

August 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:
 - **Online Knit & Crochet Group (continual)**
 - We continue to host weekly Zoom meetings, sometimes also outdoors, hosted by Tena.
 - **Dungeons & Dragons (final sessions)**
 - Both groups of D&D have been discontinued mid-July after Riley's last day.
 - **Book Club (continual)**
 - This is now also offered as a hybrid program, hosted via zoom and in-person, by Beth.
 - **Outdoor Story Times**
 - Paula has planned outdoor story time events for mid-July through mid-August. Join us out on Library Square for Stories and fun activities!
 - Family Kits sponsored by a grant from Trinity Lutheran
 - **We have been distributing kits to families** throughout July. There was a new kit each week, 50 of each one was offered, and they were very well-received!
 - Regular programs continue & you can look for news of Fall programs soon!

Other Updates:

- Imagination Library
 - As of the date of this report, we have 105 children registered from all over Emmet County.
- HVAC Project cement pad placement
 - Everyone seems to be in agreement about the placement of the 15'x15' cement pad, and the Parks Board will meet on August 9th to discuss moving the bell and replacing its base. After they approve moving the bell I'll find out how quickly that can happen so that we can get our cement work scheduled.
 - On a related note, we lost one of our compressors this month during the heat wave. We knew this was coming, hence the long-planned-for replacement project. Swift Air technicians came quickly and added refrigerant to the remaining unit, making it as efficient as possible to get us by until we can put the replacement system in place.
- Sewer line repair / replacement
 - The City has agreed to fund and make arrangements for the replacement of our deteriorated lines, which is estimated to cost \$20,000.
- Hiring for open part time position
 - The open position has been advertised in the newspaper and online. Four packets were picked up on site and one was emailed. Two applications were returned. A candidate was selected and now we wait for the background check, drug test, and physical to be completed.

