January 2023 Director's Report:

2023 Friends Membership Drive Report

So far, the 2023 Membership Drive has brought in:

- o 16 total members
- o \$575.00 total income
- 3 have used the online payment method



January Newsletter

• The mailed version went out last week and the emailed went out on January 4th. Let Tena know if you did not get it one way or the other!

Library Programming / Events:

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 hosted in-person, by Beth.

Tinker Tuesdays

• These continue once a month with Beth and Paula hosting after school.

Story Times

Paula and Beth have offered story time events in the Children's Department

Outreach

Paula has resumed outreach visits to the Headstart & Early Headstart classes.

Maker Monday

 November and December offered a variety of take-home kits. January will be a crossstitch theme arranged for by Rosemarie.

o Holiday Story Walk

 An estimated 100 people enjoyed the mid-November to mid-December Downtown Story Walk Paula had arranged.

Gingerbread Painting Kit

 Paula had arranged for 20 kits to be distributed via the Children's Department in mid-December and they were quite popular with supplies depleted almost immediately.

TubaChristmas

• The library hosted 95 people including musicians and onlookers for the annual concert early in December.

Upcoming:

• We've received another grant from Early Childhood North Central Iowa to put together new literacy kits for families in the coming months, so be on the lookout for their release.