



809 Front St., McHenry, IL 60050 (815) 385-0036

McHenry Public Library District Board of Library Trustees Regular Meeting

**Tuesday, November 13, 2018
2nd Floor Board Room**

Agenda

I. CALL TO ORDER – Bradley Schubert, President

II. ROLL CALL – Monica Leccese, Secretary

III. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

IV. CORRECTIONS OR ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA

V. PUBLIC COMMENT AND RECOGNITION OF VISITORS

VI. CONSENT AGENDA FOR THIS MEETING (Action)

SECRETARY'S REPORT – Monica Leccese, Secretary

Minutes of the October 16, 2018 Public Hearing on the Annual Budget and Levy Ordinance and the Regular Board Meeting.

TREASURER'S REPORT – Delphine Grala, Treasurer

- Monthly Financial Statements
- Interim Check Report through October 31, 2018 and Invoice Reports for October/November 2018 will be reviewed at next meeting
- Additional Invoices will be reviewed at next meeting
- Petty Cash and Credit Card Reports will be reviewed at next meeting

VII. COMMUNICATIONS

None

VIII. LIBRARIAN'S REPORT

IX. EXECUTIVE SESSION

To discuss the appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance or dismissal of specific employees of the public body, as well as to discuss specific contractual matters involving vendors in compliance with the Open Meetings Act 5 ILCS 120/2 section 2(c)(1).

X. OLD BUSINESS

1. None

XI. NEW BUSINESS



McHENRY PUBLIC
LIBRARY DISTRICT

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1. TriNet (payroll and health insurance) issue. **(Discussion/Approval)**
2. Discussion about Strategic plan/planning and Succession planning **(Discussion)**
3. Continuing education presentation by J. Scholtz on topic of Serving the Public – Access by Special Needs Persons and Diversity Training (to meet requirements of FY2018-19 Per Capita Grant. (1 of 3 sessions).

XII. ANY AND ALL OTHER BUSINESS THAT MAY PROPERLY COME BEFORE THE BOARD

XIII. ADJOURNMENT

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Minutes
McHenry Public Library District
Board of Library Trustees Regular Meeting
Public Hearing on
The Annual Budget and Levy
Ordinance

Date: October 16, 2018

Time: 7:00 P.M.

Location: Library Board Meeting Room (Public Hearing)

I. Call to Order:

President Schubert called the public hearing meeting to order at 7:04 p.m.

II. Roll Call:

Roll was called and a quorum was established.

Members Present: Margaret Carey, Jackie Fogleman, Delphine Grala, Monica Leccese, Charles Reilly, Brad Schubert, Jill Stone

Members Absent:

Also Present: James Scholtz, Executive Director, McHenry Public Library
Bill Edminster, Assistant Director, McHenry Public Library
Lesley Jakacki, Youth Services Manager, McHenry Public Library
Patti Torgersen, Business Manager, McHenry Public Library

III. Public Forum

No members of the public were in attendance.

The Board reviewed the FY2018-2019 Annual Budget and Levy Ordinance.

IV. Adjournment

MINUTES
MCHENRY PUBLIC LIBRARY DISTRICT
BOARD OF LIBRARY TRUSTEES
REGULAR MEETING

Date: October 16, 2018

Time: 7:00 P.M.

Location: Library Board Meeting Room (Following the Public Hearing)

I. Call to Order:

President Schubert called the meeting to order at 7:05 p.m.

II. Roll Call:

Roll was called and a quorum was established.

Members Present: Margaret Carey, Jackie Fogleman, Delphine Grala, Monica Leccese, Charles Reilly, Bradley Schubert, Jill Stone

Members Absent: None

Also Present: James Scholtz, Executive Director, McHenry Public Library
Bill Edminster, Assistant Director, McHenry Public Library
Lesley Jakacki, Youth Services Manager, McHenry Public Library (left 8:30 p.m.)
Patti Torgersen, Business Manager, McHenry Public Library (left 8:10 p.m.)

III. Pledge of Allegiance

IV. Corrections or Additions to the Agenda

None

V. Public Comment and Recognition of Visitors

Business Manager Patti Torgersen spoke to the Board about the ongoing library audit.

VI. Consent Agenda for this meeting

Secretary's Report – Monica Leccese, Secretary

Minutes of the September 18, 2018 Public Hearing and the September 18, 2018 Regular Board Meeting

Treasurer's Report – Delphine Grala, Treasurer

Monthly Financial Statements and Interim Check Report through September 30, 2018

Invoice Reports for September/October 2018

Additional Invoices

Petty Cash and Credit Card Reports

The Board reviewed the regular board minutes, financial statements, and monthly invoices. Treasurer Grala pointed out that we have received 47% of our property taxes for the year. Scholtz added that there were 15 scheduled payments of property taxes this fiscal year and that the next payment would be in the new calendar year.

Scholtz told the Board that the library's bank regularly charges us late fees because their deadline for payments conflicted with our date for paying bills.

Schubert used his banking experience to put the late fees in perspective relative to the interest we receive and said that the fees were not a reason to change banks.

Grala moved and Stone seconded a motion to approve the minutes of the hearing on September 18, 2018, the regular meeting for September 18, 2018, the monthly financial statements for the fiscal year through September 30, 2018, the Invoice Reports for September/October 2018, and payment of the invoices.

Ayes: Carey, Fogleman, Grala, Leccese, Reilly, Schubert, Stone

Nays: None

Abstain: None

Absent: None

Motion Passed

VII. Communications

None

VIII. Librarian's Report

The Board reviewed the Librarian's Report

- The Friends of the McHenry Library will hold a warehouse book sale on October 20-21. Edminster will work with the Friends this weekend. Scholtz will work at the Friends' clearance book sale on October 28.
- Shane Claucherty, the new Building Manager, began work on October 15.
- Araceli Moreno, the new Adult Services bilingual librarian began work on October 15.
- Micah Brown, IT Specialist Lead, will be leaving the library for new employment on October 19. Scholtz reported that he was considering either hiring an IT Manager or another IT Specialist. In the interim, he is considering hiring an IT consultant from CCB to work on a project removing unused virtual machines from our network.
- Scholtz informed the Board that Imagetec, the vendor we purchased Toshiba printer/copiers from, was replacing them with Konica Minolta devices on Thursday since the Toshiba printer/copiers do not work with coin-op devices as required.
- Scholtz made a comment about how well Torgersen was prepared for her first audit here.
- Admin and managers are updating job descriptions that will then be reviewed by HR Source, formerly Illinois Management Association.
- Scholtz and Yazel are comparing our pay scale for various positions against those at other comparable libraries in order to update what we pay.
- Scholtz spoke about liability and officers/directors insurance renewals. Although he prefers to give business to local agents, workers compensation insurance from TriNet costs us half as much as we paid before.

- Scholtz reported that he has formed a committee to investigate VOIP phone systems. He informed the Board that there are concerns that since the system is Internet based, the phones would not work when the Internet goes down. In preparation for going to VOIP, we have found a way to increase our Internet speed inexpensively through Comcast. We have four or five preliminary price quotes for VOIP phone systems.
- Scholtz informed the Board that there is a new Illinois state law that if a non-exempt employee is required to work from home, their employer is responsible for some part of Internet and electricity costs. The law did not define guidelines for reimbursement.
- One requirement for the next Per Capita Grant is that the Board and staff spend instruction time on the topic of serving patrons with special needs. Scholtz attended a two-hour program on the topic and the State Library has confirmed that presenting the information to the Board would satisfy the Per Capita requirement.
- Library managers reconsidered carrying Narcan or naloxone HCl for staff to administer if they see what could be a drug overdose and they decided it was a good idea after all. Scholtz will investigate access, cost, and training again.
- Scholtz reported that some staff members were trained on AED/CPR recently and more will be trained in the new year.
- Scholtz reported that the sign-up campaign for Harrison School was very successful. The campaign was a pilot for use at other elementary schools. A concern is that some other schools serve students who do not live in our district.

IX. Old Business

1. Schubert reported on the City of McHenry council meeting that decided to reduce impact fees for D.R. Horton's Oaks of Irish Prairie subdivision. The city's decision was to make a 50% reduction, a decision that affected all the taxing bodies involved. The city wants to speed up the sales to reduce the amount of time before the houses are generating property tax income.

X. New Business

1. Revised Tuition Reimbursement Policy—including forms/agreements
Scholtz explained that the policy was revised to prevent the recurrence of a recent situation when reimbursement was not arranged before a staff member left. The policy was vetted by a lawyer and by HR Source.
Leccese moved and Grala seconded a motion to approve the revised Tuition Reimbursement Policy, including forms and agreements.
Ayes: Carey, Fogleman, Grala, Leccese, Reilly, Schubert, Stone
Nays: None
Abstain: None
Absent: None
Motion Passed
2. Approval of FY2018/19 Levy and Appropriations Act (Ordinance 2018/19-2)
Scholtz pointed out to the Board that the budget portion of the act had not changed. Leccese moved and Schubert seconded a motion to certify the FY2018/19 Levy and Appropriations Act (Ordinance 2018/19-2).
Ayes: Carey, Fogleman, Grala, Leccese, Reilly, Schubert, Stone

Nays: None
Abstain: None
Absent: None
Motion Passed

3. Approval of Prevailing Wage Ordinance (Ordinance 2018/19-3).
The Board discussed the Prevailing Wage Ordinance.
Carey moved and Stone seconded a motion to approve the Prevailing Wage Ordinance (Ordinance 2018/19-3).
Ayes: Carey, Fogleman, Grala, Leccese, Reilly, Schubert, Stone
Nays: None
Abstain: None
Absent: None
Motion Passed
4. Approval of the Calendar of Regular Meetings (Ordinance 2018/19-4)
The wrong date was on the Ordinance so the motion was to approve it as corrected.
Scholtz informed the Board that the deadline for staff to submit statistics and items for the Librarians Report couldn't be moved earlier so Librarians reports in the Board packet will not be for the most recent completed month but for the month before.
Grala moved and Carey seconded a motion to approve the Calendar of Regular Meetings (Ordinance 2018/19-4) as corrected.
Ayes: Carey, Fogleman, Grala, Leccese, Reilly, Schubert, Stone
Nays: None
Abstain: None
Absent: None
Motion Passed
5. Approval of the Non-Discrimination and Anti-Harassment Policy revision
Scholtz said that the policy now reflects the library's chain of command. The policy applies to staff. The Behavior Policy applies to patrons.
Stone moved and Grala seconded a motion to approve the Non-Discrimination and Anti-Harassment Policy as revised.
Ayes: Carey, Fogleman, Grala, Leccese, Reilly, Schubert, Stone
Nays: None
Abstain: None
Absent: None
Motion Passed
6. DISC profiles/teamwork and possible Strategic Planning Meeting
Scholtz will test Fogleman to determine her DISC personality profile. Scholtz said he wants to schedule a one-day strategic planning session next summer. The plan will have a shorter duration.

XI. Any and All Other Business That May Properly Come Before the Board

1. None

XII. Adjournment

Reilly moved and Grala seconded a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:46 p.m.

Ayes: Carey, Fogleman, Grala, Leccese, Reilly, Schubert, Stone

Nays: None

Abstain: None

Absent: None

Motion Passed

Respectfully Submitted,

Monica Leccese, Secretary

MCHENRY PUBLIC LIBRARY DISTRICT

COMPILED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

October 31, 2018

McHenry Public Library District
Statement of Revenues and Expenditures
October 2018

4:47 PM
11/09/2018
Cash Basis
Oct 18

Income

6010100 · Property Taxes	(65,733.05)
6030100 · Interest Income - General	58.76
6030200 · Interest Income - Spec Reserve	50.60
6030300 · Interest Income - Grant & Gifts	15.74
6040100 · Nonresident/Enhanced Cards	90.00
6050100 · Fines	709.82
6060100 · Photocopier & Fax Income	1,722.01
6070300 · General Fund Gifts	11.60
6120100 · Meeting Room Fees	60.00
6130100 · Misc Incom -General(Sales/Fees)	219.00
6150100 · Lost & Damged Materials	282.96

Total Income

(62,512.56)

Gross Profit

(62,512.56)

Expense

8010100 · Adult Books	2,529.64
8020100 · Youth Books	4,924.59
8040300 · Operating Fund Gifts	2,220.45
8050100 · Adult AV Materials	1,637.55
8060100 · Youth AV Materials	613.95
8080100 · Video Games	2,266.99
8090100 · eBook & eMagazine Services	1,810.21
8095100 · Electronic Subscriptions	3,017.00
8110100 · Bank Service Charges	29.23
8120100 · Library Supplies	1,234.50
8130100 · Tech Services Supplies	6,510.15
8140100 · Adult Programs & Supplies	1,400.99
8147100 · Summer Reading Club	40.00
8150100 · Youth Programs & Supplies	2,941.70
8245100 · Comp/OfcEqp/CopierRepairs/Contr	14,177.96
8310100 · CCS & Polaris Expenses	6,615.66
8320100 · Network Expenses	2,605.04
8410100 · Payroll Exp, Acctg & Audit Serv	599.00
8440100 · In Service Honorarium	209.46
8510100 · Printing	11.90
8540100 · Postage	287.88
8550100 · Public Relations/Promotions	690.26
8620100 · Gas	110.00
8630100 · Telephone & Internet Services	181.26
8640100 · Water & Sewer	202.19
8720100 · Building/Auto Insurance	29,096.00
8740100 · Building & Grounds	6,411.28
8760100 · Hospitality	990.86
8800311 · Adult Materials - PER CAPITA	1,447.11
8910100 · Salaries	150,522.29
8930100 · IMRF	21,176.42
8940100 · Health & Life Insurance	3,118.44
8960100 · Memberships & Dues	561.99
8970100 · Travel	544.00

Total Expense

270,735.95

Net Income

(333,248.51)

