Subject: Weekly Report 2022-02-03

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From: James MacDonald

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

A special welcome to the many local library board chairs. Hopefully library managers have been sending you these weekly reports already, but after a few requests to get looped in directly we thought it would be a good idea to get the board chairs on this weekly mailing list. Welcome. These reports typically come out on Friday. We are a bit early this week as I am taking a day off tomorrow. I'm going camping...

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.

Important general links/reminders:

- <u>Draft Minutes</u> of the November 27, 2021 general board meeting
- Board orientation package for new Board Members
- Next general board meeting is Friday March 4th (10:00am).

BOARD

- Vicky and I met with the following councils this week with <u>Athabasca County</u>, and the <u>Town of Smoky Lake</u>.
- We will meet with the following councils in the coming week: Villages of Marwayne, Irma, and Vilna, and Lamont County.
- The Executive Committee will meet on Friday next week for our regularly scheduled meeting.

OPERATIONS

- I am very pleased to announce that Alliah Krahn will join our team as a consultant. In her own words, "Alliah hails from Edmonton and graduated from the University of Alberta with her MLIS in 2018. During her education, she had the privilege to work at several different libraries around Central Alberta in Camrose, Leduc, and the teeny-tiny bilingual Bibliothèque Saint-Jean in Edmonton. As many of you know, she's also spent the last 3 years working as the Public Services Librarian at Morinville Community Library doing a little bit of everything. She is extremely excited to be joining the NLLS community in a whole new way and plans to have a lot of fun doing it." Welcome Alliah!
- We bought paint for our fun fridge project yesterday... I'm not generally a fan of blue but this blue is going to look amazing. We are hoping it really catches the eye. Have you guessed what we are making yet?

LIBRARIES

- Have you folks seen the winter reading program snow sculpture competition pictures? Have you voted? I have my favorites. Check it out. And vote!
- Jessie Morris, from all reports, has had a great first week at Tofield Municipal Library. I feel like I may need a sentence from her each week to add to this report... we can call it, telegrams from the front? I understand the advertisement for the new library manager in Tofield will be up early next week!
- In case you missed this last week, your Overdrive content just got loads better. TRAC members now have access to Parkland Regional Library System's Overdrive collection. We've sent out emails and social media posts with all the details. Check out this knowledge base article to get all the details.
- Read for 15 was quite the success for a first year program. 13 libraries participated, 667 entries were made for a total of 68,608 minutes of reading (1,143 hours). We hope your library participates next year.

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