

Leland Township Public Library

Director's Report November 2024

ACTIVITY and COLLECTIONS: Attached

PROGRAMS:

Nov. 1, Storytime (33)
Nov. 8, Storytime (34)
Nov. 15, Storytime (44)
Nov. 21, Book Club (17)
Nov. 22, Storytime (31)
Nov. 23, Wreath Making (34)
Nov. 24, Wreath Making (34)
Dec. 6 Storytime

PROGRAMS

Storytime continues to draw more and more participants due largely to the outstanding quality of the program. We had over 60 participants for our annual wreath making workshop. We received \$270 in cash donations.

FRIENDS

The call for pledges have gone out and many of the checks we are receiving are from DAF's made out to the Friends. I am coordinating with Sue Olenzak to get them deposited to the separate capital campaign account the Friends have at the bank. We are also working out a similar arrangement for any donations that may come in for the seawall that require a 501(c)3.

BUILDING & GROUNDS

I am working with Borealis Homes to get an estimate for grounds keeping services for the Library property. This will include snow removal, grass mowing, and spring and fall cleanups.

TECHNOLOGY

We have added a room reservation function to our Integrated Library System (ILS). This allows us to schedule the Munnecke Room and get away from the paper calendar we use for reservations. This is a big benefit for recurring meetings and editing events. Individuals with library cards can log into their account through our online catalog and view the calendar. They can also request to reserve times but that is approved by staff. Our hope is this will reduce scheduling conflicts and save staff time. It will also be available for scheduling as we add a study room and conference room.

BUDGET INFORMATION

Financial Reports for November 2024 are attached with this report. With 67% of the fiscal year elapsed we have spent 66% of the budget.

MISCELLANEOUS:

I attended a Cultural Campus meeting on the 25th with the directors of the various organizations. This will now be a monthly meeting as we all have several things going on that affect each other and we want to make sure everything is being communicated regularly.

We have engaged the author Nita Prose to be our guest for Leelanau Reads in May. She has a new book coming out in April and is very popular with our patrons, as well as the other Leelanau County library patrons. The cost will be around \$2,000 per library.