

Monthly Report

for

November 2022

The Collection committee met and 24 items were ordered for November. The October order has been processed and are now in the system. Our next collection meeting is set for December 13, 2022.

Directors Report

We had 716 patrons during November. Of those patrons, 20 used the computers, and 16 meetings/events were held with 361 people. Two hundred fifty-five people used the wireless. Seven new library cards were issued. Items from Lake Pleasant to other Libraries totaled 168. Items transferred from MVLS/SALS to us totaled 92. Five hundred and twelve items were checked out and circulated 565 times.

My final report for the SALS Grant Challenge has been submitted and accepted. The new grant has opened, and the deadline to submit it is April 4.

I called and talked to John Foley and CL Smith about a stone pathway across the grass. John cannot take on this job; CL Smith said he'd send us a quote. I left a message for Al Johnson, Vogel's Construction, and Charlie Orr, Pro Care and haven't heard from either.

The Holiday Stroll had quite a turnout here; we had 506 people come through our doors and sold \$315 in gift card tickets, one library bag, and one donation of \$2.00. Our total for the gift card tickets is \$2,204.26.

AmazonSmile donations are sent to our bank account without notice to the Treasurer's Office. Josh Weaver has expanded the donation line in a monthly report so Nancy will have an itemized list of donations we receive from them.

As a part of AmazonPrime, Synchrony Bank has provided the billing, and beginning on January 10, 2023; they will no longer provide this service. Amazon Business is offering a pay-by-invoice service. The cost is \$69 a year, allowing us to get free shipping on Prime items. In the last 11 months, our shipping without Prime would have been \$406. I have notified Supervisor Betsy Bain of the possible changes.

The furniture for the children's room has been received, eight chairs, two bean bag chairs, an easel, and a 6' x 9' rug. The rug arrived damaged, and a replacement should be received sometime this week. The damaged rug will be sent back once we receive the return label.

Teacher Amy Germain's second grade came to visit recently. I had Tanisha Hinds create a bookmark project for the class. Those students who didn't have a library card were issued one.

Amy Germain plans on bringing her class back to the library, shooting for once a month. Thank you to Board Member Donna Benkovich for the bookmark project idea.

I will be running the Public Notice of Open Meetings in the last edition of the month in the Hamilton County Express.

Thank you notes have been sent to those who helped us with the Adopt-A-Highway cleanup.

Respectfully submitted,

Sherry Matthews