



Literacy Lite Newsletter

Summer 2014

Empowering Local Adults Since 1985

NOTES FROM THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

Greetings,

Since our last newsletter, we held our annual Scrabble Benefit. The proceeds were over \$3400. We owe a debt of gratitude to the HCL Fundraising Committee for their planning and implementation of the night's activities. The refreshments were tasty, the players had fun and the auction items were well received. The proceeds will allow HCL to meet the needs of our growing agency. Thanks to all involved in the planning and of course our community supporters.

Our tutors are our unsung heroes and heroines in our business. Without them, we would not be able to offer our services, materials, and

classroom space free-of-charge for our students. These volunteers are passionate leaders for literacy. Many are also various HCL committee volunteers. Those volunteers deserve a special thanks as they understand the importance of a solid agency structure to fulfill our mission. They share their energy and community connections so readily to help us serve individuals in our community who struggle with illiteracy. We strive to educate the public to the needs and challenges of the illiterate in our community. I want to say **THANK YOU TO ALL OUR VOLUNTEERS!!**

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Each one, teach one

Just a reminder...

The Harnett County Literacy office will be closed on

**Thursday & Friday,
July 3 & 4**

**HCL is joining the
"301 Endless Yard Sale" June 21!
Looking for donations and buyers .**



301 ENDLESS YARD SALE

Saturday, June 21 301 Endless Yard Sale

Harnett County Literacy is participating in the "301 Endless Yard Sale". We will be setting up items in the fenced area next to the Triangle South building (where the office is located) parking lot. This is on Rt 301 and is very convenient for us. We are accepting donations to sell. Please bring any items you can spare to the office. We did this last year on short notice so we expect to collect more items this year. Go through your belongings and search for those things you haven't used in years. Remember "one man's junk is another man's treasure." We will accept any slightly used, clean items. This is a great way to support HCL.



Mark Saturday, June 21 7:00 am until 3:00pm on your calendar! Tell your friends and family. We need lots of buyers to make this a success.



The next Board and Members meeting will be Thursday, July 17 at 11:45am in Triangle South in Room 106.

You can purchase lunch for \$8 or bring your own. Please call the office to request a lunch to purchase.

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ALL WELCOME!

Computer Lab

Computer literacy is a must in our modern world.

Supervised Lab hours are:

Thursdays 1:30 to 3 pm

Fridays 10:00am–12:00pm

Please Help!!!

We are collecting the following items for our student bags:

No. 2 pencils, erasers, sharpeners, pencil case, thin spiral or bound composition notebooks.

Please bring them to the office for distribution. Thanks !!!!



VOLUNTEER NEWS

We always point out that volunteers are the backbone of Harnett County Literacy. This continues to be true to this day. We have over 25 tutors out in the community who are working on our mission. Here are some excerpts received in the monthly reports which show progress and dedication.

- Student “continues to be very motivated. Works ahead and does extra work. Spelling is improving.”
- Student “continues her consistent efforts to improve reading, writing & speaking English.”
- Student “is still doing well & continues to have enthusiasm for the class.”

Thanks to all our tutor volunteers!!!!!!!!!!!!

Do you want to join the team but have limited time? In the Fall, we will need a volunteer team to provide babysitting for some of our young mother students. This service will allow them to attend their classes regularly. If we have enough people volunteering in this role, it will not be a weekly commitment. Think about it and call the office if you are interested.

If you have any newsletter items to share, please contact the HCL office.

AGENCY FUNDRAISING NEWS

Grant Writing Report We are proud to report that we have recently received grant money from **Dollar General!** This money will go towards the salary for an ESOL Coordinator which is greatly needed to continue our mission.

Fund Raising Report Our **7th Annual Scrabble Benefit** in April reaped approximately \$3400! We saw an increase in business sponsorship money this year. Kudos to the Scrabble Committee who planned a smooth event resulting in a significant amount of proceeds to assist our cause. Also, a big thanks to those who donated items for the silent auction and participated as players.

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