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Successful Annual Tots to Teens Book Drive

On December 14, 2019 Literacy Volunteers-Marquette County distributed over 1400 books that had been collected from our community to families participating in the county-wide Giving Tree at the Trinity Methodist Church in Montello.

LV-MC volunteers who collected books, set out and picked up boxes, sorted books, and/or helped hand them out include Vicki Huffman, Pat Johnson, Mindy Johnson-Roidt, Jack and Sharon Samuelson, LuAnn Zieman, Bob and Anne Oelke, Kathleen McGwin, Barbara Church, and Rita Socha.

Family Adventure Day

Family Adventure Day, which had been scheduled for April 25th, was cancelled due to COVID-19, so there was no LV-MC book giveaway this spring.

The event is planned annually by Montello's High Marq Environmental Charter School and Family Connections Coalition, of which LV-MC is a member.

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Volunteers & Friends Dinner

Our annual Volunteers and Friends Appreciation Dinner generally held late May or early June is on hold until further notice. Alternative dates and sites are being considered.



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.

February 6th Annual Hors d'ouevre Buffet and Silent Auction Fundraiser

What a fun and successful night it was. 91 tickets were sold, and bidding was hot and heavy on the auction items. Our profits from ticket sales as well as the silent auction produced a total profit of \$2,580.00.

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 and did a spectacular job!







Fun, Food, and Conversation









Shannon Freimuth Agency Donation



Shannon Freimuth Agency, Inc. in Montello donated \$180 to LV-MC with funds dispersed to be dispursed to the Montello Public Library. A matching grant through the American Family Insurance Dreams foundation will add an additional \$180 to this donation. Pictured are Vicki Huffman from Literacy Volunteers-Marquette County; Andrea Klapper, director of Montello Public Library; and Shannon Freimuth. **Silent Auction Items**: LV-MC depends on this fundraiser to support their work of raising awareness and increasing literacy and lifelong learning in Marquette County, Wisconsin.



Fortifi Bank Presents donation to Literacy Volunteers-Marquette County

Fortifi Bank presented a donation to the LV-MC on Monday, February 3. The funds, supporting the local non-profit's programming, were raised by Fortifi employees through the bank's Casual for a Cause program. Vicki Huffman (center), President of LV-MC, accepted the check from members of the Montello Fortifi Bank— Monika Waisbrot, branch manager: Tracy Wallis, Alyssa Beahm, and Liza Borzick.



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 email vjhawk@maqs.net

The asterisk * identifies continuing donors.

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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.

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

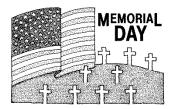
To be determined as conditions allow.

However, Tuesday, April 21 the WI Virtual Regional Conference was put on by WI Literacy. President Vicki Huffman attended it. Topics included board retention, digital literacy, teaching soft skills/workplace communication, and self-care and mindfulness. Paula Chambers, LV-MC Data Manager, joined the conference for tracking Learner Outcomes.

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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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