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IMPORTANT DATES

Library Closed

Monday, February 17 - President's Day

UPDATES

Writer to Writer Challenge

NEW DUE DATE - Friday, March 28

FEBRUARY BIRTHDAYS

**HAPPY
BIRTHDAY**

to some of our fabulous
Volunteers!

Jeff

Alison

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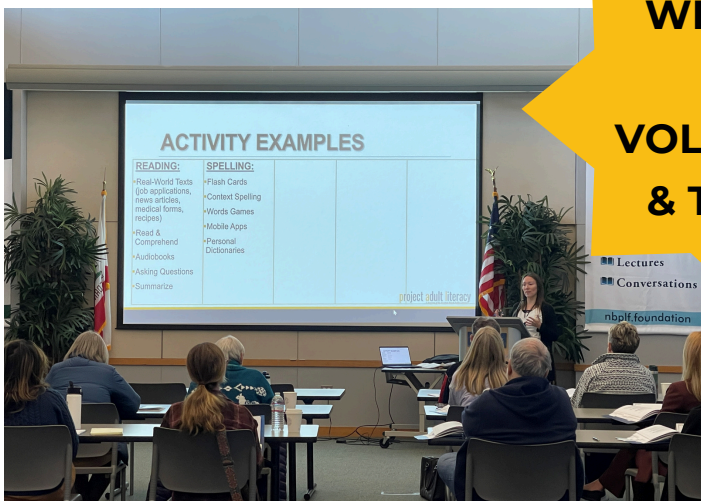
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RECAP: Volunteer Tutor Training - Winter 2025

Last month we had 12 NEW volunteers complete our first Volunteer Tutor Training of 2025! Our two-day training consisted of discussing the roles and responsibilities of a volunteer tutor, learning about SMART goals and ultimately creating lesson plans including various strategies and activities to use with learners. The last portion of our training our new volunteer tutors learned how to use America Learns and submit monthly reports.



**WELCOME
NEW
VOLUNTEERS
& TUTORS!**



If you are interested in becoming a Volunteer Tutor, please stop by the Literacy Office to learn more!

Literacy is an essential skill that empowers -- not only by providing a foundation of academic knowledge but quite simply, by changing lives.

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Success Stories: Learner Accomplishments

Every month when tutors submit their monthly tutoring hours report, they have the option to submit learner success stories and accomplishments their learner has made that month. Here are a few successes that learners have accomplished:

Began taking a class at SVC & a second private class to prepare for a new career.

-MZ, learner

Interviewing for a new job and focusing on interview closing skills, negotiating salary and other benefits.

-BK, learner

Almost done reading a novel with tutor and working on Writer to Writer competition.

-NS, learner

Self-motivating to work and learn in order to achieve goal of better pronunciation, which will be a benefit to their children and teachers.

-TN, learner

Had three job interviews in person and got a job in a bakery where she will be speaking mostly English.

-EK, learner



After months of hard work, she finally got a job at a cafe.

-JA, learner

We are so proud of our learners and all they do to continue reaching their goals.
Keep up the good work!

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OUTREACH: Literacy Library Tour



PAL held a Literacy Library tour for a group of ESL students from SouthCoast ESL Program (Mariner's Church location in Irvine.) 11 students learned about the Literacy program and toured the Central Library, familiarizing themselves with the services we provide at here at NBPL. Every student signed up for a library card and some of them even came back to sign up to join PAL.

We are hoping to continue building this partnership with SouthCoast ESL Program and offer more tours in the future.

UPDATE: New Office Hours

We are excited to announce the Project Adult Literacy Office is now open Monday-Friday from 10am-3pm.

Please stop anytime during our office hours to get assistance, pick up resources, learn more about our program or just to say hi!

Monday: 10:00am - 3:00pm
Tuesday: 10:00am - 3:00pm
Wednesday: 10:00am - 3:00pm
Thursday: 10:00am - 3:00pm
Friday: 10:00am - 3:00pm

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