

**CLIFTON PUBLIC LIBRARY BOARD MEETING
PROPOSED AGENDA FOR 1/10/2024
7:00 PM**

1. WELCOME
2. REVIEW CLIFTON PUBLIC LIBRARY BOND/INSURANCE – John Caspary
3. ROLL CALL
4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES
5. TREASURER'S REPORT
6. BILLS AND INVOICES
7. HEAD LIBRARY CLERK EVALUATION – Executive Session
8. SALARY CAP ADDITION
9. COMMUNICATIONS – Illinois Heartland Library System
10. UNFINISHED BUSINESS
 - A. Village Board Meeting
11. NEW BUSINESS
 - A. LIBRARY REPORT – Tia Varns
12. ADJOURNMENT
 - A. Next Tentative Meeting Date February 14, 2024

CLIFTON PUBLIC LIBRARY BOARD MEETING
11/08/2023

1. Welcome

2. ROLL CALL:

Board Members: Sarah Faulkner, Julie Kolosky, Carol LeClaire, Liz Wauthier, and Vicky Shell were present at the 11/08/2023 Clifton Library Board meeting, called to order at 7:17 pm. Tia Varns, Head Library Clerk was also present.

3. SECRETARY'S REPORT:

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

4. TREASURER'S REPORT:

October 31, 2023

Checking - \$8,124.17

Savings - \$64,512.61

CD - \$14,542.29

Cash Drawer \$50.00

Received tax distribution on 10/16/2023 for \$7,470.61

Carol made a motion to approve the treasurers report, seconded by Julie. Motion carried.

5. BILLS AND INVOICES:

\$36.50 The Advocate for Annual Treasurers Report 2023

\$140. (Gift from Iroquois Federal) Miscellaneous for Summer Reading Program/Dinovember for snacks, crafts

Carol made a motion to approve the bills, seconded by Julie. Motion carried.

6. Communications:

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

Link to Triennial member survey included for trustees to provide their opinion.

7. Unfinished Business:

Village Board Meeting: Nothing at this time.

8. New Business:

Library Report – Tia Varns

Reviewed five chapters of the Illinois Library Standards for Per Capita Grant

Chapter 9: Public Services: All services are available to all – keep back issues of newspapers up to six months. – meeting criteria

Chapter 10: Programming: Start doing more for teens and adults – working on meeting criteria

Chapter 11: Youth/Young Adult Services – get involved in Fun Days – working on meeting criteria

Chapter 12: Technology: Explore More Illinois – Gives patrons discounts throughout Illinois – working on meeting criteria.

Chapter 13: Marketing & Promotion: How do we promote ourselves? - working on meeting criteria

Julie and Tia are working on Social Media to promote activities.

All were reviewed and discussed.

Working on policy changes for Book Banning.

Working on policy for Minimum Paid Leave Standard

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

9. Adjournment:

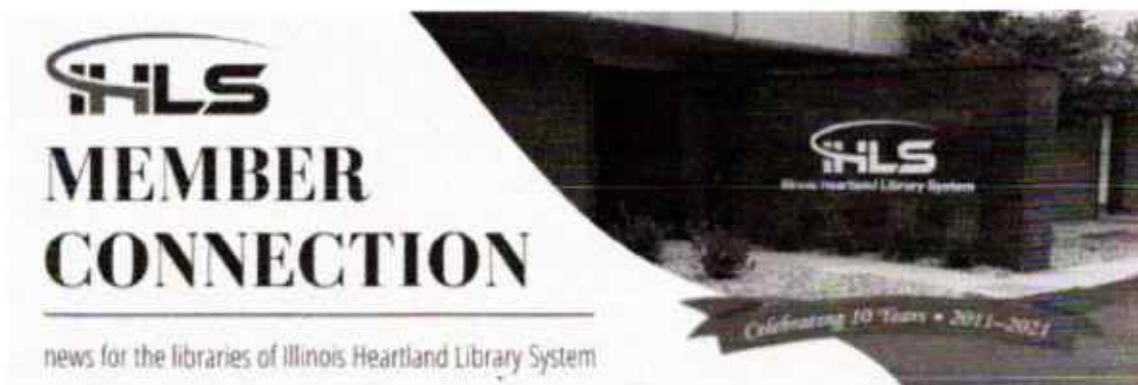
Meeting adjourned at 7:55 pm, moved to adjourn by Carol, seconded by Julie. Approved. The next meeting is January 10, 2024, at 7:00pm.

