

**CLIFTON PUBLIC LIBRARY BOARD MEETING  
PROPOSED AGENDA FOR 02/12/2020  
7:00PM**

- 1. WELCOME**
- 2. ROLL CALL**
- 3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**
- 4. TREASURER'S REPORT – Julie Kolosky**
- 5. BILLS AND INVOICES**
- 6. COMMUNICATIONS – Illinois Heartland Library System**
- 7. UNFINISHED BUSINESS**
  - A. Village Board Meeting**
- 8. NEW BUSINESS**
  - A. Library Report – Lori Lamping**
- 9. ADJOURNMENT**
  - A. Next Tentative Meeting Date (March 11, 2020)**

# CLIFTON PUBLIC LIBRARY BOARD MEETING

1/08/2020

**1. Welcome**

**2. ROLL CALL:**

Board Members: Vicky Shell, Julie Kolosky, Sara Faulkner and Jill Rieken were present at the 1/08/2020 Clifton Library Board meeting. Lori Lamping, head Library Clerk, was present.

**3. SECRETARY'S REPORT:**

Meeting minutes for Nov2019 meeting were reviewed. Motion to approve the minutes by Julie K., seconded by Sara F. Minutes approved.

**4. TREASURER'S REPORT:**

Checking Account balance as of Nov 30, 2019: \$5,109.36

Checking Account balance as of Dec 30, 2019: \$3,407.36

Savings Account balance as of Nov 30, 2019: \$64,840.19

Savings Account balance as of Dec 30, 2019: \$64,848.45

CD amount as of Nov 30, 2019: \$13,717.46

CD amount as of Dec 30, 2019: \$13,802.28

Cash Drawer amount is \$50

Motion to approve Sara F, seconded by Jill R, all approved

**5. BILLS AND INVOICES:**

Bills:

Shredder, \$99.99 (Best Buy)

Consumer Report Renewal \$30 (Amazon)

Staples Coupon: Snow Shovel for free

Advocate Renewal: \$25

Labor Law Updated posted: \$11 (Personal Concept) (we will laminate it)

Motion to accept the bills and to be paid by Sara F. seconded by Julie K., all approved

**6. Communications:**

Illinois Heartland Library System report was emailed out to Board members for review prior to the meeting

Village Board Meeting: no update on the carpet, waiting to hear back from several

**7. Unfinished Business: N/A**

**8. New Business:**

**-Library Report**

Per capita money has all been spent (132 items, some were sets/series)

Executive session:

Library staff evaluations reviewed, cost of living will be evaluated in Jul2020

Annual financial report from State of Illinois Comptroller distributed by V. Shell

Conner Fritz needs volunteer hours for National Honor Society, Lori will have him help organize

Bingo to begin soon, information will not go into the newsletter until all details are finalized (Carol & Tia)

Motion to approve the Library Report by Julie K. , seconded by Sara F., all approved.

**9. Adjournment:**

Meeting adjourned at 8:12pm, moved to adjourn by Jill R., seconded by Julie K. The next meeting is Feb 12, 2020 at 7pm.

