

November Director's Report – Colon Township Library November 25th, 2019

October 2019

Computer/Wi-Fi: 512
Circ: 2,436

October 2018

Computer/Wi-Fi: 326
Circ: 2,446

October 2017

Computer/Wi-Fi: 464
Circ: 2,179

Regular Programs:

Note: Friends of the Library programs are abbreviated as FOL.

- Yoga on Tuesdays
- Ladies of Literature Book Club every fourth Thursday of each month.
- Bookworms Book Club (for kids ages 8-11). This group meets every Thursday at 3:30 pm. (FOL Program)
- Quilting Club on Wednesdays at 1 pm.
- Sit N Stitch on Thursdays at 10:30 am
- Storytime with Erica on Thursdays at 10:30 am (FOL Program)
- Mindful Readers Book Club every third Thursday of the month.
- Eat, Drink, & Be Merry Book Club (YA Books Adults) meet on the 1st Thursday of each month at 7 pm.

Past Events:

- Jonathan Rand, (Jr. Fic) author of Michigan Chillers, and American Chillers was here on November 2nd at 11 am. (FOL Program) (22 attended)
- Essential Oils 101 on November 9th at 9:30 am. (2 attended)

Upcoming Events:

- Christmas in Colon on Friday, December 6th and Saturday, December 7th. We will be hosting Santa's Workshop on Friday night, 5-8 pm and Santa Claus on Saturday night, 5-8 pm. (FOL Program). The Book Sale will be downstairs from 5-8 each night. On Friday night at 5 pm, Lions Club members will be giving away free children's books at the library.
- Author, Laura Kemp will be here on Thursday, January 30th at 6pm to talk about her book and answer questions. Attached is a book synopsis from Goodreads.

Future Events:

- The Potato Famine & the Coming of the Irish to America by Author, Terence O'Leary on Saturday, March 7th at 11 am.
- We've started planning the 2020 Summer Reading Program. The theme will be "Fairy Tales, Mythology & Fantasy. We already have several programs scheduled, including Steven's Puppets with "Beauty and the Beast," D.I.Y. Fairy Garden Workshop, Build a Castle, Constellation Mythology, and Joyce Davis with "King Midas and the Golden Touch."

Other Information:

- Tim Taylor donated 5 boxes full of brand new books.
- Chris Tenney donated \$500 to the FOL for library programming.

- Gest Tree Service will be removing the two maples and the white pine after the holidays.
- Bank Account Balances attached.
- Library circulation statistics are not correct for the past few months. We omitted either audiobooks or eBooks (tbd) in our Overdrive statistics. I will go back and double-check all statistics from 2019 and document and inform the Library Board of the changes.
- I've received only two of the three estimates for security cameras. The estimates are both high, one being almost \$15,000, and the other almost \$25,000. This makes the \$2,500 match from the Township insurance grant a small incentive to proceed forward.
- Mary Ann Zimmerman, Chris Tenney, and I are still working on the Library Policy Manual.
- The library will be open until 3 pm on New Year's Eve.