

## Chincoteague island Library

### Monthly Report for December 2019

- Children's Programs
  - Tales 4 Tots: total attendance – 63
  - New Teen Book Club: 8 – Meets monthly
  - Planning continues for our Winter/Spring T4T Program which runs from January 9 – May 21.
  - We are beginning to plan our Summer children's programs.
  - Our new Reading Award Program with children K – 5 at CES has been well-received. One student from each class receives a certificate and a \$10 gift certificate for the Book Fair. Awards are presented quarterly at the CES Awards Assembly.
  
- Adult Programs
  - Nancy's Book Club: – Holiday luncheon and 2020 Planning Session
  - Island Readers' Book Club: – hosted a local author
  - Computer Programs (with the help of a United Way grant) – held Thursdays at 4 p.m. in the Theatre Annex. Programs to date: How Computers Work, Email, Microsoft Excel, and Word. Upcoming programs: Ravelry (a knitting/crocheting app) – January 30, 5:30 – 7:30 p.m.; Photography, iPhone, Memoir writing, iPad, search strategies, and genealogy.
  
- Board of Directors
  - New Officers were elected. President, Linda Ryan; Vice President, Lisa Reed; Treasurer, Carrole Welsh; Secretary, Lou Bender. Outgoing board members, Sherry Tarr and Ben Ellis were thanked for their service and given parting gifts.
  
  - The board is considering having evening meetings to accommodate younger board members who work during the day. We continue to work on Board Development.
  
  - The 2020 Budget will be presented and voted on at our February meeting.
  
  - A representative from the Board will be presenting a Power Point presentation to the Chincoteague Town Council in February.
  
- Endowment:
  - Local resident, David Landsberger, issued a \$25,000 endowment challenge to the Board. The challenge lasted until December 31. Approximately \$18,000 was

raised. David has matched that (and more) and issued a check for \$25,000 for our Endowment Account which is overseen by the Hampton Roads Community Foundation.

- Upcoming Events:
  - Locals' Week at the Library – during National Library Week in April. Basket raffle will be available celebrating our 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary and will continue through the summer.
  - Annual Sunset Cruise – Thursday, June 18 at 6 p.m. will also highlight our 25<sup>th</sup>!
  - 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Party – Saturday, July 4 at 10 a.m. at the Library. There will be a children's parade in the Robert Reed Downtown Park next to the library. We will be working with the local schools to hold a poster contest celebrating our anniversary.
  
- Maintenance: We had our 5-year elevator load test and passed (cost over \$1,200). The handicapped ramp and side stairs were painted.

January 12, 2020

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