Respectfully submitted, Vicky Shell, President

Salary Cap added 1/24

Library Clerk 1 (1-5 years)	\$16.00
Library Clerk 2 (6-10 years)	\$17.00
Library Clerk 3 (11-20 years)	\$18.00
Head Library Clerk	\$20.00

After reaching the maximum salary, based on the evaluation, a bonus with a maximum of 2% will be given instead of an increase in pay.



Jan. 3, 2024

Member Day Early Bird Registration Closes Jan. 7!

Don't miss out—register early for a cozy beverage!

Member Day is Illinois Heartland Library System's biggest continuing education and networking event of the year! IHLS Member Day started as an annual day of member appreciation, and it has developed into a **full one-day conference** of learning opportunities, Professional Development Hours, and games and prizes.

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



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Join us in person at rolling locations or online for CE from a guest speaker discussing relevant topics in the library community.



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Both Events

IHLS LIBRARY DIRECTORS' CHAT

- [Courier](#) – Full-Time; Edwardsville Hub
- [Data Analyst](#) – Full-Time; Any Hub
- [Full Stack Developer](#) – Full-Time; Any Hub

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](#)

Relevant Law Updates

Illinois Notary Law Update

The State's new notarial laws, effective Jan. 1, 2024, will require new and renewing notaries to take at least three hours of training and take a 50-question final exam with a passing score of 85%.

To help with preparation for the exam, the [Secretary of State's webpage](#) has been updated with approved notary study course providers.

Are You Ready for PA 103-0100?

The Illinois State Library **has just issued guidance** on complying with the new PA 103-0100 (formerly HB 2789), which took **effect Jan. 1, 2024**. All **public and public school libraries** must **prove** their compliance to receive **any state grant**—including the Per Capita and Equalization Aid Grant and the School Library District Grant.

We've created a page to walk you through completing

Thursdays 1–2 p.m.*

**except each third Thursday*

Next Chats:

Jan. 4, 11, 25

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



[Library of America & NEH Public](#)

[Programming Grants](#)

[Celebrating Latino](#)

[Poetry](#)

Deadline: Jan. 5, 2024

These grants of \$1,200 support programs exploring Latino poetry and its ongoing relevance to American national life.

this crucial step! Check out the page to learn more and see library-type-specific instructional videos.

[Learn How to Prepare for PA 103-0100](#)

**** NEW! ****
School Library Guidance Now Available!

We've just added a **video to help school libraries** ensure they're in compliance. **Don't let the School District Library Grant deadline sneak up on you!** Find more info on our page and see IHLS Schools Liaison Leah Gregory's instructional video!

[See the Guidance for Schools](#)

Delivery Updates

IHLS Delivery 'Unidentified Items' List, 'Transit Slip' Recently Updated

Are you missing an item that went through IHLS Delivery? The **Unidentified Items list** has been updated and is in the Delivery Resources section of the Delivery webpages.

Our **IHLS Transit Slip** was also recently updated to make it faster for librarians to complete. Are you using the most recent version*? Find this and other resources on the [Delivery Resources](#) page.

**only applicable to those not using printed receipt printers*

[Find Delivery Resources](#)

UPCOMING **GRANT** DEADLINES

Jan. 5, 2024

[Library of America & NEH Public Programming Grants Celebrating Latino Poetry](#)

Jan. 11, 2024

[NEH – Digital Humanities Advancement Grants](#)

Jan. 12, 2024

[NEH – Sustaining Cultural Heritage Collections](#)

Jan. 19, 2024

[ArtsHERE Grants](#)

Jan. 28, 2024

[Will Eisner Graphic Novel Grants for Libraries](#)

Feb. 1, 2024

[McCusker Professional Development Grant](#)

Feb. 23, 2024

[Stephen T. Riedner Grant for Life Enhancing Library Programs for People Living with Dementia](#)

[View Our Grants Database](#)

We're Low on Delivery Tubs & Bags!

IHLS is running **very low** on our delivery tubs and bags—we're down to only a handful of bags at each hub. We need your help! **Please return any empty bags and/or tubs to your delivery driver.**

Remember: The IHLS delivery tubs and bags are for IHLS delivery purposes only.

