

Volunteer Newsletter

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VOLUNTEER VIEWPOINT

Dear Volunteers,

Thanks so much for your patience and help in acclimating me to Chatham Literacy, and thanks to those of you who came out to our Literacy Swings night—it was great meeting you! I've talked or emailed with many of you one-on-one, and the warm welcome has been much appreciated.

If we haven't met yet face to face, I hope to soon. Email or call me to set up a time. Since I live near the northern part of the county, I can meet almost anywhere between Chapel Hill and Siler City, and I love to talk about student learning and what resources you might need from me!

Remember to contact me if you do NOT want to be emailed requests to substitute for others. Thanks to those of you who already have. I've been taking names off the list as soon as I get your information.

Finally, check out this newsletter for information on official Chatham Literacy vacation days, requests for tutor manuals, and a very special student of the month!

~Desiree

EVENTS

Third Friday Artwalk in Downtown Siler City from 6 to 9 p.m.

During the Third Friday ArtWalk, Siler City's shops and galleries stay open late, and music plays at the courtyard. Contact Desiree to sign up to help out at our table so we can let the community know we have an office in Siler City! Email desiree@chathamliteracy.org or call 919-299-0473.



Tutor Orientations and Trainings



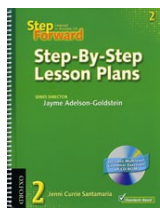
Are you always telling friends about your amazing volunteer gig with Chatham Literacy? Pass the word around—tutor orientations for people who want to know more and trainings for people who are committed to becoming a tutor are coming up soon! Orientations run during the week of October 10th across Chatham County. Tutor Training dates are Monday, October 24th and Wednesday, October 25th from 6 to 9 pm and Saturday, October 29th from 9 am to 1:30 pm in the board room at Carolina Meadows. Give out Desiree's info to anyone who might be interested.

Money Matters Student Workshops

Encourage your student to attend upcoming free workshops on finances. One will be held Saturday, October 8th from 11 to noon at First United Methodist Church in Siler City. Another will be held for Carolina Meadows employees on Wednesday, October 19 from 12 to 12:30 pm. Contact Loyda for more information: 919-742-0578 or loyda@chathamliteracy.org.



WHERE, O, WHERE HAS MY TEXTBOOK GONE?



Please search your homes and cars for any **tutor manuals** you are not currently using. I'm making a(n inventory) list and checking it twice so I can get materials to you and your students as efficiently as possible! Student books and workbooks are, of course, theirs to keep, but we want to share the manuals as folks graduate out of different levels.

If you have books you aren't using, you can leave them at our Siler City office, the shelf across from the back study rooms at the Pittsboro Library, on the shelf in the library at Carolina Meadows, or email/call me to set up a time for me to come get them from you. Please email or call me if you leave something for me so I know to pick it up. Let's get everything not in use to the office by the end of October!



United Way is beginning its annual campaign, and you can help Chatham Literacy! If you donate to United Way, just make sure to write down Chatham Literacy as the preferred member agency to receive the gifts of your generosity.

OFFICIAL VACATION DATES AND SUBSTITUTES

Does it ever feel like you and your student are plodding along without much of a break? I'm happy to see that many of you take natural breaks when someone goes out of town or has a schedule conflict with work. In addition to these natural breaks, Chatham Literacy is having official points in the year for students and tutors to take a break:

- Friday, December 23, 2016 to Monday, January 2, 2017
- Sunday, July 2, 2017 to Saturday, July 8, 2017

Some of you may choose to continue working through these holidays, but others should take a well-deserved break!

If you are going out of town and need to miss for more than a week or two outside of the dates above, let me know. I can find a sub for your student. Remember, if you do not want to be on the sub list, just email me—I'm happy to take you off.

STUDENT OF THE MONTH

Adela D



Jacquie Katz (tutor, left) and Adela D (student, right)

Adela D has been a student with us previously, moved out of state, and recently came back. Throughout it all, she has earned her citizenship and hopes everyone who is eligible will vote with her in this year's presidential election! She has even earned her GED and continues to further her education here at Chatham Literacy.

In addition to working with Global Student Support in the Chatham County schools and studying, she cares for her 90-year-old mother.

SILER CITY ROTARY'S ANNUAL BAZAAR



Join the Siler City Rotary's Annual Bazaar at the West Chatham Senior Center on Friday, November 4th for a pig-pickin'-style BBQ from 4 to 7 pm that ends in an auction at 7. You have a chance to win \$1000 and support Chatham County community organizations like us! Contact Vicki for tickets at 919-542-6424 or vicki@chathamliteracy.org.

ANNUAL T-SHIRT CAMPAIGN

Never Too Early



Never Too Late

It's not too late to order a t-shirt to support literacy, local author and writer Daniel Wallace's design, and local businesses. This year's theme is "Literacy: Never too early! Never too late!" and when you wear your shirt to participating Chatham County businesses on the first Tuesday of every month, you'll get a discount that day (starting September 8th)! See our website for how to [order](#) or call Vicki at 919-542-6424.