BOOTH & DIMOCK MEMORIAL LIBRARY
DIRECTOR'S REPORT FEBRUARY 2026

I. *Circulation* – Items that have been checked out, renewed, or loaned/borrowed through inter-library loan.
   - Total – **6,268** (2025: 5,639) (2024: 5,912)
   - Type (included in total)
     - Books & Serials – **4,377** (2025: 4,089) (2024: 4,420)
     - Video – **516** (2025: 316) (2024: 486)
     - Audio – **66** (2025: 43) (2024: 91)
     - Electronic – **1,198** (2025: 1,080) (2024: 813)
     - Other – **111** (2024: 111) (2025: 102)
   - Age (included in total)
     - Adult – **2,179** (2025: 2,057) (2024: 2,290)
     - Young Adult – **309** (2025: 254) (2024: 332)
     - Children – **2,568** (2025: 2,219) (2024: 2,454)
     - Not Assigned – **14** (2025: 29) (2024: 23)
   - Inter-Library Loan (included in total)
     - Borrowing – **517** (2025: 473) (2024: 600)
     - Lending – **405** (2025: 386) (2024: 416)

II. *Library Visits* – People walking through the door as tallied by an automatic door counter.
   - **2,821** (2025: 2,642) (2024: 2,312)

III. *New Library Cards* – Individuals who registered for a Coventry library card for the first time.
   - **29** (2025: 31) (2024: 33)

IV. *Reference* – Questions staff answered regarding library services, library catalog, local area, research, genealogy, homework help, and more.
   - **587** (2025: 564) (2024: 662)

V. *Internet* – Use of library wi-fi and desktop computers.
   - Desktop Computers
     - Total Users – **166** (2025: 171) (2024: 151)
   - Wi-Fi
     - Total Sessions – **9,434** (2025: 8.312) (2024: 1,611)
     - Total Devices – **286** (2025: 307) (2024: 238)
     - Average clients per day – **29** (2025: 33)

VI. *Programs* – Events, activities, workshops, or lectures offered by the library.
- Programs – **23** (2025: 26) (2024: 22)
- Participants – **707** (2025: 738) (2024: 666)
  - ***We had a "sold out" Fairy Tale Ball on February 14 with 70 participants.***
  - ***39 people participated in our pomp pomp Super Bowl craft at the February 8 Winter's Farmer's Market.***
  - ***Christa prepared storytimes for the HEEC on February 13 for approximately 200 students.***

VII. *Online presence* – Activity tracked on our Facebook, website, and Google Profile.
- Facebook
  - Posts – **19**
    - Views – **5,950**
    - Reach – **3,515**
    - ***Our post announcing our new logo had over 1,100 views and 190 engagements! Our logo has received much positive feedback.***
- Google
  - Profile Views – **621**
  - Business Profile Interactions – **488**
  - Website Visits – **339**
  - Searches – **202**
- Website
  - Site Visits – **1,852**
  - Page Visits – **2,961**

VIII. *Library Facilities*
- Extended cold temperatures caused oil in the outside fuel tank to gel and starved the boiler. The library lost head on February 8, and emergency crews needed to come over the weekend to restart the boiler.

IX. *Library Staff & Professional Development*
- Jenn attended CLC's Acquisitions Roundtable on February 3.
- Aubrey attended the CLC Outreach Roundtable on February 3.
- Jenn attended an info session through CLC on the new contracts available with CLC for discounts on purchasing non-print library materials on February 5.
- Margaret attended an American 250 CT meeting on February 10.
- Margaret attended Bibliomation's Finance Committee meeting on February 12.
- Kayla and Margaret attended Bibliomations' Strategic Planning Committee meeting on February 17.
- Margaret attended CEN's Engagement & Development Advisory Council meeting on February 17.

- Margaret attended CLA's monthly meeting on February 10.

X. *General Updates*
   - New bookkeeper Stephanie Knopf has begun training with Patt!
   - The community room was used 6 times by outside groups.
   - The library closed twice and opened late once due to winter weather.
   - Aubrey represented the library at the Winter Farmers' Market on February 8.
   - Margaret and Tim Timberman met on February 26 to discuss program partnership opportunities with the Library and the Arts Guild for the spring.
   - The library will be closed on March 31 for staff development and work day.

A full house at our Fairy Tale Ball on February 14!