**Respectfully submitted, Jill Rieken, Secretary**



## Member CONNECTION



Connecting **LIBRARIES & COMMUNITIES** in Central & Southern Illinois

**February 4, 2020**

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# MINIMUM WAGE FORECASTING

with **James Rachlin**  
Founder & President  
Meristem Advisors



**Feb. 13, 2020**

**10 a.m. to Noon**

**Illinois State Library & Zoom**

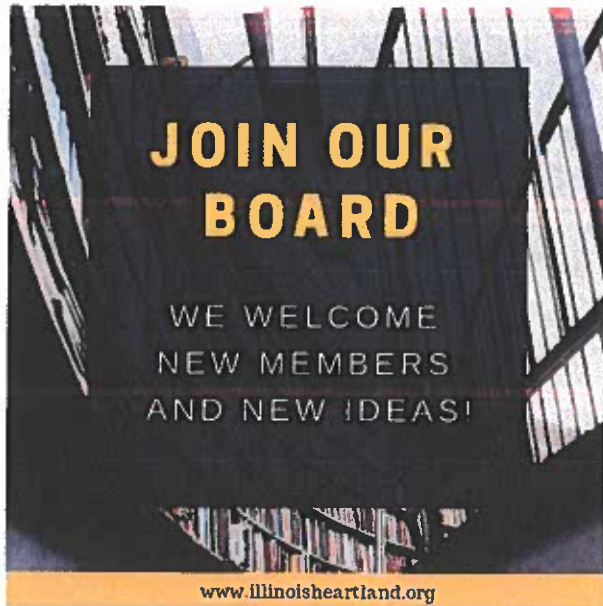
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If you cannot join us in person at the Illinois State Library, you can attend from your own computer via Zoom. Space is limited, so be sure to [register in L2](#) as soon as possible.

Learn More & Register

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**Are you looking to share your love of libraries and represent the needs of your community?**

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### **FIRST WEDNESDAY LIBRARY DIRECTORS' CHAT**

**Feb. 5, 2020**

[Register](#)

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## Please Comment on Proposed Public Comment Policy

At the IHLS [Board of Directors meeting on Jan. 29, 2020](#), a proposed [Public Comment Policy \(PDF\)](#) was reviewed by the board in a first reading and is now being sent out for member comment.

Members are encouraged to review the proposed policy and share their comments by 5 p.m., Feb. 24.



## Serving Our Public 4.0 order request

IHLS has made a group purchase of 250 copies of Serving Our Public 4.0: Standards for Illinois Public Libraries. The books are available to IHLS members for **\$27.50/copy**.

Find [more information and a link to the request form](#) on the IHLS website.



## Illinois Library Trustee Forum Workshop

**Mar. 7, 2020**

[Register](#) by Feb. 6



## Civil Legal Justice: The Crucial Role of

**LIBRARIES**

**Feb. 11, 2020**

Participants will learn about the status of civil legal justice in our system and the vital role public libraries can play in reducing the justice gap. This [WebJunction](#) webinar will provide information on the live, multi-week course to be offered in April, which takes a deeper look at helping people navigate the complexities of the legal system. [Register here](#) for the free webinar.

90 webinars covering over 20 topic areas! Be sure to check out the [free February Webinars for Library Staff](#) listed by WebJunction.





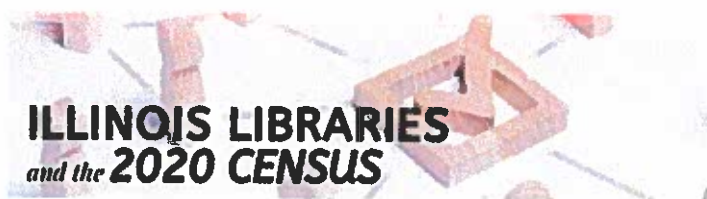
## Be a Voice for Illinois Libraries ILA Legislative Meet-Up Days

### Speak with Legislators at a Meet-Up Near You

Once again, Illinois Library Association has arranged its spring 2020 series of legislative events. It is an opportunity for you to meet with your state and federal legislators and speak with them about issues affecting you and your library.

Three of these meet-ups are in the central and southern Illinois areas, including events in **Edwardsville**, **Effingham**, and **Bloomington-Normal**. Library trustees, directors, and staff from public, school, and academic libraries are encouraged to attend and participate.

[Find and Register for Your Nearest #ILAMeetUp](#)



### Resources Added

The 2020 Census is just around the corner, and IHLS, Illinois Complete Count Commission, and the Illinois State Library are asking libraries to do their part in making sure as many people are counted as possible—and it's imperative we do so to help ensure Illinois gets our fair share of federal funding.

Our Census 2020 page is updated regularly with informational resources, print and digital promotional tools, and strategies and tactics. Resources are tagged by library type.

