

# Leland Township Public Library

## Director's Report May 2020

**ACTIVITY and COLLECTIONS: Attached**

### **PROGRAMS:**

No Programs during May

June 5, Storytime (virtual) (8)

June 12, Storytime (virtual) (6)

June 19, Storytime (virtual)

June 20, Poetry Workshop with Mary Ann Samyn (virtual)

June 26, Storytime (virtual)

July 1, A Conversation with Liz Kirkwood, Executive Director of For the Love of Water (FLOW) (virtual)

July 8, A conversation with Nathan Griswold, Founder and President of Inhabitect (virtual)

July 10, Children's Virtual Art Workshop with Local Illustrator Brianne Farley

July 15, A Conversation with Norm Wheeler (virtual)

July 15, A Conversation with Christopher Schaberg, Author of Searching for the Anthropocene (virtual)

July 17, Children's Virtual Music Class with Christy Burich

July 31, The Buzz About Bugs: A Virtual Children's Program with Dr. Nate Walton of MSU Extension

### **LIBRARY OPENING**

The Library was closed the entire month of May.

We opened for curbside service on June 8. We were fairly busy that first Monday but things have slowed down somewhat since then and it has been very manageable. Patrons have either reserved items using the online catalog or have called to request them. It has gone very smoothly, the patrons are very appreciative for the service and there have been no complaints. Given the lack of problems with this opening we have decided to open the building to the public on Wednesday, June 17 (Phase 2 of the Preparedness and Response Plan) with all of our normal operating hours restored. This is a "soft opening" without much notice to help us get our procedures in place before we advertise our opening. We will post notices online that we are open starting Monday, June 22.

### **PROGRAMS**

Virtual programs are being planned for the rest of June and July. We are working with the other libraries in the County to share information about these programs with all of our patrons.

### **STAFF**

Jake and I are now working our normal hours. Laura is still not comfortable with her child care situation and is working from home. We will be able to have two volunteers in two shifts on Saturdays so we are back to a normal staff rotation of one staff member and one volunteer on duty at a time on Saturday. Laura will be able to join the regular Saturday staff rotation.

I spoke with Marie Priest's daughter and Marie is recovering well with good spirits, but her daughter does not anticipate that she will be able to return to work.

### **FRIENDS & VOLUNTEERS**

With the opening of the building to the public we have asked several volunteers to come in to help shelve the books that have gone through the quarantine period. This will end up being one volunteer per day, four days during the week (with two on Saturday). Because of the quarantine schedule we will not need to shelve books on Wednesdays. We will keep this volunteer schedule based on our need for help. The goal is to not have too many people behind the circulation desk at one time and keep the overall number of people in the library down to allow for better social distancing.

**BUILDING & GROUNDS**

I have scheduled Solutions for You to begin cleaning the Library on a regular basis starting the week of June 22. For the first week, because of their schedule, they will clean on Thursday and Sunday in the evening and then we will set up a permanent evening schedule after that.

**BUDGET INFORMATION:**

Reports for end of May 2020 are attached with this report. With 16.6% of the FY elapsed, we have spent 13.2% of the budget.

Submitted by Mark Morton