

**Subject:** Weekly Report

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**From:** James MacDonald

Hello Board members, Library staff, and Friends of Northern Lights Library System.

If you have questions, concerns, compliments please direct them to the Executive Board representative for your zone. Their information is at the bottom of this report.

## BOARD

- [Draft Minutes](#) of the November 27, 2021 general board meeting are available and a summary of that meeting is [available here](#).
- Our next general board meeting has changed to **Friday March 4<sup>th</sup> (10:00am)**.
- If you are new you'll want to review our [board orientation package](#).
- Our regularly scheduled Executive Meeting (January 14<sup>th</sup>) has been cancelled in lieu of a Policy Committee meeting.
- Tracy is reaching out to our municipalities and booking us as delegations. This coming week Vicky and I will meet with the councils in Thorhild County, Village of Paradise Valley, and the Town of Gibbons.
- I will meet with the library board in Tofield on Tuesday.

## OPERATIONS

- Michelle Terriss, one of our wonderful librarian consultants, has resigned her position. Her last working day will be January 14<sup>th</sup>. She has taken the position of Research and Learning Librarian with the faculty of law at Thompson Rivers University. We are very excited for her and wish her all the best.
- Two gas outages in Elk Point over the holidays had us scrambling to figure out our heating systems in the building. I am happy to report all our heaters are working and none of our pipes are broken.
- Our Van run was cancelled on Tuesday due to a snow fall. Despite the deep cold we continue to run the vans and deliveries are moving again.
- We are working hard to get through our fiscal rollover so we can open up book orders. We believe ordering can resume on Monday.

## LIBRARIES

- We have upgraded 35% of our libraries with new Microsoft Office 365 licenses (see this [announcement](#).) We are fast booking libraries for the upgrade.
- Theresa Rawe resigned her position as the library manager in Tofield. We wish Theresa all the best in her next adventures.
- Don't forget about all the added Hoopla content. I took great advantage of this over the holidays. I finished 4 audiobooks that have long hold waitlists in Overdrive (see [this announcement](#)).
- I am pleased to see so many getting involved with the winter reading program. Check out all the fun on [our website](#). Record and submit your reading time for a chance to win a Kobo e-reader.

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## Zones

Zone 1	Zone 2	Zone 3	Zone 4
Athabasca County	City of Cold Lake	Beaver County	County of Minburn County of Vermilion River
S.V. of Bondiss	County of St. Paul	Lamont County	M.D. of Wainwright
S.V. of Sunset Beach	County of Two Hills	Sturgeon County	Town of Vegreville
S.V. of Island Lake	Fishing Lake	Town of Bon Accord	Town of Vermilion
S.V. of Island Lake South	Frog Lake	Town of Bruderheim	Town of Wainwright
S.V. of Mewatha Beach	Lac La Biche County	Town of Gibbons	Village of Chauvin
S.V. of West Baptiste	M.D. of Bonnyville	Town of Lamont	Village of Edgerton
S.V. of Whispering Hills	S.V. of Pelican Narrows	Town of Morinville	Village of Innisfree
Smoky Lake County	Town of Bonnyville	Town of Mundare	Village of Irma
Thorhild County	Town of Elk Point	Town of Redwater	Village of Kitscoty
Town of Athabasca	Town of St. Paul	Town of Tofield	Village of Mannville
Town of Smoky Lake	Town of Two Hills	Town of Viking	Village of Marwayne
Village of Boyle	Village of Myrnam	Village of Andrew	Village of Paradise Valley
Village of Vilna		Village of Holden	
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