Happy New Year from the delivery staff, and thank you for your continued partnership!

New System for IHLS Delivery Updates

Winter Weather is quickly approaching, and we want to ensure you are aware of any route delays, closures, or building closures. So, we've adapted our methods for communicating these closures.

Learn more and ensure you're signed up correctly via the link below!

[Learn More on Delivery Alerts](#)

Advocacy



Fight Censorship by Joining a Regional Response Team

Are you passionate about intellectual freedom and the freedom to read? IHLS and other Illinois library support

organizations are still **seeking volunteers** for a **network of regional response teams to assist libraries facing censorship**. We particularly need volunteers in southern Illinois!

Volunteers will receive basic training on intellectual freedom and related issues. Choose from activities like helping write letters, attending board meetings, advising staff, researching challenged materials, and more!

Fill out this [form](#) to express interest.

Cataloging Maintenance Center



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.

Slaying the Genre: Investigating Genre Headings
Jan. 11, 2024

Parts, Volumes, and Issues: Exploring Serials Cataloging
Feb. 15, 2024

Collected Moments: Creating Bibliographic Records for
Personal Collections and Scrapbooks
March, 14, 2024

AI and the Library World

April 11, 2024

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!**

Focus on Cataloging DVDs

Jan. 15–28, 2024

Focus on World Language Cataloging

March 11–24, 2024

Focus on Cataloging CDs

April 8–21, 2024

Subject Analysis

May 20–June 30, 2024

Explore Courses

Partnerships



Telling Libraries' Stories of Impact on Communities

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

- [My Library Is... Giving Away Books](#)

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

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More Continuing Education

Free Third-Party Webinars

Selected & Upcoming

[Libraries Foster Social Connection: Responding to the Epidemic of Loneliness and Isolation](#)

Jan. 4, 2 p.m.

[Canva and Design for Libraries: Learn Page Layout and Social Media Design](#)

Jan. 10, 1 p.m.

[Fundraising for Introverts: Harnessing Our Power](#)

Jan. 11, 1 p.m.

[Salary Equity and Library Workers: Experiences from the Field on How to Make it Happen](#)

Jan. 11, 1 p.m.

[Official RDA Overview](#)

Jan. 17, 1 p.m.

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

[See the January Roundup](#)

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

Conferences

#[HLS](#) Member Day 2024

[Libraries – The Heart of the Community](#)

Feb. 8, 2024

[Reaching Forward South](#)

Apr. 23, 2024

[Reaching Forward North](#)

May 10, 2024

Library Collaboration Opportunities

Co-host a Virtual Author Event

Cost: \$275 Per Library

Highland Park Public Library is looking into hosting a virtual event with former US Congressman [Adam Kinzinger](#) to discuss his [new book](#). The event would be held via Zoom, with a fee of \$275 per library. There are potential dates in January, February, or March.

Interested libraries should email [Beth Keller](#).

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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](#)

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.



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12/28/2023

IHLS Upcoming Events

Looking for continuing education, networking, or membership events?
Here's what's coming up in the next few weeks!

[Explore All Upcoming Events](#)



1/4, 1/11, 1/25, 2/1 IHLS Directors Chat

Time: 1–2 p.m.
Format: Live Text Chat

Join library directors and branch leaders across central and southern Illinois for this text-based chat

Open to: IHLS-member staff in leadership roles (directors, associate directors, district librarians, head librarians)

Cost: Free

Registration Deadline: At least 15 minutes before the chat begins, but registration by the Tuesday before is requested in case of cancellations. Forgot to register? Join us anyway!

[Learn More & Register for Directors Chat](#)

Slaying the Genre: Investigating Genre Headings

An Online with the CMC Webinar

Time: 10–11 a.m.

Format: Livestream / Recording

This month's Online with the CMC webinar is about the genre/form terms that describe what an item *is*

Available to: All system-member libraries statewide, all staff levels

Cost: Free

Registration Deadline: At least 15 minutes before the webinar begins

1. [Learn More & Register for Slaying the Genre](#)

CMC cataloging services and trainings are free to all library workers in Illinois thanks to a grant awarded by the Illinois State Library, a Department of the Office of the Secretary of State, using funds provided by the U.S. Institute of Museum and Library Services under the provisions of the Library Services and Technology Act (LSTA).



