

**CLIFTON PUBLIC LIBRARY BOARD MEETING
PROPOSED AGENDA FOR 8/9/2023
7:00 PM**

- 1. WELCOME**
- 2. ROLL CALL**
- 3. TRUSTEE UPDATE**
- 4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**
- 5. TREASURER'S REPORT**
- 6. FY2023 PROFIT & LOSS VS ACTUAL**
- 7. BILLS AND INVOICES**
- 8. COMMUNICATIONS – Illinois Heartland Library System**
- 9. UNFINISHED BUSINESS**
 - A. Village Board Meeting**
- 10. NEW BUSINESS**
 - A. LIBRARY REPORT – Tia Varns**
- 11. ADJOURNMENT**
 - A. Next Tentative Meeting Date September 13, 2023**

CLIFTON PUBLIC LIBRARY BOARD MEETING

5/10/2023

1. Welcome

2. ROLL CALL:

Board Members: Sara Faulkner, Julie Kolosky, Carol Leclair, and Vicky Shell were present at the 5/10/2023 Clifton Library Board meeting, called to order at 7:11 pm. Tia Varns, head Library Clerk was also present.

3. ELECTION OF OFFICERS: Completed the election of officers with the nomination of Julie Kolosky for Treasurer. Vicky moved and Carol seconded, all approved. Officers are: President, Vicky Shell; Vice President/Program Coordinator, Sara Faulkner; Treasurer, Julie Kolosky; Secretary, Nicole Brough. Carol moved to approve the election of officers, seconded by Julie. All approved.

4. CONSOLIDATED ELECTION 4/4/23 RESULTS

Canvass for the April 4, 2023, Consolidated Election was reviewed.

5. SECRETARY'S REPORT:

Meeting minutes from April 12, 2023 meeting were reviewed. A motion was made to approve the minutes by Julie, seconded by Carol. Minutes were approved.

6. TREASURER'S REPORT:

March 31, 2023 CD \$14,292.28

March 31, 2023 Savings \$62,363.99

March 31, 2023 Checking \$7,717.10

March 31, 2023 Cash Drawer \$50.00

April 30, 2023 CD \$14,292.28

April 30, 2023 Savings \$62,371.68

April 30, 2023 Checking \$4,044.76

April 30, 2023 Cash Drawer \$50.00

CD was renewed for two years at 3.5 APR for 24 months.

Carol made a motion to approve the treasurers report, seconded by Julie. All approved.

7. BILLS AND INVOICES:

Staples \$30.00 Laminating sheets (\$6.00 used rewards)

Barnes & Noble \$25.00 Gift Card for National Library Week

Amazon \$24.00 Open Sign

US Post Office \$12.60 Book of Stamps (Debit Card)

Total \$67.60

Motion to approve the bills by Carol, seconded by Julie, all approved.

8. Communications:

Illinois Heartland Library System newsletter sent out via email prior to meeting

9. Unfinished Business:

Village Board Meeting: No information to share.

10. New Business:

Library Report – Tia Varns

Emergency Declaration for Covid expires 5/11/2023;

- Taking down plastic divider,
- Continue to encourage sanitizer and paper cleaning
- Put on the website and in the newsletter.

Share annual agreement \$1300 due in July,

Cloud Library \$375 due in July,

WIX website renewal will be deducted 6/3/2023 \$168.00. Will increase to \$264.00

Summer Reading Program sign up deadline is 6/5/2023.

Colors in the Park will be 5/19/2023 from 3:00-4:00pm in the park.

Motion to approve the Library Report by Julie, seconded by Carol, all approved.

11. Adjournment:

Meeting adjourned at 7:49pm, moved to adjourn by Julie, seconded by Carol. Approved. The next meeting is June 14, 2023 at 7:00pm.

Respectfully submitted, Vicky Shell, President

Clifton Public Library Profit & Loss Budget vs. Actual May 2022 through April 2023

