January 2024 BNML Librarian's Report

Building & Technology

- Security System: Am an authorized user now. Will discuss arming schedules, system updates, and smoke detector replacement.
- Heating System maintenance completed

Grants/Funding

- 2024 Parent Child Center funding agreement has been signed for \$2000
- Library Funding Request presented to Friends at their 1/11 meeting

Programming

- January programs: 4 Story hours, Saturday playgroup, Franklin County Photogs, Saturday Yoga class, Beekeepers, Adult Acrylics class, Homeschool First Friday
- Programming in February
 - Homeschool Friday, 2/2
 - Community Book Discussion 2/6, 6:30pm
 - Valentine making, 2/7, 12-5
 - o Photography Club, 2/13, 6pm
 - Adult Felting 2/9, 12:30-3
 - o Beekeepers, 2/22
 - o Dog Communication program, 2/29, 6pm
 - Skull Program, date TBD
 - Neighborhood Forest free tree sign-up
 - Vacation scavenger hunt
 - Story hours
 - Saturday playgroup
 - Book delivery and baby package prep ongoing

Other

- Wendy out for about a week
- Common School hybrid meeting on 1/12 was held here, more to come
- Update on attempted break-in including communication with VSP and Maple Run Superintendent
- Working on data and voting infographic
- Will be partnering with a community organization to promote voter registration
- 2023 visitation statistics: 12,791, up 5% over 2022. Busiest days are Wednesdays. Busiest months are September and October
- Circulation is up **17%** in 2023 over 2022! **87%** more new patrons than each of the two years prior.