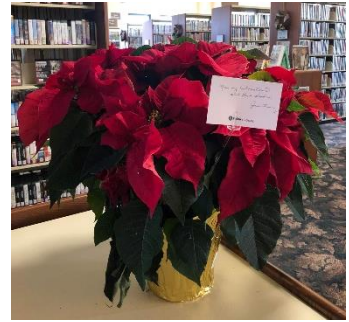


December 2021 Director's Report:

### Friends Membership Drive Report

- **So far, the 2021 Membership Drive has brought in:**
  - 115 total members
  - \$3,970.00 total income
  - 14 have used the online payment method



### Library Programming / Events:

- As follows are some programs we've been able to hold, and those we have planned as upcoming events:
  - **Friends of the EPL Silent Auction:** This year's auction has brought in a total of \$2,293.01
  - **Maker Monday**
    - November's event featured a Fall Leaf Table Runner with Rosemarie and Tena. We had 1 attending from home in addition to those in the room.
  - **Clifford Trivia Week** was a hit in the children's department this month. Several answered the questions for a chance to win movie gift certificates.
  - **Chocolate Walk** approximately 60 people came for chocolate alone (coming only as far as the entry).
  - **Outreach**
    - Paula is back to visiting Early Headstart, Guardian Angels, and Headstart classrooms, for a total of 6 outreach visits this month.
  - **Online Knit & Crochet Group (continual)**
    - We continue to host weekly Zoom meetings, sometimes also outdoors or in the community room, hosted by Tena.
  - **Book Club (continual)**
    - This is now also offered as a hybrid program, hosted via zoom and in-person, by Beth.
  - **Story Times**
    - Paula has offered story time events in the Community Room since mid-September.
  - **Family Kits** have been offered in November and continue in December utilizing program funds through the Friends that we were unable to spend on special events.
  - Regular programs continue & you can look for news of winter programs soon!

### Other Updates:

- **Imagination Library**
  - As of the date of this report, we have 128 children registered from all over Emmet County. (The number fluctuates as some are added and some "graduate" each month.)
- **HVAC Project**
  - It appears likely that we will wait to make the switch to the new system until spring. Until then, technicians may do as much work as they can leading up to it (setting the outside unit / removing the rooftop unit, and any other preparations possible).
- **Sewer line repair / replacement**
  - Jeff Kautz of our Wastewater Department has arranged for a bid from a company that provides a lining for pipes such as ours. They were able to do an evaluation this month to determine that our project is viable for this service, and the Finance Committee will determine whether we can move ahead. This service could be done at any time of the year. There are two materials that can be used to line the pipe...one cured with hot water or steam, and the other cured with UV light. There is less down time with the light curing. Cost for materials is \$150 per foot with 50-60 linear feet to the main...this does not include labor, etc., but should be less costly than replacing the line.