July 2021 Director's Report:

## Friends Membership Drive Report

- **So far, the 2021 Membership Drive has brought in:**
  - 113 total members
  - $3,945.00 total income
  - 14 have used the online payment method

## Library Programming / Events:

- As follows are some programs we've been able to hold under the current circumstances, and those we have planned as upcoming events:
  - **Summer Reading Program**
    - This year no registration was required for any age group, and we've offered prizes based on circulation.  It's gone smoothly and people seem to appreciate all of the kits that have been handed out for the children and teens.  There's been a higher rate of pick-up of kits this year than last year.
  - **Online Knit & Crochet Group (continual)**
    - We continue to host weekly Zoom or outdoor meetings, hosted by Tena.
  - **Dungeons & Dragons (continual)**
    - Both groups of D&D participants have had better attendance since moving this program online, hosted by Riley.
  - **Book Club (continual)**
    - Beginning with the May 2020 session, our book club has been meeting online.  There are fewer participants for this program when meeting this way, hosted by Beth.
  - **Story Times**
    - Beginning July 23rd through Mid-August, Paula is bringing back outdoor story times on the square.

## Grant Updates:

  - Williamson
    - Paint Project (phase 1) = complete
    - Imagination Library
      - As of the date of this report we had 89 children enrolled throughout Emmet County.
- Trinity Lutheran grant from the Eleine Berghefer Endowment
  - We were approved for $1,528 for 4 kits which will be distributed to 50 families, each, during the month of July.
- Hot Spot Sponsorship Request
  - In June, we sent out letters to the chamber member list requesting sponsorship of up to 5 hotspot devices
- Anonymous
  - Our anonymous donation of $37,000 is available to begin next steps on the Community Room project.



**FAMILY KITS @ THE ESTHERVILLE PUBLIC LIBRARY**
July 2021

- Free weekly family kits available on a first come, first serve basis. One weekly kit per family.
  - July 6--DIY Cork Boat
  - July 12--Dinosaur Habitat
  - July 19--Thumbprint Art
  - July 26--Sticker Mosaic
- Pick up in the EPL Children's Dept. or curbside delivery.
- Kits are sponsored by the Elaine Berghefer Mission and Ministry Endowment Fund at Trinity Lutheran Church.

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**STORYTIME!**

| DATES | July 23 |
| | July 30 |
| | August 6 |
| | August 13 |
| TIME | 10:30 am |
| PLACE | Outside (East side of the EPL) |

Join EPL for an in-person Storytime. Bring your blanket and join us for stories and an activity outdoors. Storytime is cancelled in inclement weather.

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Estherville Public Library
Book Club
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Thursday, July 1, 2021
12:00 pm in Community Room
& Zoom (*contact library for the link*)

**Discuss:** *The Book of Longings*
By Sue Monk Kidd

**Hand out:** *Fire on the Mountain*
By John Maclean
*Copies are available from the library.*