

Library Report

The monthly coffee meet-and-greet group met November 13th. The next meet up will be December 8th. Storytime, presented every other Tuesday evening by Mr. Lambdin has been well attended.

Twenty-eight new items were added to the shelves in October, including seven children's books, six large print books, and one new children's board game.

Christmas and winter-themed books have been brought up and displayed. A collection of bird-watching books is also on display.

Julie attended a workshop on the cricut machine (a laminate cutting machine used for crafting) at the Hastings Library. An older cricut machine was donated to the library. Plans are underway to apply for a grant for a newer model that supports the current on-line programming system.

A weekly newsletter is being delivered to almost 100 patron's email addresses and posted on our library Facebook page. Newly acquired books are featured, as well as a review of some of the services and resources provided by the library.

A poster has been delivered to the State Bank of Scotia and is displayed in the lobby. The poster, featuring many photos of our community's children from this summer, thanks the bank for it's financial gift last Christmas that was used to fund summer programming.

Overdrive has been renewed for another year at a cost of \$500. In the past year, our patrons used the service to check out 1,541 books and magazines (up from 978 the year before)! That's almost 130 audio and e-books/magazines per month (up from just 81 per month the previous year). The patrons who enjoy the Libby/Overdrive app rave about it and are our ambassadors for the service, encouraging friends to add the app to their phones, sharing favorite titles, and helping them learn how to navigate the app. The school also encourages their students and families to use the service. We are very grateful to be able to make this available to our community!