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Branch Information

AuGres Community Library

230 N. Mackinaw, P.O. Box 146
AuGres, MI 48703
Phone: 989.876.8818
2021 Circulation - 8,012

East Tawas Library

760 Newman St.
East Tawas, MI 48730
Phone: 989.362.6162
2021 Circulation - 9,925

Mary Johnston Memorial Library

114 N. Court St., P.O. Box 698
Standish, MI 48658
Phone/Fax: 989.846.6611
2021 Circulation - 11,639

Omer Little Eagles Nest Library

201 E. Center, P.O. Box 186
Omer, MI 48749
Phone: 989.653.2230
2021 Circulation - 1,854

Plainfield Township Library

220 N. Washington, P.O. Box 247
Hale, MI 48739
Phone: 989.728.4086
2021 Circulation - 3,952

Robert J. Parks Library

6010 N. Skeel Ave.
Oscoda, MI 48750
Phone/Fax: 989.739.9581
2021 Circulation - 11,482

Tawas City Library

208 North St.
Tawas City, MI 48763
Phone: 989.362.6557
2021 Circulation - 8,835

Whittemore Library

483 S. Bullock
Whittemore, MI 48770
Phone/Fax: 989.756.3186
2021 Circulation - 3,091

For current branch library hours,
visit our website at:

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Note:
The Circulation numbers
reported above include only barcoded
items circulated through our Horizon automation system.



IOSCO-ARENAC DISTRICT LIBRARY

2021 ANNUAL REPORT

In the Headlines...

- Stephanie Olson retired as District Director after 25 years of dedicated service to the District. Jennifer Donner was hired to guide our library system into the future.
- The District purchased fourteen staff and public-use computers to replace aging equipment at Headquarters and in the branches.
- A cabling project for all of the branches and Headquarters was completed. This enhanced the speed of the WiFi and greatly extended the distance from the buildings that WiFi is available. The District received an 80% discount on the cost of this project through a Universal Service Funds grant.
- Raspberry Pi mini-computers were installed at seven of the branch libraries. These are being used exclusively for online catalogs.

Over ➡

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More Headlines

- The Horizon automated on-line catalog system was upgraded to improve the staff-use experience.
- There were 56,614 virtual visits to the District's website.
- Public Internet computers were used 8,701 times and there were 57,876 logins by patrons on their own laptops/devices using District provided WiFi.
- There were over 24,228 digital books, audiobooks, magazines, music and movies checked out using Overdrive and Hoopla.
- Branch library staff issued 1,100 new borrower cards in 2021.
- District branch libraries worked at getting hours open to the public back up to pre-COVID levels.
- Headquarters staff added 9,806 new books, CD books and magazine subscriptions to the District collection, spending \$116,817.
- The District shared \$444,260 of the millage funds with local units of government to support branch library operations.
- Library staff checked out over 76,000 books, audios, videos and magazines using our automated system.

Programs for Kids...

- ✍ Although there were more live programs this year, COVID continued to have a negative impact on program attendance. There were 40 programs (live and virtual) which were enjoyed by 1,006 kids of all ages.
- ✍ The 2021 Summer Reading Club theme was "Tails and Tales". There were two virtual programs and twenty live programs. They included Wacky Science with Doug Scheer, Clark the Juggler, Cameron Zvara Comedy Entertainer and Didgeridoo Down Under (virtual).
- ✍ Thirty children signed up for the Spring Fling Reading Challenge. They earned badges for keeping track of how many minutes they read and were entered into a drawing for stuffed animals at the end of the challenge.
- ✍ The little ones loved the stories, games and crafts at the Preschool Storytimes.
- ✍ Halloween fun was popular with Joel Tacey presenting Spooktacular Magic and Mr. Dennis showing off his magic and bad jokes.
- ✍ Take-home crafts kits were made available at the branch libraries.



Juggling Stunt Show with Clark Lewis

... and Grown-ups, too!

Although the branch libraries started opening up again, most of the adult programs were again virtual programs. These programs were both educational and entertaining. A sampling of the programs included:

- ☑ Cows at the Opera House and Other Museum Mysteries
- ☑ Lonely Heart Killers
- ☑ Your Legacy in Stories
- ☑ Prisoner #4578
- ☑ JAE Investigations
- ☑ Reiki Healing
- ☑ True Crime in Michigan
- ☑ Pegasus Springs.



Cows at the Opera House and Other Museum Mysteries virtual program.

FINANCIALS

2021 REVENUE

Millage	\$ 879,797
Penal Fines	285,009
State Sources	45,049
Fines and Forfeitures	3,392
Miscellaneous Income	38,024
TOTAL REVENUES	\$ 1,251,271

2021 EXPENDITURES

Millage Revenue Sharing	\$ 444,260
Wages & Benefits	437,196
Books, Materials, Periodicals & Digital Resources	145,151
Programming	19,174
Technology	82,929
Fixed Assets	38,273
Operating Expenses	97,110
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	\$ 1,264,093

Fund Balance-Beginning of Year	\$ 1,081,328
Fund Balance-Assigned by Board	-813,579
Fund Balance-Restricted by Board	-39,047
Excess Revenue over Expenditures	-14,186
TOTAL UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE (AT YEAR END)	\$ 214,516

Libraries are more than books!

MEET OUR NEW DIRECTOR

We are pleased to announce that Jennifer Donner took over the helm as District Director on November 8, 2021.

She came to us from the University of Tulsa where she was a Special Collections Librarian. Jenn originally hails from Otisville and was very happy to return to Michigan where there are four seasons and she is closer to family and friends. She has a Masters of Library & Information Studies degree, a Masters of Art in Educational Leadership degree and is certified with the State of Michigan. Jenn lives with her husband Michael and three cats Lilly, Melody and Hercules.