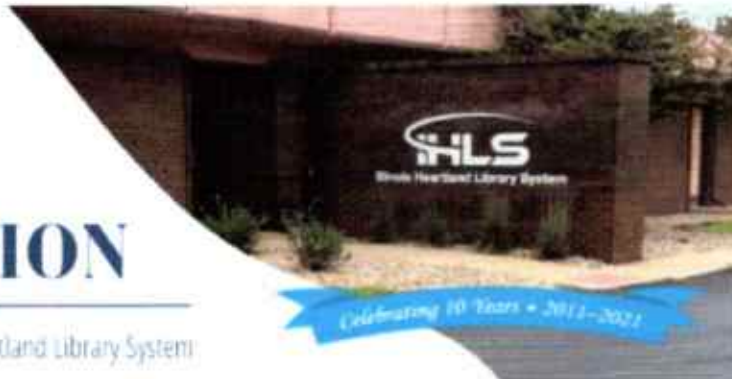
	<u>May 1 - Apr 30</u>	<u>Budget</u>	<u>\$ Over Budget</u>	<u>% of Budget</u>
Ordinary Income/Expense				
Income				
Grants				
Illinois Per Capita	1,994.20	2,000.00	-5.80	99.71%
Other Grants	1,450.00	0.00	1,450.00	100.0%
Total Grants	<u>3,444.20</u>	<u>2,000.00</u>	<u>1,444.20</u>	<u>172.21%</u>
Income from Services				
Book Sales	44.25	20.00	24.25	221.25%
Copies	261.13	200.00	61.13	130.57%
Disc Cleaning	1.00	5.00	-4.00	20.0%
Donations	194.74	10.00	184.74	1,947.4%
Faxes	63.05	50.00	13.05	126.1%
Fines	62.50	120.00	-57.50	52.09%
Lamination	15.00	10.00	5.00	150.0%
Miscellaneous Revenue	1.00	0.00	1.00	100.0%
Replacement Cards	2.00	5.00	-3.00	40.0%
Replacement of Materials	62.08	100.00	-37.92	62.08%
Income from Services - Other	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.0%
Total Income from Services	<u>706.75</u>	<u>520.00</u>	<u>186.75</u>	<u>135.91%</u>
Investments				
Interest-Savings, Short-term CD	94.91	100.00	-5.09	94.91%
Total Investments	<u>94.91</u>	<u>100.00</u>	<u>-5.09</u>	<u>94.91%</u>
Program Income	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.0%
Property Tax	31,078.27	31,000.00	78.27	100.25%
Receipts	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.0%
Total Income	<u>35,324.13</u>	<u>33,620.00</u>	<u>1,704.13</u>	<u>105.07%</u>
Gross Profit	<u>35,324.13</u>	<u>33,620.00</u>	<u>1,704.13</u>	<u>105.07%</u>
Expense				
Collection				
Books				
Books Adult (A, BIO)	0.00	300.00	-300.00	0.0%
Books Child (BB, E, ER, J)	0.00	300.00	-300.00	0.0%
Books Reference	0.00	100.00	-100.00	0.0%
Books Teen (YA)	0.00	300.00	-300.00	0.0%
Total Books	<u>0.00</u>	<u>1,000.00</u>	<u>-1,000.00</u>	<u>0.0%</u>
Media				
Digital Content	0.00	250.00	-250.00	0.0%
DVDs	35.75	500.00	-464.25	7.15%
Total Media	<u>35.75</u>	<u>750.00</u>	<u>-714.25</u>	<u>4.77%</u>
Periodicals				
Periodicals Adult	58.00	100.00	-42.00	58.0%
Periodicals Child	0.00	100.00	-100.00	0.0%
Periodicals Teen	0.00	50.00	-50.00	0.0%
Total Periodicals	<u>58.00</u>	<u>250.00</u>	<u>-192.00</u>	<u>23.2%</u>
Collection - Other	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.0%
Total Collection	<u>93.75</u>	<u>2,000.00</u>	<u>-1,906.25</u>	<u>4.69%</u>
Donation Expense	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.0%

Clifton Public Library
Profit & Loss Budget vs. Actual
May 2022 through April 2023

	<u>May 1 - Apr 30</u>	<u>Budget</u>	<u>\$ Over Budget</u>	<u>% of Budget</u>
Contract Services				
Accounting/Tax Prep Fees	375.00	500.00	-125.00	75.0%
IHLS Annual Fee	1,855.00	1,500.00	355.00	123.67%
OCLC Annual Fees	248.35	500.00	-251.65	49.67%
Outside Contract Services	288.85	500.00	-211.15	57.77%
Contract Services - Other	175.81	100.00	75.81	175.81%
Total Contract Services	<u>2,943.01</u>	<u>3,100.00</u>	<u>-156.99</u>	<u>94.94%</u>
Dues	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.0%
Grant Expenses				
Donovan Trust	1,297.48	0.00	1,297.48	100.0%
Per Capita	1,983.10	2,000.00	-16.90	99.16%
Grant Expenses - Other	505.62	0.00	505.62	100.0%
Total Grant Expenses	<u>3,786.20</u>	<u>2,000.00</u>	<u>1,786.20</u>	<u>189.31%</u>
Operations Expense				
Books, Subscriptions, Reference	127.00	0.00	127.00	100.0%
Postage, Mailing Service	245.46	100.00	145.46	245.46%
Printing & Copying	100.00	25.00	75.00	400.0%
Programming	304.95	300.00	4.95	101.65%
Public Relations/Advertising/Conf	188.29	100.00	88.29	188.29%
Repairs	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.0%
Supplies	586.59	500.00	86.59	117.32%
Total Operations	<u>1,552.29</u>	<u>1,025.00</u>	<u>527.29</u>	<u>151.44%</u>
Other Types of Expenses				
Other Costs	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.0%
Total Other Types of Expenses	<u>0.00</u>	<u>0.00</u>	<u>0.00</u>	<u>0.0%</u>
Payroll				
FICA Taxes (old)	-1,426.22	-1,375.00	-51.22	103.73%
Medicare Taxes	-333.55	-300.00	-33.55	111.18%
State Unemployment	-1,140.69	-1,000.00	-140.69	114.07%
Wages	23,003.40	23,000.00	3.40	100.02%
NET Payroll	<u>20,102.94</u>	<u>20,325.00</u>	<u>-222.06</u>	<u>98.91%</u>
Payroll Taxes	4,637.70	4,500.00	137.70	103.06%
Total Payroll	<u>24,740.64</u>	<u>24,825.00</u>	<u>-84.36</u>	<u>99.66%</u>
Total Expense	<u>33,115.89</u>	<u>32,950.00</u>	<u>165.89</u>	<u>100.5%</u>
Net Ordinary Income	<u>2,208.24</u>	<u>670.00</u>	<u>1,538.24</u>	<u>329.59%</u>
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MEMBER CONNECTION

news for the libraries of Illinois Heartland Library System



Aug. 2, 2023



Fight Censorship by Joining a Regional Response Team

Recruitment throughout summer, service launch in 2023.

