Building Issues:
On Tuesday, January 23rd problems with four library thermostats were repaired. The thermostats had lost their ability to recognize changes in temperature between night and day settings causing the areas to be either too hot or too cold.

A problem with the time clock for the heating system developed on the morning of Thursday, January 25th resulting in the heating system not recognizing the need to raise the library temperature to day-time temperatures. Once the time clock was reset the heating system returned to normal.

On Tuesday, January 30th a motor on one of the library furnaces failed and had to be replaced.

Other:
The library closed early on Thursday, January 4th due to bad weather.

In addition to the regular monthly Coffee & Connections local access TV episodes that the library director began doing in 2017, the library began doing a weekly segment in January. Each weekly segment showcases programs scheduled over the course of the following week and is one more way to get the word out about the wide variety of programs available at the library.

Staff Development:
Library staff participated in two special staff work days on January 12 and 26. There were two primary tasks that the staff focused on: catching up on backlogs of processing material in and out of the collection and inventorying the mystery fiction collection.

Programming:
The library presented 18 programs in January. The programs included book discussions, story times, a program on the night sky in winter, a discussion of Irish genealogy research information and a film. One hundred seventy-nine people attended the various programs.