

Director’s Report: February 13, 2024

Circulation Statistics:

Month	Circs		ILL					Hot Spots	# of Patrons	Served					
	Libby	Hoopla/Kanopy	req/lend	Books	Mags	DVD	CDs	& Things	TOV	TOT	CT	WT	Gal	Brid	Flex
01/24	214	116/98	48/47	800	52	207	2	20	53	28	23	13	4	0	6
12/23	181	115/114	38/35	770	75	267	6	20	50	37	29	18	4	0	5
11/23	159	127/114	28/34	820	73	260	12	34	61	44	26	16	6	0	4
10/23	181	108/28	36/34	907	90	259	11	28	51	35	30	17	4	0	10
09/23	162	114/25	28/30	965	58	216	7	23	47	32	29	17	3	0	11
08/23	150	109/42	41/48	881	114	236	24	30	56	36	36	17	6	0	6
07/23	150	99/28	39/42	884	51	240	21	19	48	39	41	9	0	0	7
06/23	172	95/32	34/28	778	70	243	24	18	59	37	34	15	0	0	5
05/23	153	104/32	34/38	681	81	204	25	17	47	28	26	18	3	0	7
04/23	143	99/24	36/35	580	54	230	12	20	45	32	28	12	3	0	6
03/23	168	78/36	30/27	771	56	392	19	20	56	33	27	15	5	0	12
02/23	131	98/26	44/42	819	70	297	13	21	62	30	20	15	3	0	6
01/23	164	98/39	41/35	779	72	356	10	13	50	34	28	14	3	0	7
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Computer Usage Statistics:		
Month:	Users:	Sessions:
01/24	48	91
12/23	41	70
11/23	47	78
10/23	56	96
09/23	37	64
08/23	74	130
07/23	68	108
06/23	67	114
05/23	63	92
04/23	71	136
03/23	34	231
02/23	28	336
01/23	137	260

Wireless Usage Statistics:	
Month:	Users:
01/24	46
12/23	62
11/23	82
10/23	75
09/23	89
08/23	111
07/23	101
06/23	104
05/23	89
04/23	78
03/23	53
02/23	119
01/23	72

New materials added in January 2024: 1 DVD titles, 31 magazines, 78 books.

Upcoming Events:

- Every Tuesday: Story Time, 10:30 – 11:00
- Every Tuesday: Drop-In Play Doh Play Date, 11:00 – 12:00 noon.
- Every Wednesday: Knitting and Crocheting Circle, 10:30 – 11:30. Individuals of all skill levels are invited to bring their projects.
- Every Thursday: Lego Club @ the Library all day. Projects will stay on display for one week.
- Every Thursday: Adult Drop-In Color Me Happy Hour, 1:00 – 2:00.
- Every Thursday: Story Time, 4:30 – 5:00.
- Monday, March 11, 2:00: Second Monday Book Club.
- Friday & Saturday, April 26-28,2024 is Art Attack

I’ll be at the River Valley Elementary School Fun Fair on Saturday, March 2. We hand out plastic coins they can return to the library for a free book from our book basket.

The elementary has been including our library newsletter within their school newsletter called the “Hoofbeats” and the library had about a half page in the RV District newsletter that is mailed to all houses in the district.

Art Attack is April 26-28. This is what the brochure will say: "The Three Oaks Township public Library opens its doors for a chance to view the beautiful interiors of Three Oaks' only building that is listed on the National Register of Historic Places. Built in 1905 as the home office of the E.K. Warren Featherbone company, it is now the home of the Three Oaks Township Public Library. The beautiful marble staircase, amazing woodwork, walk-in vaults, the Biggest Little Baseball Museum, the School of American Music, and the Jane Ward Genealogy Room will provide you with a glimpse of Three Oaks history."

We are once again partnering with Neighborhood Forest. You may go to the link below and register to receive a free tree. So far no one has signed up. The deadline is March 8.

<https://www.neighborhoodforest.org/parent-registration/?school=17992>

Our paper shredder is off to a great start with several people coming in to use it.

One of our patrons went on vacation out west and took an interlibrary loan book with them. They sent us a postcard which we thought was super neat.

Hoopla has expanded their offerings in BingePass. Using one borrow for one BingePass patrons can now choose from: Fret Zealot, over 100 courses covering all styles of playing guitar, bass guitar, and ukulele; Filmocracy, choose from hundreds of film festivals from around the world; Hallmark Movies, entire Hallmark Movies Now on-demand library. Each BingePass is good for seven days of unlimited access. These BingePasses are in addition to the offers Hoopla already has.

Michigan Library Advocacy Day is April 16, 2024. Our co-op will have representatives there and if anyone is interested check this website for more information: <https://www.milibraries.org/advocacy-day>

We are doing an Annual Reading Challenge this year. The form is in your folders.

Our eagerly anticipated display featuring all of the 2024 Michigan Notable Books and UP Notable Books for 2024 is up! Each year the Library of Michigan chooses 20 books that were published during the previous calendar year, which are about or set in Michigan, or written by a Michigan author. Selections include a variety of genres, both fiction and nonfiction, that appeal to many audiences and explore topics and issues close to the hearts of Michigan residents. The Upper Peninsula Publishers and Authors Association uses similar criteria for selecting their books featuring UP authors and settings. www.Michigan.gov/notablebooks <https://www.uppaa.org/tag/u-p-notable-books/>

We are once again partnering with Chikaming Open Lands for the StoryWalk. The story we will have is: "One Duck Stuck" by Phyllis Root and Jane Chapman. That will be up for the first day of spring in March and remain up through June.