Minutes April 12, 2021

Rosita White called the meeting order at 1:05 pm. Those present: Mary Ellen Sheridan, Gwen Kuehn, Mali Thomas, Emily Clare, Rosita White, Sue Johnson, Jeanette Mateer, Mark Bronson.

Minutes of the November meeting were approved as printed in the March newsletter. Sue Johnson and Mali Thomas supported the motion.


**Book Nook:**
- Reopening Saturday, April 24
- New hours: 10:30 – 2:30
- Open Saturdays only – to be revisited at June 8th meeting.
- Hard covers $3 @ or 2 for $5
- Paperbacks $.75 or 3 for $2; romance remains same
- Only 1 family unit in Book Nook at a time
- Books on cart at checkout desk priced the same as in Book Nook.

**Director’s Comments**

- Mark reviewed the months of pandemic lockdown:
  - New folding tables and seats that can be wiped down in Room A.
  - Lighting in Room A now has 4 zones for control and a new projector mounted

**Library Board will have three new members:** Grant, Beaugrand & Aloha Monro Township is meeting with Mark to discuss adding the 18% of the Township that does not support the library as those residents are part of Pellston schools.

- A library inventory is in progress; all barcodes on the front of the books.
- Library website has been updated providing access to all library digital resources including Kanopy (video resource), Newsbank (900 newspapers), Overdrive and Flipster (magazines).

Emily is 2 semesters shy of her Master’s Degree in Information Sciences.

- Emily Clare demonstrated the new website and discussed virtual programs. The activity packets for children and teens are proving to be a big hit.

**New Business**

- Jeanette moved to reimburse the library $3,500 for Overdrive this year. Mali supported the motion. Approved.
- A proposed addition to the Friends By-Laws was presented and discussed.
  - “Article II – Purpose
    Section 2. The Friends of the Cheboygan Area Public Library is an organization which exists to promote and support the Cheboygan Area Public Library as stated in Section 1.
    All funds generated by the Friends of CAPL are to be used to support library operations. Monetary contributions may not be made to any other charitable or community organization.”

A vote will be taken on this addition to the By-Laws at the June 8 Friends meeting and then presented to the Library Board.

- Gwen made the motion to adjourn at 2:20 with support from Mary Ellen.

**Next meeting:** June 8, 2021 at 1 pm.

**Books! Books! Books!**

Of course the library has books to loan, but did you know that the Friends of the Cheboygan library have a great selection of used books for sale?

The Book Nook, the shop operated by the Friends of the Library, has been a part of the Cheboygan Area Public Library for nearly 15 years. When the existing library was built, the library trustees allowed for the Friends of the library to have a room on the lower level of the library dedicated to their book shop fundraising efforts. The money raised through the Friends of the library’s Book Nook supports library programs and operations.

Happily, the Book Nook is set to reopen this Saturday, April 24, 2021. The Book Nook will be open from 10:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. every Saturday. Plus, the Book Nook cart and spinner rack in the main library will remain in place and will be accessible throughout the week.

Please note, that as the Library Board of Trustees and the Library Director are continuously monitoring the ongoing situation with the pandemic, changes may be made in the interest of health and safety for staff and patrons.

- Masks must be worn by all patrons visiting the library, which includes the Book Nook. The State of Michigan has recently revised the rules regarding masks for children. Beginning Monday, April 26, all children ages 2 and up are required to wear face masks in public venues, including libraries.

We understand that children do not always understand rules or oblige their parents, but a “good faith effort” must be made by parents or guardians to ensure that children aged 2 and up wear face masks during their library visit.

See Clare page 2
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Clare from page 1
Patrons are also strongly encouraged to social distance as much as possible. Book Nook social distancing rules will be posted outside the Book Nook’s entrance.

Along with the Book Nook’s reopening, the Cheboygan Area Public Library is also able to resume accepting book donations. The library’s Book Donation Policy can be found on the library’s website cheboyganlibrary.org under the “About Us” tab.

Other exciting library news includes the upcoming virtual program for Seed Saving. Guest speaker Ben Cohen will share his experience promoting seed libraries across the state of Michigan (he is the founder of MI Seed Library,) and will offer heaps of information about best practices in seed saving.

This Seed Saving program will take place via Zoom on April 28. The Zoom link to the program is listed on the library’s Facebook Events page as well as the library’s Events Calendar, accessible via cheboyganlibrary.org. It can also be emailed directly to anyone who is interested. To receive an emailed link, contact Emily at emily.cheboyganlibrary@gmail.com and put “event zoom link request” in the subject line.

This event is free and open to the community. Feel free to share the link and invite your fellow gardeners and seed savers.

Did you know that Cheboygan Area Public Library has its own Seed Library? It is a self-serve cabinet of seed packets divided between flowers and herbs-vegetables which are sorted alphabetically in drawers to make it easy to explore what is available. Seed packets are free and available to the anyone interested.

The library’s amazing volunteer Deb also creates an inventory list that can be looked through to see all the seed options. The cabinet of seeds and seed inventory list is located inside the Local Research-Genealogy room off the main library. Donations of home-grown seeds as well as store-purchased seeds are always welcome to help keep the Seed Library full. Donations can be dropped off at the front desk in the library. Emily Clare
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Books Discussed
Brian, Alexander….. The Hospital; Life, Death and Dollars in a Small American Town
Mbue, Imbolo …..How Beautiful We Were
Richarson, Kim M…..Book Woman of Troublesome Creek
Wilkerson, Isabel…..The Warmth of Other Suns

Treasurer’s Report Nov, 2020-Mar 2021

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