

Will County Reading Council

March/April Newsletter

Winter Professional Conference = Success

Our Winter Professional Conference was a huge success. We had so many valuable members of our Council in attendance. Our members that presented did such a fantastic job. The feeling as we watched you leave was that great collaboration as well as learning had taken place. We are asking for some feedback so that we can continue to provide you with a phenomenal professional development experience. If you were in attendance please take the time to fill out our [Google Form](#). Thanks :)





Amazing Presenters



Keynote Speaker Started It All!



Our Beautiful Keynote- Priscilla Dwyer



Collaboration and Making New Friends



Give Aways



More Amazing Presentations

Little Free Library at Chaney-Mongee

Last newsletter, we expressed how our council has plans of putting in a Little Free Library. This is still in the works and we are currently hoping for a placement in Elwood, IL. As soon as we have it up and going we will add it to our newsletter.

However, even if we don't have ours up quite yet, we found out some exciting news. Some of our local members have taken the time to develop a Little Free Library. Jill Carter along with many others have been developing *Chaney-Mongee's* Little Free Library (LFL).

Chaney-Mongee's LFL is not only going to be a library but also a dedication to Cathy Davis, a former principal and teacher who passed away in July 2015. The dedication felt right because Cathy was an avid reader as well as a passionate advocate for family literacy.

Jill began this project after reading the IRC newsletter back in the fall. At the time the local library branch had moved and she thought this might help the students have access to books in a much closer proximity.

The whole project has been a team effort. The library has been built by Dave and Deb Skoryl, a former board member and a former staff member. Rob Moriary, the team's artist,

will be adding a mosaic to the sides of the library. Numerous other staff members have helped Jill with the planning and work that has gone into making this a reality.

The goal is for the library to be installed and open in June.

Reading in the News

[Book Drive inspired my Little Free Libraries](#)

[App to bridge word gap for pre-schoolers](#)

[Pistons to pick school to redo a reading room](#)

BookCrawl!

WHEN

Friday, May 13th, 5pm

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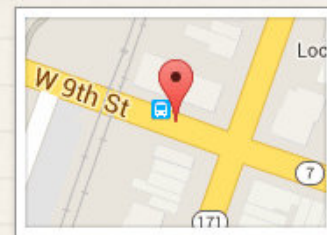
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MORE INFORMATION

Interested in hearing about some books, getting some giveaways, and having fun collaborating with fellow educators, join us for a fun night on our [first bookcrawl!](#) Click on the link and register today! More information will be given after registration but the idea will be to meet at a location in Lockport and travel to 3-4 other places within downtown Lockport. We would love for you to come join us.

Here is that link 1 more time!

<https://www.eventzilla.net/web/event/bookcrawl-2138858001>



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