

MAY 2021

Literacy *lifts* Lives



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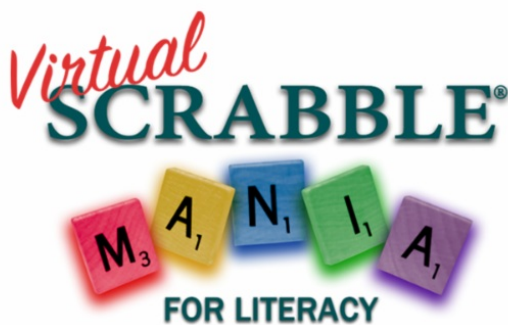
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PRESENTED BY
**The Literacy Council &
SureLocked In Escape Games**

MAY 15, 2021
Two chances to play!
2-5 P.M. & 6-9 P.M.



Team Registration is Open!

**Saturday, May 15 • Two Chances to Play
2–5 p.m. or 6–9 p.m.**

Scrabble[®] Mania is virtual this year, *but* you still get to play as a team and have fun, all while supporting adult literacy programs in our community!

We hope you'll join us for...

- Fast-paced Scrabble[®] play for teams*
- Suggested appetizer and meal options
- Fun prizes!

REGISTRATION FEE: \$30/team

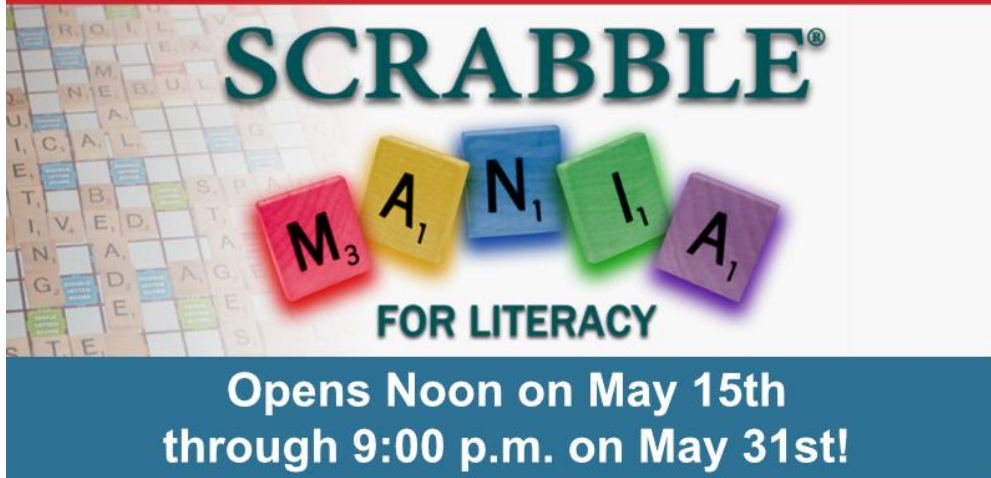
Please register by team, not by person. You will only need to book one ticket for your whole team to play! *Each team or household will receive one login to the virtual event. This login cannot be shared with other individuals. Family play is encouraged, but each team must have at least one adult 18 or older.

Registration through SureLocked In Escape Games

Book Now - 2
p.m.

Book Now - 6
p.m.

Visit our Online Auction for Literacy!



The banner features the word "SCRABBLE" in large, bold, green letters. Below it, five colorful Scrabble tiles spell out "MANIA" (M3, A1, N1, I1, A1). The background is a grid of Scrabble tiles. Below the tiles, the text "FOR LITERACY" is written in bold, black letters. At the bottom of the banner, a dark blue box contains the text "Opens Noon on May 15th through 9:00 p.m. on May 31st!" in white.

Online Auction Preview

Check out over 80 items available through our online auction, including wine tastings and tours, travel and entertainment, themed baskets, restaurant gift certificates, crafts, clothing, art & collectibles, health and wellness items, subscriptions, books, and MORE!

Preview items at: <https://www.biddingowl.com/LiteracyCouncilFrederick>

Instructions to set up your Bidding Owl Bidder Account are provided [HERE](#).



The banner is dark green with a white play button icon in the center. The text "Volunteer Appreciation Week" is written in a gold, cursive font. Below it, the year "2021" is written in a gold, sans-serif font. In the top left corner, the Literacy Council Frederick County, MD logo is displayed. In the bottom right corner, the slogan "Literacy lifts Lives" is written in a gold, sans-serif font.

LCFC Superheros

Last month from April 18–23, the Literacy Council celebrated Volunteer

Appreciation Week by paying tribute to our 150+ wonderful long-time and new volunteers!

We hope you had a chance to read a special message on our website from Board President Jim Grissom on [Volunteer Appreciation Week](#) and our [April e-newsletter](#). Don't forget to view these five short videos that feature **all that our volunteers do to make our community a better place.**

1. [Message of Gratitude](#)
2. [Compassion](#)
3. [Perseverance](#)
4. [Generosity of Spirit](#)
5. [Thank you to all!](#)

We hope you enjoy our special tribute to YOU, our Literacy Council superheroes, who make this organization a powerful force in our community to Lift Lives through Literacy.

[Learn More](#)

LEARNER Spotlight



Meet Silvia

"I'm Silvia, originally from Lima, Perú. In Perú, I am an attorney and when I came, I barely spoke a few words. I would define myself as a kind and persistent person with compassion for others, an eager learner with a mischievous sense of humor, as well as an infectious personality.

About my hobbies, I enjoy practicing sports, reading books, as well as singing karaoke at my house. Currently, I hold a B.A. in the Paralegal Program at Frederick Community College. In addition, I attend the writing classes, book club, and conversation classes at Literacy Council of Frederick County and I love it!"

[Read Silvia's Story](#)

VOLUNTEER Spotlight

Meet Marianne Dacey, Civics Instructor, Tutor, & Tutor Trainer

Marianne began volunteering with the Literacy Council in 2003 when she completed tutor training. Marianne has worked with multiple Literacy Council students, encouraging them toward their goals, always with a kind and welcoming attitude. In addition to tutoring, she almost immediately became a member of the tutor training team and continues in that role today.

She has been an invaluable resource by sharing her extensive knowledge from her years as a reading specialist and an adult ESL instructor. Marianne contributed extensively over the past year as the team worked hard to transition the workshop format online so that tutor training could continue during the pandemic.



[Read Marianne's Story](#)

UPCOMING Events



Volunteer Information Session

May 24 • 10 a.m.–11 a.m.

*Attendance of a Volunteer Information Session (via Zoom) is required prior to registering for our Tutor Training Workshop.

**Register
Today!**

Tutor Training Workshops

June 5 • 9 a.m.–2:30 p.m.

June 8 • 7–9 p.m.

June 10 • 7–9 p.m.

**Attendance of all three Tutor Training Workshop sessions (via Zoom) is required to become a Literacy Council tutor.*

Spring Class Schedule

Spring classes are in session! View our [2021 Spring Class Schedule](#) to learn more about the Literacy Council's class instruction program. We offer beginner, intermediate, and advanced level classes throughout the week. For more information about eligibility and registration procedures, please contact our office at info@frederickliteracy.org or (301) 600-2066.

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