

### Literacy Council of Frederick County

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Each One Teach One

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# Spring A Time for Growth And Learning!

Annual Meeting—Tuesday May 7th, 2013 at 6:30pm

Plan to join us for the LCFC 2013 Annual Meeting, Tuesday, May 7, at the Frederick Friends Meeting House, 723 N. Market Street. Everyone is welcome – tutors, bring your students! We will start gathering for a social hour and refreshments at 6:30. This will be followed by a short business meeting and the annual service awards. During the meeting, we will vote on adopting new bylaws. You can read them by going to our website,



www.frederickliteracy.org. Look under "Annual Meeting" on the home page and click on the link in the second paragraph. Or you may call or email the office to have them sent to you by mail or email. For the program this year, a Basic tutor/student pair and an ESL tutor/student pair will share their stories of their journeys together.

Directions and parking: The Meeting House is on the left of N. Market St. shortly after crossing 7<sup>th</sup> St., and there is a sign next to the brick driveway that says "Frederick Friends Meeting". There is very limited parking beside the house, but there is street parking in front, and there is an additional parking lot entered at 15 W. 7<sup>th</sup> St. To reach this parking, turn in at 15 W. 7<sup>th</sup> and drive around the doctor's office building to the back where there are 20 spaces available. There is a gate in the northeast corner of the fence that gives access to the Meeting House yard.

R.S.V.P. to the office at <u>stafffrederickliteracy@gmail.com</u> or call 301-600-2066.

Friends Meeting House N. Market St.

The Literacy
Council of
Frederick Co.
welcomes new
students needing
help.

For info. 301-600-2066,

www.frederickliteracy.org.

Hit a Home Run for Literacy.

See more
details about
raising funds
for Literacy at
the Keys Game
on
June 21



### In Love with Literacy Read-A-Thon ... A Success



Caroline Gaver, President

The Literacy Council Read- A -Thon was a success with many hours of reading completed and almost \$3,000 raised to support the Literacy Council. The finale was held on March 2 at the C. Burr Artz Library in downtown Frederick.

Prizes were awarded to three people who received bags filled with gifts and gift cards. Perry Zhou, first grader at North Frederick Elementary School, won the prize for most books read during the Read-A-Thon. Charlotte Selby (who also took home a prize in 2012) won for reading the most hours. Caroline Gaver received the first prize as the top fundraiser.

We wish to thank all of our sponsors, in-kind donors, and participants for helping to make our 2013 Read-a-Thon a success.

Our sponsors were: Frederick County Bank, Frederick Memorial Hospital, Comcast, The Gazette Newspapers, and the Frederick News-Post. In-kind donations were received from: Dancing Bear



Caption: Caroline Gaver presenting Perry Zhou his gift bag at the Read-A-Thon

Toys and Gifts, Uncle Ralph's Cookies, Starbucks, Thomas Scott Salon and Spa, Adventure Park USA, Wonder Book and Video, The Lube Center, The Auto Spa, The Frederick Keys, The Weinberg Center, Way Off Broadway Dinner Theater, Frederick County Bank, The Columbia Bank, and Wegman's.

A special thank you goes to Diana Halleman for her hard work on this project.

The Literacy Council of Frederick County provides free tutoring to adults who are learning basic reading skills or who are learning to speak, read and write English as a second language. If you would like to become a tutor or a student, check out our website at <a href="https://www.frederickliteracy.org">www.frederickliteracy.org</a> or call our office at 301-600-2066 which is at 110 East Patrick

# From the Desk of the Basic Coordinator ... Help Wanted!



Basic Coordinator Keri-Ann Henson

The office has been experiencing a lull in the number of individuals who are seeking adult basic services. Obviously there are individuals in our community who need literacy services, but it is not always easy to reach this population. The Council posts LCFC brochures at downtown businesses, social service organizations, etc., but we need to freshen those supplies as well as

find other ways to reach out to prospective students. Also, I am interested in strengthening our resources for the Basic Program (updating books, researching Internet sites and conducting possible in-service trainings).

In an effort to respond to these two needs I would like to form a Basic Program Committee. If you are interested in working with me and/or have some ideas to share, please contact me through our office 301-600-2066.

Thank you!



#### **Recent Workshop Graduates from Frederick**

Theses future tutors recently graduated as certified tutors from the Frederick workshop. Below that is a list of graduates who completed and were certified at the Hagerstown Workshop.



