PROPOSED AGENDA FOR 4/12/2023 7:00 PM

- 1. WELCOME
- 2. ROLL CALL
- 3. ELECTION OF OFFICERS

President Vice President Treasurer Secretary

- 4. ELECTION OF TRUSTEES
- 5. APPROVAL OF MINUTES
- 6. TREASURER'S REPORT
- 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 May 10, 2023

CLIFTON PUBLIC LIBRARY BOARD MEETING 3/8/2023

1. Welcome

2. ROLL CALL:

Board Members: Sara Faulkner, Carol LeClaire, Sue Schafroth, and Vicky Shell were present at the 3/8/2023 Clifton Library Board meeting. Lori Lamping, and Tia Varns, Head Library Clerk, were also present. Called to order at 7:05PM.

3. SECRETARY'S REPORT:

Minutes from February 8, 2023, meeting were reviewed. A motion was made to approve the minutes by Sue, seconded by Carol, minutes approved.

4. TREASURER'S REPORT:

Checking: February 28, 2023 - \$9,9291.05 Savings: February 28, 2023 - \$62,356.05 CD: February 28, 2023 - \$14,285.24 Cash Drawer: February 28, 2023 - \$50.00

Motion to approve the report by: Carol, seconded by Sara, all approved.

5. BILLS AND INVOICES:

Amazon \$43.09 - Supplies (lens wipes and lamination)

Staples \$10.58 - Supplies

The Advocate \$64.30 - Yearly Report

Total \$117.97

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:

Library Report

- Patron computers with internet problems. Dell said it needs to be sent in because it is four years old and out
 of warranty. Plan is to go down to two computers for now and see about getting a grant to purchase new
 ones.
- IL House Bill 2789 effective 1/1/24: will need to add a statement declaring the authority of the library prohibiting the banning of books.

Motion to approve library report: Carol, seconded by Sara, all approved

9. Adjournment:

Meeting adjourned at 7:27PM, motion to adjourn by Sue, seconded by Carol. The next meeting is April 12, 2023, at 7PM.

Respectfully submitted, Vicky Shell, President

CLIFTON PUBLIC LIBRARY NUMBERS YOU NEED TO KNOW 2023-2024

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From: Illinois Heartland Library System Sent: Friday, March 31, 2023 7:14 AM

To: Vicky Shell

Subject: [SURVEY] Last Day to Take the 2023 Delivery Survey





Reminder: March 31 is the last day to tell us what you think

IHLS Library Member,

Today is the last day to complete the 2023 Annual IHLS Delivery Survey, and we still want to hear your opinions! What are we doing well? Where do we need to improve? Please take a few minutes today to share your thoughts. If you have already taken this survey, thank you! Please disregard this message.

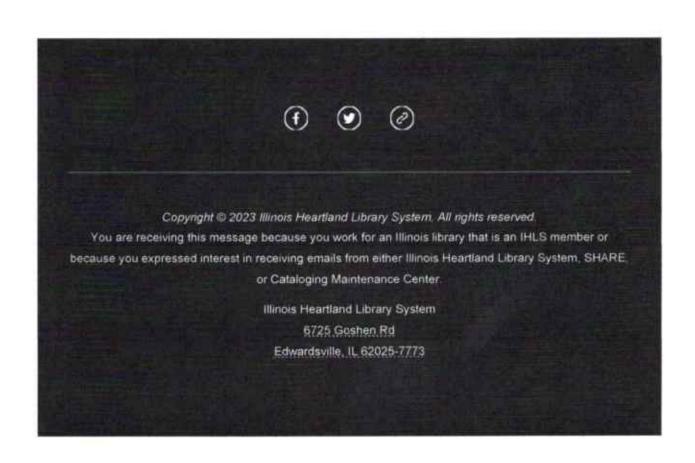
Depending on your answers, this survey will take 4 to 14 minutes to complete. We know your time is limited. To thank you for your time, everyone who completes the survey will be given the opportunity to enter to win one of two \$25 gift cards to Redbubble.com, where you can select one of IHLS's

Freedom to Read designs or any other design found on Redbubble!

This survey closes at midnight tonight!

Are you ready?

Start the Survey ▶



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March 29, 2023



Annual Certification & ILLINET Traffic Survey

Thank you for completing your certification on time!

