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“Literary Trees at the Norfolk Library”



There are Christmas trees and then there are Polka Dot Pants trees.

When Karen Drevo, Youth Services Supervisor at the Norfolk Public Library, announced a Literary Tree Contest this month, she wasn't quite sure what to expect for entries. What she did get was a variety including an Eric Litman (author of "Polka Dot Pants") tree, a tree decorated with handmade Scandinavian wheatweaved ornaments and a tree with ornaments made from the sheet music of the national anthems of the world.

"We weren't sure what we'd get our first year so it was fun to see a nice variety. We'll definitely have the contest again next year," Drevo said.

Second graders at Christ Lutheran School taught by Beckie Rathke and Christy Owen decorated and entered a tree for the ages 8-12 division.

"Miss Rathke went to the Plum Creek Literary festival in Seward this fall and met Eric Litwin and got his book about Pete the Cat. This semester has been all about authors so we decided to do an Eric Litwin themed tree," said Owen.

The wheatweaving tree was entered by May Ellen Kincanon and the National Anthems tree was entered by Angela Weis.

The trees are on display at the library until Christmas.