



### **New content on Library website – everyone needs this**

Library Director Pamela Williams and her staff have been working behind the scenes at the library despite the closing. One of the results that I hope you take a look at is the re-tooled information available on the library's website at [www.wicksonlibrary.org](http://www.wicksonlibrary.org). Here's information about that and a bit more.

First, the library has also found it necessary to **no longer check out paper resources** or other resources besides electronic. Although the original hope was that this would work, libraries in this state and others have established protocols during this national emergency. But that doesn't mean we have nothing for you.

The entire library home page is devoted to resources we do have for you. You do need to be able to access those electronically. If you call us, we can perhaps walk you through issues you might encounter if you're not a regular user of electronic resources. Our number is (989) 652-8323. Call M-F from 10:00 – 2:30 (we go home at 3:00 so if you need some help, you would need to call a bit earlier please).

**Parents (and teachers) will appreciate the expanded Tumblebooks resources**, provided by the company free to everyone. You don't need a library card to download Tumblebooks at the moment. On the home page, scroll down and you'll find links to **Tumble Book Library and Tumble Math**. Tumble Math is a new resource for us teaching math through stories for grades K-6. The Tumble Book Library is a continuing resource devoted to all kinds of reading that kids in those younger years will enjoy. Download and read. Many come with music and video to enhance the experience.

**Teen Book Cloud** gives access to teen reading above the age level for Tumble Books.

Those of us who love audiobooks have many choices, too. See the link on our site to **Audiobook Cloud**. You are able to download any books on this site and listen to them on whatever device you downloaded it with – computer, phone, or tablet. (And this is the perfect place to let you know that coming **April 1 is a fabulous new resource for audiobook fans – unlimited audiobooks through RB Digital**, where we get our magazines on line.)

You'll also see that **the library now has blog postings**. You can't miss the big link on our homepage to the blog. Right now, there are posts about downloading the Libby App so we can checkout and read e-books from anywhere, a personal favorite of mine. Detailed instructions are part of the post.

Those who miss playing Mah Jongg face to face can play with each other, strangers, or robots on-line. There's a blog entry for that and another asking for your ideas of things to do during this time of social distancing. **We hope for your contributions.**

Even beyond that, the scroll at the top of our website's homepage links everyone to many resources especially useful now. We have links to the City of Frankenmuth's site keeping us abreast of news about the emerging situation as well as the link of the Chamber of Commerce, Saginaw County Health Department, Center for Disease Control, and information on how to file for unemployment, as well as one about how to stay safe and well.

Of course, our usual links for **magazines and music** are still there.

We may not see you in person right now, but we hope to see you all using our readily available resources for information, news, and entertainment. **Stay well, Frankenmuth. We are all in this together.**