

## **Letter to the Community**

Hello to all Community Members,

“A rising tide lifts all boats.” - John F. Kennedy

In 1907, Eleanor Heermance dedicated her personal home for use as a free library to benefit all of our local citizens. Since then, the Heermance Memorial Library has been a source of educational, informational, and technological access, creative freedom, and community support. For over 116 years, our Library sitting atop the Reed Street Historic District has maintained its role for all promised by Eleanor, and will continue to do so for years to come.

We would like to provide you with our Annual Report to the Town Board for the 2022 fiscal year, detailing what our Library does for our local community in the modern era. As the Library is a public facility, we want you to be aware of the vast amount of resources beyond book borrowing our Library provides to you.

This year’s Special District Library Budget Vote and Trustee Election will be held on October 3rd, 2023, from 10:00 AM to 9:00 PM at the Library. Current registered voters in the Town of Coxsackie are eligible to vote.

We appreciate your support of our local Library and the support of local community members’ access to free resources that our Library provides.

With sincere regards,

Catherine Benson

Library Director, Heermance Memorial Library