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Staff Attends Adult Literacy Conference

Attending the 2015 GED/HSED and Adult Literacy Conference are (left to right) Deb Erwin, MaryJo VanGompel, Louise Bentley, Marge Beebe and Laura Reisinger. The conference was held Oct. 28-29 at the Radisson Paper Valley Hotel in Appleton. Everyone learned new ideas to bring back to our program.

Board Members:

- Laurie Klinkhammer, President
- Leah Motschenbacher, Vice President
- Greta Heike, Treasurer
- Stacy Secker, Secretary
- Paul Kulig, Past President
- Michael Ahrens
- Barbara Anderson
- Carlton Brumbelow
- Drew Duggan
- Tom Giffey
- Dr. Mary Ann Hardebeck
- Terri Hoepner
- Larry Jolivette
- Marianne Klinkhammer

LVCV Seeks Development Director

LVCV has an opening for a new position -- Development Director. To find out more about it, [click here](#).

CCF Bank Event Sponsor for ScrabbleBee

Literacy Volunteers is pleased to announce that CCF Bank is the event sponsor for the 15th Annual ScrabbleBee. The



ScrabbleBee will be held on Thursday, April 21, 2016 at a

-Lori Krings
-Sue Lane
-Allyson Loomis
-Keena Mohr
-Lisa Patrow
-Pa Thao

iPad Comment

The students at the Dunn County Jail are enjoying using the new iPads. One student said, "I learned a lot from the iPad training program. I have missed out on a lot of technology due to lots of time incarcerated, so I really didn't know much about iPads. I learned the basics of how to operate the iPad as well as how to install apps and what an app actually is and why they work. I learned that it's way easier learning to use when actually using an iPad than it seems."

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Thrivent Choice

new location! The Lismore Hotel & Conference Center in downtown Eau Claire will provide an opportunity for us to expand the event. The new venue will allow us to increase to 50 Scrabble teams. The Silent Auction, Basket Raffle, 50/50 Raffle and Visit Eau Claire Fun Patrol will be back to add to the festivities.

Xcel Energy is on board as a major sponsor again this year. If



you would like to join them as a major sponsor, contact Literacy Volunteers now at 715-834-0222 or email info@lvcv.org. You can [view the sponsorship brochure online](#) for more details. All proceeds from this event go directly to Literacy Volunteers programs and services. Thanks CCF Bank and Xcel Energy!

Board Profile: Barbara Anderson

Board member Barb Anderson moved to Menomonie in 1968 to attend UW-Stout and stayed. She graduated and completed the course work for her Master's degree. When she was 30 years old, Barb was tested for learning disabilities. They



were significant; she was at middle school level for reading, spelling and math. A year and a half as a student at Northwest Reading Clinic improved her academic skills, made life easier and more understandable. She then became a Learning Therapist at the clinic; a job that she enjoyed immensely.

After she retired from the reading clinic, Barb has been a volunteer tutor at the Dunn County jail since 2002. She is now beginning her second term on the LVCV Board. Barb lives on a farm with her wonderful husband Charlie. In her

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spare time she enjoys gardening and spinning wool into sweaters from their sheep. She has a black belt and is studying Tai Chi sword.

Thank you, Barb, for your years of service as a tutor and board member!

Newest Tutors are Just In Time



New Tutors Karla Benjamin, Bill McCullough, and John Ayres discuss multicultural elements of tutoring.

With waiting lists growing in each county, we welcome our 11 newest volunteer tutors. Bringing patience, great interest, and new abilities to our ranks are Hector Acosta, John Ayres, Karla Benjamin, Thersea Burzynski, Mary Erickson, Martha Fay, Bill McCullough, Debbie Peterson, Laura Schroeder, Michael Steuer, and Sue Thomas. Staff will now coordinate with them and existing tutors to work with more students, meeting more needs. Please welcome these new tutors in the weeks ahead!

To view more photos in the Tutor Training Album, [click here](#).

Staff Profile: Cheryl Sutter

Finishing a master's degree in Career and Technical Education brought Cheryl Sutter to Literacy Volunteers in 2006. "Quality learning plays off of multiple factors, and I like helping establish and maintain those. Thinking through systems, trouble shooting, and the daily nuts and bolts of working with our students and tutors interest me," Cheryl said.



Cheryl has a bachelor's degree in microbiology and biology with a minor in math. She worked in quality assurance within the pharmaceutical industry, training and evaluating chemist work. Later she entered customer service work, first doing the work and then training many employees. "I've enjoyed private tutoring and adjunct teaching at CVTC. Presently at LVCV I train new volunteers, assist staff with tutor requests and data questions, and offer support, materials, and ideas to one-to-one and workplace students/tutors," she said.

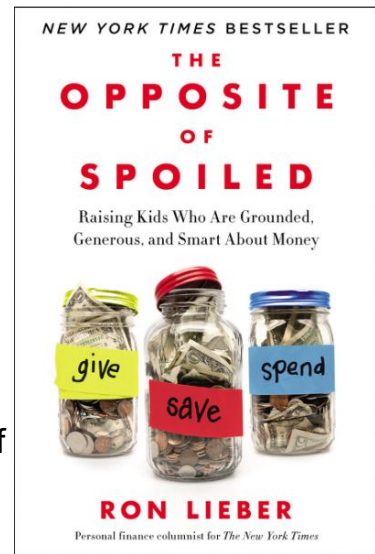
Recent professional development includes STAR training (reading's important elements), Adult Numeracy instruction, and supervisory management classes.

New Book - Staff Pick

Are you or your student interested in money and the family? The Opposite of Spoiled, Raising Kids Who Are Grounded, Generous, and Smart About Money by personal finance columnist Ron Lieber is a warm and accessibly written book that includes real-world stories

from families in varied income brackets. Topics include conversation around the tooth fairy, allowances, chores, charity, savings, holidays, cell phones, splurging, cars, part-time jobs, and college tuition.

Several copies of *The Opposite of Spoiled, Raising Kids Who Are Grounded, Generous, and Smart About Money* are now at our Eau Claire office. We are happy to route to Dunn and Chippewa counties, too. Written at a 7th or 8th grade reading level, staff member Cheryl Sutter finds this book is an interesting read for people of all ages and all household sizes. Check it out!



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