Are you passionate about intellectual freedom and the freedom to read? IHLS and other Illinois library support organizations are **seeking volunteers** for a **network of regional response teams** to **assist libraries facing censorship**. Sign up to help write letters, attend board meetings, advise staff, compose op-eds, research challenged materials, and more!

Send questions to RRTeam@ila.org.

[Join a Regional Response Team](#)

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Illinois Heartland Library System is looking for a new team member! We have the following position currently available within our organization:

- [Senior Accountant](#) – Full-time; Edwardsville

We offer a competitive benefits package and a great work-life balance that is part of our company culture.

[View the IHLS & Library Job Board](#)

Back-to-School Events

B2S Library Networking Session

Aug. 17, 1 p.m.

Join us at Lakeland Community College Library for some casual networking and great discussions. We'll focus largely on issues affecting school libraries, but all librarians are invited.



Connect with Illinois library colleagues and IHLS on LinkedIn!

WELCOME!

Welcome to the following new library directors:

Chad Reno

Library Coordinator, Villa Grove CUSD #302

Sue Thompson

Librarian, Bement High School

Jared Lofrano

Librarian, Mahomet-Seymour High School

Erica Henry

Library Aide, Salt Fork High School

Heather Bollmeier

Librarian, Marissa High

[Back-to-School Library Networking Session](#)

[B2S Informational Meeting for School Librarians](#)

Aug. 24, 3:30 p.m.

Join IHLS Membership Coordinator Schools Liaison Leah Gregory and other IHLS staff for this online information session.

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We're Changing How We Do Third Thursday Programming

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 - *Speaker: Attorney-at-Law Karen Milner*
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School

Tabitha Bilyeu

Librarian, St. Teresa High School

Did we miss you? [Let us know](#), and we'll put you in our next newsletter!

IHLS
Events

IHLS LIBRARY DIRECTORS' CHAT

Thursdays 1–2 p.m.*

**except each third Thursday*

Next Chats:

Aug. 3, 10, 24

Make sure you're subscribed to our "IHLS Networking, Special Interest Groups, and Social Hours" emails to receive the weekly links.

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Events



MEMBERS MATTER

Each Third Thursday of the Month

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Be the first to hear the latest news from Illinois Heartland Library System, SHARE, and more. Then, it's your turn! Share your library's wins, ask your peers their thoughts on obstacles you're facing, and tell us what support you could use from IHLS.

All IHLS Members Matter meetings will be hybrid. However, in-person attendance at our rotating location is encouraged so you can get the most out of these monthly networking opportunities.

[Register for Both Events](#)

Delivery

We Need Your Extra Tubs

Please return any **extra tubs or bags that you have** by sending them with your IHLS Delivery driver. **We're missing around 70%** of some types of bags and bins, and we must have these back **in order to continue serving you.**



Grants



New Grant Opportunities

[National Leadership Grants for Libraries](#)

Deadline: Sept. 20, 2023

These grants support projects that address the critical needs of the library and archives fields and have the potential to strengthen library and archival services for the American public.

[Americans and the Holocaust: Traveling Exhibition Grants](#)

Deadline: Oct. 14, 2023

Apply to host Americans and the Holocaust, a traveling exhibition on the motives, pressures, and fears that shaped Americans' responses to Nazism, war, and genocide in Europe around WWI.

[Brooks and Joan Fortune Family Foundation Grants](#)

Deadline: Ongoing

The Brooks and Joan Fortune Family

Back to School, Back to Delivery

We hope all of our school library staff had a great summer! Now is the time of year when IHLS delivery to school libraries starts again: **school delivery will begin on Monday, Aug. 21, 2023**. Here's how you can ensure you're ready:

Get your extra tubs & bags ready!

Please put back into circulation any extra tubs or bags that you may have from the previous year.

Submit your Delivery Help Desk Tickets

You'll use these to **inform IHLS Delivery of your library's school year closing dates** and to halt delivery for unplanned closures. You can also use the form to **schedule a different delivery start date**. [Learn how on our website!](#)

Reach out if you need to!

If you have any questions, please [contact your delivery hub manager/coordinator](#).

[Learn How to Use the Delivery Help Desk](#)

IHLS Has a New Delivery & Facilities Director!

The Delivery & Facilities Department at Illinois Heartland Library System will soon have a new director with a familiar face. Join us in congratulating **Colleen Dettenmeier** on her transition from Senior Accountant to Delivery & Facilities Director!

[Learn More About Colleen](#)

Foundation provides funds to support education, art, and outreach programs and projects.

UPCOMING GRANT DEADLINES

Aug. 18, 2023

[LOC: Community Collections Grants](#)

Aug. 31, 2023

[SAFE K-12 Teacher Education Grants](#)

Sept. 1, 2023

[Lois Lensky Covey Foundation – Bookmobile Grants](#)
[The Chisholm Foundation Grants](#)

Sept. 5, 2023

[FRS Community Grants](#)

Sept. 8, 2023

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Continuing Education

[Max & Victoria Dreyfuss
Foundation Grants](#)



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It's Not Selfish; It's Self-Care

A Library HR Webinar by Uprise Health

Aug. 14, 10 a.m.

