

**CLIFTON PUBLIC LIBRARY BOARD MEETING
PROPOSED AGENDA FOR 3/8/2023
7:00 PM**

1. WELCOME
2. ROLL CALL
3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES
4. TREASURER'S REPORT
5. BILLS AND INVOICES
6. COMMUNICATIONS – Illinois Heartland Library System
7. UNFINISHED BUSINESS
 - A. Village Board Meeting
8. NEW BUSINESS
 - A. LIBRARY REPORT – Tia Varns
9. ADJOURNMENT
 - A. Next Tentative Meeting Date April 12, 2023

CLIFTON PUBLIC LIBRARY BOARD MEETING

2/8/2023

1. Welcome

2. ROLL CALL:

Board Members: Julie Kolosky, Carol LeClaire, Nicole Brough, Sue Schafroth, and Vicky Shell were present at the 2/8/2023 Clifton Library Board meeting. Lori Lamping, Head Library Clerk, was also present. Tia Varns, incoming Head Library Clerk was also present. Called to order at 7:06PM.

3. SECRETARY'S REPORT:

Minutes from January 11, 2023 meeting were reviewed. A motion was made to approve the minutes by Julie, seconded by Carol, minutes approved.

4. TREASURER'S REPORT:

Checking: January 31, 2023 - \$1,182.30

Savings: January 31, 2023 - \$72,348.79

CD: January 31, 2023 - \$14,285.24

Cash Drawer: January 31, 2023 - \$50.00

Motion to approve the report by: Sue, seconded by Nicole, all approved.

5. BILLS AND INVOICES:

Amazon Labor Law Poster \$29.95

Amazon Rebate for \$3.00

Motion to approve: Carol, seconded by Sue, all approved

6. Communications:

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

7. Unfinished Business:

Village Board Meeting: Nothing at this time.

8. New Business:

Appointed Sue Schafroth to the Clifton Public Library Board as a trustee for a 2-year unexpired term from March of 2023 to March of 2025.

Library Report

Lori Lamping submitted her letter of resignation, and she will be stepping down as Head Library Clerk as of 3/1/2023.

Tia Varns will be stepping into the Head Library Clerk position. Lori Lamping will be staying on as a consultant for one year.

Began discussion of possible senior programs, including will, and living trusts.

Aspen Discovery App new ebook/audiobook app program. May cost between \$250 and \$2500 per year, depending on how many libraries in system sign up for program. Sign up is February 28th, may opt out until June 8th.

Motion to approve New Business: Julie, seconded by Nicole, all approved.

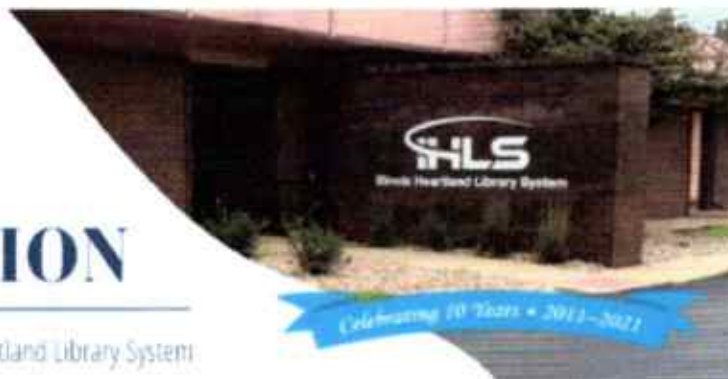
9. Adjournment:

Meeting adjourned at 7:58PM, motion to adjourn by Julie, seconded by Carol. The next meeting is March 8, 2023 at 7PM.

Respectfully submitted, Nicole Brough, Secretary

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news for the libraries of Illinois Heartland Library System



March 1, 2023



SHOW YOUR LOVE on IHLS Staff Day!

Use our video thank-you card to recognize IHLS employees who make you smile!

Show Your Appreciation for Our Fabulous Staff!

[Record a message on our video thank-you card](#)

Deadline: April 24

Has an IHLS employee made you smile? Now is your chance to share your appreciation! We are making a video thank-you card for our staff, and you are invited to share stories, praise, or messages of gratitude. Follow the link below to learn how you can send your video message.

