# January/February Director’s Report – Colon Township Library

# February 28TH, 2022

**November 2021 November 2020 November 2019**

Computer/Wi-Fi: 364 Computer/Wi-Fi: 310 Computer/Wi-Fi: 455

Circ: 1,472 Circ: 508 Circ: 2,211

**December 2021 December 2020 December 2019**

Computer/Wi-Fi: 390 Computer/Wi-Fi: 333 Computer/Wi-Fi: 486

Circ: 1,361 Circ: 653 Circ: 1,196

**January 2022 January 2021 January 2020**

Computer/Wi-Fi: 394 Computer/Wi-Fi: 337 Computer/Wi-Fi: 543

Circ: 1,398 Circ: 981 Circ: 2,357

**Past Events:**

* Christmas in Colon was on December 3rd. This year, we hosted Santa, had a free book giveaway in the basement, and Christmas Llamas outside. We estimate about 300-400 people came through that night. We were busy!
* Barn Quilt Craft (7) on 2/23 and (7) on 2/26

**Upcoming Events:**

* Ladies of Literature group met at 2 pm on the 4th Wednesday of the month in January and February.
* The Book Vipers, Bookworms, and Storytime groups were put on hold during January and part of February due to the Omicron variant. Things seem to be back to normal. We had (7) Bookworms attend on 2/24 and (4) kids at Storytime.
* Gnome Craft and Pinecone Art Craft events will take place sometime in March and early April.
* Card Sharks group TBA.
* Tiny Art Show
* Michigan Mysteries Program on 3/24/21 at 7 pm.
* Mackinaw Island’s Grand Hotel Program with Mike Fornes on May 20th at 7 pm.

**Other Information:**

* The January Library Board Meeting was postponed until February due to Covid.
* We received a grant for security cameras for $2,500 from the Decker Agency. I ordered two more cameras to cover additional angles outside of the library.
* We received a grant for five chrome books and an outdoor programming kit that includes a speaker, microphone, and a weather canopy.
* We won the Giving Tuesday challenge and received $2000 for the FOL.
* We are currently planning events for the Summer Reading Program. The theme this year is Ocean of Possibilities. We are looking at doing a water safety/beach event, a fishing event, and many arts and crafts events.
* We are having a Slime Challenge day for kids that finish the SR Program. This will be similar to the Double Dare tv shows from the 90s.
* Upcoming millage
* Strategic planning for next millage.
* Local History Room is coming along well.
* A new website is coming soon!
* The FOL purchased three new banquet tables for the Smith Room.
* I am looking into starting a seed library here at the library.
* Budget meeting on March 28th at 7 pm. I'd like to set up a committee to meet in mid-March to discuss my proposed budget.

**Bank Accounts Summary as of 2/25/22**

General Fund\* SB&T #30352 $59,455

**\*This balance increases during tax season, as millage operating income is received.**

CD SB&T #8600 $80,346

(as of 10/14/2021)

Money Market Huntington #7434 $20,409

Technology Fund SB&T #1980 $33,669

**Total $193, 879**

Debt Retirement \*\* SB&T #7660 $112,619

\*\*Revenues from building project millage can be used only to pay bond debt, which will be paid in 2023.