Christine's Report April 9, 2024

Patrons:

February: 755 (adults: 573; juveniles: 182)

(walk-ins: 715; phone: 39; e-mail: 1)

New Library Patrons: 6

March: 679 (adults: 511; juveniles: 168)

(walk-ins: 646; phone: 28; e-mail: 3; delivery: 2)

New Library Patrons: 8

Computer: February: 77

March: 70

Requests for materials: February: 167

March: 179

Circulation of materials:

February: 1868 (adult: 1106; juvenile: 717; young adult: 45)

(38 more than in 2023

OverDrive: 403 (138 more than in 2023)

March: 1686 (adult: 995; juvenile: 643; young adult: 48)

(521 less than in 2023)

OverDrive: 376 (48 more than in 2023)

Staff activities:

- Met virtually with the other Polk County Library Directors
- Met virtually with the IFLS Marketing Committee
- Met virtually with the MORE Operations Committee
- Ordered and processed books
- Ordered and processed books on cd
- Purchased and processed dvds
- Weeded several items poor condition, no longer circulating, content no longer relevant
- Fixed spine labels illegible; missing # in series
- Cleaned scratched dvds and books on cd
- Library computers were all updated to Windows 11
- Participated in IFLS Supply Order
- Submitted ACT 150 letters
- Pam posted to Facebook

- Pam held story times
- Pam virtually attended website training
- Pam has hired Summer Reading Performers.
- Pam and Lily are working on science programs for the Summer
- We started offering "Take Home Crafts" and out of the 48 we offered, 46 left the building.
- Examples of reference transactions: coin prices, diabetes cookbooks, edible weeds, beekeeping, gardening with kids, movie recommendations for boys under 6, historical fiction for 13 year old female; cookbooks for juvenile male, adventure books for adult male who like reading Gary Paulsen when he was younger
- Christine attended several webinars: BadgerLink: Plan for Summer Reading with TeachingBooks for Public Libraries; BadgerLink: Using TeachingBooks at the Public Library; Dive Deeper into Lists with TeachingBooks for Libraries
- Christine helped Village with grants
- Christine will be out of the Library Friday, April 26th until Monday, May 6th. Karla, Lily, Marie, and Pam will be covering the hours we will not have to close.