

MCLIT NEWSLETTER

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A LETTER FROM OUR TEAM

Dear Friends of McLit,
As the seasons transition, we also reflect on all the changes here at McLit. Currently, we are setting up two new satellite locations at the Hmong American Center and the Everett Roehl Marshfield Public Library. Stay tuned for updates, including new volunteer opportunities at both sites! A new grant from Walmart also helped us ramp up our record keeping with a database designed specifically for nonprofits. (Thank you, Erin, for all your hard work to make this happen!) McLit also served as a host site for September's Community Coffee Hour, a program offered through the United Way's RSVP of Marathon County. It was great to see some new faces and discuss volunteer opportunities over coffee and breakfast.

McLit also hosted a new financial workshop, *Understanding Finances*, which allowed attendees to learn more about personal finances from a seasoned professional. We look forward to more workshops to come! September also marked McLit's first time with the Joseph Project, a program designed to help individuals obtain and keep employment. As a support team for participants, we welcome volunteers and encourage those interested to contact us at 715.679.6170, mclitofwausau@gmail.com. And last but not least, September was a great way to celebrate local authors at the Central Wisconsin Book Festival. Held at the Marathon County Public Library-Wausau Branch, our table was proud to feature Brenda Felber, author of the Pameroy Mystery series.

-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
- Writing
- Math
- English Language Learning
- Health
- Finance
- Computers

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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'Media Literacy Is Literacy': Here's How Educators and Lawmakers are Working to Set Students Up for Success Online

Michael Danielson gives students in his ninth-grade media literacy class a simple piece of homework each night: Pay attention. The assignment is meant to prod them into thinking critically about the countless messages that bombard them every day.

Read the full article on our website!



“You can find magic wherever you look. Sit back and relax, all you need is a book.”

- Dr. Seuss

In the photograph above, Connie and Johanna pose with Ben Sturm, Walmart store manager in Rib Mountain. McLit received a \$500 grant from the Walmart Community Grants Team, which helped fund a new database system designed for nonprofits that work with volunteers.

UPCOMING EVENTS

October

10

RSVP VolunteerFest
@ Holiday Inn, Cedar
Creek

14

Board Meeting
@ Library

15 & 19

Tutor Training
@ Library

23

Book Club
@ YMCA

26

Make a
Difference Day



Connie offers words of support and encouragement to participants of The Joseph Project. The Wausau chapter is coordinated by Pastor Yauo Yang of The Cross Church, located in the downtown's YMCA.