Self-care often gets pushed to the back burner. We might feel selfish taking time for ourselves. Or, we might struggle to find the time. But in today's wireless world, where we are constantly responding to others, making time for self-care is a key component to managing stress and remaining resilient. During this interactive session, you'll learn strategies for building up your self-care reserve and how to say "no" without guilt.

*Organized by IHLS
and led by the experts at Uprise Health*

[Register for It's Self-Care](#)

Advocacy



New Notary Laws in Effect for Illinois

What We Know So Far

On June 5, 2023, the Illinois Secretary of State adopted administrative rules originating in [SB 2664](#), which greatly impacts the way notaries are commissioned and notarizations are conducted. This law also affects all libraries that provide notary services. **Learn more on our [SB 2664 Info Page!](#)**

[Learn More About SB 2664](#)



Gov. Pritzker Has Signed HB 2789 into Law!

The bill takes effect on Jan. 1, 2024!

In support of Illinois libraries and Illinoisans' freedom to read, Sec. Giannoulis drafted House Bill 2789, requiring many Illinois libraries to have an anti-censorship policy. Gov. Pritzker signed the bill into law on June 14!

Read about the law and what it means for your library on our information page!

[Learn More About HB 2789](#)

Cataloging Maintenance Center



CATALOGING MAINTENANCE CENTER

Statewide Cataloging Support

"What Is This?": CMC Catalogs, Detective Division

In the latest CMC Catalogs article, Cataloger Barb Scoby shares her techniques for identifying mystery items and some descriptions of cases she's cracked.

[Learn more in the latest CMC Catalogs article!](#)

Cataloging Maintenance Center Announces 2023-2024 Webinars

Learn the nuances of cataloging and collection discoverability in 20 minutes when you attend the Cataloging Maintenance Center's *Online with the CMC*. These brief webinars cover a different cataloging special topic each month. A 40-minute Q&A session follows each presentation.

Reading the Past: Reading Historical Handwriting

Aug. 10

A Quest to Cataloging Board Games

Sept. 14

Stump the CMC

Oct. 12

Constructing Our Past: Cataloging Blueprints

Nov. 9

[Explore Webinars](#)

[Asynchronous Cataloging Courses](#)

For seasoned librarians interested in exploring new avenues in metadata, and those looking to learn the fundamentals of cataloging, the Cataloging Maintenance Center provides more in-depth cataloging training for library workers across the state of Illinois. **Courses are asynchronous and free to all Illinois library workers!**

Cataloging Basics

Sept. 11–Oct. 22

Focus on Serials Cataloging

Oct. 30–Nov. 12

Focus on Deriving a Record

Nov. 13–24

Focus on Cataloging Binge Boxes

Dec. 4–17

[Explore Courses](#)

Partnerships

Sign up to Co-Host a Banned Books Zoom Panel

Event Date: Oct. 2, 2023

Cost: Free!

The Vernon Area Public Library District is seeking co-hosts to help promote their **Banned Books Week** panel with **Secretary of State Alexi Giannoulias** and **RAILS Executive Director Monica Harris**.

Co-hosts will receive a Zoom link and promotional materials. Participating libraries must **promote the event to their communities by Aug. 18**.

Contact [Ashley Johnson or Roz Topolski](#) for more information.

[Sign up to Co-host the Panel](#)

Help Discover the Next Soon-to-Be Famous Illinois Authors

Want to help discover the next famous Illinois author? The Soon to Be Famous Illinois Author Project is recruiting judges to evaluate works for the Illinois Author Project and the Manuscript Project.

[Learn More & Sign up to Judge](#)

Celebrate National Voter Registration Day Sept. 19, 2023

Sign your library up to partner with EveryLibrary in celebrating National Voter Registration Day this year. Partners can receive free stickers and posters, customized resources, and assistance in planning their celebration of the holiday.

[Be a Voter Registration Day Partner](#)



Public & School Libraries: Register for Grant Writing 101

Event Date: Aug. 10, 2023

Register by Aug. 7, 2023

We're excited to announce our second annual grant-writing workshop for public and school libraries, Grant Writing 101! Registration is **limited to individuals who have never written a winning LBSS Reader's Choice Grant application** (regardless of whether or not your library has previously received LBSS grant funding).

[Learn More & Register for Grant Writing 101](#)

The Illinois School Library Workers Symposium

Sept. 20, 2023

Earn PDH credit!

The Illinois School Library Workers Symposium is designed for individuals who are working in school libraries with no formal library education, certified or non-certified, paraprofessionals, and those considering getting a school library endorsement.

Application Deadline: Aug. 30, 2023

Cost: Free

[Learn More & Register for the Symposium](#)



Telling Libraries' Stories of Impact on Communities

Recent additions to the *My Library Is...* blog:

- [My Library Is... Showcasing Local Artwork](#)
- [My Library Is... Their Future, As It Should Be](#)
- [My Library Is... Hosting the Violins of Hope Exhibit](#)

- [My Library Is...Bringing Traveling Exhibits to our Community!](#)

Think you have an idea for a topic or know a writer for the [My Library Is... blog](#)? [Contact Us](#).

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'Illinois Libraries Present' Season 3 Membership Open Now Through July 31

[Illinois Libraries Present](#) is excited to announce that Season 3 membership enrollment is now open! Learn more about ILP Membership and what they have planned for Season 3 in an ILP pre-recorded info session:

- [For New Members](#)
- [For Existing Members](#)

Each library's membership fee is based on its operating budget and starts as low as \$70.

