Annual Report to the Community 2021

Greetings to the Randolph Library Community! We have had a productive and successful year in 2021 even with the continued restrictions due to COVID-19. We were able to sponsor several programs this year with great success.

We were excited to bring back an in-person Summer Reading Program during the month of July, and we had excellent interest and attendance. Our statistics speak of the success of the program:

Total attendees: 104 (67 children, 9 teens and 28 adults)

Total books read- 289

Total pages read- 36,810

Total attendees at in-person programs- 144

We had generous donations from our community businesses and private individuals which allowed for exceptional prizes. The participants earned tickets for the prize drawings by reading 50 pages in any book from our library.

Our adult book club started up in May of this year with ten members. We meet downstairs at the library on the second Wednesday of the month at 6:00 PM. We welcome anyone who would like to join us. During the year at times when COVID restrictions were at their highest we provided "Grab and Go" crafts for our young patrons. We had 42 crafts given out between two events.

We have begun working closely with the librarian, guidance counselors and teachers at our public school to partner programs and ideas for our children of all ages with some exciting plans in the works for the upcoming months. We have books on display at this time for the High School Reading Team. A list of recommended books was provided by the teacher who is running the program.

We have increased our new book selections this year in all areas of the library, while at the same time removing many selections that are outdated or damaged. We will continue this process in to 2022.

Our meeting rooms are utilized by many local organizations, including the Planning Board, Lion's Club, 4-H group and Girl Scouts. Call or stop in to reserve a time for your group to meet. We recently changed our hours just slightly. We are open Monday, Tuesday and Thursday from 12:00-8:00, Wednesday from 4:00-8:00, Friday from 10:00-5:00 and Saturday from 10:00-3:00.

The Randolph Library has an active Face Book page which highlights events as they are planned and gives updated information if we make changes for any reason.

We look forward to serving you in the upcoming year. We welcome any and all suggestions and ideas for things we can do to enhance our services to you.