



Dec 2023/Jan 2024

# Literally Speaking

Empowering adults to achieve greater success in their lives through literacy skill development

#### **Looking Back:**

#### "Annual Literacy Holiday Potluck"

This year's Literacy Holiday Potluck was filled with gratitude to our volunteers, new friendships, and delicious food. Congratulations to the following star volunteers who worked over 100+ hours this past year:

Helene Chaban – 102.5 hours; Soo Ihm – 102.5 hours; Melanie Funsten – 104.5 hours; Adelyn Klarin – 137.5 hours; Keri Miller – 118 hours; Quintin Reich – 151.5 hours; Marcia Drew – 250.3 hours

Special congratulations to our Volunteer of the Year: **Ray Johnston** who volunteered 323.9 hours in 2023!!

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## Writing Workshop December 20th

Join Literacy Coordinator, Gabriela, for an "Express Yourself" Writer to Writer Workshop

#### December 20th from 10:30 am to 12:00 pm.

Topics covered in this workshop include:
-Writer to Writer Challenge
-how to analyze a text
-expressing your opinion
-literature writing topics

To register, please call or stop by the office to RSVP.

#### **Calendar Events**

- 12/13: 12-1pm- "Instructor Opportunities" for TUTORS
- 12/20: 10:30- 12 pm "Express Yourself" Writer to Writer Workshop for LEARNERS

#### **Holiday Schedule**

Please note the library and literacy office will be CLOSED on the following dates:

- Monday, December 25 Christmas
- Monday, January 1 New Year's Day
- Monday, January 15 Martin Luther King Day

#### Writer to Writer Challenge 2024!

#### What is Writer to Writer?

Writer to Writer began in 2001. This challenge gives learners the opportunity to exercise their skills and engage in a meaningful way with literature by writing a letter to an author of a book they read. In celebration of California Literacy Library Services' 40th anniversary, the challenge will be offered statewide, rather than on the local level.

Participating is as easy as 1-2-3

- Learners read a book (or listen to an audiobook)
- Write a letter to the author (or dictate a letter)
- Submit an entry form





#### **Literacy Office Hours:**

Monday-Thursday 8-3pm Friday 8-2:30pm



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