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Directors' University 2.0
April 11-13 in Springfield, Ill.
Registration Deadline: **March 10**

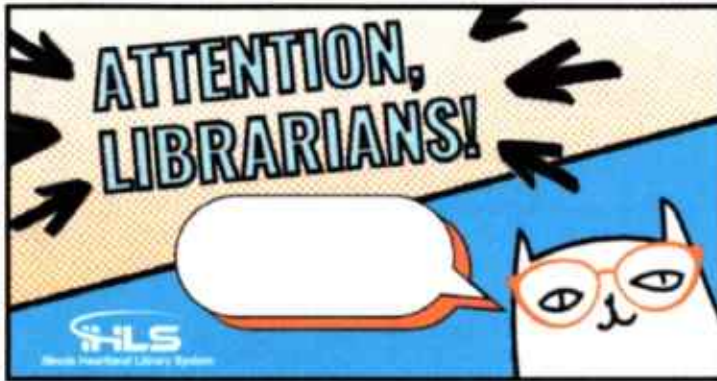


Cost: \$150*

During **Directors University (DU)**, new library directors are brought together to learn the basic work of a library director. **DU 2.0 is the next level of knowledge.** Fifty attendees will dive deeper into topics such as budgeting, capital improvements, grant writing, succession planning, and leadership.

**Materials, lodging, and meals will be covered by support from the Illinois State Library.*

[Learn More & Register for DU 2.0](#)



Librarians, Looking for a Career Shift?

[Apply to be our Continuing Education Coordinator!](#)

IHLS is hiring a Continuing Education (CE) Coordinator, and **we're asking our librarians to apply!** We want you because **your experience running library programs** probably means you:

- **love education** for yourself & others,
- are **highly organized & proactive**,
- recognize all library types' **diverse learning needs**,
- can **deftly plan** CE special events & webinars,
- can streamline trainings with an **emphasis on inclusion & accessibility!**

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WELCOME!

Welcome to the following new library directors:

Tia Varns

Director, Clifton Public Library

Crystal Parini

Director, Zeigler Public Library

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THIRD THURSDAYS **CE**

[Each Third Thursday at 10 a.m.](#)

Next Third Thursdays:
March 16, April 20

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

[Learn More About the CE Coordinator Job](#)



All Open Positions at IHLS

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

- [Sorter](#) – Part-Time; Champaign
- [Continuing Education Coordinator](#) – Full-time; Carbondale, Champaign, or Edwardsville

If you meet the qualifications, we encourage you to apply by sending your resume to jobs@illinoisheartland.org. We offer a competitive benefits package and a great work-life balance that is part of our company culture.

IHLS is committed to workplace diversity, building a diverse workforce, and providing equal opportunities to all regardless of age, race, disability, ethnicity, family or marital status, gender, gender identity, sexual orientation, language, national origin, religion, and any other characteristics protected by applicable law.

Resource Spotlight

Checkology, Free Media-Literacy Teaching Resource

[Checkology](#) is a free e-learning platform by the **News Literacy Project** with engaging, authoritative lessons on subjects like news media bias, misinformation, conspiratorial thinking, and more.

Learners develop the ability to **identify credible information**, seek out **reliable sources**, and apply **critical thinking** skills to **separate fact-based content from falsehoods**.

Matter membership update events.

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For this and more resources, check out the [Library Resources](#) database or the [Vendor Discounts](#) database on the IHLS website.

[Project Next Generation](#)

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IHLS Member Honored by State

Congratulations to **Michael Hayman, the librarian at Collinsville Middle School**, for being recognized by the Illinois State Board of Education **2023 Those Who Excel** program! Read about Michael's award in the Edwardsville Intelligencer story linked below!

[Read the Intelligencer Article](#)

FirstSearch/WorldCat Discovery Subscription Paid by ISL

March 28, 1 p.m.

[Learn More at this Informational Webinar](#)

Connect your users to Illinois libraries and beyond with FirstSearch/WorldCat Discovery, paid by the Illinois State Library! Join the Illinois State Library at **1 p.m. on March 28** to learn how the FirstSearch/WorldCat Discovery subscription can **help your users find and get resources in your library and beyond**. The program will include information about recent enhancements to

OCLC's web visibility initiatives. **Registration is required to join this session.**

[Go to the Event Page](#)



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New Grant Opportunities

It Gets Better – 50 States, 50 Grants

Voices

Deadline: March 15, 2023

This project funds 50 grants of up to \$10,000 in 50 states to support projects uplifting and empowering LGBTQ+ youth.

