

March 2019 Newsletter

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The Prez Sez.

In 2010, the first person I met when I volunteered to temporarily oversee a Laubach Literacy program in Ojai was Barbara Wagner. She was so thrilled to be able to restart the program in Ojai, where it had once flourished. Her enthusiasm was understated but very real. It was obvious how sincerely dedicated she was to helping people learn English.

Laubach lost that "volunteer extraordinaire" on December 9, 2018. The void she left will be very hard to fill. We are just now beginning to realize all the tasks that she very quietly and efficiently did for our organization over the years. Publicity, grant-writing, cataloging of materials, ordering books, scheduling and reserving space for training workshops....and the list goes on and on!

As we find our way through files and binders filled the "evidence" of the years of her service and hard work, we find she did the work of a team of people! We at Laubach want our tutors and donors to know how very much we appreciate all of the contributions of this very special human being and how very fortunate we were to have her as a part (and heart) of this organization for over 25 years!

Linda Lambert, Board Co-President

More LLVC News Below.
[Laubach Literacy Online Donation Website](#)



DONATIONS

LLVC wishes to thank the all of the companies and individuals for their support from January through April of this year. We can't do it without you. Thank you very much.

You can also provide support by specifying us as your nonprofit to share in the Ralph's Community Program at communityprograms@ralphs.com; LLVC is NPO #82697. Note: Those of us who participate in this program need to re-register each year after September 1. That can also be done at the Ralph's website.

Another way to support us is by selecting LLVC as your nonprofit when ordering at Amazon through [smileamazon.com](#).

Thanks.



WELCOME NEW TUTORS: There were 7 attendees at the March 23 tutor training workshop. The following received their certificates of completion: Savannah Hopkins, Brian Yuss, Charles Kubilos, Karen Haggarty, Rebecca White, Sandy Diaz, and Stephanie Erbe.

Welcome to all of you; thanks for joining us!

FUTURE TUTOR TRAINING

Our next training opportunity for new tutors will be on June 8 (9:00 AM – 4 PM). We'll be presenting information about cultural awareness, how adults learn, second language acquisition, lesson planning, tutoring materials and tips and tutoring practice; all of you are invited to attend as a refresher or to take the opportunity to meet one on one with any of our trainers. Please call (805) 385-9584 or email through website www.laubachventura.org to have us save a space for you and provide directions. Please let your friends know about this opportunity; as always, there's no charge for the training and materials for those who tutor.



FROM OUR TUTORS

The graduating class from the March 2019 tutor training workshop.



New Tutors from St. Andrew's Church in Ojai.



ADDITIONAL TUTORING SITES

The following sites are used by the County's READ Literacy Program which generously has offered them to us as well. Please contact the site before use to confirm availability, which is sometimes offered after regular hours.

Buena High School Library, Ventura (805-701-1323) on Mondays and Wednesdays from 4:30 – 7 PM.

Simi Valley Library, Community Room (805-256-5122) on Tuesdays and Wednesdays from 4:30 – 7 PM.

Ray D. Prueter Library, Port Hueneme (805-340-1724) on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 4:30 – 7 PM.

CONVERSATION CLASSES

Conversation English classes are conducted in Camarillo, El Rio, Ojai, Oxnard, Santa Paula, Saticoy, and Ventura. The classes in Camarillo, El Rio, Oxnard, Santa Paula, Saticoy, and Ventura are open to all on a drop-in basis.

At the Camarillo Library on Tuesdays from 6:30 – 8:00 PM, Wednesdays from 1:00 – 2:30 PM, and on Fridays from 10:00 AM – noon. (the contact is Lee Woodward: [805-482-4005](tel:805-482-4005)).

In Oxnard, at the Soliz Library, 2820 Jourdan Street, (El Rio) on Wednesdays from 10:00 - 11:15 AM. At the Rio Plaza Elementary School on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 9:30 AM to 10:45AM.

In Santa Paula, at the Rodney Fernandez Gardens Community Center: ESL 1 on Monday from 1 - 2 PM and Wednesday from 9 – 10 AM, ESL 2 on Tuesday and Thursday from 9 – 10 AM, and for Citizenship on Monday from 11:30 AM – 12:45 PM (the contact is Yoko Mansfield, yokomansfield@hotmail.com).

At the Saticoy Library at 1292 Los Angeles Avenue on Mondays and Wednesdays at 3 PM (the contact is Louise Vien).

At the Avenue Library, 606 North Ventura Avenue, Ventura on Mondays at 11:00 AM (the contact for the Ventura class is Louise Vien, louisev99@juno.com). Any tutors who would like to help with this class can just write in.

The class in Ojai has a specific roster of attendees, but contact can be made for Ojai with Linda Lambert (ojailamberts@sbcglobal.net)



TUTOR TIPS

ProLiteracyEdNet.org

A number of our tutors have reported success with their students using *News for You*. This is a weekly newspaper that has a variety of international articles including hard news, entertainment, and sports along with a crossword puzzle. It comes with a Teacher's Guide and is also available in hard copy, but the online version allows the reader to listen to the stories while they read. They can listen over and over again to help with their aural comprehension. Please take a look yourself and share with your students; call us at (805) 385-9584 to get the password.

Students could watch *Sesame Street* for fun English lessons.

Have a "show and tell" session, describing objects and their uses.

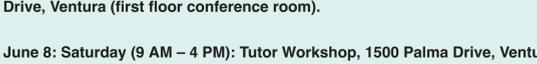


UPCOMING EVENTS:

April 18: Board meeting at 6:45 PM at the Barristers Executive Suites, 1500 Palma Drive, Ventura (second floor conference room).

April 26: Tutor Talk at 10 AM at the Barristers Executive Suites, 1500 Palma Drive, Ventura (first floor conference room).

June 8: Saturday (9 AM – 4 PM): Tutor Workshop, 1500 Palma Drive, Ventura (second floor conference room).



THANKS

As you know, we try to get as much mileage as possible out of our tutoring materials. If you have any books you're not using, they could be put to use by other tutors. Please give us a call at: (805) 385-9584 so that we can make arrangements to pick them up. This will help us stretch our funding to its greatest value. Thanks.

If you believe this is a public service that is important, support this work by donating online at [Laubach Literacy Online Donation website](#). Or, send a check made out to "Laubach Literacy of Ventura County" at: 1500 Palma Drive, Ventura, CA 93003.
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