

Friends of the Drake Public Library

Fall Newsletter 2022



The Summer Reading Program is one of the most important of the FDPL. Promoting and maintaining reading enjoyment and skills is paramount in a child's life. FDPL provide all funds for this endeavor. There were 239 participants in the 2022 Summer Reading Program-SRP. Around 200 kids attended the programs presented by the Blank Park Zoo and the Iowa State Insect Zoo and a "Library Escape Room" was experienced by the teens and was developed and hosted by Emily. Kristin and Tanya hosted storytimes and craft days all summer. What awesome adventures!

We commend the children's library staff Kristin Craver, Tanya Henderson and Emily Byte for their wonderful commitment to this program. Thank you!

Prizes awarded at the end of the SRP include canvas book bags, reading lights, board book sets, PACT gift certificates and two bikes – WOW!



Fall after school programs and storytimes have begun. Check with the library about times, different age groups and all program offerings.

Adults can join JeNel for "Book Chat" on the last Wednesday of the month at 12:15 or 5:15pm.

Monthly nursing home deliveries will begin soon. The Drake Library staff are willing to handle deliveries but welcome volunteers to help deliver and pick up materials. Please let JeNel know if you are interested in helping with this important service.

Our “PI” Day back in March brought in an amazing \$1,500! Thank you to all the pie bakers, purchasers and workers.

The 2nd Annual Halloween Hustle is being planned. There will be a 5K run/walk starting at 8:00am on Saturday October 22, 2022. A Disc Golf Tournament tees off at 10:00am. Breakfast and lunch will be served at the Centerville City Park during the event. A raffle drawing for a portable disc golf basket with stand and carrying case will also take place at the conclusion of the tournament. Get your raffle tickets at the library - \$1 each or 6 for \$5. Join the fun on October 22, 2022 and wear a costume if you wish!



The next meeting of the FDPL will be Thursday, September 29 at 4:00pm. Please plan to attend and contribute new, fresh ideas for the coming year!

Enclosed, you will find a combined membership and sponsorship form for 2023. Thank you in advance for your support. Also, if you would kindly complete the time & talent survey to assist in future planning of FDPL activities. This can be returned to the library or emailed to friendsofthedrakepubliclibrary@gmail.com

Thank you for your support of the Friends of the Drake Public Library!

Sue Sacco, President FDPL