The LIBRARY
Destination for Discovery
Warsaw Community Public Library
Director’s Welcome!

Please enjoy reading this Warsaw Community Public Library 2018 Annual Report.

In 2018, effort continued to meet 2016-2020 Strategic Library Plan “patron” identified priorities: the development of library access, resources, and spaces. The library replaced worn carpet in Children’s Services, moved the Teen Space, enhanced physical and e-collections, offered new programs by collaborating with WorkOne, and gained a “Bike Share” station on its parking lot (see below).

On behalf of the library board, I extend warm thanks to devoted library staff, library volunteers, and Friends of the Library for making this year so notable. Thank you for your ongoing support.

Ann M. Zydek
Library Director

May 15, 2018: Kosciusko Chamber of Commerce ribbon cutting ceremony for the “Bike Share” station on the library’s parking lot at High and Center Streets. Zimmer Biomet Bike Share program with stations provided by Zagster. The library hopes this partnership enhances the quality of life in our community.
Library Mission

MISSION

♦ To provide cultural, informational, and recreational services for all
♦ To build a basic collection of print and non-print materials with access to lesser used materials through library networks
♦ To provide services, that promote lifelong education, communication of ideas, enlightened citizenship and enrichment of personal lives.

New in 2018

**Children’s Department**

♦ New carpet on picture book side of the room
♦ Easy Reader Biographies
♦ All children’s material are now 21 day loans

**Adult Department**

♦ New teen alcove
♦ Niche Academy video tutorials available — how to use many of new eResources
♦ Began partnering with WorkOne offering job skills/computer classes at WCPL
Program Highlights

Programming for Adults

Gaming Programs—Our gaming programs such as the Drop In Zones and the Smash Bros Tournament is rising in popularity. These programs offer a lot of entertainment to teens and adults alike, giving them a stimulating challenge.

David Kolbe Programs—David Kolbe presented a variety of programs throughout 2018. He always brings in a great crowd and presents intriguing topics.

WW2 Program- Matt Pylant presented a World War II presentation and had a variety of authentic artifacts on display.

BINGO—In 2018 we started playing BINGO at the Library. This event is very successful and brings a lot of repeat patrons.

Programming for Teens

Guitar Basics - Local award-winning musician Douglas Haines taught teens basic guitar playing skills. Students learned how to tune a guitar, some basic chords, strumming, and more. Each participant left with a free guitar help manual written by the instructor. This class was offered twice during Summer Reading and was full both times!

Learn to Do Magic Like a Rock-Star - Professional magician, Jeff Wawrzasesek taught students how to perform several simple magic tricks, including card tricks and the "dancing flea circus". All students left the class with 4 free magic tricks to perform and amaze their friends and family!

4th Annual Smash Bros. Tournament - With the help of volunteer Shawn Konkle, the 2018 Smash Bros. Tournament was a big success! There was a great turnout of both teen participants and spectators of all ages. There were even a couple of teens from outside the county who traveled here just to compete! It was an exciting day for all involved!
Programming for Children

Story time—We offer in-house story times 3 days a week. Mondays focus on baby lap-sit, Tuesdays are geared toward toddlers with finger play and songs, and Wednesdays are for preschool age children with a craft afterwards. We also try to weave a theme throughout the story. This year, Duane Herendeen, started using the ABCs as his theme for preschool story times. Parents have commented how their children will point out the letter throughout the week such as oranges at the grocery store or pepperoni pizza for dinner. We are continuing to see new faces and larger numbers each week.

Santa Day—This continues to be an amazing holiday event that brings in many people we do not see on a regular basis. Santa and Mrs. Claus did an amazing job this year and helped keep the line moving while also speaking to each child individually. Meijer was very kind and donated cookies for the children and the Friends of the Library prepared goody bags and funded the program.

Grandparent’s Day LEGO @ Warsaw Christian—LEGO Club at the library continues to be a popular monthly event, but Grandparent’s Day at Warsaw Christian School gives us the opportunity to take the show on the road. While the children and adults are connecting with each other, Duane Herendeen is able to talk to potential patrons about all the resources we offer at the library.
Library Donors

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- Maximilian & Kate Maile
- Bertsch Family Charitable Foundation
- Kroger Community Rewards

3D Jelly Box Printer donated by the Friends of the Library
Community Partners

- ACRES Land Trust
- Applebee’s
- Back to the Days of Kosciusko Organization
- Bertsch Foundation
- Blosser’s Photo Design Center
- Bowling Alley
- Cancer Services of Northeast Indiana
- Culver’s
- Dupont & Associates
- Eastlake Skate Center
- Edgewood Middle School
- Fort Wayne TinCaps
- Francine’s Friends.
- Grace College Geology Department
- Havrilla & Nolin, LLC
- Indiana Association of Home Educators
- Indiana Public Retirement System
- Kosciusko Community YMCA
- Kosciusko County Chamber of Commerce
- Kosciusko County Purdue Extension
- Lakeview Middle School
- McDonald’s
- Meijer
- North Pointe Cinemas
- Penguin Point
- Pizza Hut
- Ritter’s
- Ruby Tuesday
- Subway
- The Igloo
- Wagon Wheel Center for the Arts
- Walmart
- Warsaw Astronomical Society
- Warsaw Christian School
- Warsaw Parks Department
- WorkOne

Telescope donated by the Warsaw Astronomical Society
Library Scenes
SUMMER & WINTER READING PROGRAM 2018!

791 Winter Participants
819,726 pages read by 247 adults & teens
309 Bingos completed by 544 children

1,999 Summer Participants
1,562,158 pages read by adults
784,516 pages read & 1,753.3 hours by teens
117,878.7 hours read by children

WARSAW COMMUNITY PUBLIC LIBRARY
# Revenues/Expenditures

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Stay Home and Read Books
Board of Trustees

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Front row (left to right): Barbara Beck, Jill Beehler, Christopher Merrill
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