More Continuing Education

Free Third-Party Webinars Selected & Upcoming

[Introduction to Proposal Writing](#)

Aug. 7, 1 p.m.

[Info2Go! Service and Support Animals in the Library](#)

Aug. 8, 12 p.m.

[Redesigning a Library Website](#)

Aug. 15, 1 p.m.

[Dashboards: Making Your Data Work for You](#)

Aug. 16, 12 p.m.

[Reducing Burnout for Academic Library Workers who have Complicated Lives \(AKA: Everybody\)](#)

Aug. 30, 1 p.m.

Find more on our website with our
NEW Library Learning Roundup!

[Go to the August Roundup](#)

Have suggestions, ideas, or questions about Continuing Education? Contact [Kate Kite, Continuing Education Coordinator Liaison](#), [618.474.9948](tel:618.474.9948).

Conferences

[Association of Rural & Small Libraries
Annual Conference](#)

Sept. 20–23, 2023; Wichita, Kan.

[Association of Illinois School Library
Educators Annual Conference](#)

Oct. 1–3, 2023; Champaign, Ill.

[Illinois Library Association Annual Conference](#)

Oct. 24–26, 2023; Springfield, Ill.

IHLS Member Day — Save the Date!

Feb. 8, 2024

Member News



IHLS Members, Partners Win ILA Awards

Congratulations to the following IHLS member library workers and partner organizations who were selected for 2023 ILA awards!

Intellectual Freedom Award

Christine Bristow, Samantha Lego, and Aimee Villet,
Youth Department of the Glen Carbon Centennial Library

Deborah Dowley Preiser Marketing Award

Evelyn Shapiro and Gloria Roubal, Champaign Public
Library Promotions Team

Valerie J. Wilford Scholarship Grant for Library Education

Julie Flack, Effingham Unit #40 Schools

Hugh C. Atkinson Memorial Award for Interlibrary Cooperation

Illinois Libraries Present

IHLS Member on NPR

On Monday, **Caseyville Public Library Director Ashley Stewart** joined EveryLibrary Executive Director John Chrastka and others to discuss Illinois's new anti-book-ban bill on the Illinois Public Radio show *The 21st*. If you missed the initial broadcast, you can listen at the link below!

[Listen to the Episode Recording](#)

Quick Links

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We made some changes to this newsletter. What do you think?



Have News to Share?

Share your organization's news with IHLS and you may see it in a future newsletter!
Send submissions to communications@illinoisheartland.org.



Illinois Heartland Library System

IMAGINING TOMORROW - DELIVERING POSSIBILITIES TODAY

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Librarian, St Teresa High School

Tammy Wendling

Director, Centralia Regional Public Library District

Carolynne Calloway

Director, Grand Prairie of the West Library

Diana Brawley Sussman

Director, Edwardsville Public Library

Jennifer Robertson

Director, Carbondale Public Library



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[Back-to-School Library Networking Session](#)

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Aug. 24, 3:30 p.m.

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Member News



IHLS Members, Partners Win ILA Awards

Congratulations to the following IHLS member library workers and partner organizations who were selected for 2023 ILA awards!

Intellectual Freedom Award

Christine Bristow, Samantha Lego, and Aimee Villet,
Youth Department of the Glen Carbon Centennial Library

Deborah Dowley Preiser Marketing Award

Evelyn Shapiro and Gloria Roubal, Champaign Public
Library Promotions Team.

Valerie J. Wilford Scholarship Grant for Library Education

Julie Flack, Effingham Unit #40 Schools

Hugh C. Atkinson Memorial Award for Interlibrary Cooperation

Illinois Libraries Present

IHLS Member on NPR

On Monday, **Caseyville Public Library Director Ashley Stewart** joined EveryLibrary Executive Director John Chrastka and others to discuss Illinois's new anti-book-ban bill on the Illinois Public Radio show *The 21st*. If you missed the initial broadcast, you can listen at the link below!

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Looking for continuing education, networking, or membership events?
Here's what's coming up in the next few weeks!
(does not include SHARE events)

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7/13, 7/27, 8/3, 8/10

IHLS Directors Chat

Time: 1–2 p.m.

Format: Live text chat

Description: Join library directors and branch leaders across central and southern Illinois for this text-based chat. Ask questions, and get answers, clarifications, and ideas—directly from your library peers and IHLS staff. This chat is held in Adobe Connect. The session is interactive, and participation is encouraged.

Cost: Free for IHLS-Member Libraries

Registration Deadline: At least 15 minutes before the chat begins. Forgot to register? Join us anyway.

[Register for Directors Chat](#)



7/20

Third Thursday CE: Local Records Act with the Illinois State Archives

Time: 10–11 a.m.

Format: Livestreaming / Recording / In-Person / Hybrid

In-Person Location: Decatur Public Library, Staley Room

Join us online or in person each third Thursday of the month, 10–11 a.m., to hear from a guest speaker about an important or arising topic facing the library community. All Third Thursday CE sessions will be streamed live, but participants who are also attending the IHLS Members Matter meeting are encouraged to attend both events in person.

This Month

Speaker: Cheri Cameron, Records Archivist, Illinois State Archives

Session Description: This session is for anyone new to records management or anyone needing a refresher course. There's no shame in this game; work together with the Illinois State Archives to get your library in compliance with the Local Records Act! You'll come away with techniques and best practices for stewarding public records, protecting your library from liabilities, and preventing illegal destruction of records.