Statement of Revenues and Expenditures by Class

11/09/2018

July through October 2018

Cash Basis

	100 General Fund	Special Reserve F	0 Grant and Gift Fu	TOTAL
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Income

6010100 · Property Taxes	1,430,687.00	0.00	0.00	1,430,687.00
6030100 · Interest Income - General	161.81	0.00	0.00	161.81
6030200 · Interest Income - Spec Reserve	0.00	204.04	0.00	204.04
6030300 · Interest Income - Grant & Gifts	0.00	0.00	61.21	61.21
6035100 · Dividends	52.00	0.00	0.00	52.00
6040100 · Nonresident/Enhanced Cards	180.00	0.00	0.00	180.00
6050100 · Fines	5,776.58	0.00	0.00	5,776.58
6060100 · Photocopier & Fax Income	3,942.16	0.00	0.00	3,942.16
6070300 · General Fund Gifts	10.71	0.00	27.25	37.96
6090100 · Annexation Impact Fees	12,560.00	0.00	0.00	12,560.00
6105100 · Cobra/Retiree Insurance Pmts	4,202.36	0.00	0.00	4,202.36
6120100 · Meeting Room Fees	316.00	0.00	0.00	316.00
6130100 · Misc Incom -General(Sales/Fees)	1,011.40	0.00	0.00	1,011.40
6150100 · Lost & Damged Materials	2,401.34	0.00	0.00	2,401.34
6170300 · Per Capita Grant	0.00	0.00	52,528.75	52,528.75

Total Income

1,461,301.36	204.04	52,617.21	1,514,122.61
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Gross Profit

1,461,301.36	204.04	52,617.21	1,514,122.61
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Expense

Dues and Subscriptions	4,244.48	0.00	0.00	4,244.48
66000 · Payroll Expenses	(3,040.58)	0.00	0.00	(3,040.58)
8010100 · Adult Books	13,469.67	0.00	0.00	13,469.67
8020100 · Youth Books	13,812.11	0.00	0.00	13,812.11
8025100 · Professional Resources	73.99	0.00	4,445.28	4,519.27
8030100 · Magazines & Newspapers	11,495.91	0.00	0.00	11,495.91
8040300 · Operating Fund Gifts	1,500.00	0.00	10,779.15	12,279.15
8050100 · Adult AV Materials	10,747.54	0.00	0.00	10,747.54
8060100 · Youth AV Materials	2,737.09	0.00	0.00	2,737.09
8080100 · Video Games	6,579.39	0.00	0.00	6,579.39
8090100 · eBook & eMagazine Services	8,090.17	0.00	0.00	8,090.17
8095100 · Electronic Subscriptions	15,364.64	0.00	0.00	15,364.64
8110100 · Bank Service Charges	145.40	0.00	0.00	145.40
8120100 · Library Supplies	4,039.09	0.00	0.00	4,039.09
8130100 · Tech Services Supplies	16,681.05	0.00	0.00	16,681.05
8140100 · Adult Programs & Supplies	5,488.94	0.00	0.00	5,488.94
8145100 · Circulation Supplies	180.60	0.00	0.00	180.60
8147100 · Summer Reading Club	2,138.49	0.00	0.00	2,138.49
8150100 · Youth Programs & Supplies	9,891.01	0.00	0.00	9,891.01
8245100 · Comp/OfcEqp/CopierRepairs/Contr	104,955.96	0.00	0.00	104,955.96
8260100 · Misc Contracted Services	145.00	0.00	0.00	145.00
8270100 · Finance/Late Fee Charges	96.74	0.00	0.00	96.74
8310100 · CCS & Polaris Expenses	26,462.44	0.00	0.00	26,462.44
8320100 · Network Expenses	9,924.52	0.00	0.00	9,924.52
8410100 · Payroll Exp, Acctg & Audit Serv	3,819.00	0.00	0.00	3,819.00
8430100 · Automation & Misc Consultants	300.00	0.00	0.00	300.00
8440100 · In Service Honorarium	209.46	0.00	0.00	209.46
8510100 · Printing	5,322.94	0.00	0.00	5,322.94
8540100 · Postage	2,600.87	0.00	11.65	2,612.52
8550100 · Public Relations/Promotions	2,574.57	0.00	0.00	2,574.57
8610100 · Electricity	6,615.18	0.00	0.00	6,615.18
8620100 · Gas	407.28	0.00	0.00	407.28
8630100 · Telephone & Internet Services	3,748.61	0.00	0.00	3,748.61
8640100 · Water & Sewer	2,108.08	0.00	0.00	2,108.08
8720100 · Building/Auto Insurance	29,096.00	0.00	0.00	29,096.00

	100 General Fund	Special Reserve F	0 Grant and Gift Fu	TOTAL
8740100 · Building & Grounds	25,374.08	0.00	0.00	25,374.08
8760100 · Hospitality	3,123.40	0.00	0.00	3,123.40
8770100 · Interlibrary Loan Fees & Losses	24.90	0.00	0.00	24.90
8800311 · Adult Materials - PER CAPITA	137.24	0.00	2,891.97	3,029.21
8800321 · Youth Materials - PER CAPITA	0.00	0.00	466.70	466.70
8910100 · Salaries	652,492.67	0.00	0.00	652,492.67
8920100 · FICA/Medicare	27,328.54	0.00	0.00	27,328.54
8925100 · Other Payroll Taxes	5,155.30	0.00	0.00	5,155.30
8930100 · IMRF	58,072.43	0.00	0.00	58,072.43
8940100 · Health & Life Insurance	78,561.39	0.00	0.00	78,561.39
8960100 · Memberships & Dues	864.53	0.00	0.00	864.53
8970100 · Travel	3,007.58	0.00	0.00	3,007.58
8980100 · Meetings & Training	370.90	0.00	0.00	370.90
9060100 · Library Furnishings	123.79	0.00	0.00	123.79
9090100 · Additional Capital Projects	13,043.56	0.00	0.00	13,043.56
Total Expense	1,189,705.95	0.00	18,594.75	1,208,300.70
Net Income	271,595.41	204.04	34,022.46	305,821.91

Statement of Revenues and Expenditures Budget vs. Actual

11/09/2018

July through October 2018

Cash Basis

	Jul - Aug 18	Budget	\$ Over Budget	% of Budget
Income				
6010100 · Property Taxes	314,693.40	3,180,655.42	(2,865,962.02)	9.89%
6030100 · Interest Income - General	72.54	5,000.00	(4,927.46)	1.45%
6030200 · Interest Income - Spec Reserve	98.04	0.00	98.04	100.0%
6030300 · Interest Income - Grant & Gifts	28.02	0.00	28.02	100.0%
6035100 · Dividends	52.00	500.00	(448.00)	10.4%
6040100 · Nonresident/Enhanced Cards	0.00	1,000.00	(1,000.00)	0.0%
6050100 · Fines	3,603.82	47,000.00	(43,396.18)	7.67%
6055100 · Referral/Collection Fees	0.00	1,000.00	(1,000.00)	0.0%
6060100 · Photocopier & Fax Income	1,161.83	20,000.00	(18,838.17)	5.81%
6070300 · General Fund Gifts	19.79	0.00	19.79	100.0%
6090100 · Annexation Impact Fees	12,560.00	1,000.00	11,560.00	1,256.0%
6105100 · Cobra/Retiree Insurance Pmts	4,202.36	13,500.00	(9,297.64)	31.13%
6110100 · Program Fees/Misc Fees	0.00	4,200.00	(4,200.00)	0.0%
6120100 · Meeting Room Fees	160.00	1,000.00	(840.00)	16.0%
6130100 · Misc Income -General(Sales/Fees)	521.66	15,000.00	(14,478.34)	3.48%
6150100 · Lost & Damged Materials	1,664.41	5,000.00	(3,335.59)	33.29%
6170300 · Per Capita Grant	52,528.75			
Total Income	391,366.62	3,294,855.42	(2,903,488.80)	11.88%
Gross Profit	391,366.62	3,294,855.42	(2,903,488.80)	11.88%
Expense				
Dues and Subscriptions	2,126.00			
66000 · Payroll Expenses	(3,040.58)			
8010100 · Adult Books	7,255.89	91,500.00	(84,244.11)	7.93%
8020100 · Youth Books	4,643.64	59,000.00	(54,356.36)	7.87%
8025100 · Professional Resources	0.00	5,500.00	(5,500.00)	0.0%
8028100 · Administrative Resources (GA)	0.00	6,000.00	(6,000.00)	0.0%
8030100 · Magazines & Newspapers	11,432.91	15,500.00	(4,067.09)	73.76%
8040300 · Operating Fund Gifts	9,227.60	0.00	9,227.60	100.0%
8050100 · Adult AV Materials	6,160.07	45,000.00	(38,839.93)	13.69%
8060100 · Youth AV Materials	1,683.78	15,000.00	(13,316.22)	11.23%
8080100 · Video Games	1,339.11	11,000.00	(9,660.89)	12.17%
8090100 · eBook & eMagazine Services	4,266.37	64,000.00	(59,733.63)	6.67%
8095100 · Electronic Subscriptions	6,777.64	80,000.00	(73,222.36)	8.47%
8110100 · Bank Service Charges	84.11	200.00	(115.89)	42.06%
8120100 · Library Supplies	2,804.59	10,000.00	(7,195.41)	28.05%
8130100 · Tech Services Supplies	6,926.32	40,000.00	(33,073.68)	17.32%
8135100 · Bindery	0.00	200.00	(200.00)	0.0%
8140100 · Adult Programs & Supplies	2,393.95	17,500.00	(15,106.05)	13.68%
8145100 · Circulation Supplies	180.60	25,000.00	(24,819.40)	0.72%
8147100 · Summer Reading Club	2,098.49	7,000.00	(4,901.51)	29.98%
8150100 · Youth Programs & Supplies	5,372.19	21,500.00	(16,127.81)	24.99%
8215100 · Collection Agency Fees	0.00	1,500.00	(1,500.00)	0.0%
8245100 · Comp/OfcEqp/CopierRepairs/Contr	23,853.64	59,000.00	(35,146.36)	40.43%
8260100 · Misc Contracted Services	0.00	8,000.00	(8,000.00)	0.0%
8270100 · Finance/Late Fee Charges	0.00	500.00	(500.00)	0.0%
8310100 · CCS & Polaris Expenses	13,231.12	75,000.00	(61,768.88)	17.64%
8320100 · Network Expenses	5,221.11	30,000.00	(24,778.89)	17.4%
8330100 · OCLC Services (cataloging)	0.00	16,000.00	(16,000.00)	0.0%
8410100 · Payroll Exp, Acctg & Audit Serv	2,683.50	78,500.00	(75,816.50)	3.42%
8420100 · Legal Services	0.00	4,700.00	(4,700.00)	0.0%
8430100 · Automation & Misc Consultants	300.00	20,000.00	(19,700.00)	1.5%
8440100 · In Service Honorarium	0.00	1,000.00	(1,000.00)	0.0%
8510100 · Printing	5,161.04	30,000.00	(24,838.96)	17.2%
8530100 · Public Notices & Ads	0.00	3,000.00	(3,000.00)	0.0%
8540100 · Postage	568.13	15,000.00	(14,431.87)	3.79%
8550100 · Public Relations/Promotions	1,573.85	7,000.00	(5,426.15)	22.48%
8610100 · Electricity	6,206.55	25,000.00	(18,793.45)	24.83%
8620100 · Gas	194.23	4,500.00	(4,305.77)	4.32%
8630100 · Telephone & Internet Services	1,981.73	14,000.00	(12,018.27)	14.16%
8640100 · Water & Sewer	1,905.89	6,800.00	(4,894.11)	28.03%
8720100 · Building/Auto Insurance	0.00	33,000.00	(33,000.00)	0.0%
8730100 · Bonding & Officers Liability	0.00	5,500.00	(5,500.00)	0.0%
8740100 · Building & Grounds	11,567.42	54,000.00	(42,432.58)	21.42%
8760100 · Hospitality	1,614.53	10,000.00	(8,385.47)	16.15%
8770100 · Interlibrary Loan Fees & Losses	24.90	700.00	(675.10)	3.56%
8795100 · Miscellaneous (FH)	0.00	4,000.00	(4,000.00)	0.0%
8800300 · Per Capita Grant expense for FY	0.00	32,628.34	(32,628.34)	0.0%
8800311 · Adult Materials - PER CAPITA	952.56	0.00	952.56	100.0%

	Jul - Aug 18	Budget	\$ Over Budget	% of Budget
8800321 · Youth Materials - PER CAPITA	466.70	0.00	466.70	100.0%
8910100 · Salaries	349,307.60	1,840,000.00	(1,490,692.40)	18.98%
8920100 · FICA/Medicare	25,354.40	148,000.00	(122,645.60)	17.13%
8925100 · Other Payroll Taxes	2,505.65			
8930100 · IMRF	33,056.34	205,000.00	(171,943.66)	16.13%
8940100 · Health & Life Insurance	66,317.83	290,000.00	(223,682.17)	22.87%
8950100 · Tuition Reimbursement	0.00	10,000.00	(10,000.00)	0.0%
8960100 · Memberships & Dues	302.54	8,000.00	(7,697.46)	3.78%
8970100 · Travel	1,248.17	11,000.00	(9,751.83)	11.35%
8980100 · Meetings & Training	370.90	6,000.00	(5,629.10)	6.18%
9050200 · Library District Act	0.00	375,000.00	(375,000.00)	0.0%
9060100 · Library Furnishings	123.79	48,000.00	(47,876.21)	0.26%
9070100 · Library Equipment	0.00	45,000.00	(45,000.00)	0.0%
9080100 · Small Equipment Under \$250	0.00	5,000.00	(5,000.00)	0.0%
9090100 · Additional Capital Projects	10,531.41	150,000.00	(139,468.59)	7.02%
Total Expense	638,358.21	4,194,228.34	(3,555,870.13)	15.22%
Net Income	(246,991.59)	(899,372.92)	652,381.33	27.46%