Photo of recent graduates taken outside the C.Burr Artz Library

Lydia Cochran, Linda Crough, Herbert Currier, Molly Doggett, John Fer, Carol Garrison, Jean Judd, Sheila Kahler, Eleanor Monnet, Silvia Moreyna, Loraine Noble, Heloise Santamaria, Joanne Schroeder, Meg Shallanberger, Diane Tomasky, Debbie Traver, Lois Thibeault, Caron Thornton, Maria Wells

#### New Tutors from Spring (Hagerstown) Workshop

New tutors certified on March 16, 2013 at the Workshop held in Hagerstown are listed below.



Edwina Barton, Mary Ellen Gluck, Lynda Moore, Vivian Slaughter-Mitchell

We wish them luck on their new endeavor and salute them for wanting to make a difference in the community!



Congratulations
to our newly
certified tutors
from the
Hagerstown
and Frederick
Workshops.





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# Thank You to Our Donors and Sponsors from 2012



#### Literacy Statistics Worldwide

According to <u>UNICEF</u>, "Nearly a billion people will enter the 21st century unable to read a book or sign their names and two thirds of them are women."

#### Hit A Home Run for Literacy



The Literacy Council has a proven track record of economic responsibility. Check our website to see how many books, or what materials your gift can buy.

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Marion Zebovitz

Dongwen Zhou

In-kind donations Adventure Park Children's theater Dancing Bear The Frederick News Post The Frederick Keys Olive Garden Papa Murphy's Starbucks The Auto Spa The Lube Center Thomas Scott Salon Uncle Ralph's Walmart Way Off Broadway Wegmans The Weinberg Center Wonder Book & Video

#### **Honorariums**

In honor of Caroline Gaver given by Gay Mullican

#### **Memorials**

In memory of Shirley Sandage given by Paula Blundell

In memory of Edie Klein given by Caroline Gaver Karen Jocius & Harry Sanders III Stephan Klein Andrea Maruskin Patricia Mayernik Gay Mullican

In memory of Harry Dangerfield given by Lavern Rasmussen

In memory of Wendell Eaton given by Frederick Spahr Volume 54, Issue I Page 5

#### Student News and Success



The Literacy Council always keeps the stories of our students and their backgrounds private unless we have their permission. When describing a student we might use only the first name or alias. We will not divulge the reason for a student's reading issues. Many times the life stories of our students are absolutely heart- breaking and hard to comprehend. We can only applaud their effort to want to learn to read and try and better their life when so much has been

against them.

We would like to congratulate Kathleen Rodkey's student on getting his Learner's Permit. Kathy remarks about what persistence and dedication her student has despite many obstacles in his life.

After receiving his Learner's Permit we just enrolled him in the MVA required Driver Education course for the next two weeks. (He will have to take a test at the end of the two weeks to pass this course. It took him two years and 36 tries to get his Learner's Permit. Greg's Driving School will allow me to sit with him at the end of the course to help him read and interpret the test.) His reading skills have improved; however, his ability to interpret what he reads is extremely slow and requires constant repetition on a regular basis. After he gets his driver's license, a goal which was considered unattainable considering his inability to read and interpret, he will be focusing on getting a county or State job in paying, a job he has been doing very well all of his adult life until work dried up. With his own transportation, we are hoping he will be able to get a more reliable job. We have already started working on his GED...this goal will be very difficult for him as it involves much more material knowledge than the restricted material on a test to get a license. My student receiving his Learner's Permit is a credit to his character.

The Literacy Council is proud to share his strength of character and perseverance, and we are also proud to have Kathy as an amazing, caring, and dedicated tutor.



The Literacy Council of **Frederick** County

**Turns 50!** 

A Note from Board Member, Sandy

Help Us Grow

If you know a friend, co-worker or family member who might be interested in joining the ranks of our volunteer tutors or who would be interested in supporting our literacy work financially, please send us their name, address, email, etc., so that we might

send them our newsletter and information.

Thanks for helping us expand our reach into our community.

#### Spring is Also a Time for Baseball!

The Literacy Council is participating with the Frederick Keys' FUN-raiser. Tickets are for sale in the office now at a discounted price of \$10.00 per ticket.

The tickets are for fireworks night on Friday June 21 at

7 p.m. For more information call 301-600-2066. Proceeds will benefit us! Get your tickets today!!

For a Keys Schedule see: http://www.milb.com/schedule/



The Literacy Council of Frederick County Turns 50 in the fall of 2013! Our 50th Anniversary celebration is coming up. Planning is underway for something special and insightful! We will keep our readers and membership posted. Stay tuned....

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#### **EVENTS**

Annual Meeting — May 7th

Fundraiser — Keys Game June 21

Anniversary Celebration — Fall of 2013, stay tuned for details!



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### **Support Literacy!**



Make your tax-deductible donation to The Literacy Council and make a meaningful difference in someone's life.

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