#### New Resources:

- ALA Libraries' Guide to the 2020 Census (1/22/2020 updated ed.)
- Census 2020: Make Sure Illinois Counts brochure
- Academic Libraries and the 2020 Census: Reaching College Students
- Everyone Off Campus Should Get In on the Census
- Strategies and Tactics by Audience

### IHLS Offices Closed

**Feb. 17, 2020**

All IHLS offices will be closed on **Monday, Feb. 17**, in observance of **Presidents' Day**.

**Delivery services will run on President's day.** If we have access to your library via key or alarm code we will deliver as usual unless you notify us otherwise.

### Annual Online Certification & Traffic Survey

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**Apr. 4-11, 2020**

Libraries of all types provide financial literacy programming



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# MINIMUM WAGE FORECASTING

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10 a.m. to Noon

**Illinois State Library**

300 S. 2nd St. | Springfield, IL 62701

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**Register quickly! This session is limited to 35 in-person participants.**  
Can't attend in-person? **Join online via Zoom.**

## SAVE YOUR SPOT



**James Rachlin** is the founder and President of [Meristem Advisors](#) and was a public finance banker for 25 years. During this time, he covered municipal issuers ranging from state issuers to local municipalities, including school, library, airport, and other special-purpose jurisdictions throughout the Midwest, focusing on Illinois and Indiana.

With a knack for financial analysis and a particular passion for helping his clients achieve their financial goals, Mr. Rachlin works with each of his clients to design strategies tailored to their individual circumstances. He focuses on clear communication and delivering his clients the comprehensive range of services necessary to reduce the stress related to budgeting and borrowing.

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**Register for an #ILAMeetup**

Here's how to get started:

# 1. Find your closest ILA Legislative Meet-up

## **EDWARDSVILLE - Metro East Library Legislative Breakfast**

**Friday, Feb. 7**

8 a.m. doors open and breakfast is available

8:30 a.m. program begins

10 a.m. program concludes

**Event cost: \$25**

## **EFFINGHAM - Southern Illinois Library Legislative Lunch**

**Monday, Feb. 10**

11:30 a.m. doors open and lunch is available

12 p.m. noon program begins

1:30 p.m. program concludes

**Event cost: \$25**

## **BLOOMINGTON-NORMAL - Central Illinois Library Legislative Breakfast**

**Friday, Feb. 14**

8 a.m. doors open and breakfast is available

8:30 a.m. program begins

10 a.m. program concludes

**Event cost: \$30**

# 2. Register for the event

Your registration fee includes breakfast or lunch (as noted), legislative materials, and a program featuring state and federal legislative briefing and library-related priorities and speakers. **Make your voice heard!**

**Register for an #ILAMeetup**

### 3. Prepare for the day

Use this opportunity to express your views on library-related legislation, to share stories of how your library has positively impacted your patrons' lives, for photo ops with your elected officials to post on your social media, or to invite legislators to visit your library.

Get on the same page by watching a 15-minute video.

- [In this mini, preparatory webinar](#), Diane Foote, ILA executive director, and Derek Blaida, ILA's Legislative consultant, discuss current state legislative priorities, federal legislative priorities, what to expect at an ILA Legislative Meet-up and how to prepare for it, and more.



Further review the issues.

- Review and print the ["A legislative issues palm card"](#) to get summaries of the top library-related legislative issues and ILA's position on them.
- Read summaries of specific issues and links to more resources on the [ILA Making Your Case web page](#).



### 4. Recruit a friend to go with you

The bigger the attendance at these events, and the more librarians and library staff members share their stories, the more powerful our collective library voice.

- Can you think of 3-5 friends/colleagues who you think should attend?  
Forward them this email, then reach out to them in person to ask them

to go with you.

- **Share the news on social media.** Tell your network on Facebook, LinkedIn, and Twitter that you're going to an ILA Legislative Meet-up, and send out a call-to-action asking library staff and trustees to meet you there. Share the ILA information page or this email.