By the end of the presentation, attendees will:

- Identify the requirements of the Records Retention Act
- Implement the processes involved for both analog and digital records
- Learn what not to do regarding destruction of records

There will be time for Q&A. The Zoom chat will be monitored by IHLS staff, and participation is encouraged!

Cost: Free for IHLS-member libraries

Registration Deadline: *Space is limited, and the number of in-person seats varies by location.* Please register early through the L2 page to save your spot! Select the in-person location during registration.

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Format: In-Person and Online

View the [ILA event page](#) for more information. Applications have closed.

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This Month

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Cost: Free to all system-member libraries statewide

Registration Deadline: At least 15 minutes before the webinar begins.

[Register for Reading the Past](#)



8/10

Grant Writing 101: Bringing Money to Your Library

Time: 10 a.m.-3 p.m.

Format: In-Person Workshop

In-Person Location: Charleston Carnegie Public Library

Description: Illinois Heartland Library System (IHLS) and the Library Book Selection Service (LBSS) Endowment Fund invite school and small public library directors to a free grant-writing workshop.

In the morning, Illinois Heartland Library System staff will guide participants through grant writing 101, including how to find grants and the important steps of completing a grant application. Also, Illinois State Library staff will go over the School District Library Grant application process.

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Cost: Free for IHLS-Member Libraries

Registration: Limited to 25 participants. Registration is limited to eligible individuals (see L2 event for details).

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Gallagher

Ongoing

Sexual Harassment Prevention Training

Format: On-Demand

Description: Every employer with employees working in the State of Illinois is required to provide employees with annual sexual harassment prevention training that complies with Section 2-109 of the Illinois Human Rights Act. We're here to help! Illinois Heartland Library System is providing a free training module through the use of the Gallagher Step Program. This is a self-paced module in which you must view the training and complete a quiz with a passing grade of 70% or above.

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Registration Deadline: Rolling

All of your staff may take this training.

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MEMBER CONNECTION

news for the libraries of Illinois Heartland Library System



June 7, 2023

Illinois Heartland Library System **Public Comment Policy Change**



Feedback Requested: Public Comment Policy Change

Deadline: June 16

At the May 2023 meeting of the IHLS Board of Directors, a first reading of a **revision to the board's public comment policy** was presented. It will be available for member comments through **June 16**.

[Read the Policy & Provide Feedback](#)

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Paid Leave for All Workers Act FAQs

[How does the new HR law affect your library?](#)

In March 2023, Governor Pritzker signed the [Paid Leave for All Workers \(PLAW\) Act](#) into law. We wanted to **update you** on what we currently know regarding the law, so we **asked our legal counsel for a list of frequently asked questions** and their answers. Read the FAQs on our PLAW info page!

[Go to Our PLAW Info Page](#)



Bidding is Now Open!

[5 Surplused Cargo Vans Up for Auction](#)

Looking for a van for mobile outreach, a bookmobile, or transporting books between branches? IHLS is auctioning five surplused cargo vans, and your library (or you) could



Connect with Illinois library colleagues and IHLS on LinkedIn!

WELCOME!

Welcome to the following new library directors:

Kenyada Harris

Director, East Saint Louis Public Library

Amanda Gard

Director, Martinsville Public Library

Zachery Huskey

Director, Sallie Logan Public Library

Teagan Follis

School Librarian, Lincoln 404 Community High School

Brenna Keeler

School Librarian,

benefit!

Vehicles will be auctioned in two stages:

1. **June 7–13**
[Open to IHLS Library Members](#)
vehicles sold for library use only
2. **June 14–20**
[Open to the Public](#)

See the [IHLS Vehicle Auction page](#) for links to each auction, vehicle descriptions, photos, and bidding and payment details!

[View Online Auction Details](#)



IHLS & Other Illinois Library Organizations in the News!

IHLS Communications Administrator Dr. Carol Hogan-Downey was recently quoted in a piece for the **Canadian Broadcasting Corporation (CBC)** on Illinois HB 2789.

Read the full article to see what she and spokespeople from RAILS, AISLE, and the State Library had to say!

[Read the CBC Article](#)

Public Libraries: Submit Your FY2024 Non-Resident Card Program & Fee Status Deadline: June 30, 2023

Public libraries, it's time to submit your non-resident card participation information for FY2024. We've updated the

Robinson High School

Sherri Scott

School Librarian, Marshall South Elementary School

Did we miss you? [Let us know](#), and we'll put you in our next newsletter!

THIRD THURSDAYS CE

Each Third Thursday at 10 a.m.

Next Third Thursdays:
July 19, Aug. 17

Join us monthly for an important and timely library topic. Sometimes we'll host a full continuing education webinar featuring IHLS staff or guests, and sometimes we'll incorporate a CE program into our Members Matter membership update events.

Note: there will be no Members Matter in May and June

[Register for an event in L2](#)

IHLS LIBRARY DIRECTORS' CHAT

directions on our website. If you still need to submit your information, head on over and take a look!

[Go to Our Non-Resident Fee Page](#)



Congratulations to the Newly Elected Members of the IHLS Board of Directors!

Please join us in welcoming the newest members of the Illinois Heartland Library System Board of Directors! On Tuesday, May 23, all newly elected members were certified at the May IHLS Board meeting.