Statement of Revenue and Expenditures Budget vs. Actual

11/09/2018

July 1, 2018 - October 31, 2018 - General Fund

Cash Basis

	Jul - Aug 18	Budget	\$ Over Budget	% of Budget
Income				
6010100 · Property Taxes	314,693.40	3,180,655.42	(2,865,962.02)	9.89%
6030100 · Interest Income - General	72.54	5,000.00	(4,927.46)	1.45%
6035100 · Dividends	52.00	500.00	(448.00)	10.4%
6040100 · Nonresident/Enhanced Cards	0.00	1,000.00	(1,000.00)	0.0%
6050100 · Fines	3,603.82	47,000.00	(43,396.18)	7.67%
6055100 · Referral/Collection Fees	0.00	1,000.00	(1,000.00)	0.0%
6060100 · Photocopier & Fax Income	1,161.83	20,000.00	(18,838.17)	5.81%
6090100 · Annexation Impact Fees	12,560.00	1,000.00	11,560.00	1,256.0%
6105100 · Cobra/Retiree Insurance Pmts	4,202.36	13,500.00	(9,297.64)	31.13%
6110100 · Program Fees/Misc Fees	0.00	4,200.00	(4,200.00)	0.0%
6120100 · Meeting Room Fees	160.00	1,000.00	(840.00)	16.0%
6130100 · Misc Incom -General(Sales/Fees)	521.66	15,000.00	(14,478.34)	3.48%
6150100 · Lost & Damged Materials	1,664.41	5,000.00	(3,335.59)	33.29%
Total Income	338,692.02	3,294,855.42	(2,956,163.40)	10.28%
Gross Profit	338,692.02	3,294,855.42	(2,956,163.40)	10.28%
Expense				
Dues and Subscriptions	2,126.00			
66000 · Payroll Expenses	(3,040.58)			
8010100 · Adult Books	7,255.89	91,500.00	(84,244.11)	7.93%
8020100 · Youth Books	4,643.64	59,000.00	(54,356.36)	7.87%
8025100 · Professional Resources	0.00	5,500.00	(5,500.00)	0.0%
8028100 · Administrative Resources (GA)	0.00	6,000.00	(6,000.00)	0.0%
8030100 · Magazines & Newspapers	11,432.91	15,500.00	(4,067.09)	73.76%
8050100 · Adult AV Materials	6,160.07	45,000.00	(38,839.93)	13.69%
8060100 · Youth AV Materials	1,683.78	15,000.00	(13,316.22)	11.23%
8080100 · Video Games	1,339.11	11,000.00	(9,660.89)	12.17%
8090100 · eBook & eMagazine Services	4,266.37	64,000.00	(59,733.63)	6.67%
8095100 · Electronic Subscriptions	6,777.64	80,000.00	(73,222.36)	8.47%
8110100 · Bank Service Charges	84.11	200.00	(115.89)	42.06%
8120100 · Library Supplies	2,804.59	10,000.00	(7,195.41)	28.05%
8130100 · Tech Services Supplies	6,926.32	40,000.00	(33,073.68)	17.32%
8135100 · Bindery	0.00	200.00	(200.00)	0.0%
8140100 · Adult Programs & Supplies	2,393.95	17,500.00	(15,106.05)	13.68%
8145100 · Circulation Supplies	180.60	25,000.00	(24,819.40)	0.72%
8147100 · Summer Reading Club	2,098.49	7,000.00	(4,901.51)	29.98%
8150100 · Youth Programs & Supplies	5,372.19	21,500.00	(16,127.81)	24.99%
8215100 · Collection Agency Fees	0.00	1,500.00	(1,500.00)	0.0%
8245100 · Comp/OfcEqp/CopierRepairs/Contr	23,853.64	59,000.00	(35,146.36)	40.43%
8260100 · Misc Contracted Services	0.00	8,000.00	(8,000.00)	0.0%
8270100 · Finance/Late Fee Charges	0.00	500.00	(500.00)	0.0%
8310100 · CCS & Polaris Expenses	13,231.12	75,000.00	(61,768.88)	17.64%
8320100 · Network Expenses	5,221.11	30,000.00	(24,778.89)	17.4%
8330100 · OCLC Services (cataloging)	0.00	16,000.00	(16,000.00)	0.0%
8410100 · Payroll Exp, Acctg & Audit Serv	2,683.50	78,500.00	(75,816.50)	3.42%
8420100 · Legal Services	0.00	4,700.00	(4,700.00)	0.0%
8430100 · Automation & Misc Consultants	300.00	20,000.00	(19,700.00)	1.5%
8440100 · In Service Honorarium	0.00	1,000.00	(1,000.00)	0.0%
8510100 · Printing	5,161.04	30,000.00	(24,838.96)	17.2%
8530100 · Public Notices & Ads	0.00	3,000.00	(3,000.00)	0.0%
8540100 · Postage	556.48	15,000.00	(14,443.52)	3.71%
8550100 · Public Relations/Promotions	1,573.85	7,000.00	(5,426.15)	22.48%
8610100 · Electricity	6,206.55	25,000.00	(18,793.45)	24.83%
8620100 · Gas	194.23	4,500.00	(4,305.77)	4.32%
8630100 · Telephone & Internet Services	1,981.73	14,000.00	(12,018.27)	14.16%
8640100 · Water & Sewer	1,905.89	6,800.00	(4,894.11)	28.03%
8720100 · Building/Auto Insurance	0.00	33,000.00	(33,000.00)	0.0%
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9080100 - Small Equipment Under \$250	0.00	5,000.00	(5,000.00)	0.0%
9090100 - Additional Capital Projects	10,531.41	150,000.00	(139,468.59)	7.02%
Total Expense	627,699.70	4,161,600.00	(3,533,900.30)	15.08%
Net Income	(289,007.68)	(866,744.58)	577,736.90	33.34%

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McHenry Public Library District
Statement of Revenues and Expenditures Budget vs. Actual

July 1, 2018 - August 31, 2018 - Grant and Gift Fund

	<u>Jul - Aug 18</u>	<u>Budget</u>	<u>\$ Over Budget</u>	<u>% of Budget</u>
Income				
6030300 · Interest Income - Grant & Gifts	28.02	0.00	28.02	100.0%
6070300 · General Fund Gifts	19.79	0.00	19.79	100.0%
6170300 · Per Capita Grant	52,528.75			
Total Income	<u>52,576.56</u>	<u>0.00</u>	<u>52,576.56</u>	<u>100.0%</u>
Gross Profit	52,576.56	0.00	52,576.56	100.0%
Expense				
8040300 · Operating Fund Gifts	9,227.60	0.00	9,227.60	100.0%
8540100 · Postage	11.65			
8800300 · Per Capita Grant expense for FY	0.00	32,628.34	(32,628.34)	0.0%
8800311 · Adult Materials - PER CAPITA	952.56	0.00	952.56	100.0%
8800321 · Youth Materials - PER CAPITA	466.70	0.00	466.70	100.0%
Total Expense	<u>10,658.51</u>	<u>32,628.34</u>	<u>(21,969.83)</u>	<u>32.7%</u>
Net Income	<u><u>41,918.05</u></u>	<u><u>(32,628.34)</u></u>	<u><u>74,546.39</u></u>	<u><u>(128.5)%</u></u>

McHenry Public Library District
Statement of Revenues and Expenditures Budget vs. Actual
July 1, 2018 - August 31, 2018 - Special Reserve Fund

	<u>Jul - Aug 18</u>	<u>Budget</u>	<u>\$ Over Budget</u>	<u>% of Budget</u>
Income				
6030200 · Interest Income - Spec Reserve	<u>98.04</u>	<u>0.00</u>	<u>98.04</u>	<u>100.0%</u>
Total Income	<u>98.04</u>	<u>0.00</u>	<u>98.04</u>	<u>100.0%</u>
Gross Profit	<u>98.04</u>	<u>0.00</u>	<u>98.04</u>	<u>100.0%</u>
Net Income	<u>98.04</u>	<u>0.00</u>	<u>98.04</u>	<u>100.0%</u>

Minutes
McHenry Public Library District
Board of Library Trustees Regular Meeting
Public Hearing on
The Annual Budget and Levy
Ordinance

Date: October 16, 2018

Time: 7:00 P.M.

Location: Library Board Meeting Room (Public Hearing)

I. Call to Order:

President Schubert called the public hearing meeting to order at 7:04 p.m.

II. Roll Call:

Roll was called and a quorum was established.

Members Present: Margaret Carey, Jackie Fogleman, Delphine Grala, Monica Leccese, Charles Reilly, Brad Schubert, Jill Stone

Members Absent:

Also Present: James Scholtz, Executive Director, McHenry Public Library
Bill Edminster, Assistant Director, McHenry Public Library
Lesley Jakacki, Youth Services Manager, McHenry Public Library
Patti Torgersen, Business Manager, McHenry Public Library

III. Public Forum

No members of the public were in attendance.

The Board reviewed the FY2018-2019 Annual Budget and Levy Ordinance.

IV. Adjournment

MINUTES
MCHENRY PUBLIC LIBRARY DISTRICT
BOARD OF LIBRARY TRUSTEES
REGULAR MEETING

Date: October 16, 2018

Time: 7:00 P.M.

Location: Library Board Meeting Room (Following the Public Hearing)

I. Call to Order:

President Schubert called the meeting to order at 7:05 p.m.

II. Roll Call:

Roll was called and a quorum was established.

Members Present: Margaret Carey, Jackie Fogleman, Delphine Grala, Monica Leccese, Charles Reilly, Bradley Schubert, Jill Stone

Members Absent: None

Also Present: James Scholtz, Executive Director, McHenry Public Library
Bill Edminster, Assistant Director, McHenry Public Library
Lesley Jakacki, Youth Services Manager, McHenry Public Library (left 8:30 p.m.)
Patti Torgersen, Business Manager, McHenry Public Library (left 8:10 p.m.)

III. Pledge of Allegiance

IV. Corrections or Additions to the Agenda

None

V. Public Comment and Recognition of Visitors

Business Manager Patti Torgersen spoke to the Board about the ongoing library audit.

VI. Consent Agenda for this meeting

Secretary's Report – Monica Leccese, Secretary

Minutes of the September 18, 2018 Public Hearing and the September 18, 2018 Regular Board Meeting

Treasurer's Report – Delphine Grala, Treasurer

Monthly Financial Statements and Interim Check Report through September 30, 2018

Invoice Reports for September/October 2018

Additional Invoices

Petty Cash and Credit Card Reports

The Board reviewed the regular board minutes, financial statements, and monthly invoices. Treasurer Grala pointed out that we have received 47% of our property taxes for the year. Scholtz added that there were 15 scheduled payments of property taxes this fiscal year and that the next payment would be in the new calendar year.

Scholtz told the Board that the library's bank regularly charges us late fees because their deadline for payments conflicted with our date for paying bills.

Schubert used his banking experience to put the late fees in perspective relative to the interest we receive and said that the fees were not a reason to change banks.

Grala moved and Stone seconded a motion to approve the minutes of the hearing on September 18, 2018, the regular meeting for September 18, 2018, the monthly financial statements for the fiscal year through September 30, 2018, the Invoice Reports for September/October 2018, and payment of the invoices.

Ayes: Carey, Fogleman, Grala, Leccese, Reilly, Schubert, Stone

Nays: None

Abstain: None

Absent: None

Motion Passed

VII. Communications

None

VIII. Librarian's Report

The Board reviewed the Librarian's Report

- The Friends of the McHenry Library will hold a warehouse book sale on October 20-21. Edminster will work with the Friends this weekend. Scholtz will work at the Friends' clearance book sale on October 28.
- Shane Claucherty, the new Building Manager, began work on October 15.
- Araceli Moreno, the new Adult Services bilingual librarian began work on October 15.
- Micah Brown, IT Specialist Lead, will be leaving the library for new employment on October 19. Scholtz reported that he was considering either hiring an IT Manager or another IT Specialist. In the interim, he is considering hiring an IT consultant from CCB to work on a project removing unused virtual machines from our network.
- Scholtz informed the Board that Imagetec, the vendor we purchased Toshiba printer/copiers from, was replacing them with Konica Minolta devices on Thursday since the Toshiba printer/copiers do not work with coin-op devices as required.
- Scholtz made a comment about how well Torgersen was prepared for her first audit here.
- Admin and managers are updating job descriptions that will then be reviewed by HR Source, formerly Illinois Management Association.
- Scholtz and Yazel are comparing our pay scale for various positions against those at other comparable libraries in order to update what we pay.
- Scholtz spoke about liability and officers/directors insurance renewals. Although he prefers to give business to local agents, workers compensation insurance from TriNet costs us half as much as we paid before.

- Scholtz reported that he has formed a committee to investigate VOIP phone systems. He informed the Board that there are concerns that since the system is Internet based, the phones would not work when the Internet goes down. In preparation for going to VOIP, we have found a way to increase our Internet speed inexpensively through Comcast. We have four or five preliminary price quotes for VOIP phone systems.
- Scholtz informed the Board that there is a new Illinois state law that if a non-exempt employee is required to work from home, their employer is responsible for some part of Internet and electricity costs. The law did not define guidelines for reimbursement.
- One requirement for the next Per Capita Grant is that the Board and staff spend instruction time on the topic of serving patrons with special needs. Scholtz attended a two-hour program on the topic and the State Library has confirmed that presenting the information to the Board would satisfy the Per Capita requirement.
- Library managers reconsidered carrying Narcan or naloxone HCl for staff to administer if they see what could be a drug overdose and they decided it was a good idea after all. Scholtz will investigate access, cost, and training again.
- Scholtz reported that some staff members were trained on AED/CPR recently and more will be trained in the new year.
- Scholtz reported that the sign-up campaign for Harrison School was very successful. The campaign was a pilot for use at other elementary schools. A concern is that some other schools serve students who do not live in our district.

IX. Old Business

1. Schubert reported on the City of McHenry council meeting that decided to reduce impact fees for D.R. Horton's Oaks of Irish Prairie subdivision. The city's decision was to make a 50% reduction, a decision that affected all the taxing bodies involved. The city wants to speed up the sales to reduce the amount of time before the houses are generating property tax income.