Share



Tweet



Share



Forward this Email

## 5. Attend your ILA Legislative Meet-up

Share your day on social media using **#ILAMeetup** and **#IHLSLibraries**.

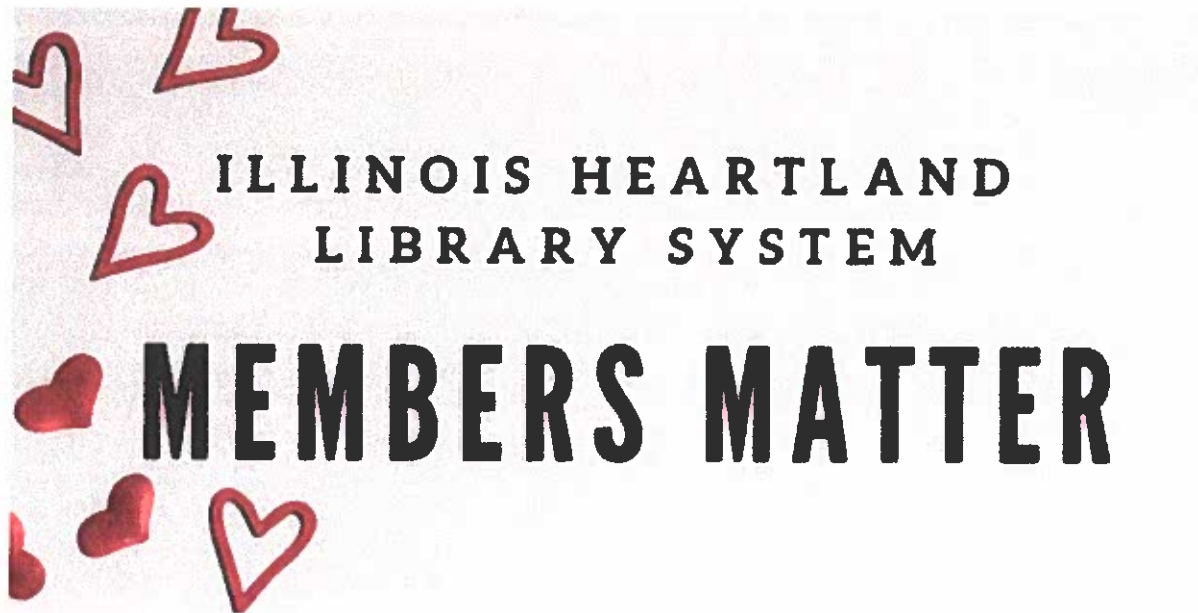
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Join library directors and IHLS staff from around central and southern Illinois for this system-wide forum

**Tuesday, Feb. 4**

**10 AM–Noon**

with guest speakers

**Haley Samuelson & Nate Gass**

of Cook Memorial Public Library District

discussing

## Cook Memorial PLD's 'Be A Voter' Tool

Join us as Haley and Nate talk about their motivation and process for creating this resource, which helps users navigate their path through an election cycle. Find the tool at [www.cooklib.org/be-a-voter](http://www.cooklib.org/be-a-voter).

## IHLS Edwardsville

6725 Goshen Road | Edwardsville, IL 62025



*Can't make it to Edwardsville?*

Join the live telecast at the Illinois State Library  
300 South Second Street | Springfield, IL 62701-1796

or

Join virtually from your library  
(Zoom link available in L2 event)

**RSVP NOW VIA L2**

**Members Matter** meetings are regularly scheduled forums for directors and staff from IHLS-member libraries to learn the latest regional, state, and local library news and developments. It's also an opportunity for IHLS to solicit thoughts and ideas from our members and for you to tell IHLS leadership how we can better help make your library successful.

