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Changes Coming to Newsletter Mailings

By LuAnn Zieman

The board of Literacy Volunteers- Marquette County voted last fall to reduce the number of newsletters published to two per year. In addition, the cost of postage was discussed. It was decided to pay the 2012 bulk mailing fee and do the mailings this year so that all our readers will be aware of the upcoming change.

We will continue posting each May and November newsletter on the website at www.mcreads.org, just as we do now.

If anyone wishes a pdf sent to their email, please contact LuAnn Zieman, editor, at zieman@maqs.net. Those who wish a paper copy may contact her at the same email, or call 608-297-2422, or mail her at W1440 State Rd 23, Montello, WI 53949. The mailed newsletters will be sent at regular postal rates. If we do not hear from you, we will assume you do not wish to receive one. There will be copies available at the Marquette County libraries.

 **DON'T FORGET**



Literacy Volunteers-Marquette County is sponsoring an essay contest to celebrate September—Literacy Month! The topic chosen for this year's contest mirrors the Summer Library Reading program: "Reading helps me Dream Big because..."

Information and entry forms were available at all Marquette County libraries and were to be returned to one of them by September 8th – International Literacy Day. Age categories were divided into four groups: age 7 and under; 8-11; 12-15; and 16 and up. When judging is completed, the winning entries will be printed in the Marquette County Tribune. All winners will be awarded \$15 universal gift cards.

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.

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One can find the current newsletter, various volunteer/tutor/forms and more. There will also be updated pictures from our May Volunteer Appreciation Dinner soon.

Volunteer Appreciation Dinner

There were 32 attendees at our annual Literacy Volunteer Appreciation Dinner held May 30, 2012 at the Senior Citizens Dome in Montello and catered by the Moose Inn of Wautoma.

As always the food was delicious and the conversation lively. President Vicki Huffman gave a brief synopsis of the year's accomplishments and certificates were handed out to volunteers, to spouses for their support, to individuals from other organizations with whom we collaborate, and to students able to attend.

NEWS & notes

From

President Vicki Huffman

Kid Stuff

Literacy Volunteers once again participated in the Kid Stuff event held in the Oxford Elementary School gymnasium on August 28th. LV-MC volunteers Pat Johnson and Bette Schneider did reading as a family activity and passed out great kids' books, as well as brochures, balloons and other handouts.

Kid Stuff partners include, besides LV-MC, Marquette Early Learning Center, Marquette County Health Dept., Marquette County UW-Extension, Marquette County Sheriff's Dept., Marquette County EMS, Oxford Fire Dept., Child Care Resource & Referral, and WorkSmart WI. Door prizes were prepared by HCE.

New Webmaster

Thanks to new volunteer Anne Oelke our website mcreads.org has been updated.





Thanks again to our previous two webmasters, Becky Nelson and Jess Bruckner. We appreciate your work!



Tots to Teens Book Drive by Karen Jacobi

Literacy Volunteers-Marquette County is appealing to all to set aside new or gently-used books for the Tots to Teens Book Drive collection this fall. This is a great time to find excellent books at rummage sales, watch for books on sale in stores, and pare down your children’s book collection, too! Ask your friends, neighbors and relatives to do so, also.

The actual book giveaway is in early December. We especially need little tyke’s board books. Tween books are also popular, as well as series, such as the Boxcar Children. Diary of a Wimpy Kid books are also highly sought after, and they can be in any readable condition due to their popularity!

If you have books for this drive, but no room to store them, or are leaving the area for the winter, please contact Karen Jacobi at 920-787-4815 to arrange pick up of your books.

BECOME A LITERACY VOLUNTEERS- MARQUETTE COUNTY MEMBER!

We invite you to become a member and supporter of literacy in Marquette County. One person can 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

We encourage all Literacy Volunteers members and other interested citizens to attend **our Annual Meeting on September 20 at 7 p.m. at the Montello Public Library.**

WI Literacy's annual 1200 Tutors in 12 Weeks campaign kicks off September 8 once again. If you are interested in becoming a tutor, please contact LuAnn Zieman, tutor trainer, at 608-297-2422 or email at zieman@bugnet.net

LV-MC will also be celebrating International Literacy Day September 8th with displays on our programs as well as health literacy information at the Montello Public Library.

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Give the gift of literacy.

International Literacy Day * September 8th



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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