LACLEDE LITERACY COUNCIL

June - November 2022 Newsletter Dr Carol Barsby, Director Phone (417) 532-6697 539 East Elm Suite A lacledelc@gmail.com

Upcoming Events

October 26 - Halloween trunk or treat in Lebanon 5:00PM to 8:00PM

October 29 - Conway Trunk or Treat 5:00PM - 7:30PM

Nov 15 - board meeting moved because of election day

Nov 16-18 Float decoration Wednesday and Thursday 3:00-5:00PM, Friday if needed

Nov 19 - Christmas parade downtown Lebanon

November 23-25 closed for Thanksgiving

December 9 Christmas on Commercial Street

Board Meeting Library Meeting Rooms 5:30 AGENDA

- 1)Becoming a HiSET testing center
- 2)New grants on the horizon
- 3)Opening Day a success

- 4) Website and marketing information
- 5)AmeriCorps service days
- 6)AmeriCorps training days
- 7) Vote on new vice president

CURRENT NEEDS

Laptop for testing Books for Christmas giveaway Help selling tax credits

Online Tutoring Due To High Gas Prices

We have acquired and are using an internet tutoring program which allows everyone to continue their studies, from beginning readers, ESL clients, and HiSET learners. This online learning program allows for the tutor and the student to share a computer site and work together on problems in a one on one setting. We are using messenger and facetime to talk with students during this time. We are able to see their faces and hear their voices and vice versa during the tutoring sessions. We have finished our third year with this process and the kinks have decreased greatly. Those interested in online tutoring call Careen today 417 532 6697.

HiSET Testing

I have requested that the Literacy Council become an official testing site so we can offer this testing. This means that we will no longer be a test at home site but an official testing site. This is cheaper for the test taker and easier on the technology as there is no longer need for an online proctor.

Graduation

Our next graduation will be at the beginning of November or the 9th of May. We already have students testing to fill that day with pride and honor. We are looking for a larger facility to relieve the overflow from graduation we had last May. The Shriners have graciously allowed us to use their Temple. We appreciate that kindness.

Computer Donation Needed

We are looking for a new laptop to use in our Hiset testing center. The requirements are not extensive, but more than our old computers can provide. If you or your business would like to help with this project, please contact Carol at 417 532 6697.

Yearly Report

17 members 2 under 18 11 from 25-44 4 from 45-59

2 with less than high school education

7 high school education

2 undergraduate degree

6 graduate degrees

Total students 359 this year Literacy students 251

6 English As a Second Language 108 Math literacy

Gender

204 male 155 female

Employment

Employed 99 Not employed 135 Not in workforce 76 Not available 49

Goals

More than 84% met their goals for the year

More than 35 earned a Hiset degree

Halloween

Come join us at the fairground pavilion for Boo Bash on the 26th of October 5pm-8pm and on the 29th of October 6pm-8pm for Trunk or Treat in Conway. Candy for all and Pictures of you ghosts and goblins for only \$5.00. Instaprints available as you wait.

Parade Preparation

A Holly, Jolly Christmas is the theme for the Lebanon Christmas parade. If you would like to help with the float this year please call Meagan at 417 532 6697. It is going to be a great Christmas season.

Christmas on Commercial Street

See you there, December 9, 2022!