

Forest Lodge Library
Report to Towns
9/8/2020

- This month we have not much that's new to report! We hope that some of you enjoyed the Library Selection at one of the participating local eateries in August. While we can't say that our "game" honoring our 95th Anniversary received much attention, I also appreciate the commentary of one restaurateur who said, "It wasn't a bad idea, it was just a bad time for it." So true! I know a number of people who are not eating anything that didn't come from their own kitchen. Perhaps we'll try it again next summer when we hopefully have more success celebrating 95 + 1!!! We are thankful for restaurant participation and we will still be purchasing gift certificates from them. We'll likely do another run of the Confined By Corona Quiz Contest as we get to cooler months and folks are spending more time inside again.
- We are looking at some possible virtual programming efforts this fall. On the one hand, people might be "burned out" on virtual meetings. On the other hand, with summer's passing, they might, once again, be looking for something to do! Always interested in learning about subjects people might want to hear about!
- Through our library system we received a Unifi Wireless Mesh Access Point, or, as I call it, a gizmo, that extends the reach of our wireless signal. I believe it works, as I was just told today that our signal is stronger at the Brickhouse than is their own. These were purchased for all Northern Waters libraries using LSTA funds (Library Science Technology Act) distributed as part of a Connectivity grant.
- We plan to continue with our current scheduling, offering open hours each day, with "closed but here" hours on either side of that to allow staff time to catch up on other library responsibilities. We continue to offer curbside pick-up outside of open hours. We are also happy to open during otherwise closed hours, by appointment, for seniors or at risk individuals. They need only call us at 715-798-3189 or email us at cablelibrary@cable.wislib.org.
- We do try to keep our website updated, including resources to educate and entertain during this pandemic season. Visit us at www.forestlodgelibrary.org when you can't visit us in person!