Illinois State Library – Project Next Generation

Deadline: March 30, 2023

This project offers grant funding to public libraries for establishing educational after-school programs that provide access to various technology and hire mentors

Southern Arts Fund Grant

Deadline: March 31, 2023

The Southern Arts Fund (SAF) encourages arts programming and education by distributing grants to artists and community organizations throughout Southern Illinois.

ALA - Sara Jaffarian School Library Program Award

Deadline: May 5, 2023

The \$5,000 Sara Jaffarian School Library Program Award for Exemplary Humanities Programming recognizes excellence in humanities programming in libraries that serve children in grades K-8.

Union Pacific Foundation – Local Grants

Deadline: May 31, 2023

These small and medium-sized grants support local programs and organizations working to advance the diversity, equity, and inclusion of underrepresented populations.

CSX – Community Service Grants

Deadline: Ongoing

CSX Community Service Grants assist organizations that make a strong, quantifiable impact on their greater communities. The online application is open Jan. 1 – Dec. 15 each year.

More Continuing Education

Webinars & Virtual Events

[Life After Potter: Revisiting Race, Justice, And Difference In The Wizarding World](#)

March 2, 3 p.m.

["Digital Kinship and Librarians" with Jessie Loyer](#)

March 6, 3 p.m.

[The Power of Stories: Selecting the Best Books and Related Activities for Preschoolers. by Stefanie Paige Wieder, M.S.Ed.](#)

March 9, 1 p.m.

[Strategies for Outreach to Marginalized Populations](#)

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[Black Girl Joy! Empowering Coming-of-Age Stories for Middle Grade Readers - Mackin](#)

March 14, 3 p.m.

[See Improve Your Nonprofit Website User Experience from TechSoup Events and Webinars](#)

March 15, noon

[Orientation to Legal Research Webinar Series: Federal Legislative History](#)

March 16, noon

[Community Event: Library Love: Making the Library a Space Where Students and Staff Love to Be](#)

March 16, 2 p.m.

[Dynamic Shelving with Kelsey Bogan](#)

March 16, 3 p.m.

[Free Nonprofit Webinar: 10 Tips and Tricks for a](#)

[Successful Grant Seeking Strategy](#)

March 21, noon

[Universal Design and Universal Design for Learning Foster Inclusion, Equity, Diversity, and Accessibility Solutions \(IDEAS\) in Libraries](#)

March 22, 1 p.m.

[UNT's Trans Accessible Libraries Initiative](#)

March 22, 1 p.m.

[Creating a Restorative Library Culture](#)

March 22, 2 p.m.

[MSL Learn Webinar Series - Establishing a Strong Online Presence for Your Library: Some Basics](#)

March 28, 1 p.m.

[What's Up Wednesday – All Free for the Finding: Digging Up Family History for Free on the Internet](#)

March 29, 9 a.m.

[Promoting Equity in Information Literacy Instruction Through Universal Design for Learning](#)

March 29, 1 p.m.

[Universal Design at Your Library](#)

March 31, 2 p.m.

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Conferences

[ConnectedLibFEST](#)

March 15-16, virtual

[Illinois Youth Services Institute](#)

March 16-17, Bloomington-Normal, Ill.

[ILA Reaching Forward South Conference](#)

Apr. 14, 2023; O'Fallon, Ill.

[Midwest Digital Marketing Conference](#)

April 17-18, 2023; St. Louis, Mo.

[International Coalition of Library Consortia](#)

April 16-19, 2023; St. Louis, Ill.

[ILA Reaching Forward Conference](#)

May 5, 2023; Rosemont, Ill.

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

June 22-27, 2023; Chicago, Ill.

Quick Links

[Illinois Heartland Library System](#) | [Cataloging Maintenance Center](#) | [SHARE Consortium](#) | [SHARE Help Desk](#) | [Library Directory & Learning Calendar \(L2\)](#) | [Illinois State Library](#) | [Illinois Library Association](#)

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IHLS BOARD NOMINATIONS

Join our Board of Directors

LAST DAY!



