

August Director's Report – Colon Township Library

August 23rd, 2021

June 2021

Computer/Wi-Fi: 388
Circ: 1,700

June 2020

Computer/Wi-Fi:300
Circ: 727

June 2019

Computer/Wi-Fi: 471
Circ: 1,954

July 2021

Computer/Wi-Fi: 390
Circ:1,915

July 2020

Computer/Wi-Fi:310
Circ: 922

July 2019

Computer/Wi-Fi: 566
Circ: 2,227

Past Events:

- Summer Reading Program events – Athens Veterinary Clinic on July 30th. Magic Show with Rob Nacu on August 6th, Kids Farmers Market on August 20th.
- Colon Quilters every Wednesday. They are moving to the Colon Baptist Church. They donated a beautiful quilt in memory of their late member, Sue Cole, who passed away last month.
- Marilyn Millers Retirement Party at the Colon Community Park on July 27th from 4:30-6:30 pm.
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Upcoming Events:

- Ladies of Literature every fourth Thursday of the month.
- Lions Club meeting in the Smith Room on the 1st and 3rd Tuesday of each month.
- We have a new group using the Smith Room every 2nd Tuesday, March-November. It's a Civil War Historical group led by Dick Denney. Here's a link to their website for more information. [Department of Michigan - Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War \(suvcwmi.org\)](http://Department of Michigan - Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War (suvcwmi.org))
- The Bookworms and Book Vipers groups are starting again in September.
- Storytime is starting again on October 1st.

Other Information:

- Kim Bennett is back from Africa! We appreciate Diane Downs and Linda Musall helping out in her absence.
- I was awarded a matching grant from the PAR Plan for the security cameras. I am applying for other grants, including one for the new local history room through BCCF.
- Randy Jackson is installing a surge protector in the near future. This will cost the library apx \$300 for the part as Randy is donating his time. We appreciate all he does for the library.
- OTIS came by to do an inspection. Unfortunately, they didn't call as we asked them to. We had hoped to have Dennis Cristofaro here when he arrived. The OTIS technician showed Julie that the elevator is indeed ADA complaint. There are specific sounds the elevator makes when going up or down. He explained that the Commission for the Blind teaches visually impaired people how to

recognize those sounds, so they know whether they have gone up or down a floor. The technician said that the small amount of hydraulic oil present in the elevator pit was normal and that it wasn't leaking. I appreciate Dennis's advice on building maintenance issues.

- The pipe in the basement started leaking again after the latest repair. I called the company and they came and fixed it within the hour. We have had zero issues since his latest visit.
 - The FOL Chair-ity fundraiser and the Arts and Crafts Fair brought in \$1,500 for the Friends of the Library. We appreciate the Chamber of Commerce and the many people who donated chairs, talent, and those who purchased chairs.
 - We had a booth at the Colon Elementary School on orientation night that advertised Bookworms and Book Vipers.
 - The horse manure compost area is going to be cleaned up soon. Dan believes he has time to put in a garden.
 - The library was closed August 12-14th due a power outage and widespread damage to the Colon area.
 - We received another anonymous donation to the library. It's in the amount of \$600 and it specified it was to be used for the general fund.
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Bank Accounts Summary as of 8/21/21

General Fund*	SB&T	#30352	\$54,598
*This balance increases during tax season, as millage operating income is received.			
CD	SB&T	#6370	\$80,346
(as of 10/6/2020)			
Money Market	Huntington	#7434	\$20,409
Technology Fund	SB&T	#1980	\$33,665
Total			\$189,018

Debt Retirement ** SB&T #7660 \$73,145
 **Revenues from building project millage can be used only to pay bond debt, which will be paid in 2023.

