

June 2022 Director's Report:

Friends Membership Drive Report

- **So far, the 2022 Membership Drive has brought in:**
 - 107 total members
 - \$3,630.00 total income
 - 13 have used the online payment method

Library Programming / Events:

- **Outreach**
 - Paula's outreach groups are wrapping up for the season just in time for the Summer Library Program.
- **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 Children's Department since mid-September.

Other Updates:

- **Imagination Library**
 - As of the date of this report, we have 158 children registered from all over Emmet County. (The number fluctuates as some are added and some "graduate" each month.)
- **Board Terms**
 - Both Lili Jensen and Alan Morphew's terms were up for renewal as of July 1, 2022. Both have agreed to serve another term. Please join me in thanking them for their continued service!

2022 Summer Library Program
Read Beyond The Beaten Path

June 1-29, 2022

Postcards From Camp
June 6 @ 9:30 am
Part of the fun of Camp is sending and receiving mail. This take-home kit for kids age 5 and up, provides the supplies needed to write snail mail about their summer reading adventure.

Parler Bead Craft
June 15 @ 9:30 am-6:00 pm
Children's Dept.
Come to the library to design and make your own parler bead craft which you can then take home.

Edible Scat
June 20 @ 9:30 am
Be a scientist and learn about types and shapes of animal scat with this edible take-home kit for kids ages 5 and up.

Japanese Mask
June 9 @ 5:30 pm Upper Level
Bring the whole family and join Tansu Sotelo from the Japan America Society of Iowa to learn about Japanese traditional and Anime masks in culture and theater.

Star Party
June 21 @ 6:00-11:00 pm @ Emmet County Nature Center
2303 150th Ave, Waukegan
In collaboration with ECCB and EPL, youth and their families are invited to a night of star-busting, fire viewing, animals at night, star viewing, and stories.
Don't miss June 28!

Storytimes
10:30 am in Community Room
June 3: Camping
June 10: Hiking
June 17: Animal Tracks
June 24: Nocturnal Animals

Ashley Reed, Naturalist
fun for the whole family
June 2 @ 5:30 pm @ Ft. Defiance Interpretive Trail - 3661 17th St
June 9 @ 5:30 pm @ Emmet County Nature Center - 2303 150th Ave, Waukegan
June 16 @ 5:30 pm @ Insect Identification

Color Party Finale
June 29 @ 5:30 pm in Library Square
Wear clothes that can get dirty and have your family join us for straw painting, color powder games, hopscotch, and sidewalk chalk!

Children 0-5 years old will have weekly prizes to pick up on Mondays @ 9:30 am until gone. Prizes include: a bilingual book, miniature flash cards, sensory sand, and a shape puzzle.

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SUMMER LIBRARY PROGRAM
For Grown-Ups!
June 1 - 30

3 GREAT PRIZES
One chance per checkout

Every item checked out from the main floor = 1 chance to win

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Estherville Books
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Estherville, IA 52544
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- Inquiry regarding **insurance for the meteorite**. Mike Karels tells Beth Burton that we have \$100,000 off-premise insurance and also business personal professional property insurance (not sure how much) as a city. Depending on what the meteorite is worth, it may cost an exorbitant amount to insure it, and they are under the impression it's not replaceable (could we purchase a slice from the university if ours was destroyed?). Another question is who should insure it? The library/city or chamber, since they own it?
- The **2022-2023 Library Budget** has been finalized and released, and is in your packets for your review.
- **Duct Cleaning** was part of our approved budget for 2019-2020, but was not completed due to Covid. Upon inquiring as to whether that project could be moved to the current fiscal year, I was instructed to bring updated competitive bids for the Finance Committee to review on June 2nd. I was able to find two contractors to bid on commercial duct cleaning and had that to the city a week ahead of the deadline. I'll keep you posted as to what I find out.
- **LED Lighting** updates are part of our capital budget for this year. I was able to complete a walk-through with Kraig Kilgore and determine what more we will need to finish the project. Items were ordered via Inman Electric and some have come in. This bill is part of our list for this month.
- **Group Study Room**. Approximately a year ago we had planned to have Burrell Painting fix the peeling original tin tile ceiling in the Group Study Room. This was pushed to the back burner until this month when they were able to complete the job, and paint the walls of that room the new color while they were in the process. It is a great improvement, and you're welcome to view it any time we are open.