As the deadline for annual certification and the ILLINET traffic survey (March 31) rapidly approaches, we want to thank all of our members who have already completed this critical task!

If you still need to finish your certification and survey, reach out to our membership staff for help. Completion is necessary to retain system membership. On our website, you can also find an updated guide.

Board Elections & Delivery Survey Now Underway

Delivery Survey Open Through March 31 IHLS Board Voting Open Through April 15

Members: Check your inboxes! We sent two very important emails to members on March 15. If you have yet to respond to our Delivery Survey and the IHLS Board of Directors Election Ballot, please do so at your earliest ability!

If you didn't receive these emails in your inbox or spam folder, please let us know!



Teaching Children to Appreciate Diversity a Library HR Webinar by Uprise Health April 10, 10 a.m.

In this webinar, we will explore diversity and share practical ways that you can teach your children how to appreciate diversity. Teaching our children how to respect and honor the differences they see in others will help them grow up into well-rounded adults.

Organized by IHLS and led by the experts at Uprise Health

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IHLS on LinkedIn!

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Cheri Oates

Director, Chrisman Public Library

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More in the Series

Presented by HR Source

Cost: \$10 per event or \$20 for all three

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 three webinars designed to help participants recruit, train, and retain staff. All system members and staff are invited.

- Recruiting & Retention
 April 19, 10 a.m.
- Your Employee Handbook: Are You Up to Date?
 May 17, 10 a.m.
- 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!

- The Struggle Is Real: Strategies for Time <u>Management</u>
 May 8, 10 a.m.
- Mastering the Business of Work Etiquette
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- It's Not Selfish, It's Self-Care Aug. 14, 10 a.m.

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Reaching Forward South is supported by IHLS through sponsorships and staff participation.

And for those who are attending Reaching Forward South...



Let's Party! Circulating at Dewey's Before Reaching Forward South

Thursday, April 13, 5–7 p.m. at Dewey's Pizza, O'Fallon, III.

If you're from an IHLS-member library and you're registered for Reaching Forward South, join us the night before at Dewey's Pizza in O'Fallon, Ill., for a meet-and-

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Space is limited! Don't wait to RSVP!

Grab Your Spot at Dawey's

Make a Capital Showing in Springfield!

Put a Spotlight on Central and Southern Illinois Libraries at ILA 2023

This fall, the Illinois Library Association (ILA) annual conference will be in Springfield, Ill., giving our member library staff a perfect opportunity to show up and show out! How? Submit a proposal to share the exciting things your library is doing! Or nominate one of your fabulous colleagues for an award!

Submit Your Proposal for ILA 2023

Nominate Someone for an ILA Award



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Congratulations to Alyson Thompson, director at

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Check Out Checkelogy

For this and more resources, check out the Library Resources database or the Vendor Discounts database on the IHLS website.



CMC Dives into CARLI Database Cleanup

The year? 2021. The directive: database cleanup.

The Consortium of Academic and Research Libraries in Illinois (CARLI) staff contacted Illinois Heartland Library System and the Cataloging Maintenance Center (CMC) about a possible database cleanup project. Read about the CMC team's progress in our latest article!

Read About the Database Cleanup Project

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New Grant Opportunities

AASL - STEM Special Event Grant

Deadline: April 11, 2023

The STEM Special Event Grant program helps middle or high school libraries fund special short-term projects or events that promote STEM education and student interest in STEM careers.

Illinois State Library – Public Library Construction Grant

Deadline: April 15, 2023

This grant program assists public libraries with construction costs in their facilities.

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VOYA - Unsung Heroes Awards

Deadline: April 28, 2023

VOYA gives 50 educators \$2k each to help fund innovative class projects. Three of those finalists are chosen to receive the top awards of an additional \$5k, \$10k, and \$25k.

Kroger - Stronger Communities

Deadline: Quarterly, Ongoing

Kroger supports nonprofit organizations that are making a difference in our communities areas such as diversity & inclusion, health & nutrition, and stronger communities.

See More in the JHLS Grants Database

More Continuing Education

Illinois Information Literacy Summit

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In-person at College of DuPage in Glen Ellyn, Ill.

Librarians, educators, and media professionals all bring a unique lens to the question of media literacy. In this year's Summit, attendees will learn from each other as we navigate an increasingly complex information landscape.

