# January Director’s Report – Colon Township Library January 27th, 2020

**November 2019 November 2018 November 2017**

Computer/Wi-Fi: 455 Computer/Wi-Fi: 311 Computer/Wi-Fi: 390

Circ: 2,157 Circ: 2,505 Circ: 2,179

**December 2019 December 2018 December 2017**

Computer/Wi-Fi: 486 Computer/Wi-Fi: 267 Computer/Wi-Fi: 351

Circ: 1,996 Circ: 2,227 Circ: 1,826

**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)
* Book Vipers (for teens age 13-17) on Tuesdays 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:**

* Christmas in Colon on Friday, December 6th and Saturday, December 7th. We hosted Santa’s Workshop on Friday night, 5-8 pm, and Santa Claus on Saturday night, 5-8 pm. (FOL Program). The Book Sale was open downstairs from 5-8 each night. On Friday at 5 pm, Lions Club members gave away free children’s books at the library.

**Upcoming Events:**

* Laura Kemp, author of “Evening in the Yellow Wood” will be here on Thursday, January 30th at 6 pm to talk about her book and answer questions. Copies are available now.
* Make an Old-fashioned Valentine/Decorate a Cupcake event on Saturday, February 8th from 11-12 pm.
* Joe Ganger here on February 27th at 7 pm to present on “Show Business in Colon.”
* Author and Speaker, Terence O’Leary on the “Potato Famine and the Coming of the Irish to America” on Saturday, March 7th at 11 am.

**Future Events:**

* Fancy Nancy Unicorn Event on May 16th.
* FOL Flower Sale on May 9th.
* Summer Reading 2020 theme is “Tales, Mythology, & Fantasy.” I have a lot of events planned, including:
* Medieval Festival for SR Kick-off. The SCA Society may not be able to help, so we might be doing it all ourselves, making volunteers very important.
* Fairy Garden Workshop
* Build a Box Castle
* Constellation Mythology
* Two puppet shows (Beauty and the Beast and King Midas and the Golden Touch)
* Colon Rocks!
* Drawing workshop with Jonny Hawkins- Mythology related art

**Other Information:**

* I’m working on the Annual Report for the State. We receive about $3,000 in revenue from State Aid each year.
* Gest Tree Service removed the two maples and the white pine earlier this month. They did an excellent job. I am seeking the guidance of the Colon Garden Club as to what to plant in their place. The Chamber would like us to plant an evergreen where the white pine tree was located so that it can be decorated at Christmas time. They have offered to pay for the new tree.
* Bank Account Balances attached.
* Library circulation statistics were skewed due to an error in calculating Overdrive checkouts. I have attached the corrected statistics.
* Mary Ann Zimmerman, Chris Tenney, and I are working on the Library Policy Manuel. We’ve had some setbacks on meeting but will resume meeting when we are all healthy.

Library Statistics Corrections

**October 2019**

Computer/Wi-Fi: 482

Circ: 2,448

**September 2019**

Computer/Wi-Fi: 512

Circ: 2,059

**August 2019**

Computer/Wi-Fi: 583

Circ: 2,184

**July 2019**

Computer/Wi-Fi: 566

Circ: 2,227

**June 2019**

Computer/Wi-Fi: 471

Circ: 1,954

**May 2019**

Computer/Wi-Fi: 524

Circ: 2,157

**April 2019**

Computer/Wi-Fi: 467

Circ: 2,104

**March 2019**

Computer/Wi-Fi: 418

Circ: 2,270