1/11

Be Next: Project Next Generation Grant Winners Share Their Stories

Time: 10–11:30 a.m.

Format: In-person / Livestream / Recording

Learn about the Project Next Generation grant and projects IHLS libraries are doing with the funds!

Open to: All

Cost: Free

[Learn More & Register for Be Next](#)



1/15–1/28

Focus on Cataloging DVDs

A Cataloging Maintenance Center Course

Time: Asynchronous with Weekly Deadlines

Format: Online Course

A two-week crash course in cataloging DVDs

Available to: All system-member libraries statewide, all staff levels

Cost: Free

Registration Deadline: 1/8

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1/18

Third Thursday CE

LIMERiCC Insurance Pool

Time: 10–11 a.m.

Format: Livestream / Recording

In-Person Location: N/A. *While most IHLS*

Members Matter meetings are hybrid, the January event will be online only.

Join us online or in person each third Thursday of the month to hear about an important or emerging topic facing the library community. **This month**, learn about LIMERiCC, an insurance pool for libraries to provide lower premiums on health and unemployment insurance, and whether membership is right for your library.

Available to: IHLS-member libraries, all staff levels

Cost: Free

Registration Deadline: 9:45 a.m. the day of the event, though earlier registration is requested. *Must register in order to receive CE credit and to receive a recording link by email.*

[Register for Third Thursday CE](#)

Register for both Third Thursday CE events and IHLS Members Matter meetings through one registration link! Attend one or both.



1/18

IHLS Members Matter Meeting

Time: 11 a.m.–Noon

Format: Livestream / Recording

In-Person Location: N/A. *While most IHLS Members Matter meetings are hybrid, the January event will be online only.*

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.

Available to: IHLS-member libraries, all staff levels

Cost: Free

Registration Deadline: 9:45 a.m. the day of the event,

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 **1/22**

Putting Out The Fire: Preventing and Managing Burnout

A Library HR Webinar by Uprise Health

Time: 10–11 a.m.

Format: Livestream / Recording

Recognize the signs of burnout and learn strategies to manage stress.

Available to: IHLS-member libraries, all staff levels

Cost: Free

Registration Deadline: Noon the Friday before the webinar. Must register to receive the recording link by email.

[Learn More & Register for Preventing and Managing Burnout](#)



2/1

Extra Credit!

School Librarian Networking

Time: 3:30–4:30 p.m.

Format: Livestream

New monthly networking opportunity for school librarians!

Available to: IHLS-member school libraries, all staff levels

Cost: Free

Registration Deadline: 3:15 p.m. 2/1. However, registration by 1/30 is preferred.

[Register for Extra Credit!](#)



2/8

IHLS Member Day 2024

Libraries: The Heart of the Community

Time: 8–4:30 p.m.

Format: Livestream / Recordings

Available to / cost:

- **IHLS Member Early Bird Ticket** — FREE; includes special gift; available to IHLS Members only
- **IHLS Member Standard Ticket** — FREE; available to IHLS Members only
- **RAILS/CPL Member Standard Ticket** — \$15; available to RAILS and CPL Members only

Registration Deadlines:

Early Bird Registration: Sunday 1/7

Standard Registration: Monday 2/5

[Learn More & Register for Member Day 2024](#)



Gallagher Ongoing

Sexual Harassment Prevention Training

Time / 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. This is a self-paced module that fulfills this requirement, and **your entire staff can take it.**

Open to: IHLS-member libraries, all staff levels

Cost: Free for IHLS-Member Libraries

Registration Deadline: Rolling

Presented by Gallagher Risk Control.

[Register for Sexual Harassment Prevention Training](#)



FOR SHARE MEMBERS

1/18, 1/30, 2/7

SHARE Trainings

Cataloging and Circulation Trainings

Time: Varies


Format: Livestream / Recording

Cost: Free for SHARE-member libraries

Registration Deadline: Varies

[View Upcoming Trainings from SHARE](#)

