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A LETTER FROM OUR TEAM

Dear Friends of McLit,

Thank you for all your support. November was a busy month, with presentations at UWSP's Wausau campus and First English Lutheran Church. Both events were great opportunities to share the McLit mission and meet some wonderful people. McLit also attended November's Marathon County board budget hearing, showcasing statistics, letters of recommendation, and testimonials in support of our organization. It was another great way to spread our message! The McLit team also would like to extend a big thank you to the **Dudley** Foundation and the

MCPL Foundation. With their monetary and in-kind support (respectively), we will be able to start the new year strong. McLit also is happy to report that the "Dr. Google" workshop was quite a success. Presented by Wisconsin Health Literacy in partnership with McLit, Salvation Army, Community Corner Clubhouse, and the Hmong American Center, attendees had access to a plethora of information, tips, and guidelines on how to safely search for health information online. In the month to come, we will continue to collect children's letters to Santa. We also will be distributing stationery and sample responses to our "helper elves" throughout December.

- The McLit Team

WHO WE ARE

We are McLit, Marathon County Literacy Council, Inc.

It is our mission to improve quality of life through literacy.

WHAT WE DO

We offer free tutoring services including, but not limited to:

- Reading Health
- Writing

• Math

- Finance
- Computers
- English Language Learning

WHERE WE ARE

<u>Marathon County Public Library</u> 1st Floor 300 N. First St. Wausau, WI 54403

<u>The Salvation Army</u> 2nd Floor 202 Callon St. Wausau, WI 54401

<u>Hmong American Center</u> 1109 N. Sixth St. Wausau, WI 54403

Marshfield Public Library 1055 Maple Ave. Marshfield, WI 54449

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People who cannot read may be three times as likely to develop dementia

New research has found that people who are illiterate, meaning they never learned to read or write, may have nearly three times greater risk of developing dementia than people who can read and write. The study is published in the November 13, 2019, online issue of NEUROLOGY®, the medical journal of the American Academy of Neurology.

Read the full article on our website!

https://mclitofwausau.org/news



"Dr. Google" to the rescue: Members of the Community Corner Clubhouse practice their online health searching skills during a free workshop presented by Wisconsin Health Literacy.

You know you've read a good book when you turn the last page and feel a little as if you have lost a friend.

- Paul Sweeney

UPCOMING EVENTS

To view our events page, click the link below: <u>https://mclitofwausau.org/events</u>

December

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Book Club, YMCA Landing: *Man's Search For Meaning* by Viktor Frankl The Joseph Project Wausau @ The Cross Church







McLit in Marshfield: Cindy and Marsha, McLit's Marshfieldbased team members, welcome "Great Things are Happening Here!" event attendees to the Everett Roehl Public Library in early November. We are excited to have our library office location up and running in Marshfield!