

September 2021 Director's Report:

Friends Membership Drive Report

- **So far, the 2021 Membership Drive has brought in:**
 - 114 total members
 - \$3,965.00 total income
 - 14 have used the online payment method

Imagination Library

- 115 children are currently enrolled

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 / Community room hybrid meetings, hosted by Tena.
 - **Book Club (continual)**
 - Our book club now hosts a monthly hybrid meeting, where participants can choose Zoom or our Community Room, hosted by Beth.
 - **Maker Mondays are back!**
 - September 27th is a Zoom presentation by Jackie Mart featuring DIY soaps and scrubs
 - October 4th is an upcycled garden tool décor session with Shawna Brosh
 - Both still have room if you'd like to join us!
 - **Story Times**
 - Beginning mid-September, Paula has brought back indoor story times in the community room (capacity 15)
 - **Tinker Tuesday**
 - Starting September 14th, we've resumed our monthly after school STEM activities lead by Beth and Paula. Our first attempt brought us exactly to capacity, including staff members in the room.
 - **Lego League** will resume this fall, this time in the Community Room once a month.
 - **Pippa White's program (in partnership with the Museum) will be postponed yet again** due to her choice not to travel during the current Covid surge. We can try again in the spring. We did succeed in gaining permission to use the Little Theatre at the high school, so we can check availability there when we have a new date.

Grant Updates:

- Williamson
 - Paint Project (phase 1) = complete
 - Imagination Library (continual)
- Trinity Lutheran grant from the Elaine Berghefer Endowment
 - Complete: We were approved for \$1,528 for 4 kits which were distributed to 50 families, each, during the month of July.
- Hot Spot Sponsorship Request
 - Estherville Aviation funded one hot spot in full, and that has been added to our collection for circulation. We have \$350 (out of \$800) towards the next unit.
- Anonymous
 - Our anonymous donation of \$37,000 is available to begin next steps on the Community Room project. I had reached out to our architect's firm only to find out that our contact had passed away. They will assign us a new contact and we will start over.