

Little libraries sprouting in Atchison

(KAIR)--Like flowers in the spring, Little Free Libraries are beginning to sprout throughout Atchison.

On March 30, one, billed as “The Imagination Station,” was dedicated in memory to late Atchison educators Becky Reynolds and Teresa Ogle.

An idea of students at the Atchison Middle School, under the guidance of instructor Jerlyn Gormley, the Atchison High School Woodworking Class constructed the structure, which now stands on the 5th Street side of AMS.

Now, the civic group, Leadership Atchison, has revealed plans to establish two similar little lending libraries at other locations in the city.

That was explained to the Atchison City Commission Monday by Leadership members Jerel Rawls, Nick Caudle, and Heather Thummel. She told the Commission, on behalf of the group, that the class learned about the number of home schoolers in the Atchison area, leading to the plan to install the Little Libraries, one at Atchison's LFM Park and the other on property belonging to the Atchison YMCA, in an effort to assist those students.

The placement of the two lending libraries is planned to happen this summer. Books for the libraries are being collected through donations.

The purpose of Leadership Atchison, which falls under the oversight of the Atchison Chamber, “serves the Atchison community by providing programs to develop strong community leaders.”

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