

MCLIT NEWSLETTER

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A LETTER FROM OUR TEAM

Dear Friends of McLit,

Thank you for all your support in the recent months. We greatly appreciate all our volunteers, tutors, donors, and sponsors. This has been a busy summer for the McLit team. Between matching all our new learners with tutors, we have been promoting at the Wisconsin Valley Fair, the Hmong Festival, and the FamilyFest, just to name a few. We are proud to

announce that our Executive Director, Connie Heidemann, won an award from the YWCA as a Woman of Vision. Congrats to her! We are also glad to welcome two new members to the team: Johanna (staff) and Jarod (AmeriCorps). Our team is engaged in our community and looking for fresh ways to reach new learners. We are looking forward to the future of McLit and hope you'll join us along the way!

-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 Literacy
- Writing
- Financial Literacy
- Math
- Computer Literacy
- English Language Learning

WHERE WE ARE

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

The Salvation Army, 2nd Floor
202 Callon St.
Wausau, WI 54401

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Amazingly flexible: Learning to read in your 30s profoundly transforms the brain.

Reading is such a modern cultural invention that there is no specific area in the brain dedicated to it. Scientists have found that learning to read as an adult reconfigures evolutionarily ancient brain structures once assigned to different skills. These findings were obtained in a large-scale study in India in which completely illiterate women learned how to read and write for six months.

Read the full article on our website!



“The more that you read, the more things you will know. The more that you learn, the more places you'll go.”

-Dr. Seuss

In the photograph above, you can see one of our students, Nancy, taking a break from her workbook for a quick cuddle with Aya.

UPCOMING EVENTS

August

1-3

Wisconsin Valley Fair
@ Marathon Park

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Eagle Scout
Book Drive @
Woodchuck's Game

13

Tutor Training @ Library

28

Book Club @ Library



Jarod and Johanna working hard!



Juan and Jeff working on a crossword!



Meet Aya,
the unofficial
McLit mascot!