

July 2022 Director's Report:

### **Friends Membership Drive Report**

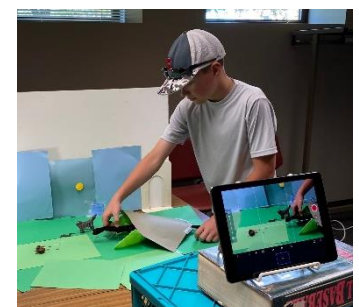
- **So far, the 2022 Membership Drive has brought in:**
  - 109 total members
  - \$3,670.00 total income
  - 13 have used the online payment method

### **Library Programming / Events:**

- **Summer Library Program**
  - Paula's programs for birth – 4<sup>th</sup> grade have included special events both at the library and off-site, partnerships with the Nature Center and ISU Extension, a special guest offering a Japanese Mask program, make-and-take crafts, prizes, and a Color Party finale that was very well received
  - Beth's programs for 5<sup>th</sup> grade and up have included 8 sessions of hands-on animation-related programming
  - Tena arranged for a drawing for 3 prizes for adults (or anyone checking out materials from the main floor), and coordinated a giveaway of Dixie Willson's Honey Bear with Roy Gage who donated the materials
- **Movie Club**
  - Mark is back hosting our monthly Movie Club once again.
- **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 and sometimes outdoors

### **Other Updates:**

- **Imagination Library**
  - As of the date of this report, we have 164 children registered from all over Emmet County. (The number fluctuates as some are added and some "graduate" each month.)



- **HVAC project update**

- Air conditioning was functional again as of June 13<sup>th</sup> (just in time for the heat advisory). We have since had the heat restored and settings have been monitored almost daily to make sure all of the components are working together properly. The new system doesn't seem to need to work nearly as hard to be effective, so I'm looking forward to hopefully seeing some energy savings in the coming months as the reports come through.
- The piece that has yet to be addressed is the humidifier. That unit has not been added on to the air handler, yet, as the configuration has proven problematic. It doesn't allow for clearance needed and will either have to be reconfigured or a different style will be ordered. Thankfully we don't need that until we reach consistently colder weather, so we have some time to get that part figured out.



- **Wooden chairs**

- Kevin Wegner has completed the chair updates and that style is now finished after several years of work toward that goal.



- **Internet and phone provider change**

- On the 22<sup>nd</sup> we moved our services to Estherville Communications with the assistance of Phil Schilling from GCS Tech.

- **Fencing for ground level HVAC equipment**

- After conferring with Swift Air techs regarding access and clearance around the unit, I contacted Dave Spoo to measure and prepare a bid for budgeting purposes so that we can begin the process of gaining fencing for the unit.

