March 2021 Director's Report:

2021 Friends Membership Drive Report

 59 memberships have come in so far totaling \$1,830, and 11 have been submitted online

Library Programming / Events:

- Completed
 - o Zoom Knitting Group (weekly) with Tena
 - Zoom D&D with Riley (weekly)
 - Zoom Book Club with Beth (monthly): 3 people attended
 - Virtual Tinker @ Home (monthly for grades K6): Knots (0 attended / 20 kits distributed)
 - Virtual Storytime (monthly): 0 attended / 20 kits distributed
 - Maker Monday DIY Coasters: all 13 kits were picked up / 4 attended via Zoom
- Upcoming
 - Maker Mondays (monthly)
 - In March our craft will be Mini Woven Wall-Hangings which we will offer via take-home kits and a live virtual craft-along on the 15th.
 - Virtual Tinker @ Home
 - A Zoom / take-home kit version of our former Tinker Tuesday after school sessions features a Toilet Paper Solar System on Thursday the 11th at 5pm.
 - Virtual Storytime
 - A Dreamers-themed Zoom event will be held on Thursday, March 18 at 5:00 pm geared towards students in grades K-2. Kits are available now on a first-come / first-serve basis.

Other News

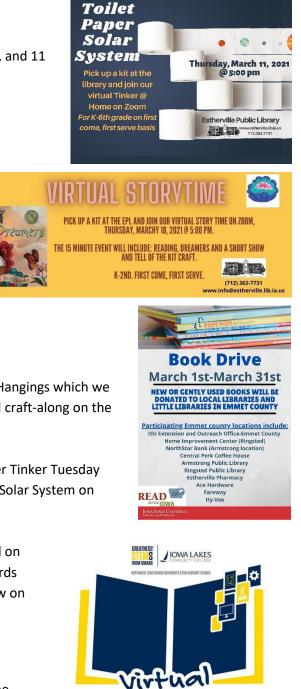
NW Iowa STEM's Virtual Library Festival

 In April Miss Paula will serve as a guest reader and the EPL will serve as a distribution site for STEM kits for this event organized by NW Iowa STEM. Children in grades K-

4 can register by March 15th to take part in this event that happens during National Library Week in April.

ISU Extension Read Across America:

 Our local Extension office is organizing a book drive throughout the month of March for all area libraries as part of Read Across America. Local businesses will have containers for donations, and the Extension staff will distribute these to libraries. We are willing to accept just children's materials for our Little Free Libraries, and hope that will direct more resources to the smaller libraries in our county that need them most.



NATIONAL LIBRARY WEEK

STEM Challenge Festival