X. New Business

1. Revised Tuition Reimbursement Policy—including forms/agreements
Scholtz explained that the policy was revised to prevent the recurrence of a recent situation when reimbursement was not arranged before a staff member left. The policy was vetted by a lawyer and by HR Source.
Leccese moved and Grala seconded a motion to approve the revised Tuition Reimbursement Policy, including forms and agreements.
Ayes: Carey, Fogleman, Grala, Leccese, Reilly, Schubert, Stone
Nays: None
Abstain: None
Absent: None
Motion Passed
2. Approval of FY2018/19 Levy and Appropriations Act (Ordinance 2018/19-2)
Scholtz pointed out to the Board that the budget portion of the act had not changed. Leccese moved and Schubert seconded a motion to certify the FY2018/19 Levy and Appropriations Act (Ordinance 2018/19-2).
Ayes: Carey, Fogleman, Grala, Leccese, Reilly, Schubert, Stone

Nays: None
Abstain: None
Absent: None
Motion Passed

3. Approval of Prevailing Wage Ordinance (Ordinance 2018/19-3).
The Board discussed the Prevailing Wage Ordinance.
Carey moved and Stone seconded a motion to approve the Prevailing Wage Ordinance (Ordinance 2018/19-3).
Ayes: Carey, Fogleman, Grala, Leccese, Reilly, Schubert, Stone
Nays: None
Abstain: None
Absent: None
Motion Passed
4. Approval of the Calendar of Regular Meetings (Ordinance 2018/19-4)
The wrong date was on the Ordinance so the motion was to approve it as corrected.
Scholtz informed the Board that the deadline for staff to submit statistics and items for the Librarians Report couldn't be moved earlier so Librarians reports in the Board packet will not be for the most recent completed month but for the month before.
Grala moved and Carey seconded a motion to approve the Calendar of Regular Meetings (Ordinance 2018/19-4) as corrected.
Ayes: Carey, Fogleman, Grala, Leccese, Reilly, Schubert, Stone
Nays: None
Abstain: None
Absent: None
Motion Passed
5. Approval of the Non-Discrimination and Anti-Harassment Policy revision
Scholtz said that the policy now reflects the library's chain of command. The policy applies to staff. The Behavior Policy applies to patrons.
Stone moved and Grala seconded a motion to approve the Non-Discrimination and Anti-Harassment Policy as revised.
Ayes: Carey, Fogleman, Grala, Leccese, Reilly, Schubert, Stone
Nays: None
Abstain: None
Absent: None
Motion Passed
6. DISC profiles/teamwork and possible Strategic Planning Meeting
Scholtz will test Fogleman to determine her DISC personality profile. Scholtz said he wants to schedule a one-day strategic planning session next summer. The plan will have a shorter duration.

XI. Any and All Other Business That May Properly Come Before the Board

1. None

XII. Adjournment

Reilly moved and Grala seconded a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:46 p.m.

Ayes: Carey, Fogleman, Grala, Leccese, Reilly, Schubert, Stone

Nays: None

Abstain: None

Absent: None




Motion Passed

Respectfully Submitted,

Monica Leccese, Secretary

2018

MPLD 2018 CALENDAR

 Closed w/ Holiday Pay
 Closed - No Holiday Pay
 Staff In-Service

 Pay Day
 Pay Day & Board Meeting
 Board Meeting

 Payroll Processing
 Timesheets Due/Payroll Deadline
 End of pay period

January 2018						
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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February 2018						
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March 2018						
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May 2018						
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June 2018						
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July 2018						
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August 2018						
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October 2018						
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2019

MPLD 2019 CALENDAR

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	Pay Day & Board Meeting
	Board Meeting

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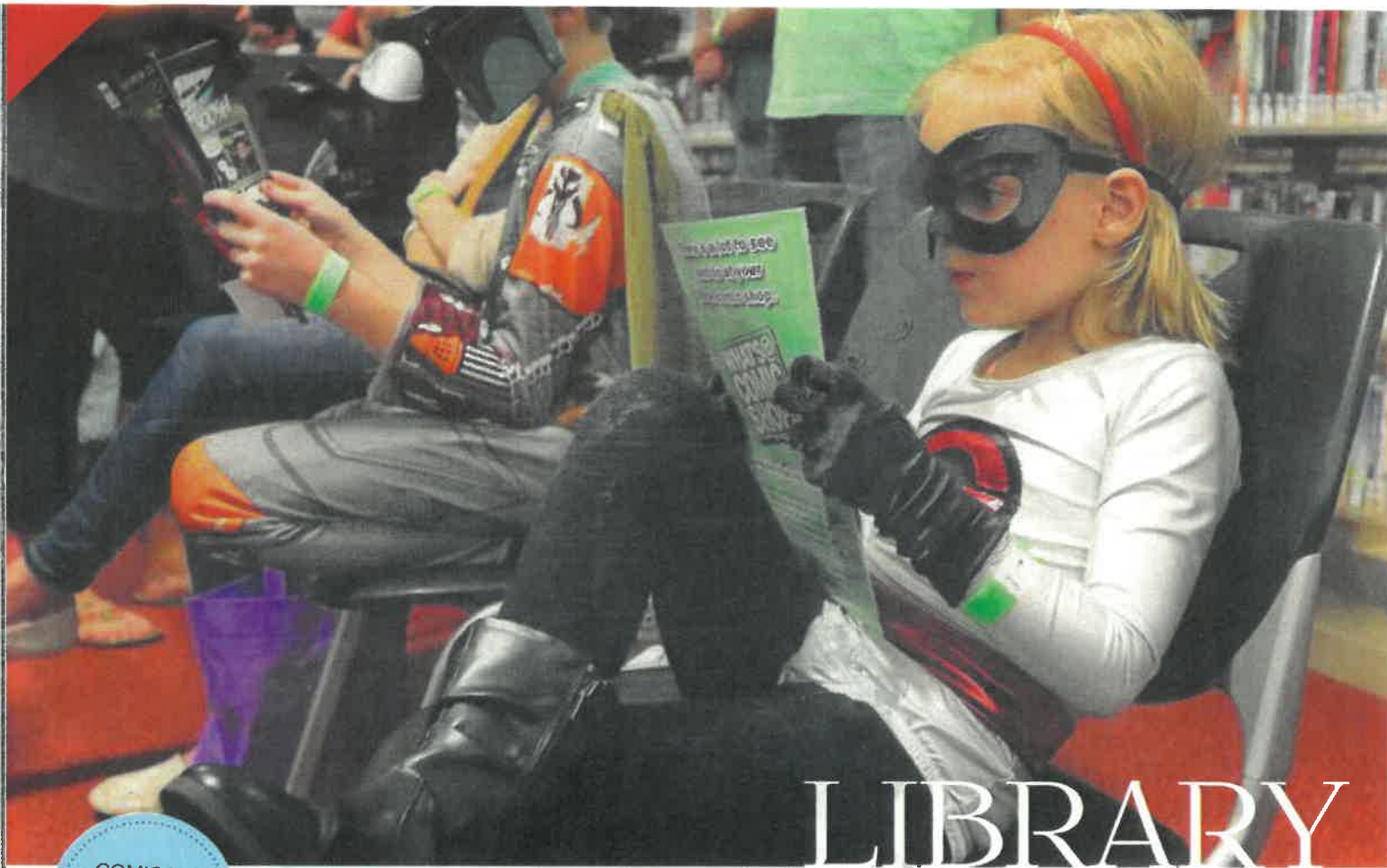
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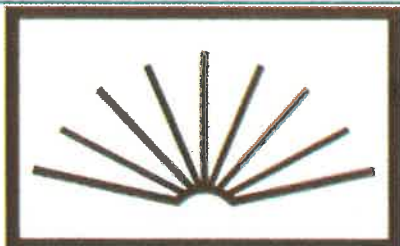
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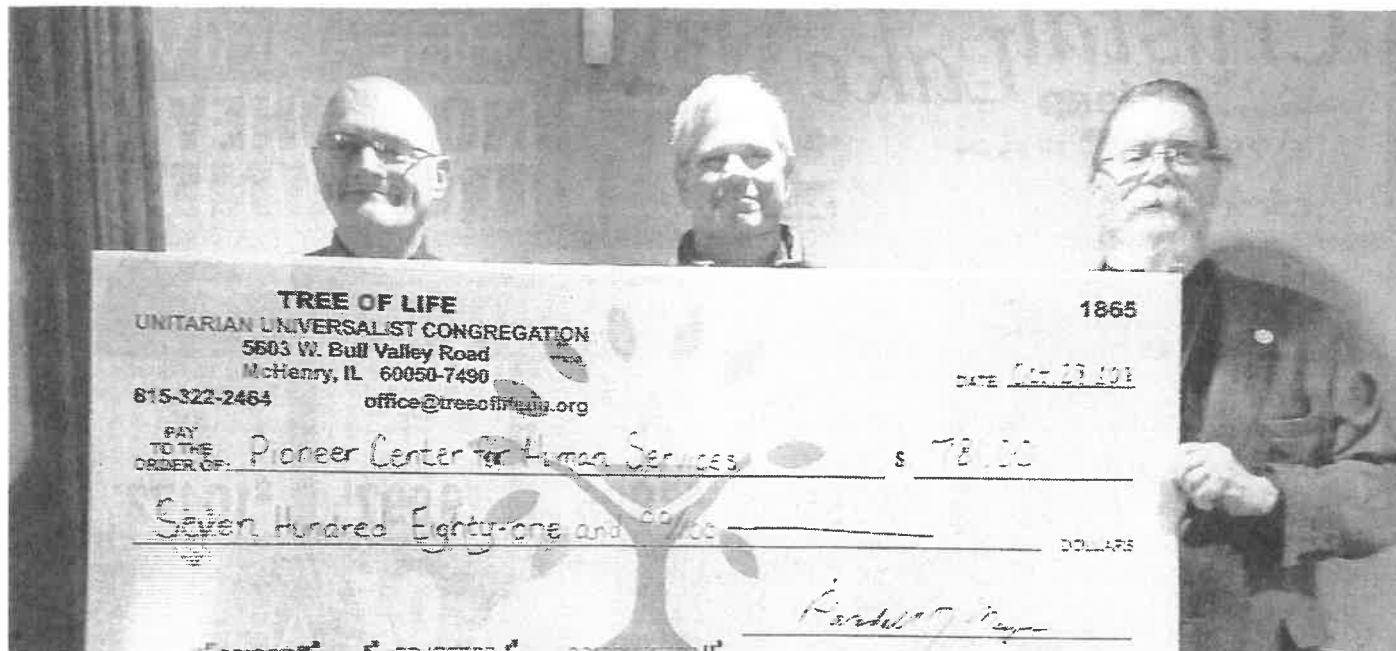
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PIONEER CENTER DONATION – Tree of Life Unitarian Universalist Congregation minister Kevin Debeck (left) and Social Justice Team member Patrick Murfin (right) present Sam Tenuto, co-CEO of Pioneer Center, a donation check for \$781. The funds were raised via contributions from church members and from the September Second Sunday collection during services. The funds will benefit McHenry County PADS. The congregation is holding its 2018 Live and Silent Auction from 6 to 9 p.m. Nov. 10 at the church, 5603 Bull Valley Road in McHenry. Raffle tickets cost \$5 each or five for \$25. A portion of the proceeds will also be donated to PADS. The auction is free and open to the public. For information, call Tree of Life at 815-322-2464, email office@treeoflifeuu.org or visit treeoflifeuu.org.

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

Nov. 8

• 7:30 to 8:45 a.m. – **Crystal Clear Toastmasters**, Panera Bread, 6000 Route 14, Crystal Lake. Free. Information: 815-355-1650 or www.crystalcleartoastmasters.org.

• 9 a.m. to 8 p.m. – **Military & History Used Book Sale**, Harvard Diggins Library, 900 E. McKinley St., Harvard. Free. Information: 815-943-4671.

• 9:30 a.m. – **Volunteer Days**, Volo Bog State Natural Area, 28478 W. Brandenburg Road, Ingleside. Dress for the weather. Bring work gloves and drinking water. Free. Registration: 815-344-1294.

• 3 p.m. – **"Constructive Resilience" wall mural dedication**, McHenry County College, 8900 Route 14, Crystal Lake. New community mural focuses on social justice and the right to a quality education at 3 p.m. in the Scot Room and 7 p.m. in Bersted Hall. Documentary will be shown. Free. Information: 815-455-3700.

• 4 to 5 p.m. – **Hands-On STEM: Circuits**, Crystal Lake Public Library, 126 W. Paddock St., Crystal Lake. For children in grades three to five. Registration required. Information: 815-459-1687 or www.clpl.org.

• 4 to 7 p.m. – **Fall Book Sale**, Algonquin Area Public Library – Eastgate Branch, 115 Eastgate Drive, Algonquin. Complimentary light

refreshments at the Book Bistro. Continues 4 to 8 p.m. Nov. 9, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Nov. 10 and 1 to 4 p.m. Nov. 11. Admission is \$10 on Nov. 8 only; free admission all other days. Information: 847-458-4343, ext. 207.

• 4 to 5 p.m. – **Nature Kids: A Season of Colors**, McHenry Public Library, 809 Front St., McHenry. Learn what makes the leaves change color and other common changes. Parts of the program will be outdoors, weather permitting. For children in kindergarten to grade three. Free. Information: 815-385-0036 or www.mchenrylibrary.org.

• 6 to 7 p.m. – **Study Café**, McHenry Public Library, 809 Front St., McHenry. For tweens and teens. Free. Information: 815-385-0036 or www.mchenrylibrary.org.

• 6 to 7 p.m. – **Internet Basics Class**, Harvard Diggins Library, 900 E. McKinley St., Harvard. Registration required. Free. Information: 815-943-4671.

• 6:30 to 8 p.m. – **WOW (Women of Wonder) Group Meeting**, Unity Spiritual Center of Woodstock, 225 W. Calhoun St., Woodstock. This group is dedicated to nurturing women's friendships and exploring positive experiences that will grow us. Free. Information: 815-814-9014, gbrooks@theoakgroup.net or www.unitywoodstock.org.

• 7 to 8 p.m. – **Murder & Mayhem Book Club**, Woodstock Public Library, 414 W. Judd St., Woodstock. Information: 815-338-0542 or www.woodstockpubliclibrary.org.

• 7 to 8:30 p.m. – **Teen Anime Club**, Crystal Lake Public Library, 126 W. Paddock St., Crystal Lake. For grades six to 12. Drop-in. Free. Information: 815-459-1687 or www.clpl.org.

Cary

Kraus Senior Center to host Thanksgiving potluck Nov. 16

The deadline to register for the Thanksgiving Potluck and Bingo hosted by the Kraus Senior Center is coming up.

The event will be from 11 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Nov. 16 at the Park District Community Center, 255 Briargate Road, Cary. Guests should bring a salad or side dish to share and enjoy roast turkey prepared by Senior Center cooks. Bingo with prizes will follow lunch.