2 Public Library Trustees Still Needed — Apply by Midnight!

Share your love of libraries, represent the needs of your community, and **have an impact on the quality of library services in central and southern Illinois** by serving on the Illinois Heartland Library System Board of Directors.



[Learn More & Apply to Serve](#)

Who We Are

In Illinois, libraries are done a little differently. Our state has three systems, each of which helps its member provide exceptional services to their communities.

We are [Illinois Heartland Library](#)

What We're Looking For

We are looking for two individuals who are currently serving on their public library governing body. Great candidates have the willingness to learn the ins and outs of a state-level library system. Those selected will:

System (IHLS), and **we are the support partner of the public, school, academic, and special libraries of southern and half of central Illinois.** We courier interlibrary loan materials between libraries, facilitate the annual library certification, provide continuing education and networking opportunities for libraries, and provide your libraries with a number of other services ([learn more on our website](#)).

We are looking for two public library trustees who want to make an impact that reaches beyond their home library's community by serving on their regional library system's board of directors.

- 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
- Network with other libraries and community members
- [and more](#)

2 Public Library Trustee Representative NOMINEES STILL NEEDED!



Serving on the Illinois Heartland Library System board can be very rewarding for both the board member and the board member's library. Zachary Newell, Beverly Obert, and Stacey Carter share why they serve on the IHLS board (recorded 2021).

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.

Let your voice be heard and make a difference in our regional community. We welcome new members and new ideas!

[Learn More & Apply to Serve](#)

Public Library Directors & Board Presidents:

Can you think of TWO trustees who would make good candidates?

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Feb. 15, 2023

A graphic for IHLS Board Nominations. On the left, the text "IHLS BOARD NOMINATIONS" is written in large, bold, blue letters. Below it, in smaller blue text, it says "Join our Board of Directors or nominate someone else!". To the right of the text is a blue hexagonal graphic with white outlines. Inside the hexagon, there are illustrations of three people (two men and one woman) interacting with a central lightbulb icon. Above the hexagon, an orange banner contains the text "DEADLINE EXTENDED TO FEB. 26!".

IHLS BOARD NOMINATIONS

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Today Is the Last Day of Board Nominations!

Deadline Extended to Feb. 26!

For 2023, we need public, school, academic, and special library voices.

Consider nominating yourself for the IHLS Board of Directors! The following positions are now open for nominations for 3-year terms:

- 2 Public Library Trustee Representatives **NOMINEES STILL NEEDED!**
- 1 School Library Representative **NOMINEES STILL NEEDED!**
- 1 Academic Library Representative
- 1 Special Library Representative **NOMINEES STILL NEEDED!**

[Learn More About Board Nominations](#)



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Librarian, Harrisburg High School

Rikki Hammond
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IHLS has officially rolled out our **expanded consulting program**, dedicated office hours with professional staff, and we're starting with our experts in marketing and communications. Schedule an appointment with **Marketing Administrator Shandi Greve Penrod** or **Communications Administrator Dr. Carol Hogan-Downey** as early as this week!

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ILLINET Member Discount for Computers in Libraries 2023

Discount Code: [ILLI23](#)

Deadline: [Feb. 24, 2023](#)

ILLINET members can attend Computers in Libraries 2023, organized by Information Today, Inc. The event will be held at the Hyatt Regency Crystal City in Arlington, Va., March 28-30. [View the Event Program](#)

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Questions? Contact Jill Heffernan at jheffernan@ilsos.gov or 217.782.7849.



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[EBSCO – Solar Grants](#)

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[See More in the IHL's Grants Database](#)

More Continuing Education

Webinars & Virtual Events

[Establishing Design Principles to Center Accessibility into Everyday Decisions](#)

Feb. 22, noon

[Growing a Healthy Library Culture](#)

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[Library Policies for Today's Communities](#)

