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# LV-MARQUETTE COUNTY, INC. NEWSLETTER

#### Successful Annual Tots to Teens Book Drive

On December 9, 2017 Literacy Volunteers-Marquette County distributed nearly 2000 books that had been collected from our community to families participating in the county-wide Giving Tree at the Trinity Methodist Church in Montello. Sharon Samuelson and Anne Oelke organized the distribution.

LV-MC volunteers who collected books, set out and picked up boxes, or sorted books include Vicki Huffman, LuAnn Zieman, Pat Johnson, Sharon Samuelson, Anne Oelke, Mindy Johnson-Roidt, and Pam Iruk.

Thank you to Niki Russos-Harris for assuming leadership of the Giving Tree and giving us this opportunity once again to contribute to the needs of our county.

#### **Volunteers & Friends Dinner**

Thursday, May 24 is LV-MC's annual volunteers and friends appreciation dinner at the Montello Senior Dome next to the Montello Public Library. The buffet dinner will be catered by Peppercorn Catering. Socializing begins at 5:30 p.m. with dinner at 6:00. If you are interested in attending and

didn't receive an invitation (a computer glitch **or** oversight) please e-mail or call at vjhawk@maqs.net / 608-297-8900 NOW. Active volunteers who have paid their membership and adult students may come to the dinner at no charge. Guests are invited at \$22.00. Reservations required



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This newsletter is a publication of Literacy Volunteers-Marquette County (LV-MC), a non-profit organization that provides free and confidential tutoring to adults and families who want to improve their reading, writing, math, and other skills. Volunteer tutors provide individualized instruction.

#### **Family Adventure Day**

LV-MC's Sharon Samuelson, Pam Iruk and Pat Johnson gave away 183 books to children on April 21, 2018, at Family Adventure Day. It was sponsored by High Marq Environmental Charter School and Family Connection Coalition, of which LV-MC is a member.

There were 32 interactive exhibits covering a multitude of topics with over 400 participants. The activities included a variety of useful community resources and organizations.



Pictured: Pat Johnson & Sharon Samuelson

#### **LV-MC Book Donation Programs**

Pat Johnson presented each school library in Marquette County with a set of John Muir books (at 2 different reading levels) and Kathleen McGwin's, local author, book on adventures with her dogs Betty, Blanche and Beulah titled "Ready, Set, Wiggle Your Doggie."

Sharon, Pat, and Vicki have also been delivering books to county laundromats. In addition, Sharon has been keeping the Food Bank book shelf filled. In May

she will reopen the Casita de Libros at the day care center on Hwy 22.

Pat delivers books and our brochures to dentist and doctor offices in the county.

#### **Health Literacy**

Chuck Bornhoeft, who is our treasurer as well as a trained tutor, held 3 health literacy sessions in the area: 2 on pain medications and 1 on prescriptions. In addition, he has been asked to work on a project for the next 18-24 months on prescription labeling.

#### February 1 Annual Hors d'ouevre Buffet and Silent Auction Fundraiser

What a fun and successful night it was. 99 people attended from the 103 tickets sold, and bidding was hot and heavy on the auction items.

The silent auction raised \$1,265.00 and we picked up an additional \$300.00 in donations. Our percentage from the ticket price=\$1,287.50 additionally.

Thank you to everyone who attended, those who donated, and those who purchased items as well as donated cash. A special thanks to Niki Russos-Harris who organized the event!



Vicki and LuAnn greeting guests





#### **Thanks to Our Supporters!**

Literacy Volunteers-Marquette County could not exist without its financial backers. Individuals, companies, and organizations that have supported our efforts at promoting literacy in our community during the past year are greatly appreciated. Successful bids at our silent auction are **not** included in the totals. If anyone is omitted or the category is in error, please accept our apologies and contact Vicki Huffman at 297-8900 or vjhawk@maqs.net.

The asterisk \* identifies continuing donors.

#### **In-Kind Donations Last 12 months**

Wisconsin Literacy, Inc.\* Winnefox Library System\* Montello Public Library\*



Endeavor Public Library\* Ethel Everhard Memorial Library\* Neshkoro Public Library\* Oxford Public Library\* Packwaukee Public Library\* Nelson and Pade\* Faltz Impression Printing\* Reader's Realm\* It's Poppin'\* Boruds True Value\* Amish House\* Your Town Florist\* Sweet Freedom Massage Hair Etc. Chuck Bornhoeft\* Debbie Bondi Barbara Church\* Vicki Huffman\* Pat Johnson\* Kathleen McGwin\* Augie Pflum\* Niki Russos-Harris\* Sharon Samuelson Judy Van Schoyck-Fritschler\* LuAnn Zieman\*

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\*Indicates continuing donor.

LV-MC wishes to acknowledge the support we have received during the year from Wisconsin Literacy, Inc., our state organization for promoting literacy. Thanks also goes to our regional consultant, Beth Gaytan, for her assistance.





TAKE A WALK AND READ A BOOK. CHANGES EVERY MONTH.
WIN PRIZES AND HAVE FUN. ON SUNSET DRIVE IN MONTELLO.
LOOK FOR IT THIS SUMMER!!!



## LV-MC Offers County Libraries Grants Once Again

LV-MC again offered the possibility of up to a \$300 grant/services to each of the Marquette County Libraries to increase participation in their current programs, for a new idea, or to enhance their summer programs. Each library was given the opportunity to submit a brief e-mail request, outlining what assistance they were looking for.

Thus far, we have reviewed 3 requests, all of which were deserving of the grants.

We appreciate all that our libraries do to promote literacy in our communities.

We are happy to know that Michael Perry will be speaking on September  $22^{nd}$  as this will be another way to advertise our free and confidential services during International Literacy month.

#### BECOME A LITERACY VOLUNTEERS- MARQUETTE COUNTY MEMBER!

We invite you to become a member and supporter of literacy in Marquette County. One person <u>can</u> make a difference in influencing positive changes. We've accomplished a great deal, but there is so much more to be done. Your services as a volunteer or a financial supporter are critical to our success!

Fill out the form below, including a check for \$15 written out to **Literacy Volunteers- Marquette County** (if you wish to be a member), and mail to **Treasurer-LV-MC**, **P.O. Box 671**, **Montello**, **WI 53949**.

NAME	
ADDRESS	
CITY, ZIP CODE	
Telephone	E-mail

- I wish to be an active volunteer/member and have enclosed the \$15 fee.
- I wish to be an active volunteer, but not a dues-paying member.
- I would like more information on becoming a volunteer.
- I do not wish to be a member, but would like to contribute to literacy.



#### **UPCOMING EVENT**

LV-MC's Annual Literacy Volunteer and Friends Appreciation Dinner

When: May 24, 2018, Thursday Where: Montello Senior Dome Time: 5:30 p.m. socializing

6 p.m. dinner

catered by Peppercorn Catering

Reservations required.
Contact Vicki Huffman at 297-8900 or <a href="mailto:vjhawk@maqs.net">vjhawk@maqs.net</a>.

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**DONATE OR VOLUNTEER!**Give the gift of literacy.

# MEMORIAL DAY

#### LV-MC MISSION STATEMENT

The purpose of Literacy Volunteers-Marquette County, Inc. is to improve the quality of life by promoting increased literacy and lifelong learning in Marquette County, Wisconsin. We encourage and aid individuals through public awareness and through volunteer teaching of literacy skills as well as English for non-native speakers.

# Check us out at www.mcreads.org!

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