Academic Library Representative

Sarah Hill, Lake Land College

Public Library Trustee Representatives

Kristy Walker, Bethalto Public Library District
Francis Buckingham, Case-Halstead Public Library

School Library Representative

Melissa Tedesco, O'Fallon Township High School District 203

Special Library Representative

Lisa Horsley, Abraham Lincoln Presidential Library

Congratulations to these members, and thank you to all who nominated themselves for a position. We appreciate your willingness to serve the libraries of central and southern Illinois.

Thursdays 1-2 p.m.*

**except each third Thursday*

Next Chats:

June 8, 22, 29

Make sure you're subscribed to our "IHLS Networking, Special Interest Groups, and Social Hours" emails to receive the weekly links.

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Grants



New Grant Opportunities

[Spectrum Digital Education Grants](#)

Deadline: June 23, 2023

These grants from Charter Communications, Inc., support nonprofit organizations that educate community members on the benefits of broadband and how to use it in their lives.



Illinois Heartland Library System is looking for a new team member! We have the following positions currently available within our organization:

- [Cataloger](#) – Full-time; Champaign
- [Courier](#) – Full-time; Edwardsville
- [Delivery & Facilities Director](#) – Full-time; Edwardsville

We offer a competitive benefits package and a great work-life balance that is part of our company culture.

[View the IHLS "and" Library Job Board](#)

Continuing Education



Mastering the Business of Work Etiquette

[A Library HR Webinar by Uprise Health](#)

June 12, 10 a.m.

From basic manners to cultural differences and more, it's very difficult to succeed without a certain awareness of etiquette in the workplace and what we don't know can

[FRS Community Grants](#)

Deadline: Sept. 5, 2023

FRS Community Grants are awarded annually to nonprofit organizations, schools, community groups, municipalities, and other organizations doing good work in your community.

UPCOMING GRANT DEADLINES

June 20, 2023

[NREA Foundation Teacher of the Year Award](#)

June 21, 2023

[NextFifty Initiative – Advancing Innovation in Aging](#)

June 23, 2023

[Spectrum Digital Education Grants](#)

July 15, 2023

[Walmart – Local Community Grants](#)

July 18, 2023

[NEH – Humanities Collections and Reference Resources](#)

Sept. 5, 2023

[FRS Community Grants](#)

Nov. 10, 2023

hurt us. During this lively session, we will identify common pitfalls and show you how to avoid them. We will also review strategies to help you shine and leave a lasting impression.

*Organized by IHLS
and led by the experts at Uprise Health*

[Register for Mastering the Business](#)

[Max & Victoria Dreyfuss
Foundation Grants](#)

[View Entire
Grants Database](#)

More in the Library HR Series

Presented by HR Source

Cost: \$10 per event

If you manage other staff, you won't want to miss this! IHLS's go-to resource for HR training and assessment, HR Source, is offering this webinar designed to help participants recruit, train, and retain staff. All system members and staff are invited.

- [New Hire Onboarding](#)
June 29, 10 a.m.

Presented by Uprise Health

Cost: Free

No matter your role at your library, you can benefit from these webinars presented by IHLS's employee-assistance provider, Uprise Health!

- [Fostering an LGBTQIA-Inclusive Workplace](#)
July 10, 10 a.m.
- [It's Not Selfish, It's Self-Care](#)
Aug. 14, 10 a.m.

[View all Library HR Webinars](#)

*View all of IHLS's upcoming events on our website
at www.illinoisheartland.org/events.*

Advocacy



Illinois House Bill 2789 Passed!

Once Gov. Pritzker signs it, the bill becomes law on **Jan. 1, 2024!**

In support of Illinois libraries and of Illinoisans' freedom to read, our Secretary of State Alexi Giannoulias recently drafted House Bill 2789, which will require many Illinois libraries to have an anti-censorship policy. The bill has now passed the Illinois House and Senate!

Read about the law and what it means for your library on our information page!

[Learn More About HB 2789](#)

Cataloging Maintenance Center



CMC Catalogs: Forget Me Not Collection

At the ILA's Annual Conference in October, Mississippi Valley Library District approached presenters from the

Cataloging Maintenance Center to ask for help cataloging a collection of binge boxes.

[Learn more in the latest CMC Catalogs article!](#)

Asynchronous Cataloging Courses

For seasoned librarians interested in exploring new avenues in metadata, and those looking to learn the fundamentals of cataloging, the Cataloging Maintenance Center provides more in-depth cataloging training for library workers across the state of Illinois. **Courses are asynchronous and free to all Illinois library workers!**

Cataloging Basics*

June 19–July 30

Cataloging Basics

Sept. 11–Oct. 22

**The course's roster is full, so registration is now closed.*

[Explore Courses & Register](#)

Partnerships

The Illinois School Library Workers Symposium

Sept. 20, 2023

Earn PDH credit!

The Illinois School Library Workers Symposium is designed for individuals who are working in school libraries with no formal library education, certified or non-certified, paraprofessionals, and those considering getting a school library endorsement.

Application Deadline: Aug. 30, 2023

Cost: Free



Telling Libraries' Stories of Impact on Communities

Recent additions to the *My Library Is...* blog:

- [My Library Is Empowering English Language Learners: Boosting Creativity and Expanding Vocabulary!](#)
- [My Library Is... A Place of Welcome and Acceptance!](#)
- [My Library Is... Providing "Sliding Glass Doors" with Virtual Reality!](#)
- [Collection Facelift: Updating a School Library](#)
- [My Library Is... Me!](#)

Think you have an idea for a topic or know a writer for the [My Library Is... blog](#)? [Contact Us](#),

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'Illinois Libraries Present' Season 3 Membership Open Now Through July 31

[Illinois Libraries Present](#) is excited to announce that Season 3 membership enrollment is now open! Learn more about ILP Membership and what we have planned for Season 3 in one of our pre-recorded info sessions.

