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Get Thee to Lake Villa District Library and Discover William Shakespeare

Lake Villa District Library is challenging patrons to learn about William Shakespeare and help those in need.

'Get Thee to the Library' is LVDL's winter reading theme--- winter reading is an annual initiative to encourage reading and discovery while helping those in need---which offers library patrons a challenge to learn about William Shakespeare. Time spent learning about the Bard---reading a book, watching a film or attending a Shakespeare-themed event--- will translate into a donation to the Lake Villa Township Food Pantry.

Why Shakespeare? LVDL, along with libraries throughout Illinois, is supporting the Lake County Discovery Museum's upcoming exhibit, *First Folio! The Book that Gave Us Shakespeare* February 3-29, 2016. *The First Folio*, published in 1623 seven years after Shakespeare's death, contains 18 plays, including *Macbeth*, *Julius Caesar*, *Twelfth Night* and many others. Accompanying the rare book will be a multi-panel exhibition, digital content and interactive activities exploring the significance of Shakespeare.

LVDL has many interesting programs and activities planned, including a One Book selection---*The Millionaire and The Bard* by Andrea Mays, which tells the story of Henry Folger's obsessive hunt for Shakespeare's First Folio. Copies of book, courtesy of the Friends of Lake Villa District Library, are available for checkout. Meet the author Sunday, January 31 at 2pm.

It's become a tradition at LVDL for the winter reading program to benefit a charitable organization and this year is no exception. Every hour read translates to \$1 donation and every Winter Reading participant can earn up to \$5 that will be donated directly to the Lake Villa Township Food Pantry. All donations are funded by the generous support of the Friends of Lake Villa District Library. There is a winter reading program for people of all ages---children, teens and adults---and everyone is encouraged to participate. Reading logs will be available at the Youth and Adult Reference Desks beginning January 2, 2016.

Lake Villa District Library enriches life in our community by connecting people with resources, services and each other. The library is located at 1001 E. Grand Avenue, Lake Villa, Illinois.

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