Gift baskets will be for sale from 10 a.m. to noon and cost from \$1 to \$10. Proceeds from basket sales will benefit Senior Outreach and Angel Wings. Cash and check payment will be accepted.

The potluck is free to attend, but registration by Nov. 9 is required. For information, call 847-639-8118 or visit www.carypark.com.

McHenry

Vets auxiliary to host lunch

The Polish Legion of American Veterans Post 188 Auxiliary will host a fundraising lunch to help hospitalized veterans. The meal will be served from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Nov. 11 at the P.L.A.V. Hall, 1304 Park St., McHenry. The cost is \$10 for adults, \$5 children. For information, call 779-704-2200.

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• 6 to 7 p.m. - **Halloween Rocks Crafts**, Harvard Diggins Library, 900 E. McKinley St., Harvard. For children in pre-kindergarten through fifth grade. Supplies provided. Registration required. Free. Information: 815-943-4671 or www.harvard-diggins.org.

• 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. - **"Chicago to Vietnam: A Memoir of War,"** Algonquin Area Public Library District - Harnish Main Library, 2600 Harnish Drive, Algonquin. Local resident and Vietnam veteran Mike Duffy shares personal experiences from his book. Free. Registration required. Information: 847-458-3144 or www.aapl.org.

• 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. - **"Great American Read: Grand Finale" viewing party**, Crystal Lake Public Library, 126 W. Paddock St., Crystal Lake. Featuring giveaways, prizes and refreshments. Free. Information: 815-459-1687 or www.cpl.org.

• 6 to 7:30 p.m. - **Financial aid workshops**, Leuch Conference Center at McHenry County College, 8900 Route 14, Crystal Lake. Attend an afternoon or evening hands-on workshop to complete the federal financial aid form online using college computers on eight different dates in October and November. Schedule: 6 to 7:30 p.m. Nov. 1, 6 to 7:30 p.m. Nov. 7, 1 to 3 p.m. Nov. 12, 6 to 7:30 p.m. Nov. 14 and 6 to 7:30 p.m. Dec. 13. Register to attend at www.mchenry.edu/financialaidright.

• 7 p.m. - **Women's Christian 12-Step**, Willow Crystal Lake, 100 S. Main St., Crystal Lake. Free. Information: 224-512-1287.

• 7 to 8 p.m. - **SAT Math Prep**, McHenry Public Library, 809 Front St., McHenry. For students in grades nine to 12. Free. Information: 815-385-0036 or www.mchenrylibrary.org.

• 7 to 8:15 p.m. - **Men's Christian 12-Step Support Group**, Willow Crystal Lake, 100 S. Main St., Crystal Lake. Free. Information: 224-512-1287.

• 7 to 8:30 p.m. - **DivorceCare**, Willow Crystal Lake, 100 S. Main St., Crystal Lake. Support group. Registration required. Cost:

10 to 11 a.m. and 1 to 2 p.m. - **Halloween Bash for Kids**, McHenry Public Library, 809 Front St., McHenry. For children age 2 and older with an adult. Come in costume and have fun with stories, trick-or-treating and the monster mash. Free. Information: 815-385-0036 or www.mchenrylibrary.org.

• 7:30 to 8:30 p.m. - **Let's Decorate Rocks**, Crystal Lake Public Library, 126 W. Paddock St., Crystal Lake. For grades two to eight. Drop-in program. Free. Information: 815-459-1687 or www.cpl.org.

• 3:30 to 4:30 p.m. - **Teen Craftroom: Pet Ghost**, McHenry Public Library, 809 Front St., McHenry. For grades six through 12. Free. Information: 815-385-0036 or www.mchenrylibrary.org.

• 4 to 5 p.m. and 7 to 8 p.m. - **DIV Zombie Makeup**, Crystal Lake Public Library, 126 W. Paddock St., Crystal Lake. Drop-in program. For grades six through 12. Free. Information: 815-459-1687 or www.cpl.org.

• 5 p.m. - **Magic Class**, Rotary Building, 431 N. Walkup Ave., Crystal Lake. Learn tricks that involve cards, ropes, coins, mind-reading and more. All materials are provided, and each child receives a magic kit to take home. For children ages 5 to 12. Cost: \$20 residents, \$25 nonresidents. Information: 815-459-0680 or www.crystallakeparks.org.

• 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. - **Get Ready for Halloween!**, McHenry Public Library, 809 Front St., McHenry. Meet other budding writers. For children in grades four to eight. Free. Information: 815-385-0036 or www.mchenrylibrary.org.

• 7 to 8 p.m. - **The Haunting**, Cary Area Public Library, 1696 Three Oaks Road, Cary. William Pack's ghost show is an interactive performance of spine-tingling horror stories, true eerie history and inexplicable supernatural occurrences. For adults and teens. Free. Registration required. Information: 847-639-4210 or www.caryarealibrary.org.

• 7 to 8 p.m. - **Curious About Medical Cannabis?**, Algonquin Area Public Library District - Eastgate Branch, 2600 Harnish

Forest and into the Nature Center's sensory table, then make a craft. For ages 2 to 4. Registration required. Cost: \$5 residents, \$7 nonresidents. Information: 815-459-0680 or www.crystallakeparks.org.

• 10:30 to 11:30 a.m. - **Read for the Record**, Algonquin Area Public Library District - Harnish Main Library, 2600 Harnish Drive, Algonquin. Read the "Maybe Something Beautiful: How Art Transformed a Neighborhood" by F. Isabel Campoy, then create a community mural. Free. No registration required. Information: 847-458-3139 or www.aapl.org.

• 1 to 2 p.m. - **Jumpstart Read For The Record**, McHenry Public Library, 809 Front St., McHenry. Read "Maybe Something Beautiful: How Art Transformed a Neighborhood" by F. Isabel Campoy, then do a craft. For ages 3 to 6, with adult. Free. Information: 815-385-0036 or www.mchenrylibrary.org.

• 3:30 to 4:30 p.m. - **Halloween Cookie Wars**, Harvard Diggins Library, 900 E. McKinley St., Harvard. For teens in grades six through 12. Registration required. Free. Information: 815-943-4671 or www.harvard-diggins.org.

• 5 to 11 p.m. - **243rd Marine Corps Birthday Celebration Ball**, Randall Oaks Golf Club, 4101 Binnie Road, West Dundee. Hosted by the McHenry County Marine Corps League Detachment No. 1009. Open to all current military and veterans. Featuring a cocktail reception with a cash bar, dinner and dessert, a commemorative ceremony, a silent auction, and live band for dancing. Evening attire is requested. Cost: \$35 advance, \$45 at the door. Information: Lee Totman, 708-546-4912 or https://www.mchenrycountymc.com.

• 6 to 7:30 p.m. - **Is It Dementia or Something Else?**, Alden Estates of Huntley, 12140B Regency Parkway, Huntley. Free. Information: 630-851-1880 or ht_administrator@thedaldennetwork.com.

• 6:30 to 7 p.m. - **Spanish Drop-in Family Storytime**, Crystal Lake Public Library, 126 W. Paddock St., Crystal Lake. All ages with caregiver. Free. Information: 815-459-1687 or www.cpl.org.

"foreigner" from an exotic country, and does not understand English. The lodge's guests quickly begin revealing their secrets. Shows through Nov. 3. Schedule: 7 p.m. Oct. 25-27, Nov. 1-3. Tickets: \$15 general public, \$10 students, seniors, MCC staff and alumni, and veterans. Information: 815-455-8746 or www.mchenry.edu/theatre.

• 7 to 9 p.m. - **"Radium Girls,"** Crystal Lake Central High School, 45 W. Franklin St., Crystal Lake. Additional shows 7 to 9 p.m. Oct. 26-27. D.W. Gregory's adaptation of the Kate Moore book, "The Radium Girls: The Dark Story of America's Shining Women," is the true story of the ill-fated "glowing girls" and their struggle for justice against corporate America. Presented by Crystal Lake Central High School. Tickets: \$8 adults, \$5 students or free with an activity pass. Tickets available online at www.dl55.org/c/c/. Information: Craig Kingston, 815-261-7120.

Oct. 26

• 9:30 to 10:15 a.m. - **Teeny Tiny Halloween**, Crystal Lake Public Library, 126 W. Paddock St., Crystal Lake. For birth to age 6 with caregiver. Dress in costume and enjoy Halloween stories and trick-or-treating. CLPL cardholders. Registration required. Free. Information: 815-459-1687 or www.cpl.org.

• 9:30 to 10:30 a.m. - **Vin Yoga**, Algonquin Area Public Library District - Harnish Main Library, 2600 Harnish Drive, Algonquin. Suitable for all levels. If you have a mat and yoga props, bring them to class. Free. Registration required. Information: 847-458-3144 or www.aapl.org.

• 10 to 11 a.m. - **Memory Café**, McHenry Senior Services, 3519 N. Richmond Road, McHenry. RSVP to Lois Fox, 815-382-0464 or seniorslitter@tollfree.com.

• 3 to 4 p.m. - **Homeschool Student Tours**, McHenry Public Library, 809 Front St., McHenry. For kindergarten to grade three. Free. Information: 815-385-0036 or www.mchenrylibrary.org.

• 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. - **Trunk or Treat**, Immanuel Lutheran School, 300 S. Pathway Court.

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• 5:30 to 7 p.m. - **Game On!**, Harvard Diggins Library, 900 E. McKinley St., Harvard. Play games, including Mario Kart 8, Just Dance, and Splatoon, on Nintendo Switch. For grades six to 12. Registration required. Free. Information: 815-943-4671 or leticiag@harvard-diggins.org.

• 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. - **Family Night Fear Factor Challenge**, McHenry Public Library, 809 Front St., McHenry. Get ready to create zombie brains, blood platelets, oozing ulcers, radioactive spiders, eye of newt slime and more. For children in kindergarten to grade four, with adult(s). Registration required. Free. Information: 815-385-0036 or www.mchenrylibrary.org.

• 7 p.m. - **Women's Christian 12-Step**, Willow Crystal Lake, 100 S. Main St., Crystal Lake. Free. Information: 224-512-1287 or dcollings@willowcreek.org.

• 7 to 8 p.m. - **Emerging Adult Advisory Board**, McHenry Public Library, 809 Front St., McHenry. Emerging adults ages 18 to 30 can drop in and let the library know what programs they're interested in. No registration required. Free. Information: 815-385-0036 or www.mchenrylibrary.org.

• 7 to 8:15 p.m. - **Men's Christian 12-Step Support Group**, Willow Crystal Lake, 100 S. Main St., Crystal Lake. Free. Information: 224-512-1287 or dcollings@willowcreek.org.

• 7 to 8:30 p.m. - **DivorceCare**, Willow

Crystal Lake, 100 S. Main St., Crystal Lake. Support group. Registration required. Cost: \$15, includes workbook. Information: 224-512-1737 or dszweda@willowcreek.org.

• 7 to 9 p.m. - **Men's L.I.F.E. Recovery Group**, Willow Crystal Lake, 100 S. Main St., Crystal Lake. Support group for men (married or single) seeking spiritual guidance in their quest for sexual purity. Walk-ins welcome. Scholarships available. Cost: \$25 for workbook. Free. Information: 224-512-1287 or dcollings@willowcreek.org.

• 7 to 8:30 p.m. - **Google Drive Intermediate**, Crystal Lake Public Library, 126 W. Paddock St., Crystal Lake. Registration required. Information: 815-459-1687 or www.cpl.org.

• 7 to 8:30 p.m. - **Making the Most of Social Security**, Crystal Lake Public Library, 126 W. Paddock St., Crystal Lake. Learn about the different filing options available to married couples, divorced individuals and widows. Presented by Mike Heatwole, financial adviser. Information: 815-459-1687 or www.cpl.org.

Oct. 17

• 10 to 11 a.m. - **Bluestem Readers**, Harvard Diggins Library, 900 E. McKinley St., Harvard. Students in grades three to five will read books on the 2019 Bluestem Reader's Choice list. Discussions will include activities to enhance the stories. Registration required. Free. Information: 815-943-4671.

• 11:30 a.m. to noon - **Book Talk**

Storytime, 5340 Route 14, Crystal Lake. For children from birth to age 5, with a caretaker. Presented by the Crystal Lake Public Library. Registration required. Snack provided. Information: 815-459-1687 or www.cpl.org.

• 11:45 a.m. - **McHenry County Retired Teachers Association meeting**, D'Andrea Banquets, 4419 Route 14, Crystal Lake. Monthly meeting and luncheon. The program will feature candidates running for office in November. Cost: \$20. Registration required. Information: membership@mcrta.org.

• 2:30 to 3:30 p.m. - **Homeschool Student Tours**, McHenry Public Library, 809 Front St., McHenry. Home school students in grades four to eight can tour of the library and get a brief overview of homework and research databases available. Free. Information: 815-385-0036 or www.mchenrylibrary.org.

• 5 to 6:30 p.m. - **Halloween Cookie Decorating Workshop**, Lakeside Legacy Arts Park, 401 Country Club Road, Crystal Lake. Learn simple techniques for decorating Halloween cookies. Supplies provided. For ages 8 and older. Registration required. Cost: \$20. Information: <https://lakesideartspark.org>.

• 7 p.m. - **ShutterBugs Nature Photography Club**, Volo Bog State Natural Area, 28478 W. Brandenburg Road, Ingleside. Camera skills, composition, field techniques and digital manipulation are explored. Community invited. Free. Information: www.shutterbugsofbog.com.

Crystal Lake

TOASTMASTERS CLUB - Crystal Lake Toastmasters Club member Dorothy Rob speaks at a recent meeting. The club meets from 7:30 to 8:45 a.m. the second, fourth and fifth Thursdays of each month in the meeting room.

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• 8 p.m. – **"42nd Street,"** Woodstock Opera House, 121 W. Van Buren St., Woodstock. The story of Peggy Sawyer, a talented young performer with stars in her eyes who gets her big break on Broadway, featuring a talented cast and live orchestra. Through Oct. 21. Schedule: 8 p.m. Fridays and Saturdays, 2 p.m. Sundays. Tickets: \$25 adults A Seating, \$22 B Seating, \$18 C Seating; \$23 seniors and students A Seating, \$20 B Seating, \$16 C Seating. Information: 815-338-5300 or www.woodstockoperahouse.com.

