

Friends of MPL Report February 6, 2019

ASHMAN:

1. Boosted by lines on last day of early voting, November sale was quite successful generating more than \$4000
2. Approved \$7100 in grants to the library to fund subscriptions, programming and staff conference attendance.
3. As contributors, the Ashman Friends would like regular updates on Ashman Endowment
4. Still prefer sorting at space near West Towne as volunteers not willing to travel to Badger Road facility.

CENTRAL:

Next planned book sale is February 14-17

GOODMAN SOUTH MADISON:

1. Amazon sales are going well.
2. Used Craig's List to sell an encyclopedia set (remainder from book sale) and are considering using that as an option to sell donations to local buyers.
3. Book sale volunteers are making adjustments by using various other spaces during remodeling construction.
4. Will have a meeting 2/28/19 with Jenni Jeffries to discuss coming under MPLF umbrella for 501c3

HAWTHORN:

1. Tried a Young Adult and Kids book giveaway after last sale. Teachers loved it but the volunteers, who took two-hour shifts to give away books to children, felt it was a poor investment of time. They are considering better advertisement targeting teachers for after-sale giveaway.
2. Have sponsored monthly game nights for the past year. Participation varies but attendees always have fun.
3. Volunteers report having trouble reserving meeting room for workdays and sales using online calendar

LAKEVIEW:

1. Held annual community event, with first responder vehicles and K-9 officer, trilobite activities with U.S. Geological Survey staff, Shabazz fiddling, face painting, and the Yid Vicious Klezmer Band
2. Held final book sale of 2018 Dec 7 and 8.

MEADOWRIDGE:

Next sale is scheduled for Friday May 10 from 5:30- 7:30 and Saturday May 11 from 9-1 with noon bag sale

MONROE STREET:

1. The Monroe Street Library League had a successful Books for Giving sale during Holiday Glow on Monroe Saturday, December 1.
2. Currently sponsoring two Forward Theater Play Club programs
3. During Monroe Street roadwork project in 2018, helped host the Hardhat Club of kids ages 2-10 including construction worker story hour.

PINNEY:

1. Friends moved into their "spacious new area" at the Interim Pinney They give credit to Martha Nicholson's planning and direction for the smooth move and transitioning easily into their new work area.
2. They are pleased with the space because it is actually larger than the Friends' space at the old Pinney.

SEQUOYA:

1. Hosted a Sequoya staff and volunteer holiday lunch in December.
2. Gave \$15,000 for "Too Good to Miss" book collection, subscriptions to Book Page and New York Times
3. Sustaining Sponsor of Wizards in Wonderland
4. Holding monthly sales at Westgate Mall. Rumors are that mall will make no changes for a few months,

Citywide Gathering of Friends will be meeting again in April at Ashman Branch.