At **Members Matter** meetings, you can:

- Discuss regional, state, and local library news, issues, and trends
- Get updates from the IHLS and SHARE Administration and Operations staff
- Ask questions and get answers on policies, available resources, and more from IHLS leadership
- Share and learn about innovative library programming with the central and southern Illinois library community

- Help other librarians work through recent issues or discuss your own

As always, we invite you and your library staff to attend in person at the main location, at the group video conference at the Illinois State Library, or remotely via Zoom (link found in the L2 event registration). For those attending in the main location, we hope you'll join us in extending the meeting to a local lunch spot.

**Please let us know you're coming by taking a moment now to register in L2.**

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Dear Library Staff and Trustees,

Are you passionate about libraries and the services that they can provide? Then you are the perfect candidate to join the Illinois Heartland Library System Board. From now through February 11, we are accepting nominations for Board members. We are looking for an Academic Library Representative, School Library Representative, Special Library Representative, and two Public Library Trustees.

I can attest to how the networking opportunities of being a board member have positively impacted the programs I have been able to bring to my library. And it wouldn't have happened without Board Membership.

If you would like more information on becoming a board member, including eligibility requirements, see below or [visit the IHL Board webpages](#).

We can't wait to have you join us.

**Stacey Carter**  
*IHL Board President*

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## Open Board Seats

The following positions on the board are up for election this year:

- **1 Academic Library Representative (3-year term)**
- **1 School Library Representative (3-year term)**
- **1 Special Library Representative (3-year term)**
- **2 Public Library Trustees (3-year term each)**

Elected candidates will begin their 3-year term July 1. The IHLS Board meets the fourth Tuesday of the month (except December).

## Why Join the Board

Effective trustees bring to IHLS knowledge of the community and a willingness to continually maintain and strengthen library services in Illinois.

A small investment of time and effort serving as a board member helps to ensure that IHLS and libraries throughout central and southern Illinois are providing the best possible services and resources available to their patrons and their communities.

Represent your library and your library type. Let your voice be heard. We welcome new members and new ideas!

## Benefits of Joining the Board

- Grow in your board knowledge and experience
- Strengthen your professional credibility
- Participate in planning for the library system's future
- Contribute to setting policies
- Advocate for libraries in the community and throughout IHLS
- Exercise fiduciary responsibility for the use of public and private funds
- Help to develop strategic partnerships with community groups and leaders
- Take advantage of educational opportunities
- Network with other libraries and community members

## Selection Process

The Nominating Committee will consider all completed nomination form responses and will select candidates to appear on the ballot in accordance with the [IHLS bylaws](#). Please understand that due to the geographic balance requirement and limit of four candidates per seat, it is possible that not all interested candidates will appear on the ballot. The official ballot will be available and distributed for voting on March 13.

## Eligibility

Nominees must be members of a governing board of a member library or members of the professional or administrative staff of the type of library to be represented, as set out [in these Bylaws](#).

## How to Apply

**Individuals interested in running for one of the open seats should [complete the nomination form](#) by 5 p.m., Tuesday, February 11.** Only people interested in appearing on the election ballot should complete the nomination form.

[Complete the Board Nomination Form](#)

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***Know someone else who would make a great board member?  
Forward this email to them!***

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## Member CONNECTION



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**January 14, 2020**



### **IHLS Board Nominations Now Open**

Have you considered running for the Illinois Heartland Library System Board of Directors? Would your trustees be interested in joining the board?

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Please share this information with board members, colleagues and others who may be interested in appearing on the ballot, and to anyone you feel would make a great candidate.

Find [more information and a link to the survey](#) on the IHLS website.



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Public Library Per  
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Applications Due  
tomorrow (Jan. 15)

[Learn More](#)



## Be a Voice For Your Library

Library patrons, trustees, directors, and staff from public, school, and academic libraries are strongly encouraged to attend and participate in one of the upcoming ILA Legislative Meetups in February.

There are several locations to choose from, including Edwardsville (Feb. 7), Effingham (Feb. 10), and Normal (Feb. 14).

The registration fee includes breakfast or lunch, legislative materials, and a program featuring a state and federal legislative briefing and library-related priorities and speakers.