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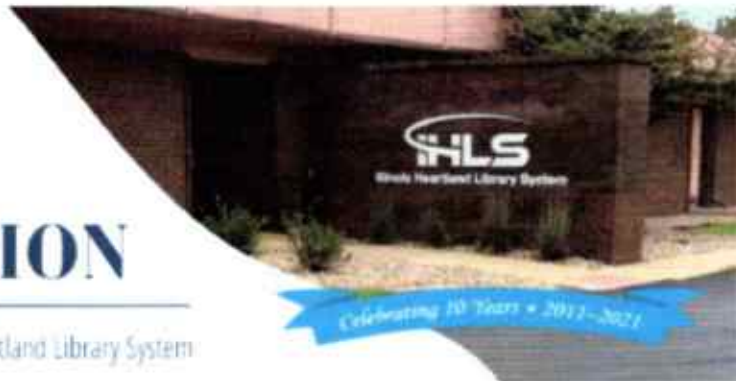
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news for the libraries of Illinois Heartland Library System



Feb. 1, 2023

For 2023, we need public, school, academic, and special library voices.

Consider nominating yourself or someone else for the IHLS Board of Directors! The following positions are now open for nominations for 3-year terms:

- **2 Public Library Trustee Representatives**
- **1 School Library Representative**
- **1 Academic Library Representative**
- **1 Special Library Representative**

[Learn More About Board Nominations](#)

CMC Hires Two New Catalogers

The [Cataloging Maintenance Center \(CMC\)](#) has recently hired two new catalogers: Andrea Giosta, Special Project Cataloger, who will be working on the [Consortium of Academic and Research Libraries in Illinois \(CARLI\)](#) Cleanup Project, and Kat Anderberg, Metadata Cataloger, who will catalog digitized collections for Illinois libraries. Learn more about Andrea and Kat on our website!

[Read About the New Catalogers](#)



The CMC Catalogs: Constructing Our Past

Recently, the Abraham Lincoln Presidential Library and Museum reached out to the Cataloging Maintenance Center (CMC) seeking help with cataloging their special collection of blueprints. Read about what Cataloger Eric McKinney saw in "[The CMC Catalogs: Constructing Our Past](#)"!

[Read "Constructing Our Past"](#)

Do you have extra IHLS delivery bags or tubs?



Connect with Illinois library colleagues and IHLS on LinkedIn!

WELCOME!

Welcome to the following new library directors:

Heather Cox

Librarian, Harrisburg High School

Rikki Hammond

Director, Martinsville Public Library

Lisa Grover

Director, Stonington Township Public Library

Gayle Layne

Director, Carmi Public Library

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.

IHLS is running very low on our delivery tubs and bags. Does your library have too many? Please return them with your delivery driver. Happy New Year from the delivery staff, and thank you for your continued partnership!



Consult with IHLS Marketing & Communications Experts

IHLS is rolling out an **expanded consulting program** through dedicated office hours with professional staff, and we're starting with our experts in marketing and communications. Schedule an appointment with **Marketing Administrator Shandi Greve Penrod** or **Communications Administrator Dr. Carol Hogan-Downey** as early as this week!

[Learn More & Consult an Expert](#)



Annual Certification & ILLINET Traffic Survey

Next Third Thursdays:

Feb. 16, March 16

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.

[Register for an event in L2](#)

IHLS LIBRARY DIRECTORS' CHAT

Thursdays 1-2 p.m.*

*except each third Thursday

Next Chats:
Feb. 2, 9, 23

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

[Review My Email Subscriptions](#)

Deadline: March 31

It's that time again! IHLS members must complete their annual certification and the ILLINET traffic survey in order to retain system membership. Our membership staff has updated our guide for completing this **mandatory process**. Check it out on our website!

[Visit the Certification & Survey Guide](#)

ILLINET Member Discount for Computers in Libraries 2023

Discount Code: **ILLI23**

Deadline: Feb. 24, 2023

ILLINET members can attend Computers in Libraries 2023, organized by Information Today, Inc. The event will be held at the Hyatt Regency Crystal City in Arlington, Va., March 28-30. [View the Event Program](#)

[Register for Computers in Libraries 2023](#)

Questions? Contact Jill Heffernan at jheffernan@ilsos.gov or 217.782.7849.



