Year in Review 2017-2018

Events—July 2017 thru December 2017

- Supported the Summer Reading program—participation by 2362 Children and 547 Adults
- Held an Evening Arts concert—Jazz, Cider and Doughnuts—Cliff Monear Jazz Group
- Friends were awarded the Elaine R. Irvin Grant by the Detroit Metro Book and Author Society for $1000 for the work on the updated Business Resource Center
- Supported the Library Marketing Campaign with funding as well as a drawing for a set of great prizes donated by local area businesses. The first picture here shows Lee BeGole, Novi’s first Chief of Police, getting a new library card and joining the friends. The second picture shows Carol Hoffman presenting first prize to our drawing winner.
- Supported the Author’s Live Luncheon at Fox Run—authors: Annemarie DeClark, Berl Falbaum, David Burch
- Friends annual membership event “Booked for the Evening” was a great success and raised $2800. We changed our event format to a fundraiser, had a strolling dinner with donations by 10 local restaurants and a silent auction and raffle with donations by over 40 local businesses.
- Purchased Sony Virtual Reality systems (PSVR) for the Library. This was introduced at the Friends event “Booked for the Evening” and introduced to the public at events the following weekend. Monthly Sunday afternoon sessions are held for kids of all ages.
- Purchased the new Christmas tree on display in the library

Events—January 2018 thru June 2018

- Proceeds from the “Booked for the Evening” event were used toward the library project to reupholster the public area chairs including the Book Nook chairs
- Funded a Tom Sharpe concert at Hickory Woods school as part of the North End project
- Gave the Seedlings organization $500 toward their work to produce Braille books for children
- Participated in the Fox Run Expo increasing our Friends membership at Fox Run from six to eleven memberships.
- Joined the Kroger Rewards program, Amazon Smile and Giving Assistant - we can be your charity of choice
- Mailed renewal requests to 88 expired members. Result was six renewals bringing in $115. Also allowed us to clean up our membership database.
- Ended our Kaleidoscope season with a performance by El Alma Espanola doing Flamenco dances of Spain
- Ended out Evening Arts program with a jazz performance on the library patio by The Cliff Monear Jazz Group featuring Kelly Broadway from Toledo.