Oct. 14

• 8 a.m. to 12:45 p.m. – **10th annual Run and Roll for the Dole**, Lakeside Legacy Arts Park, 401 Country Club Road, Crystal Lake. Presented by KJ Multisport. Race proceeds partially benefit the year-round art, community and historic programs offered at Lakeside Arts Park at the Dole. Duathlon features a 4-mile run through a residential area, a bike path through residential streets and rural roads with course marshalls and police officers. Cost: \$80. Information: <https://lakeside-artspark.org>.

• 8:30 a.m. – **Walk to End Alzheimer's**, Lippold Park, 851 Route 176, Crystal Lake. Registration begins at 8:30 a.m., walk at 9:30 a.m. Walkers will complete a 2.75-mile walk and learn about Alzheimer's disease, advocacy opportunities, clinical studies enrollment and support programs and services from the Alzheimer's Association. Walk begins at 10 a.m. after registration and the opening ceremony. Sign up online as a team or individual at www.alz.org/walk. Information: Kaylin Risvold, 847-779-6948.

• 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. – **McHenry Township Fire Protection District open house**, Johnsburg Fire Station, 3710 Johnsburg Road, Johnsburg. Featuring a rig display, gear exhibit, home safety information and resources, learning stations for kids, a photo booth, and an opportunity to meet Sparky the Fire Dog, resources for seniors, free popcorn and drinks. Also, live demonstrations every 30 minutes by the dive team and of roof ventilation, rappelling, live burn and extrication. Information: <https://www.facebook.com/pg/MTFPD/posts>.

• 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. – **Dog adoption event**, Coldwell Banker The Real Estate Group, 10 W. Main St., Cary. Featuring pet nail clippings, photos with dogs, pet costume contest, free pet ID tags, food vendor and adoptable pets. Free. Information: 847-542-9934.

• Noon to 4 p.m. – **Farmapalooza**, Terra Vitae Farms, 2719 Greenwood Road, Woodstock. Benefits GiGi's Playhouse Down Syndrome achievement centers. Featuring a pig roast, games, face painting, visits with the animals and more. Food is served from 12:30 to 2:30 p.m. Cost: \$12 children, \$20

11000 Ruth Road, Huntley. Hosted by the Fox River Valley Chapter of the National Society of the Daughter of the American Revolution. Members will assist prospective members to find and prove their lineage to a Revolutionary War patriot and with new member applications. Free. Information: 847-909-4058, kristenmccusker@sbcglobal.net or www.facebook.com/fox-rivervalleydar.

• 1 p.m. – **Shalom Group of Sun City Huntley meeting**, Meadow View Lodge, 12880 Meadow View Court, Huntley. Steen Metz, Holocaust Survivor, will speak on his life experiences. Reservations required. Information: 847-965-8344.

• 1 to 3 p.m. – **Free Movies @ Your Library: "Phantom Thread,"** McHenry Public Library, 809 Front St., McHenry. A tailor finds his meticulous professional life upended after he finds a muse in a working-class woman. Rated R. Free. Information: 815-385-0036 or www.mchenrylibrary.org.

• 1 to 5 p.m. – **Fox Valley Rocketeers Club launch**, Hughes Seed Farm, 206 N. Hughes Road, Woodstock. A local club of model rocketry enthusiasts. Information: 815-337-9068 or www.foxvalleyrocketeers.org.

• 2 to 4 p.m. – **An Outlander Celebration**, Crystal Lake Public Library, 126 W. Paddock St., Crystal Lake. Celebrate Diana Gabaldon's bestselling books and TV series with a trivia contest, slideshow tour of filming sites, photo opportunities, new season preview and more. Registration required. Free. Information: 815-459-1687 or www.cpl.org.

• 3 p.m. – **Chicago Brass Band Players**, McHenry County College Luecht Conference Center, 8900 Route 14, Crystal Lake. Second Sunday Concert Series season opener to feature the 10-member ensemble performing a variety of brass repertoire from a broad range of musical eras. Free. Information: Michael Hillstrom, 815-479-7814 or www.mchenry.edu/music.

• 5:30 p.m. – **Free Sunday Community Dinner**, First United Methodist Church, 3717 W. Main St., McHenry. The menu will feature pork roast, roasted potatoes, sauerkraut, roasted vegetables and a variety of desserts. No reservations are needed. The Sunday Community Dinner is held on the second Sunday of each month. The church's Thanksgiving dinner will be at 5:30 p.m. Nov. 11. Free. Information: 815-385-0931.

Oct. 15

• 9 a.m. to 8 p.m. – **Mystery, Suspense & Horror Used Book Sale**, Harvard Diggins Library, 900 E. McKinley St., Harvard. Hosted by the Friends of Harvard Diggins Library. During regular business hours through Nov. 1. All proceeds will benefit Harvard Diggins Library. Hours: 9 a.m. to 8 p.m. Monday through Thursday and 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Friday and Saturday; closed

Huntley lunch for women. Information: 847-965-8344.

• Noon to 1:30 p.m. – **On the Menu: Chicago's Movie Industry**, Algonquin Area Public Library District – Eastgate Branch, 115 Eastgate Drive, Algonquin. Learn the history of the film industry in Chicago, from the days of Charlie Chaplin through such modern classics as "The Dark Knight." Bring a sack lunch; drink and desserts will be provided. For ages 18 and older. Free. Registration required. Information: 847-458-3144 or www.aapld.org.

• 4 to 5 p.m. – **Coder's Café**, McHenry Public Library, 809 Front St., McHenry. Tea and coffee provided. For grades five to 12. Free. Information: 815-385-0036 or www.mchenrylibrary.org.

• 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. – **Drop-in Adult Coloring Night**, Harvard Diggins Library, 900 E. McKinley St., Harvard. All supplies provided. No registration required. For adults ages 18 and older. Free. Information: 815-943-4671 or leticiag@harvard-diggins.org.

• 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. – **Stranger Game(r)s Club**, Crystal Lake Public Library, 126 W. Paddock St., Crystal Lake. Play new and classic tabletop and role-playing games. Drop-in program. Beginners welcome. October theme: Horror. Information: 815-459-1687 or www.cpl.org.

• 7 to 8 p.m. – **Classic Literature Book Discussion Group**, McHenry Public Library, 809 Front St., McHenry. "Treasure Island" by Robert Louis Stevenson. Free. Information: 815-385-0036 or www.mchenrylibrary.org.

Oct. 16

• 10 to 11 a.m. – **Preschool Storytime**, Harvard Diggins Library, 900 E. McKinley St., Harvard. For children ages 3 to 5 and their caregivers. Featuring stories, songs and a craft. Registration required. Free. Information: 815-943-4671.

• 10 to 10:45 a.m. – **Financial Literacy Storytime**, Crystal Lake Public Library, 126 W. Paddock St., Crystal Lake. For ages 3 to 6 years. Representatives from the State of Illinois' Treasurer's Department will provide a small lesson, read a children's story and do a quick activity. Registration required. Information: 815-459-1687 or www.cpl.org.

• 10 to 11:30 a.m. – **Pre-kindergarten art classes**, Lakeside Legacy Arts Park, 401 Country Club Road, Crystal Lake. For kids ages 3 to 5, with a parent/caregiver. Each class includes storytelling time, art project and an exploration of the Dole Mansion. All supplies will be provided. Schedule: Oct. 16, create artwork and learn about life in the 1860s; Oct. 23, create artwork and learn about the Dole architecture. Registration required. Cost: \$25 a class for one child, one adult; \$10 each additional child. Information: lakesideartspark.org.

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THINGS TO DO IN & AROUND McHENRY COUNTY

FILM SCREENING: "HOCUS POCUS"

WHEN: 7 to 9 p.m. Oct. 24

WHERE: Woodstock Opera House, 121 Van Buren St.

COST & INFO: Teenager Max Dennison explores an abandoned house with his sister, Dani, and their new friend, Allison. After dismissing a story Allison tells as superstitious, Max accidentally frees a coven of evil witches who used to live in the house. With the help of a magical cat, the kids must steal the witches' book of spells to stop them from becoming immortal. Rated PG. Cost: \$5. Information: www.woodstockoperahouse.com

HALLOWEEN BASH FOR KIDS

WHEN: 10 to 11 a.m. and 1 to 2 p.m. Oct. 24

WHERE: McHenry Public Library, 809 Front St., McHenry

COST & INFO: Come in costume and have fun with stories, trick-or-treating and the monster mash. For children ages 2 and older with adult. Free. Information: www.mchenrylibrary.org.

THE HAUNTING

WHEN: 7 to 8 p.m. Oct. 24

WHERE: Cary Area Public Library, 1606 Three Oaks Road, Cary

COST & INFO: An interactive performance of spine-tingling horror stories, true history and inexplicable supernatural occurrences. Free. Registration required. Information: www.caryarealibrary.org.



YOUTH GATHERING – More than 100 youth from various churches with the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America North Sept. 21 in an all-night, multi-site event, including Shepherd of the Hills Lutheran Church in McHenry. The event, "Soaked Promises," featured group games, faith devotionals, acoustic worship music, late-night pizza and ice cream, worship service the Sage YMCA and a scavenger hunt for items for the Crystal Lake Food Pantry. Churches involved included Bethany Lutheran Church in Crystal Lake, First Lutheran Church in DeKalb, Grace Lutheran Church in Woodstock, Light of Christ Lutheran Church in Sycamore, St. Barnabas Lutheran Church in Cary and Trinity Lutheran Church in Harvard.

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

Oct. 24

• 9 a.m. to noon – **Restoration workday**, Wolf Oak Woods, 8930 Route 120, Woodstock. Hosted by the Land Conservancy of McHenry County. Free. Information: 815-337-9502 or gmaki@conservemc.org.

• 9 a.m. to 8 p.m. – **Mystery, Suspense & Horror Used Book Sale**, Harvard Diggins Library, 900 E. McKinley St., Harvard. Hosted by the Friends of Harvard Diggins Library. Through Nov. 1. All proceeds benefit Harvard Diggins Library. Hours: 9 a.m. to 8 p.m. Monday through Thursday and 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Friday and Saturday; closed Sundays. Free. Information: 815-943-4671 or www.harvard-diggins.org.

• 10 a.m. – **Understanding and Responding to Dementia-Related Behavior**, Senior Services, 3519 N. Richmond Road, McHenry. Free. Information: 815-484-1300 or www.alz.org.

• 10 to 11 a.m. – **Memory Café**, Kraus Senior Center, 441 W. Main St., Cary. For care partners and people with memory issues such as dementia or Alzheimer's. RSVP required. Free. Information: Lois Fox, 815-382-0464.

• 2:30 to 3:30 p.m. – **Let's Decorate Rocks**, Crystal Lake Public Library, 126 W. Paddock St., Crystal Lake. For grades two to eight. Drop-in program. Free. Information: 815-459-1687 or www.clpl.org.

• 3:30 to 4:30 p.m. – **Teen Craftsmoon: Pet Ghost**, McHenry Public Library, 809 Front St.,

McHenry. For grades six through 12. Free. Information: 815-385-0036 or www.mchenrylibrary.org.

• 4 to 5 p.m. and 7 to 8 p.m. – **DIY Zombie Makeup**, Crystal Lake Public Library, 126 W. Paddock St., Crystal Lake. Drop-in program. For grades six through 12. Free. Information: 815-459-1687 or www.clpl.org.

• 5 p.m. – **Magic Class**, Rotary Building, 431 N. Walkup Ave., Crystal Lake. Learn tricks that involve cards, ropes, coins, mind-reading and more. All materials are provided, and each child receives a magic kit to take home. For children ages 5 to 12. Cost: \$20 residents, \$25 nonresidents. Information: 815-459-0680 or www.crystallakeparks.org.

• 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. – **Get Ready for NaNoWriMo!**, McHenry Public Library, 809 Front St., McHenry. Meet other budding writers. For children in grades four to eight. Free. Information: 815-385-0036 or www.mchenrylibrary.org.

• 7 to 8 p.m. – **Curious About Medical Cannabis?**, Algonquin Area Public Library District – Eastgate Branch, 2600 Hamish Drive, Algonquin. Kirsten Velasco, education outreach manager with The Medical Cannabis Community. Free. Registration required. Information: 847-458-3144 or www.aapld.org.

• 7:45 to 8:45 p.m. – **Pop-up Fitness Class: Whole Body Circuit Training**, Crystal Lake Main Beach, 300 Lakeshore Drive, Crystal Lake. Bring a yoga mat and water bottle. Free. Drop-in. Limited to 25. Information: Jennifer Peterson, 815-459-0680, ext. 1219, or jpeterson@crystallakeparks.org.

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LIONS CLUB – McHenry Lions recently inducted two new members into the club. Pictured (from left) are sponsor Ron Jackson, new member Gary Peterson, Lions District 1-J Governor Susan Galvez, new member Judy Peterson and her sponsor, Pat Jackson. The McHenry Lions Club meets at 7 p.m. the second and fourth Monday at the Rusty Nail in Ringwood. The community is welcome.

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

Oct. 12

• 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. – **Fall rummage sale**, Zion Lutheran Church & School, 4206 W. Elm St., McHenry. Hosted by the Zion Ladies Guild. Continues from 8 a.m. to noon Oct. 13. Information: <https://zionmchenry.org>.

• 10 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. – **Two-day Pottery Workshop**, McHenry County College, 8900 Route 14, Crystal Lake. Continues 10 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Oct. 13. "Geometry of Clay: Time and Place" hands-on workshop will feature Julia Colman Timm, owner and operator of Fresh Mud Pottery in Minneapolis. Sponsored by MCC Clay Club and Clayworkers' Guild of Illinois. Cost: \$55 for both days includes lunch. Registration and Information: Tom Vician, 815-455-8786 or tvician@mchenry.edu.

• 2 to 3 p.m. – **Celebrate Fall with the McHenry Garden Club**, McHenry Public Library, 809 Front St., McHenry. For children in kindergarten to third grade. Free. Information: 815-385-0036 or www.mchenrylibrary.org.

