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United Way to Host Story Time Event to Support the Dolly Parton Imagination Library

Manitowoc, Wisconsin — United Way Manitowoc County invites families to a morning of story time and creativity in support of early childhood literacy for children throughout Manitowoc County. On Saturday, November 8, from 10:30 a.m. to Noon, bring your little ones to The Nook in Manitowoc for a special reading of *Bob's Birthday Blobs* by local children's author Naomi Raddatz.

Raddatz, a Wisconsin native and former teacher, brings her love for storytelling and education to life, weaving a narrative that not only entertains but introduces young minds to the wonders of art. Learn more about Naomi and her book at https://nlraddatz.com/.

Following the reading, children will have the opportunity to participate in an art project inspired by the story. Signed copies of *Bob's Birthday Blobs* will be available for purchase, with proceeds supporting United Way's Dolly Parton Imagination Library, a program that provides free, high-quality books each month to children from birth to age five.

Representatives from United Way and Women United will be available to talk with parents about how the Imagination Library supports school readiness, a lifelong love of reading, and how to enroll your child in the program.

Attendees will be entered into a drawing to win one of three copies of *Bob's Birthday Blobs*. The Nook will also hold a separate drawing for a free drink.

"This is a fun and meaningful way for families to connect while supporting early childhood literacy in our community," said Ben Peters, Director of Impact Strategies, United Way Manitowoc County.

For questions about this event or other ways to support the Dolly Parton Imagination Library program, please call United Way at (920) 682-8888.

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