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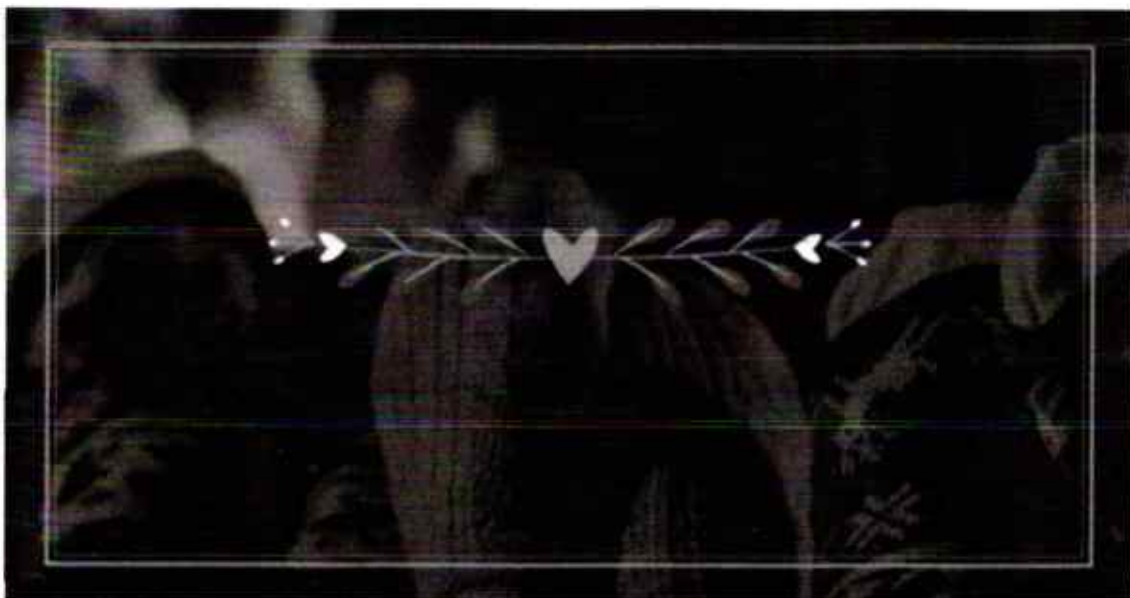
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Dec. 20, 2023



Heartland Offices & Delivery Closed for the Holidays

IHLS will be closed on Dec. 22–25, 2023, & Dec. 29, 2023–Jan. 1, 2024.

We are grateful for this wonderful year of service to southern and central Illinois libraries. Happy holidays from Illinois Heartland Library System!

A graphic for a winter weather alert. On the left, there is a dark, stylized image of a winter scene with snowflakes and a rainbow. The IHLS logo is in the top left corner. The main text is in a white, bold, sans-serif font. The text reads: "WINTER WEATHER. Is your library ready? IHLS DELIVERY ALERTS Library Delivery Delays • Cancellations • Closures TEXT CARBONDALE TO 84483 ONE OF CHAMPAIGN EDWARDSVILLE".

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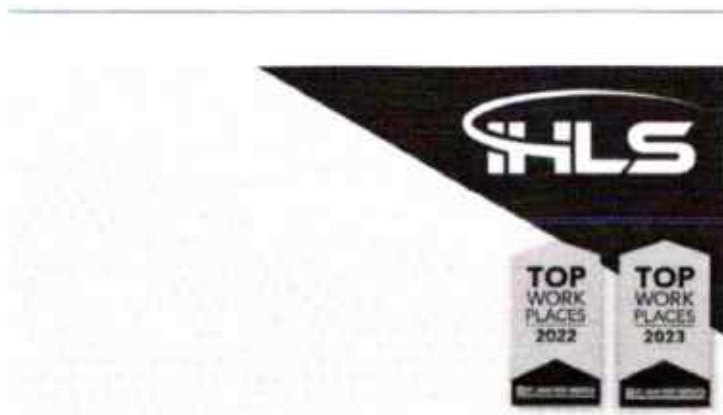
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Relevant Law Updates

Illinois Notary Law Update

No December 2023 Third Thursday.



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Jan. 4, 11, 25

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To help with preparation for the exam, the [Secretary of State's webpage](#) has been updated with approved notary study course providers.

Paid Leave for All Workers (PLAW) Updates

Comment on the Draft Rules by Jan. 1, 2024

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[See the Guidance for Schools](#)

Delivery Updates

IHLS Delivery 'Unidentified Items' List, 'Transit Slip' Recently Updated

Are you missing an item that went through IHLS Delivery? The **Unidentified Items list** has been updated and is in the Delivery Resources section of the Delivery webpages.