Upgrade Your Cataloging Skills with These Upcoming Opportunities

2 New Cataloging Basics Courses Added

June 19–July 30; Sept. 11–Oct. 22

Upcoming Grant Deadlines

Feb. 1, 2023

ALA – Peggy Barber Tribute Grant
RRF – Direct Service Grants
NEA – Learning & Leadership Grants

Feb. 5, 2023

Snapdragon Book Foundation

Feb. 12, 2023

ALA – Eisner Graphic Novel Growth Grant

Feb. 15, 2023

NEH – Institutes for Advanced Topics in the Digital Humanities

Feb. 16, 2023

Dollar General Foundation Grants

Feb. 17, 2023

STARS – Virginia Boucher Distinguished ILL Librarian Award

Feb. 28, 2023

ALA – Accessible & Rural Communities Grants

March 1, 2023

FINRA Foundation
ALA – Game On! Grant

[More Info on Grants](#)

The CMC has added two more sessions of Cataloging Basics to the 2023 schedule! This six-week crash course in basic cataloging dives into cataloging using RDA, the Resource Description and Access standards, and MARC, the MACHine-Readable Cataloging standards. The course will cover the MARC fields most commonly used when cataloging library items.

[Register for Cataloging Basics](#)

Online with the CMC Webinars

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

[Stop Wasting Time: Adding MARC 033 and 518 Fields](#)
Feb. 9, 2023

[A Global Journey: Cataloging World Languages](#)
March 9, 2023

[A Stitch in Time: Basic \(or Budget\) Book Repair](#)
April 13, 2023

[Treasure Troves of the Past: Digging into Cataloging Local History](#)
May 11, 2023

[Explore Webinars & Register](#)

Multiweek 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 cataloging training for library workers

across the state of Illinois. **Courses are asynchronous and free to all Illinois library workers!**

Cataloging Basics

March 27–May 5, 2023

RDA Video and Audio Recordings

May 8–June 23, 2023

Cataloging Basics

June 19–July 30, 2023

Cataloging Basics

Sept. 11–Oct. 22, 2023

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Telling Libraries' Stories of Impact on Communities

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

- [Tackling Textbook Affordability](#)
- [Sparkling Creativity and Advancing Research with 3D Printing](#)
- [Making a Makerspace: A Library-Win Fable](#)
- [Teaching Essential Digital Literacy](#)
- [Library Exhibit in the Southeast Asia Collection](#)
- [Meet Stan! A Chicago Ridge Public Library Patron Story](#)
- [My Library is... Collaborative](#)

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

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New Grant Opportunities

[Dollar General Literacy Foundation – Summer Reading Grant](#)

Deadline: Feb. 16

This program provides funding to local nonprofit organizations, schools, and libraries to help implement or expand summer reading programs.

[Dollar General Literacy Foundation – Family Literacy Grants](#)

Deadline: Feb. 16

This program awards grants of up to \$10,000 to support organizations that support the whole family in literacy.

[ALA – Great Stories Club Grant](#)

Deadline: March 15

The ALA Great Stories Club is a thematic reading and discussion program that engages teens who are facing difficult challenges through literature-based library outreach programs.

[Constellation Energy – Community Champions](#)

Deadline: May 15

Through the Community Champions program, customers can apply for small grants (up to \$500) for causes that are important to their communities.

[Illinois State Library – Project Next Generation](#)

Deadline: March 30

This project offers grant funding to public libraries for establishing educational after-school programs that provide access to various technology and hire mentors.

More Continuing Education

Webinars & Virtual Events

[Tired of Hearing, "I didn't know the library did that"? Here's Your Fix!](#)

Feb. 2, 1 p.m.

[Inclusive Leadership](#)

Feb. 7, 1 p.m.

[Privacy Audits for Public Libraries](#)

Feb. 8, 1 p.m.

[Native Stories, Native Peoples: Opportunities for Library Engagement](#)

Feb. 15, 2 p.m.

[Establishing Design Principles to Center Accessibility into Everyday Decisions](#)

Feb. 22, noon

[Growing a Healthy Library Culture](#)

Feb. 22, noon

[Library Policies for Today's Communities](#)

Feb. 22, 2 p.m.

[Strategies for Outreach to Marginalized Populations](#)

March 9, 1 p.m.

[Creating a Restorative Library Culture](#)

March 22, 2 p.m.

Intellectual Freedom & Censorship Webinars

For those dealing with challenges to intellectual freedom, IHLS Membership Coordinator 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](#)

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