ILA produced a [15-minute, free video](#) that gives a preview of program content and tips to prepare for a Legislative Meet-up.

Be a voice for your library. [Register to attend an ILA Legislative Meet-up today.](#)



### A \$10 Million ALA Advocacy Success

It worked! Thanks to many people who posted to social media, contacted lawmakers, and more on behalf of themselves and the American Library Association, a cut to library funding by the White House was not only countered, we got a record increase! ALA advocated for a \$10 million increase for the Institute of Museum and Library Services, including \$6.2 million for the Library Services and Technology Act—the largest increase in LSTA funding in 12 years. [Read the rest of ALA's update](#) and then [take 1 minute to send a thank you tweet to your lawmakers](#).



### Is Your L2 Information Up-To-Date?

It is important that the library's and library personnel's [Library Learning \(L2\)](#) information is up-to-date!

Why? L2 serves as the official statewide directory of libraries and library staff members, and it is being restructured. Let's make sure L2 contains the most up-to-date information possible before it is transferred to the new database!

## 2nd Annual Library Crawl



January 10-27, 2020

#IHLSLibraryCrawl2020

54 Stops!

A 'crawl' is a fun way to tour the libraries in Illinois by visiting five or more participating libraries and checking out what they have to offer.

[View the 2020 Passport!](#)



### IHLS Offices Closed

Monday, Jan. 20, 2020

All IHLS offices will be closed on Monday, Jan. 20, in observance of Martin Luther King Jr. Day. Delivery will not run.



### Library directors:

- Look up your library building using Find Libraries, then check the library's record for accuracy.
- View the staff and trustee list to ensure everyone listed is still affiliated with your library as an employee or board member and that all information is correct.
- Make sure to list your board members' current email addresses in L2.
- Ensure the accuracy of your library's hours, street address, and website address.

The [attached pamphlet](#) (PDF) contains instructions on updating L2.

If you or your colleagues need help with L2, please contact [Cristi Popit](#)



## Packing Tubs Safely: Media Edition

by Your Delivery Team

In the last fiscal year, IHLS Delivery drivers delivered 4.5 million items one way. Here are some packaging guidelines for safe arrival of your media items:

When packing a tub for delivery, avoid placing CDs, DVDs, video game cases, and other fragile plastic cases at the very bottom of tubs. This prevents damaging items when heavier items, such as large books, are later placed into the tub.

Instances do occur where media ends up near the bottom of tubs, purely based on the timing of items being returned and processed.

## No-Cost Learning

[WebJunction.org](#) offers library-specific courses and webinars that are available for free to all library workers and volunteers. Webinars are recorded and made available for you to watch in the WebJunction Course Catalog.

[Upcoming FREE WebJunction webinars](#) include:

- **Jan. 22** - Hooray for Dissent! Moving Beyond a Culture of Conformity
- **Feb. 5** - Librarian as Verb: Activate Your Rural Community
- **Feb. 11** - Civil Legal Justice: The Crucial Role of Libraries



**Jan 28, 2020**

The next IHLS Board meeting is Tuesday, Jan. 28, at 5:00 p.m. at the IHLS Edwardsville office. The Board meeting will also be available at several videoconferencing (VTEL) sites.

[Register](#)

## Members Matter

Libraries do not need to spend extra time repacking tubs, but please just try to keep in mind the packing of more fragile media items, so that everyone's items may be enjoyed and returned home safely.

IHLS Delivery will do our part to avoid damage to these items, as well.

If you have any questions or concerns regarding these guidelines, please contact your [IHLS hub operations manager](#) directly. Thank you!



With the new minimum wage increase going into effect, library budgets will be greatly impacted. It is increasingly important for libraries to consider pursuing grant opportunities to support their work and their impact on their communities. As a result, we suggest consistently monitoring the grant opportunities posted on the [IHLS grants page](#). While many of the grants posted are ongoing, new grant opportunities are posted when they become available.

