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## New Releases Available in Shepherd

The Chippewa River District Library works to provide materials and services to enrich, enlighten and inspire people in the community. Their goal is to encourage lifelong learning and stimulate the imagination. Due to the high demand of newer releases in both DVDs and audiobooks, the Shepherd Community Friends of the Library helped the Shepherd library branch receive a grant to aid in the purchase of new releases.



The Shepherd Community Friends of the Library is a local group of book lovers who work to support the local Shepherd branch of the Chippewa River District Library system. The Shepherd Community Library had a budget set for movies and audio books but the demand for newer releases outpaced their ability to purchase new movies and audiobooks.

Seeing the need for new material, the Mt. Pleasant Area Community Foundation awarded the Shepherd Community Friends of the Library a grant from the **Shepherd Community Fund in Honor of Robert Bates**. With this grant, the Shepherd Community Friends of the Library was able to purchase new movies and audiobooks for the Shepherd Community Library.

"The materials have been very well received. As of now, both the new audio books and new DVDs are being checked out more frequently than the older ones that we have," says branch manager Sarah Hills. "The patrons especially enjoy the new TV [shows] that were purchased, Duck Dynasty and Outlander. Without the grant, we would have to wait quite some time before having new releases available for our patrons."



The Shepherd Community Friends of the Library group will continue to supplement the Shepherd Community Library's collection by fundraising, grant writing and soliciting donations of used books and movies from the community.