- For New Members: [Watch the Recording](#)
- For Existing Members: [Watch the Recording](#)

Each library's membership fee is based on its operating budget and starts as low as \$70.

More Continuing Education

Third-Party Webinars & Virtual Events

Selected & Upcoming

[Create Effective Data Visualizations](#) (National Library of Medicine)

June 7, 12 p.m.

[Design an IT Roadmap to Create Value](#) (Nonprofit Learning Lab)

June 8, noon

[Joyful Music for Social-Emotional and Language Development](#) (Early Childhood Investigations Webinars)

June 8, 1 p.m.

Intellectual Freedom & Censorship Webinars

For those dealing with challenges to intellectual freedom, IHLS Public Libraries Liaison Anna Yackle recommends these on-demand webinars:

[Hooray for Freedom! Part One: Privacy, Confidentiality, and Intellectual Freedom in the Library](#)

[Hooray for Freedom! Part Two: Developing Policies in Support of Ethical Practice](#)

[Hooray for Freedom! Privacy, Confidentiality, and Intellectual Freedom in the Library.](#)

Find more on our website with our NEW Library Learning Roundup!

Go to the June Library Learning Roundup

Have suggestions, ideas, or questions about Continuing Education? Contact [Kate Kite, Continuing Education Coordinator Liaison](#), 618.474.9948.

Conferences

[Banned Books and Censorship Mini-Conference](#)

June 8, 2023; virtual

[American Library Association Annual Conference & Exhibition](#)

June 22-27, 2023; Chicago, Ill.

IHLS Member Day — Save the Date!

Feb. 8, 2024

Member News



Greenville PL's Annual Lucky Penny Day

Greenville Public Library held its yearly [Lucky Penny Day](#) on May 23. There were a dozen specially marked pennies hidden around the library for patrons to find and redeem for \$2. What a fun programming idea!



Congratulations to ALA Grant Winners!

Please join us in congratulating our IHLS libraries who were awarded the ALA [Libraries Transforming Communities: Accessible Small and Rural Communities](#) grant:

- Athens Municipal Library (Athens, Ill.)
- Marshall Public Library (Marshall, Ill.)
- Millstadt Library (Millstadt, Ill.)
- Rochester Public Library District (Rochester, Ill.)
- South Macon Public Library (Macon, Ill.)
- Weldon Public Library District (Weldon, Ill.)

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IHLS Surplus Vehicle Auction Begins Wednesday

Looking for a van for mobile outreach, a bookmobile, or transporting books between branches? **IHLS is auctioning five surplus cargo vans, and your library (or you) could benefit!**

Cargo vans will be auctioned in two stages:

VEHICLE AUCTION I

Open to IHLS Library Members

****for library use only****

Opens: Wednesday, June 7, 8 a.m.

Closes: Tuesday, June 13, 4:30 p.m.

VEHICLE AUCTION II

Open to the Public

****Includes vehicles not sold in auction I****

Opens: Wednesday, June 14, 8 a.m.

Closes: Tuesday, June 20, 4:30 p.m.

[See Vehicles for Auction](#)

At this time, bidding is open to IHLS-member libraries and state library agencies only, to be used for library use only. Library staff may bid on vehicles for personal use starting June

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To: Vicky Shell
Subject: [Your Feedback Needed] Public Comment Policy (Revision)



Your Feedback is Needed

IHLS Public Comment Policy (Revision)

Up for Member Comment

The efforts of Illinois Heartland Library System are always made better and stronger when done in conjunction with member input. Therefore, we invite members to take a look at a proposed policy:

- **Public Comment Policy (Revision)**

This policy has been vetted by legal counsel and was reviewed in a first reading at the IHLS Board of Directors meeting on May 23, 2023. It is now open for Member Comment.

If you are a member of Illinois Heartland Library System, we encourage you to review the proposed policy and to share your thoughts in a formal comment.

Member comment is open now through 11:59 p.m. Friday, June 16, 2023.

[See the Proposed Policy](#)



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Comment Policy

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Published : May 30, 2023



7/7/2023 Update: Thank you to everyone who took the time to comment! While we intended to make to minor updates based on legal requirements and attorney recommendations, as designated by the underlined text, our member comment has led us to take a second look at the policy as a whole. We appreciate our members' feedback.

Please provide your feedback for the revision to the IHLS Public Comment Policy.

This topic is closed

Illinois Heartland Library System is in the process of updating the IHLS Public Comment Policy. This policy has been vetted by legal counsel and was reviewed in a first reading at the Illinois Heartland Library System Board of Directors meeting on May 23, 2023. It is now being sent for member comment. Members of Illinois Heartland Library System are encouraged to review the proposed policy and share their comments.

Please find the revised policy below, with changes underlined. Then, click the "Add Your Statement" button below to make your comment.

Those wishing to make a public comment relevant or germane to System business need to appear at an Illinois Heartland Library System (IHLS) hub, and should identify themselves at the beginning of each meeting as attendees at each location are recognized and indicate that they would like to speak during the public comment section of the agenda. They will also be asked to identify

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Outcome: Under Review



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and 3 unregistered statements.

That's 60 minutes of public comment @ 3 minutes per statement.

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