If you are aware of a grant possibility that is not posted, please send that information to [Julia Pernicka](#) so that it can be shared with others.



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## Overdrive Sold to Equity Firm

During the holiday break, it was announced that KKR signed a definitive agreement to acquire Overdrive in the first quarter of 2020. To learn more about the sale and what it might mean for libraries, check out the following articles:

- [Equity Firm Agrees to Buy OverDrive: \(Publisher's Weekly\)](#)
- [OverDrive's New Owners: What It Means \(American Libraries\)](#)



Leather cover of the record book and first page.

## CMC Catalogs a Record Book from 1861

The Cataloging Maintenance Center (CMC) recently cataloged a record book from 1861 for the West Sangamon Public Library District. [Learn More](#)



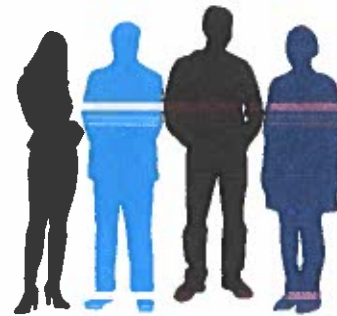
Friday, Mar. 20, 2020 | Champaign, Ill.

[Reaching Forward South 2020](#) is almost here. Join us on Friday, March 20, at the iHotel and Conference Center in Champaign for a day of continuing education and networking for public library



April 4-11, 2020

Libraries of all types provide financial literacy programming to help members of their community better manage their personal finances. [Find resources](#)



Please join us in welcoming the following new library directors:

- **Cathy Etienne**, Eldorado High School
- **Julie Jones**, Blue Mound Memorial Library



## Brodart

The vendor discount for Brodart has been updated. Since 1939, libraries

support staff in central and southern Illinois! The committee is excited to share another sneak peek at the conference sessions:

- **Mary Kelly**, Autism Program of Illinois, will discuss how to create inclusive environments and adapt programming and services at your library to better suit the needs of our customers with autism.
- **Jennifer Mills**, Shorewood Troy Public Library District, will show us tips and tricks to help invigorate your nonfiction collection. Purchasing, promoting, and displaying your nonfiction collection in new ways will help you to tap this hidden treasure in your collection.
- **Dr. Emily Knox**, University of Illinois iSchool, will talk about why people challenge library materials and what you can do to prepare for a challenge in your institution.

The schedule is almost finalized, so continue to check [teaching Forward South](#) and [Facebook](#) for updates. The tickets are \$75 and include a full day of continuing education, breakfast, and lunch. [Purchase tickets](#)

have been able to turn to Brodart for everything from shelf-ready books to electronic ordering systems, high quality furniture, and supplies.

Check out the [IILS Vendor Discount page](#) for this discount and more.



## Call for Submissions

We are looking for great stories about member libraries, library staff spotlights, and photos to appear in the newsletter.

Items for submission can include:

- A Successful Program or Event
- Invitation to an Open House
- Retirement News
- Completed Renovations (Photos!)
- Kudos on a Job Well Done

**Photos are welcome!**

### Quick Links

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**Illinois Heartland Library System**

**Happy New Year  
from your friends at IHLS!**



*Dear IHLS-Member Library,*

As the New Year dawns, we are focusing on you, our member libraries! The work you do, from furnishing communities with public Internet access to providing research assistance, is inspirational and encouraging. In this New Year of 2020, we wish you happiness, good health, and success as you continue your great work.

Meanwhile, Illinois Heartland Library System is here to help your library succeed. Should you need help connecting to resources, wish to consider joining the SHARE automation consortium, need advice, or have an idea regarding something more we can offer our member libraries, please let us know by calling us at 618.656.3216 or emailing [ihls@illinoisheartland.org](mailto:ihls@illinoisheartland.org). You may also reach me directly at the number above by dialing extension 420 or by emailing [lbednar@illinoisheartland.org](mailto:lbednar@illinoisheartland.org).

Have a happy and healthy 2020!

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