

Library Director's Report Marianne Beck Memorial Library For the Month of October 2023

Statistics for October 2023

Digital: 179, KOHA: 2,016 **Total:** 2,195. 13,264 items in the library. Items borrowed from other libraries: 557, items loaned to other libraries: 400. There were 97 computer sessions in October. 683 patrons attended programs in October. There were 140 downloads of Ebooks and Audiobooks as well as 170 downloads through Overdrive. 10 residents received new library cards. A total of 2,555 residents visited the library in October.

The annual Statistical Report has been submitted to the County and the State. Research shows that there were 1,535.5 volunteer hours recorded at our library. At a minimum of wage of \$12 an hour; that is \$18,426 over the last fiscal year that the library saved the town.

Funds collected for October:

Copies/Fax: \$78.40 **Fines:** \$57.90 **Total:** \$136.40

Activities during the month of October:

Public Works did repairs in one of our restrooms in October. They installed a water fountain on the patio behind the library and replanted several plants that had been removed to install the fountain.

A Conversational Spanish class, being taught by a local resident, started in October. She has six patrons taking the class. As the snowbirds return, the Zumba class continues to increase in participation. In January the library will be expanding the class to twice a week. Yoga will begin twice a week starting on October 10th.

Approximately 115 to 120 residents attended the Halloween Bash this year. I would like to thank all the vendors that participated, Hannah, who designed the map and gave direction to the vendors. I would also like to thank the Mayor and Councilor Gallelli for coming and supporting the Halloween Bash by handing out candy and visiting with our residents. John Brock was a great DJ and Matthew and Morgan did a great job setting up and taking down all the tables and tents. Thanks to Jim Steele for making two candy runs for us. George Brown did a great job managing the Events committee for this event.

Respectively Submitted,

Tara Hall, Library Director