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12/15/2023



Need to convince your administrator or board
that you should attend the

#**IHLS** Member Day 2024
one-day library conference?

You know IHLS Member Day 2024 will be a great way to update your skills, learn about library trends and issues, and help your library success. Yet, **how do you convince your school or library administrator to let you go?**

We've drafted an email to help. Just copy and paste it into a new email, customize it to reflect your organization's needs and goals, and email it to your administrator. Or, use the talking points to complete your request form.

JUMP TO:

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THURSDAY

8

February

8 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.,
Virtual Event

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FOR SCHOOL ADMINISTRATORS

From: [YOU]

To: [SCHOOL ADMINISTRATOR]

Subject: Request to attend IHLS Member Day Library Conference

Dear [SCHOOL ADMINISTRATOR'S NAME],

I would like approval to attend the *IHLS Member Day 2024 virtual library conference on Thursday, Feb. 8, from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.*

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Sincerely,

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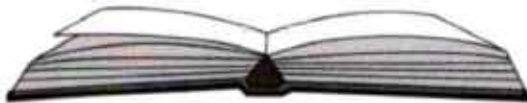
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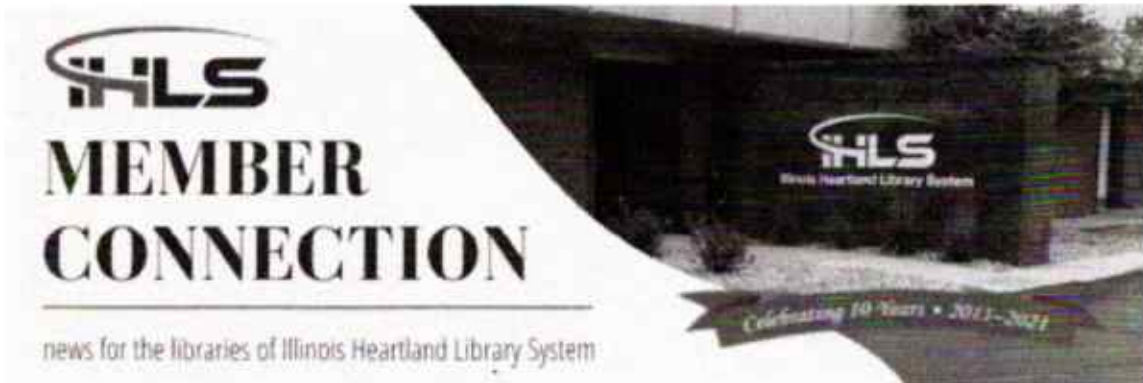
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Public Library Construction Grant Program Grant

Deadline: Jan. 15, 2024

Applications for the Public Library Construction Grant Program (formerly the Live & Learn Construction Grant Program) are now open to public libraries. **Information about the grant program can be found [here](#).**

A **grant information webinar** will be held on Dec. 21, 2023. **Learn more and register for the webinar [here](#).**

Is Your Library Doing Sustainability Programming?

Laura Barnes at UIUC Illinois Sustainable Technology Center and Christine Poreba at Oak Park PL are writing an ***ILA Reporter* article about sustainability programming in Illinois libraries**. They are looking for examples of libraries doing programming or ongoing community projects related to the topic.

Please [email](#) or [phone](#) examples or questions to **Laura Barnes** by **Jan. 20, 2024**.

Delivery Updates



Connect with Illinois library colleagues and IHLS on LinkedIn!

WELCOME!

Welcome to the following new library director:

Natalie Albers

Director, Williamsville
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Extra Credit sessions are not recorded.

