



*Hastings Highlands*  
*Beautiful By Nature*

## **REPORT**

**TO:** Members of Council  
**FROM:** Rod Moffitt, CEO, Hastings Highlands Public Library  
**DATE:** December 4, 2019, Regular Meeting of Council, Operations  
**RE:** Monthly Library / Cultural Report

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### **RECOMMENDATION:**

**THAT** Council accepts the Cultural Report as information only, as submitted by the Library CEO.

### **BACKGROUND:**

**Library Board** – The next Library Board meeting is on Thursday, December 12<sup>th</sup>, 2019.

**Christmas Holiday Hours** – The HHPL will be closed from Monday, December 23<sup>rd</sup> to Wednesday, January 1<sup>st</sup>. We will be reopening on Thursday, January 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2020.

**Santa Claus is Comin' to HHPL** – The HHPL hours have been adjusted on Saturday, December 14<sup>th</sup> in order to accommodate a visit from Santa. The Library will be open from 3:00 – 7:00 pm. after the 'Brighten the Night' Santa Claus parade. Children and their parents are invited to the HHPL to have a picture taken with Santa in front of the fireplace. There will also be goodie bags for each child to take home.

**Annual HHPL Murder Mystery Fundraiser** - The annual Murder Mystery Fundraiser for the HHPL occurred in the evening on Friday, November 29<sup>th</sup> at the Emond Centre. It included a catered meal of lasagna and salad, an entertaining enactment of a murder in the casino and a varied selection of items in the silent auction. Thank you to all Library staff, Board members, donators to the silent auction, Murder mystery actors, caterer Krystle Landis and attendees who made this such a successful event. The results of the fundraiser will be reported in the next Library Cultural Report.

**Cultural Corner** – For the month of December, our cultural corner will be exhibiting the art of John Coleman.

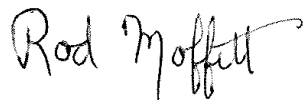
**HHPL Book Club** – The next Book Club meeting is on Thursday, December 19<sup>th</sup> at 1:00 pm by the fireplace. They will be discussing the book, ‘Carry Me’ by Peter Behrens, a winner of the Governor General’s Literary award. A copy of the book may be picked up at the circulation desk if you would like to join the club.

**HHPL Library Survey** – The HHPL is currently conducting a survey of patrons in order to receive feedback regarding services and programs. Hard copies of the survey may be obtained at the circulation desk. The survey can also be completed online via the HHPL website and/or Facebook page.

**\$200.00 Donation** – One of our Library users recently donated \$200.00 to the HHPL. This money was put towards refreshing our audio-book collection. The titles that were purchased were:

- The Bad Place & Wilderness and Other Stories by Dean Koontz
- The Litigators & Gray Mountain by John Grisham
- The Wrong Side of Goodbye by Michael Connelly
- The Cutting Edge by Jeffery Deaver
- The Handmaid’s Tale by Margaret Atwood
- Magic by William Goldman
- The Night Before Christmas Audiobook narrated by Jeff Bridges

Respectfully submitted,

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Rod Moffitt, Library CEO