• 4 to 5 p.m. – **Pokémon Game Day**, Algonquin Area Public Library District – Harnish Main Library, 2600 Harnish Drive, Algonquin. For players from third to eighth grade. Free. Registration required. Information: 847-458-

3139 or www.aapld.org.

• 7 to 10:30 p.m. – **Haunted Hayride**, Petersen Park, 4311 Lakewood Road, McHenry. Continues 7 to 10:30 p.m. Oct. 13, 19 and 20. Henry Deadwood and his character of friends have been awaiting this year's opening night for 12 long months. They are creeping around, lurking about and hiding within the forested area of Deadwood Forest (known the rest of the year as Petersen Park). Their appearance each October is as mystifying as their disappearance. Free parking. Refreshments available. Tickets: \$8. Tickets and information: www.facebook.com/haunted-hayride-wonder-lake-water-ski-show-team-136740353038152/ or www.wonderlakeskiteam.org.

• 7 p.m. – **Open Mic Night**, Stage Left Café, 125 W. Van Buren St., Woodstock. Presented by Off Square Music second and fourth Fridays of the month with performers playing 15-minute slots. Featured performer is on from 8:30 to 9 p.m. Cost: \$3 suggested donation. Information: 815-338-5300 or www.woodstockoperahouse.com/operahouse/page/stage-left-cafe-events.

• 7 to 9 p.m. – **Live and Local: Open Mic Poetry Night**, Old Court House Arts Center, 101 N. Johnson St., Woodstock. Hosted by Atrocious Poets. Grab a drink and listen to local poets read their work. Free. Information: <https://www.atrociouspoets.com>.

Have an event to share? Submit your information online at PlanItNorthwest.com. Photos may be emailed to neighbors@nwherald.com.

McHenry County

Medicare Open Enrollment season begins Oct. 15

Medicare Open Enrollment season begins Oct. 15 and goes through Dec. 7. It is time to make sure your current Medicare prescription drug plan is still the best plan for you. Each year, Medicare D insurance plans revise their list of covered prescriptions. Your list of medications probably varies from year to year, too.

The only way to save on health-care costs is to, during open enrollment, compare your current plan to other plans available to you, either offered by your current provider or by another health insurance company.

You can do this by using the Medicare Plan Finder at www.medicare.gov or by calling the Senior Health Insurance Program at 815-356-7457. A SHIP counselor will assist you in evaluating your current plan and enrolling you in a new plan if needed. SHIP is a free counseling service. All counseling sessions are held at the Crystal Lake Seniors Services site at 110 W. Woodstock St.

Help is also available by calling the SHIP office at Centegra Health System at 815-759-4203, Advocate Good Shepherd at 847-382-7277 or the Barrington Area Council on Aging at 847-381-5030.

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• 10 a.m. – **Creepy Crawly**, Oakwoods Lodge, Route, 176 and Second Street, Crystal Lake. See what creepers crawled out of the forest and into the Nature Center's sensory table, then make a craft. For ages 2 to 4. Registration required. Cost: \$5 residents, \$7 nonresidents. Information: 815-459-0680 or www.crystallakeparks.org.

• 10:30 to 11:30 a.m. – **Read for the Record**, Algonquin Area Public Library District – Harnish Main Library, 2600 Harnish Drive, Algonquin. Read the "Maybe Something Beautiful: How Art Transformed a Neighborhood" by F. Isabel Campoy, then create a community mural. Free. No registration required. Information: 847-458-3139 or www.aapld.org.

• 1 to 2 p.m. – **Jumpstart Read For The Record**, McHenry Public Library, 809 Front St., McHenry. Read "Maybe Something Beautiful: How Art Transformed a Neighborhood" by F. Isabel Campoy, then do a craft. For ages 3 to 6, with adult. Free. Information: 815-385-0036 or www.mchenrylibrary.org.

• 3:30 to 4:30 p.m. – **Halloween Cookie**

attire is requested. Cost: \$45 at the door. Information: Lee Totman, 708-546-4912 or <https://www.mchenrycountymcl.com>.

• 6 to 7:30 p.m. – **Is it Dementia or Something Else?**, Alden Estates of Huntley, 12140B Regency Parkway, Huntley. Free. Information: 630-851-1880 or ht_administrator@thealden-network.com.

• 6 to 8:30 p.m. – **Reel Life Movies**, Crystal Lake Public Library, 126 W. Paddock St., Crystal Lake. "Molly's Game" (2018). Rated R (140 mins.). Information: 815-459-1687 or www.clpl.org.

• 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. – **Keeping it Reel**, Algonquin Area Public Library District – Eastgate Branch, 2600 Harnish Drive, Algonquin. A discussion group for film lovers. "Beetlejuice." Snacks provided. Free. Registration required. Information: 847-458-3171 or www.aapld.org.

• 6:30 to 8 p.m. – **Strolling with Spirits**, Rush Creek Conservation Area, 20501 McGuire Road, Harvard. These are not Halloween spirits, but rather whiskey, gin and vodka from Rush Creek Distilling to sip interspersed with short

NCUS54003. Information: 815-455-8588 or www.mchenry.edu/mymcc.

• 7 to 8 p.m. – **Anime & Manga Club**, McHenry Public Library, 809 Front St., McHenry. Play Werewolves of Miller's Hollow. For youth in grades six to 12. Free. Information: 815-385-0036 or www.mchenrylibrary.org.

• 7 to 9 p.m. – **"Radium Girls,"** Crystal Lake Central High School, 45 W. Franklin St., Crystal Lake. Shows 7 to 9 p.m. Oct. 26-27. D.W. Gregory's adaptation of the Kate Moore book, "The Radium Girls: The Dark Story of America's Shining Women," is the true story of the ill-fated "glowing girls" and their struggle for justice against corporate America. Presented by Crystal Lake Central High School. Tickets: \$8 adults, \$5 students or free with an activity pass. Information: Craig Kingston, 815-261-7120 or www.d155.org/clc.

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IL 60039. To donate, visit <http://assisi.org/contribute>. Sponsorships are still available. Call 815-455-9411 or email info@assisi.org.

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

Oct. 22

• Noon to 4 p.m. – **AARP Smart Driver Class**, McHenry Public Library, 809 Front St., McHenry. Two-part program. Completion of the course may entitle registrant to a discount on auto insurance. Fee should be paid with a personal check on the first day of class. Cost: \$15 AARP members, \$20 nonmembers. Information: 815-385-0036 or www.mchenrylibrary.org.
• 3:45 to 5:15 p.m. – **Drop-in Lego Monday**, Crystal Lake Public Library, 126 W. Paddock St.,

Crystal Lake. Ages 4 and older. Free. Information: 815-459-1687 or www.clpl.org.

• 5:30 to 6:30 p.m. – **Optimizing Retirement Income Streams**, Johnsborg Public Library, 3000 N. Johnsborg Road, Johnsborg. Learn about Social Security income options, as well as the impact to your overall retirement picture. Free. Information: 815-344-0077 or bryan@johnsborglibrary.org.

• 6 to 7 p.m. – **Death & Mourning in the Victorian Era**, Harvard Diggins Library, 900 E. McKinley St., Harvard. Presentation on the Victorian funeral and mourning customs with props by Steve Pearson, a retired funeral director and presenter for Black Point Estate. Registration required. Free. Information: 815-943-4671.

• 6:30 p.m. – **Crystal Lake Lions Club meeting**, Village Squire, 4816 Route 14, Crystal Lake. The guest speaker will be Scott Kuykendall,

water resource specialist with McHenry County. Free. Information: www.crystalakelions.org

• 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. – **Author reading**, Read Between the Lines, 111 E. Van Buren St., Woodstock. "Welcome to Freedom Point" by Marina Mularz. Free. Information: 815-206-5967.

• 7 to 8 p.m. – **Using Social Media in a Job Search**, Crystal Lake Public Library, 126 W. Paddock St., Crystal Lake. Presented by career coach Bruce Bennett. Registration required. Free. Information: 815-459-1687 or www.clpl.org.

• 7 to 8:30 p.m. – **Planning your Walt Disney World Vacation**, Algonquin Area Public Library – Harnish Main Library, 2600 Harnish Drive, Algonquin. Featuring Jackie Kyriazes of Ears of Experience. Attendees may enter a drawing to win a Disney-themed prize. For ages 18 and older. Free. Registration required. Information: 847-458-3144 or www.aapld.org.

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

Oct. 15

• 9 a.m. to 8 p.m. – **Mystery, Suspense & Horror Used Book Sale**, Harvard Diggins Library, 900 E. McKinley St., Harvard. Hosted by the Friends of Harvard Diggins Library. During regular business hours through Nov. 1. All proceeds will benefit Harvard Diggins Library. Hours: 9 a.m. to 8 p.m. Mondays through Thursdays and 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Fridays and Saturdays; closed Sundays. Free. Information:

815-943-4671 or www.harvard-diggins.org.

• Noon – **Shalom Group ladies' lunch**, Moretti's Restaurant, 220 Randall Road, Lake in the Hills. Shalom Group of Sun City Huntley lunch for women. Information: 847-965-8344.

• Noon to 1:30 p.m. – **On the Menu: Chicago's Movie Industry**, Algonquin Area Public Library District – Eastgate Branch, 115 Eastgate Drive, Algonquin. Learn the history of the film industry in Chicago. Bring a sack lunch; drink and desserts will be provided. For ages 18 and older. Free. Registration required. Information: 847-458-3144 or www.aapld.org.

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COMMUNITY CALENDAR

Oct. 17

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• 9:30 a.m. to 11 a.m. – **Bookies Book Dis-**

cussion Group, Crystal Lake Public Library, 126 W. Paddock St., Crystal Lake. "My Name is Lucy Barton" by Elizabeth Strout. Free. Information: 815-459-1687 or www.clpl.org.

• 10 to 11 a.m. – **Bluestem Readers**, Harvard Diggins Library, 900 E. McKinley St., Harvard. For students in grades three to five. Registration required. Free. Information: 815-943-4671.

• 11:30 a.m. to noon – **Fresh Thyme Storytime**, 5340 Route 14, Crystal Lake. For children from birth to age 5, with a caretaker. Presented by the Crystal Lake Public Library. Registration required. Snack provided. Information: 815-459-1687 or www.clpl.org.

• 11:45 a.m. – **McHenry County Retired Teachers Association meeting**, D'Andrea Banquets, 4419 Route 14, Crystal Lake. Monthly meeting and luncheon. The program will feature candidates running for office in November.

Cost: \$20. Registration required. Information: membership@mcrta.org.

• 1 p.m. – **Harvard Village Quilters meeting**, Trinity Lutheran Church, 504 E. Diggins St., Harvard. A program will be offered by a representative from Sunshine Stitches in Belvidere. Visitors are welcome. Information: 815-943-6886.

• 2:30 to 3:30 p.m. – **Homeschool Student Tours**, McHenry Public Library, 809 Front St., McHenry. Homeschooled students in grades four to eight can tour of the library and get a brief overview of homework and research databases available. Free. Information: 815-385-0036 or www.mchenrylibrary.org.

• 7 p.m. – **ShutterBugs Nature Photography Club**, Volo Bog State Natural Area, 28478 W. Brandenburg Road, Ingleside. Community invited. Free. Information: www.shutterbug-sofobolobog.com.



GARDEN CLUB – Members of the Woodstock Garden Club watched floral designer Betty Stork create several arrangements. Pictured (back row, from left) are Karen Hattan, Helen Jonker, Mary Fran Madjak, Sondra Matterness and Brenda Dahlfors; and (front row) Mary Beth Miller, Betty Stork, Marita Sension and Janice Genovese.

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

Oct. 16

- 9 a.m. to 8 p.m. – **Mystery, Suspense & Horror Used Book Sale**, Harvard Diggins Library, 900 E. McKinley St., Harvard. Hosted by the Friends of Harvard Diggins Library. During regular business hours through Nov. 1. Hours: 9 a.m. to 8 p.m. Monday through Thursday and 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Friday and Saturday; closed Sundays. Free. Information: 815-943-4671 or www.harvard-diggins.org.
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- 10 to 11:30 a.m. – **Pre-kindergarten art classes**, Lakeside Legacy Arts Park, 401

Country Club Road, Crystal Lake. For kids ages 3 to 5, with a parent/caregiver. Schedule: Oct. 16, create artwork and learn about life in the 1860s; Oct. 23, create artwork and learn about the Dole architecture. Registration required. Cost: \$25 a class for one child, one adult; \$10 each additional child. Information: lakeside-artspark.org.

- 1:30 to 3 p.m. – **Arts & Crafts for Adults**, Crystal Lake Public Library, 126 W. Paddock St., Crystal Lake. Origami boxes. Information: 815-459-1687 or www.clpl.org.

- 5:30 to 7 p.m. – **Game On!**, Harvard Diggins Library, 900 E. McKinley St., Harvard. For grades six to 12. Registration required. Free. Information: 815-943-4671.

- 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. – **Family Night Fear Factor Challenge**, McHenry Public Library, 809 Front St., McHenry. Get ready to create zombie brains, blood platelets, oozing ulcers, radioactive spiders, eye of newt slime and more. For children in kindergarten to grade four, with adult(s). Registration required. Free. Information: 815-385-0036 or www.mchenrylibrary.org.

- 7 p.m. – **Women's Christian 12-Step**, Willow Crystal Lake, 100 S. Main St., Crystal Lake. Free. Information: 224-512-1287 or dcollings@willowcreek.org.

- 7 to 8 p.m. – **Emerging Adult Advisory Board**, McHenry Public Library, 809 Front St., McHenry. Emerging adults ages 18 to 30 can

drop in and let the library know what programs they're interested in. No registration required. Free. Information: 815-385-0036 or www.mchenrylibrary.org.

- 7 to 8:15 p.m. – **Men's Christian 12-Step Support Group**, Willow Crystal Lake, 100 S. Main St., Crystal Lake. Free. Information: 224-512-1287 or dcollings@willowcreek.org.

- 7 to 8:30 p.m. – **DivorceCare**, Willow Crystal Lake, 100 S. Main St., Crystal Lake. Support group. Registration required. Cost: \$15, includes workbook. Information: 224-512-1737 or dszweda@willowcreek.org.