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Go to the Summit Website

More Webinars & Virtual Events

Reluctant Leadership: How Hesitancy, Intrinsicality, and Authenticity Make You a Better Leader *
March 30, 1 p.m.

Universal Design at Your Library

March 31, 2 p.m.

Denied! Why 90% of Grant Applications Don't Get Funded*

April 6, 1 p.m.

Under Scrutiny: Helping Staff Feel Safe and Empowered in the Face of Book Challenges April 11, 2 p.m.

Leading the Way for Information Literacy: Planning, Promotion, and Policy (niche)

April 12, 1 p.m.

Youth Voice and Media Making

April 13, 1 p.m.

Beyond Diversity 101: Micro-inequities, Implicit Bias, and Moving Toward Equity

April 18, 11 a.m.

Begin With One Step: How to Start Talking About DEI at Your Library*

April 19, 1 p.m.

Proactive Planning for Library Staff Transitions
April 19, 2 p.m.

How to Craft and Utilize an Elevator Speech to Prove Your Value*

April 27, 1 p.m.

* Denotes events with a registration fee.

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
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International Coalition of Library Consortia

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

ILA Reaching Forward Conference

May 5, 2023; Rosemont, III.

American Library Association Annual Conference & Exhibition

June 22-27, 2023; Chicago, III.

Quick Links

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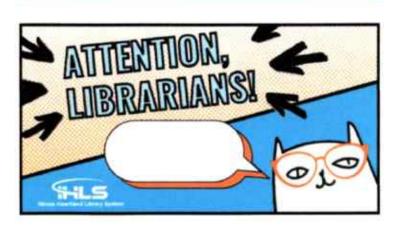
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- · love education for yourself and others,
- · are highly organized and proactive,
- · recognize all library types' diverse learning needs,
- can deftly plan CE special events and webinars,
- can streamline trainings with an emphasis on inclusion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

Learn More About the CE Coordinator Job



All Open Positions at IHLS

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

 Continuing Education Coordinator – Fulltime; 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.

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March 28, 1 p.m.

Learn More at this Informational Webinar

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CMC Catalogs: Korean World Language Books for Centennial High School

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Entrepreneurship & Libraries Conference Pitch Competition

Deadline: March 24, 2023

Pitch projects that support local economic development, job hunters, workforce development, entrepreneurs, nonprofits, and/or small businesses. For 2023, the ELC is particularly interested in pitches that focus on local equity issues or marginalized populations and communities.

Howard and Ursula Dubin Foundation

Deadline: Ongoing

The Howard and Ursula Dubin Foundation accepts applications from nonprofit organizations across several interest areas.

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More Continuing Education

Webinars & Virtual Events

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, 2 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.

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

Hooray for Freedom! Privacy, Confidentiality, and Intellectual Freedom in the Library,

Conferences

Illinois Youth Services Institute

March 16-17, Bloomington-Normal, III.

ILA Reaching Forward South Conference

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

Midwest Digital Marketing Conference

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

International Coalition of Library Consortia

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

ILA Reaching Forward Conference

May 5, 2023; Rosemont, III.

American Library Association Annual Conference &

Exhibition

June 22-27, 2023; Chicago, III.

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Will YOU be at Reaching Forward South 2023?

ILA Reaching Forward South Conference Friday, April 14 at The Regency, O'Fallon, Ill.

Reaching Forward South strives to be the premier professional development opportunity in Central and Southern Illinois, and IHLS is looking forward to seeing you there! Visit staff from IHLS, SHARE, and the Cataloging Maintenance Center during IHLS staff-led sessions, at our booths, and at a fun meet-and-greet party the night before the conference! Don't have tickets yet? Register by Monday, April 10.

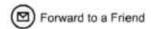


Let's Party! Circulating at Dewey's Before Reaching Forward South Thursday, April 13, 5–7 p.m. at Dewey's Pizza, O'Fallon, III.

If you're from an IHLS-member library and you're registered for Reaching Forward South, join us the night before at Dewey's Pizza in O'Fallon, Ill., for a meet-and-greet networking event before the conference. Food and drinks will be provided on us, and a cash bar will be available. We'll be within walking distance of the conference hotell RSVPs are needed by Wednesday, April 5.

Space is limited! Don't wait to RSVP!

Save Your Shot



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