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The IHLS Delivery Team

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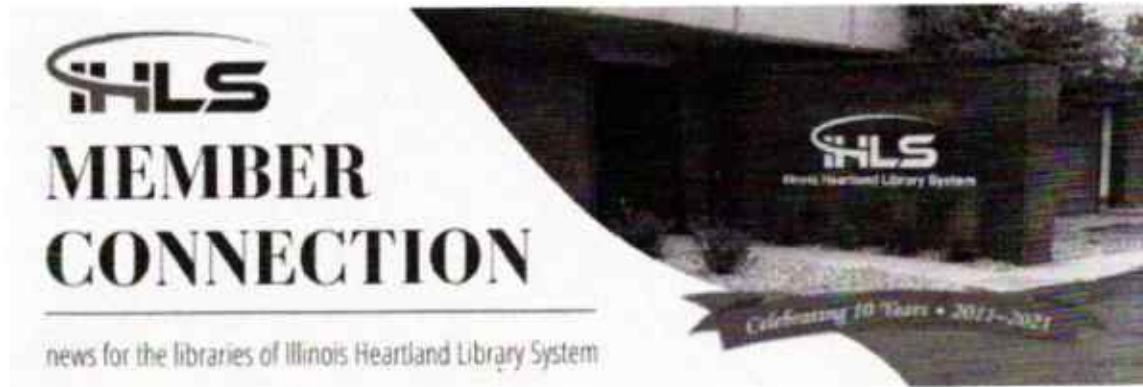
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Online, Nov. 24-Dec. 1 (if still available)

For Personal Use

IHLS is once again auctioning a surplus vehicle for library use. We still have a **2018 Ford Transit Box Truck** available, so we've **reduced the price!** If the vehicle does not sell by the end of the library-use auction, a **second auction** will be held for the **public from Nov. 24 to Dec. 1**. Learn more at the link below!

[Learn More About the Auction](#)

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**Watch Your Inbox: Member Day 2024
Registration Opens Tomorrow (Nov. 16)!**

Tomorrow, we'll send an email with registration information for **Member Day 2024: Libraries – The Heart of the Community!**



Thanksgiving Weekend Closure

In observance of the holiday, IHLS will be closed on **Thursday, Nov. 23, and Friday, Nov. 24**. This means delivery will not run on those days.

Happy Thanksgiving!



Connect with Illinois library colleagues and IHLS on LinkedIn!

WELCOME!

Welcome to the following new library director:

Melanie Weigel
Director, Forsyth Public Library

*Did we miss you? **Let us know**, and we'll put you in our next newsletter!*

**IHLS
Events**

Apply for an AISLE School Librarian Licensure Scholarship!

The Marilyn Kay Maynard AISLE Scholarship
AISLE awards three of these scholarships per year **up to \$1000** for students who wish to **gain licensure** to work as **Illinois school librarians**. Find more information [here!](#)

The Esther Baker AISLE Scholarship
This award is for students who wish to work as **Illinois high school librarians**. One scholarship per year will be awarded **up to \$1000** for tuition related to coursework **leading to licensure** each year. Learn more about this scholarship [here](#).

Trustees: Join the iLEAD Trustee Portal Focus Group!

Directors, Tell Your Board!

Review Due by Nov. 30, 2023

Illinois public library trustees, the iLEAD team **needs you** for a virtual focus group reviewing our trustee learning portal!

To sign up, follow the link below and fill out our short information form with your name, library name, email address, etc. Then, you'll receive an email with directions to create an account in Canvas and log in with your username and password.

Sign Up for the iLEAD Trustee Focus Group



Each First Thursday of the Month

Online; 3:30–4:30 p.m.

NEW! Join us at Extra Credit, our virtual networking session for **school librarians**. Attendees earn **one hour of PDH!**

Extra Credit sessions are not recorded.

Register for Extra Credit



Each Third Thursday of the Month

Online & in Person

10–11 a.m.

Join us in person at rolling locations or online for CE from a guest speaker discussing relevant topics in the library community.

Join us on Nov. 16 at Edwardsville Public Library!



Each Third Thursday of the Month

Announcing the IHLS Mobile Memory Lab!

Offering Digitization Days

Earlier this year, IHLS received a \$4,000 grant from Illinois Humanities to help create the Mobile Memory Lab. This November, Metadata Cataloger Kat Anderberg will visit three IHLS public libraries for **Digitization Days**.

Learn more about the Mobile Memory Lab and Digitization Days on our website!

[Learn About the Mobile Memory Lab](#)

Cataloging Maintenance Center



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

Online & in Person
11 a.m.–Noon

Come join our Members Matter meetings to stay updated on the latest news and connect with peers. Attend in person at rotating locations for optimal networking opportunities!

[Register for Both Events](#)

IHLS LIBRARY DIRECTORS' CHAT

Thursdays 1–2 p.m.*

**except each third Thursday*

Next Chats:

Nov. 30; Dec. 7, 14

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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special topic each month. A 40-minute Q&A session follows each presentation.