- 7 to 9 p.m. – **Men's L.I.F.E. Recovery Group**, Willow Crystal Lake, 100 S. Main St., Crystal Lake. Support group for men (married or single) seeking spiritual guidance in their quest for sexual purity. Walk-ins welcome. Scholarships available. Cost: \$25 for workbook. Free. Information: 224-512-1287 or dcollings@willowcreek.org.

- 7 to 8:30 p.m. – **Google Drive Intermediate**, Crystal Lake Public Library, 126 W. Paddock St., Crystal Lake. Registration required. Information: 815-459-1687 or www.clpl.org.

- 7 to 8:30 p.m. – **Making the Most of Social Security**, Crystal Lake Public Library, 126 W. Paddock St., Crystal Lake. Learn about the different filing options available to married couples, divorced individuals and widows. Presented by Mike Heatwole, financial adviser. Information: 815-459-1687 or www.clpl.org.

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- 9:30 a.m. – **Volunteer Days**, Moraine Hills State Park, 1510 S. River Road, McHenry. Dress for the weather. Bring work gloves and drinking water. Meet by the Northern Woods Playground. Registration: 815-344-1294.
 - 9:30 to 11 a.m. – **Beginning Excel 2013**, Crystal Lake Public Library, 126 W. Paddock St., Crystal Lake. Keyboard and mouse skills required. Registration required. Free. Information: 815-459-1687 or www.clpl.org.
 - 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. – **Free ITAC Amplified Phones**, McHenry Public Library, 809 Front St., McHenry. Find out how sight-impaired, hearing-impaired or speech-disabled legal residents of Illinois can receive a free ITAC amplified, captioned, TTY and braille phone. Free. Information: 815-385-0036 or www.mchenrylibrary.org.
 - 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. – **Toddler Open Play**, Community Center, 255 Briargate Road, Cary. Self-led and parent-supervised drop-in open play. Cost: \$2 a child for residents, \$3 nonresidents. Information: Cary Park District, 847-639-6100 or www.carypark.com.
 - 10:30 to 11 a.m. – **Drop-in Family Storytime**, Crystal Lake Public Library, 126 W. Paddock St., Crystal Lake. For children from birth to age 5. Information: 815-459-1687.
 - 10:30 to 11 a.m. – **Books and Babies Storytime**, Woodstock Public Library, 414 W. Judd St., Woodstock. Registration required. Information: www.woodstockpubliclibrary.org.
 - 5:30 to 7 p.m. – **Game On!**, Harvard Diggins Library, 900 E. McKinley St., Harvard. For teens in grades six to 12. Play games on the Nintendo Switch. Register for a time slot. Free. Information: 815-943-4671.
 - 6 to 6:45 p.m. – **Family Wagon Rides**, Sterne's Woods, 5617 E. Hillside Road, Crystal Lake. Register online. Dress for the weather. Cost: \$7 residents, \$10 nonresidents. Information: www.crystallakeparks.org.
 - 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. – **Get Relief from Reflux**, Northwestern Medicine Huntley Hospital, 10400 Haligus Road, Huntley. Presented by Dr. Amir Heydari, a surgeon with Centegra Physician Care. Learn how a minimally invasive method can alleviate heartburn, regurgitation and nausea. Free. Information: 877-236-8347.
 - 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. – **General Store-y Time**, General Store, 4409 Greenwood Road. A Woodstock Public Library program. For children age 4 and older. Free. Information: 815-338-0542 or www.woodstockpubliclibrary.org.
 - 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. – **Coffee with the Chief**, McHenry Public Library, 809 Front St., McHenry. Join McHenry Police Chief John Birk for a presentation and discussion about holiday shopping scams. For ages 18 and older. Free. Information: 815-385-0036.

GARDEN CLUB
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prepare items to sell in their booth at the 45th annual Arts & Crafts Fair, Crystal Lake. Pictured (from left) are Jean Hautzinger, Bart Marianne Spencer and Paula Zabielski. Not pictured is Cheryl

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• 6 to 7:30 p.m. – **Financial aid workshops**, Luecht Conference Center at McHenry County College, 8900 Route 14, Crystal Lake. Attend an afternoon or evening hands-on workshop to complete the federal financial aid form online using college computers on eight different dates in October and November. Schedule: 6 to 7:30 p.m. Nov. 1, 6 to 7:30 p.m. Nov. 7, 1 to 3 p.m. Nov. 12, 6 to 7:30 p.m. Nov. 14 and 6 to 7:30 p.m. Dec. 13. Register to attend at www.mchenry.edu/financialaidnight.

• 7 to 8 p.m. – **SAT Math Prep**, McHenry Public Library, 809 Front St., McHenry. For students in grades nine to 12. Free. Information: 815-385-0036 or www.mchenrylibrary.org.

• 7 to 9 p.m. – **What Parents Really Need to know: drug abuse**, Woodstock First United Methodist Church, 201 W. South St., Woodstock. Learn how to identify important cues, have examples of many of the items used, as well as local resources for anybody who is facing or might face a substance use issue. Free. Information: 847-903-7881.

Have an event to share? Submit your information online at PlanItNorthwest.com. Photos may be emailed to neighbors@nwherald.com.

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Library group hosting annual used book sale this weekend

SUBMITTED REPORT

The Friends of the McHenry Public Library District is getting ready for the annual used book sale Saturday and Sunday in the library's warehouse. Visitors are asked to park in the far northwest area of the parking lot and use Entrance B.

The sale will be from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday and from noon to 4 p.m. Sunday. There will be a special pre-sale for members of the group from 6 to 8 p.m. Thursday.

If patrons check out an item from the library now until the book sale, they will receive a coupon for \$1 off a \$6 purchase Saturday. Bags Sunday will sell for \$5 each. The book sale will feature hundreds of hardcover



Photo provided

The Friends of the McHenry Public Library District is getting ready for the annual used book sale Saturday and Sunday in the library's warehouse.

and paperback books, movies, music and more at bargain prices. Patrons will be charged a \$10 fee to bring in a scanner at any sale.

The Friends of the McHenry Public Library District always is looking for new members and volunteers. Joining the group is a way

to make new friends, make the library even better and give back to the community. To join, visit www.mchenrylibrary.org and search the website for "Friends of the Library." There's a downloadable membership form and contact information available online.

The Friends of the McHenry Public Library District have given tens of thousands of dollars over the years to help fund library programming and literacy, provide new furniture and equipment, and contribute funding for new and emerging technology for the library.

For information, visit www.mchenrylibrary.org or call the library at 815-385-0036. The library is on Route 31 just north of Lillian Street.

LOCAL DEATHS

OBITUARIES ON PAGE A9

Randall "Randy" W. Gahl
64, Belvidere

Grace E. Jirovetz
97, Manitowoc, Wisconsin

Norman Pannhausen
66, Wonder Lake

Ashley Nicole Strauss

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Fall Harvest Fest offers family-friendly activities

Event follows 5K benefiting Special Olympics Illinois

from 1:30 to 2:30 p.m. on Church Street. This event is an alternative to trick-or-treating that allows young children to walk through a parking lot of decorated cars to ask for candy instead of

Northwest Herald Web Poll Question

Log on to www.NWHerald.com and on today's poll question:

How many books do you read in a year?

Wednesday's results as of 11:30

Are your Halloween costumes ready?

68%
We don't dress up

17%
Yes

9%
Not yet

6%
Some of them

Count On Me.

Kelly
Roewer



Kudos for June

The June issue of *American Libraries* was one of the most thought-provoking issues ever. The summary and links from the Midwinter President's Program on librarianship and neutrality (p. 32) should be used as a discussion starter in LIS classrooms and libraries everywhere. From serving the literacy needs of patrons in prison (p. 22) and families in the Women, Infants, and Children program (p. 24), to using visual data to activate middle school readers (p. 28), to addressing Melvil Dewey's legacy (p. 48), this issue is a treasure trove of knowledge and wisdom.

Judi Moreillon
Tucson, Arizona

*Fines Are Discriminatory

"We have found that people do not keep youth materials out any longer since we've eliminated fines. This has been shown in library after library as they eliminate some or all overdue fines" ("An Overdue Discussion," June, p. 44). Or adult materials, for that matter. Which leaves the purpose of fines solely that of punishment and humiliation.

Many working-class parents simply will not allow their children to get a library card because of the possibility of overdue fines. I worked in such a community and was told this by those parents. When you live paycheck to paycheck, every dime matters. It's never just



10 cents, and the added shame of having to come begging, hat in hand, to ask for help is the final indignity. Individuals' private circumstances are not, in any way, the business of the librarian.

These lessons in "personal responsibility" and "consequences" apply disproportionately to low-income patrons. Wealthier patrons can shrug off that 50 cents or dollar—although in my experience, they are the ones who complain the loudest and demand to speak to the director. Unless the fines are going to be based on income, they are inherently discriminatory, and it makes using the money for operating expenses absolutely unconscionable. It puts the burden of supporting the library on those least able to afford it and is antithetical to the profession's ethical positions.

If the materials are not returned after reminders and a

reasonable period of time, block the card and turn it over to law enforcement. It is theft of public property, after all. But stop this paternalistic game of chalking up nickels and dimes and then "forgiving" them if the patron asks nicely enough.

Suzanne Stauffer
Baton Rouge, Louisiana

Breaking Blue Rules

I have to admit that I wasn't going to read the excerpt of Ryan J. Dowd's *The Librarian's Guide to Homelessness* (June, p. 54) because I do not work in a public library and do not see homelessness in my everyday work. However, I'm so glad that I did. His messages about management really hit home for me. I loved his distinction between red rules and blue rules. I would take it a step further, that when you are breaking the blue rules, you need to make it very

This was a good decision, and it's creating so much conversation around racism. A bit horrified at how many librarians are conflating the award change with historical revisionism. We need some professional education around this, please.

@MASHDOWN in response to "ALSC Changes Name of Laura Ingalls Wilder Award" (The Scoop, June 25)

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Lying by omission**To the Editor:**

Local governments should provide taxpayers with the whole truth. Sending out a puff piece at taxpayer expense that leaves out material facts is grossly unethical.

The Crystal Lake library recently sent out its annual report, full of facts that, in a vacuum, look wonderful. Here are relevant facts they didn't tell you.

Library traffic is down 17 percent in the past two years, and 32 percent since 2010. Circulation is down 16 percent in the past two years, and 29 percent since 2011. The average cost for the library to circulate one item is \$6. Thirty percent of its circulation is DVDs, mainly recent movie hits.

Redbox circulates the same DVDs for \$1.50. How does circulating the latest movies benefit the public, especially at four times what Redbox charges?

Our library costs twice as much per family in taxes as other local libraries.

This library board spent millions of taxpayer dollars overpaying for houses around the library so it could build a bigger library – a project the voters turned down. Our government is supposed to be one of checks and balances. That means the job of the library board is to represent the public as a check on the bureaucracy. If instead it sees its job as shilling for the library, then it has not merely failed in its duty to the public, it has betrayed the public.

And if the City Council, which appoints this board, does not remove these members or rein them in, then it is just as culpable.

Steve Willson
Lakewood

Who controls ICE contract?**To the Editor:**

McHenry County has a contract with ICE to house detainees at the adult correctional facility. That contract generates \$8.2 million for the county's general fund.

A question, at the League of Women Voters Forum (Oct. 11), was asked of the candidates for County Board whether they supported the ICE contract.

There are questions that need to be answered before you can say yes or no.

1. Is the sheriff's office following the Trust Act, which has been signed into

"zero tolerance" policy?

4. Does the ICE contract allow the county discretion on policy so that the county is not dragged into legal disputes resulting from the department of ICE actions? To put it simply, does the County Board have sufficient control of this contract to assure the citizens of McHenry County that they will not be part and parcel to actions governed by ICE, to which we have no control and which would go against our moral norms?

Cynthia M. Spaeth
Harvard

Solar and conservation**To the Editor:**

I have lived in Richmond Township on the same property for the past 25 years. It is a beautiful setting on five acres with flower gardens, wildflower pasture, and abundant wildlife.

Now they want to surround me on three sides of my property with a solar power plant. I am not against solar power, I just don't want one surrounding me, taking away the beautiful landscape views. Instead of looking out and seeing the deer, wild turkey, ducks, geese, sandhill cranes and more wildlife, I can look out and see an 8-foot cyclone fence and hundreds of solar panels.

Since the beginning of the McHenry County Conservation District, Richmond Township has lost 15 percent to 20 percent of taxable land because of land bought by the MCCD. Someone has to make up that lost revenue. Guess who? (the taxpayers)

Now I hear that MCCD has bought more than 700 acres in Richmond Township, taking more land off the tax roll. As I said before, I am not against solar power and land conservation as they really go together toward a better environment. What I am against is the encroachment on others for a product that may not even be sold in McHenry County or lower my electric bill, and also against the purchase of land with tax money then post it with no trespassing and under penalty law signs.

MCCD owns about 25,000 acres throughout the county. Why not put small solar plants on these properties, charge rent, create revenue and lower our tax bill?

There are many places in this great country where solar power and land

ful views.

Tim Widen
Richmond

Environmentally sustainable work**To the Editor:**

Right on the heels of the attention wrought by Hurricane Michael comes in the prestigious journal the mitigation of global warming require a massive sea level rise.

The report concluding that the world is warming threatens the world in addition to generating raging wildfires, devastating flooding and sea level rise. It was compiled by an international team of 23 climate experts in the latest warning about the United Nations Panel on Climate Change.

A 2010 U.N. report on agriculture for 19 percent of global gas emissions, 70 percent of water use and 38 percent of carbon dioxide is emitted from forests to create agricultural by-products. Damaging methane are released from cattle and from animal pools, respectively.

In an environment world, just as we rely on wind, solar and other energy sources, we need meat and dairy products, vegetables, fruits and

Our next supermarket is a superb opportunity.

Casper Nowak
Crystal Lake

Making America great**To the Editor:**

President Donald Trump has a large part, by using America Great Again. The market is a good measure of what America is doing, i.e., how the economy is doing. About 1.46 billion dollars traded on the New York Stock Exchange, comprising about 2 percent of the 360 multinational companies. Of the 360 multinational companies, about 90 percent are listed on the Stock Exchange, with