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VANDYK MORTGAGE RAISES OVER \$100,000 FOR ARBOR CIRCLE

GRAND RAPIDS, MI – VanDyk Mortgage celebrates over \$100,000 in funds raised over the course of nine years through their annual Golf N Give event in support of Arbor Circle. These funds have helped Arbor Circle address the ongoing need for mental health, substance use, and family services in West Michigan. By emphasizing and forming strong, therapeutic relationships with clients and families, Arbor Circle lays the foundation for successful outcomes

and essential progress. VanDyk Mortgage shares Arbor Circle’s ongoing commitment to the West Michigan community, and is grateful to all the Golf N Give participants over the last nine years in helping achieve this important milestone. “VanDyk Mortgage has been a proud part of the Grand Rapids community for over 36 years, offering mortgage solutions and pathways to homeownership. Our partnership with Arbor Circle at the Golf N Give Event gave us the opportunity to give back while supporting an amazing non-profit organization that does so much for the local community,” said Joe Dishinger, Vice President – Sales Management of VanDyk Mortgage Corporation.

Fruitport District Library Homebound Service

submitted by Matt Lubbers-Moore, FDL Director
The Fruitport District Library and the Friends of the Fruitport District Library are now offering Homebound Service in which library materials can be delivered to Fruitport Township residents who are homebound.

ELIGIBILITY
Homebound service will be provided to residents of Fruitport Township who are not able to come to the library. “Homebound” is defined as being generally confined to the residence either temporarily, due to an illness, accident, or permanently, due to age, disability, or other mobility problems.

REQUIREMENTS TO JOIN:
-Library card
-Fruitport township resident
-Homebound due to injury, illness, disability, low-vision, senior with non-driving status

SCHEDULE
-Once a month, typically the third Thursday of the month
-Every item needs to be returned unless a renewal has been requested by phone
-A reminder call will be made by the route driver the day before
-Note: pre-contact with the patron is not needed for delivery.

-If a patron cannot participate for the month they are responsible for calling the library to cancel delivery/pick up
-A flyer/slip will be in the dropped-off bags listing the next delivery date

REQUESTING MATERIALS
-Patrons will request specific books by phone prior to the delivery day by contacting the library through email or by phone
-A few days before is preferred
-Types of items available to request:
-books, audiobooks, movies
Please contact the library at (231) 366-6107 or director@fruitportlibrary.org for more information.

Fruitport District Library Children’s Programming

by Matt Lubbers-Moore, FDL Director
We are very excited about our winter kid’s programming! Every Friday at 11 we host Storytime. So join Miss Lesa for stories, songs, and crafts!! Storytime offers many valuable learning experiences for the little ones. These skills can help toddlers get ready to start school but they can also be good for lifelong learning! Skills learned include sitting still, examining behaviors in a social context, using inside voices, learning listening skills, be introduced to new words to improve vocabulary, finding new authors, and of course becoming a lifelong reader.

In relation to Storytime, we also have 1,000 Books Before Kindergarten, which helps parents get their toddlers ready to start school by reading 1,000 books before their child goes to Kindergarten! For every 100 books read your child gets a prize! Stop into the library to get signed up!

We also have movie nights throughout fall and winter! On November 9th we have ET, December 7th we have Muppet Christmas Carol, and January 11th we will be showing Honey, I Shrunk the Kids!! Movies start at 6pm and we provide pizza, beverages, and popcorn!

We even have a special Movies and Pajamas program especially for the week between Christmas and New Years! Come see Frozen on December 27th at 11am! No need to change out of their pajamas to enjoy the movie and hot chocolate!!

Every Monday Miss Lesa creates Take-n-Makes for kid’s to stop in and grab to work on at home. These are put out on Monday mornings and are first come first served. Once gone they’re gone. And during the holiday break the Fruitport District Library will be providing fun crafts for kids to stop in and work on in our community room! Check out our social media to learn more!

Our most exciting event is Storytime with Santa! On December 22 at 11am Miss Lesa and Santa Claus will be reading stories, singing songs, and passing out candy canes!!