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FRIENDS OF THE GREENFIELD PUBLIC LIBRARY



A Halloween party, held on October 31 in conjunction with the Fire Mates hotdog supper, was a huge success. A count of 148 attending the event was recorded; 86 children and 52 adults. Some of the various activities, located in different spaces within the children's department, included Bingo, a book walk, a BOO game, ring toss, bowling, and making bookmarks. There were prizes for most of these activities.

In early December, a few members decorated a tree in the Warren Cultural Center as part of the Adair Co. Memorial Hospital Auxiliary Tour of Trees and Holiday Luncheon. The theme of the tree was "The Joy of Reading", using bookmarks made by elementary children as the main ornaments and book covers for the tree skirt as well as the tree topper. After a three month hiatus, due to the tornado that struck Greenfield in late May, the Friends of the Greenfield Public Library is back to business and going strong. Even though, at this time the group is still small in number, their efforts to support the library are ambitious. Numerous activities – almost one event a month – have taken place.

In July, the Friends had a booth in the Varied Industries Building at the Adair County Fair.

Literature explaining the resurgence of this nonprofit organization was available. Membership forms were also obtainable, as were the forms for preschoolers to join the "Imagination Library" program. A large banner-style sheet of paper was also accessible for those who wished to sign their name and list one of their favorite books.

In September, during the Swap Meet weekend, a book sale was held in the meeting room adjacent to the library. Books, puzzles, and DVDs were attainable through goodwill donations.

The donations from this project, equaling \$606.00, will be used for upcoming events.



A Children's Christmas Market was held on December 13 and 14. Preschool and elementary-aged shoppers could purchase items for four people, at \$.25 a gift. Approximately 160 boys and girls took advantage of this opportunity to get gifts for special people at this holiday time. Many thanks to those who donated new or gently used items for this fundraising project. The gift bags, wrapping paper, and tissue paper donations were also greatly appreciated.

If you know of others who would wish to join Friends of the Greenfield Public Library, please have them contact Danica Clayton (greenfieldpubliclib@gmail.com or 743-6120) at the Greenfield Public Library or stop by the library in person.