A Place for Everything: Digital File Organization
Dec. 14, 2023

Slaying the Genre: Investigating Genre Headings
Jan. 11, 2024

Parts, Volumes, and Issues: Exploring Serials Cataloging
Feb. 15, 2024

Collected Moments: Creating Bibliographic Records for
Personal Collections and Scrapbooks
March. 14, 2024

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!**

Focus on Cataloging Binge Boxes
Dec. 4–17, 2023

Focus on Cataloging DVDs
Jan. 15–28, 2024

Focus on World Language Cataloging
March 11–24, 2024

Focus on Cataloging CDs
April 8–21, 2024

Explore Courses

Grants



The National Park Service – Save America's Treasures

Deadline: Dec. 19, 2023

The Save America's Treasures grant program awards grants to help preserve nationally significant historic properties and collections that convey our nation's rich heritage to future generations.

NEH – Sustaining Cultural Heritage Collections

Deadline: Jan. 12, 2024

This program helps cultural institutions preserve large and diverse holdings of humanities materials for future generations by supporting environmentally sustainable preventive care measures.

McCusker Professional Development Grant

Deadline: Feb. 1, 2024

This grant provides financial assistance to

Partnerships



Telling Libraries' Stories of Impact on Communities

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

- [My Library is... LiteZilla Lights Up Lisle Library District](#)
- [My Library is...Designed for Its Users](#)

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

Supported by IHLS through staff participation and promotion

More Continuing Education

Free Third-Party Webinars

Selected & Upcoming

[Decolonizing in Collections Care](#) (Connecting to Collections Care)

Nov. 16, 12 p.m.

[Info2Go! From Hire to Retire: the Employee Lifecycle](#) (Idaho Commission for Libraries)

Nov. 16, 12 p.m.

[Introduction to Project Budgets](#) (Candid. Learning)

Nov. 20, 1 p.m.

[Social Media 102](#) (Organization Hosting Event)

Nov. 28, 2 p.m.

[Reducing Burnout for Academic Library Workers Who](#)

AISLE members who wish to participate in professional workshops, conferences, and coursework related to the school library media profession.

[Stephen T. Riedner](#)

[Grant for Life](#)

[Enhancing Library Programs for People Living with Dementia](#)

Deadline: Feb. 23, 2024

Two \$2,500 grants are available for libraries that are planning new services/programming for their patrons living with dementia.

UPCOMING GRANT DEADLINES

Nov. 15, 2023

[Norfolk Southern – Thriving Communities Grant Program](#)

[Society of American](#)

[Archivists Foundation –](#)

[Strategic Growth Grants](#)

Nov. 27, 2023

[Laura Bush Foundation for America's Libraries](#)

Dec. 11, 2023

[LTC: Accessible Small & Rural Communities](#)

[Have Complicated Lives \(AKA: Everybody\)](#) (Niche Academy)

Nov. 29, 1 p.m

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

[See the November Roundup](#)

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

Conferences

[IHLS Member Day 2024: Libraries – The Heart of the Community](#)

Feb. 8, 2024

New Member Discounts

The Library Store Discount

Up to 55% Off Retail Discount, including FREE SHIPPING on Stock Products.

Since 1983, the knowledgeable staff at The Library Store has diligently delivered high-quality supplies and furnishings to libraries and schools nationwide and always with a friendly voice.

Dec. 19, 2023

[The National Park Service](#)

[– Save America's](#)

[Treasures](#)

Dec. 31, 2023

[T-Mobile Hometown Grants](#)

Jan. 11, 2024

[NEH – Digital Humanities](#)

[Advancement Grants](#)

Jan. 12, 2024

[NEH – Sustaining Cultural](#)

[Heritage Collections](#)

Feb. 1, 2024

[McCusker Professional](#)

[Development Grant](#)

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Hiveclass

Up to 50% Off Annual Hiveclass Membership

Hiveclass is a Digital Learning platform that makes it fun and easy for kids to access high-quality, educational videos in more than 14 sports and activities—featuring 1,800 skill-based videos in English & Spanish.

Find more on our Vendor Discounts Database!

Browse the Vendor Discount Database

*Have suggestions, ideas, or questions about vendor discounts? Contact **the IHLS Membership Team!***

Quick Links

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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.



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