Rocks Program on August 2nd (50), Duct Tape Workshop on August 9th (33), Magical Comedy Show on August 16th (35). (FOL Programs)
- A program about the USS Indianapolis on July 30th at 6:30 pm. (110) (FOL Program)
- FOL Arts and Crafts Fair and Book Sale during Magic Week. ARF ran a Doggie Kissing Booth, and the Bookworm’s ran a lemonade stand to raise funds for ARF.

Upcoming Events:

- Pat Asbury will be holding a painting class here on September 3rd. This event is almost full.
- 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:

- “Chair-ity” auction during Magic Week made $715. (FOL Program)
- The “St. Joe County Fair” themed display window is up. Erica did a great job!
- The Summer Reading Program is completed. Prizes are being distributed now for those that have completed the program. See attached page for Summer Reading statistics. (FOL Program)
- Sit N Stitch is starting up again in September.
- I need a little more time to work on the Employee Handbook. The Human Resource Manager at KDL has agreed to help me with it. I will have a draft for the library board to look over next month.
- I will be representing CTL at the Branch County Community Foundation Donor Appreciation and Community Education event on Thursday, September 26th.

Respectfully Submitted by: Julie Censke 8/26/19
• I am working on developing a library program about human trafficking that can be used in other counties too. I’m hoping to present on this at the Rural Library Conference next Spring. (FOL Program)
• Colonial Life Insurance is being offered through the Township. The insurance company is offering a free supplemental accident and dismemberment policy. Employees have the option to purchase additional coverage and have the payment taken directly out of their checks by the Township.
• Incident Report from 7/29/19.
Summer Reading 2019

Preschool Program
6 signed up
2 completed the program – 2 girls

Children’s Program:
63 signed up
27 completed the program -16 girls, 11 boys

Teen’s Program:
7 signed up (6 girls, 1 boy)
6 completed the program- 5 girls, 1 boy

8 Summer Reading Events
393 attended
Breakdown of costs:
Prizes cost: $374.92 (Amazon $133.42, $42, Movie Theater $124.50, 5 Star Pizza $75)
Materials: $356.41 (CLSP)
Presenter cost: $1305 (Mr. Jim $250, Air Zoo $230, Joel Tacey $825)

Requested and approved:
$1700 plus $350 for CLSP order. $2050

Summer Reading total expenses: $2036