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COUNTY NEWSLETTER

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## HOLIDAY PARTY IN FULL SWING!

LVCC hosted a holiday party with the tutors and students on December 23rd.

Tutors and students played a White Elephant game with small gifts brought in for the activity.

Many students also brought in some of their favorite dishes to share - the sushi was a hit!

Party goers also enjoyed curry, cakes, and cookies. Thank you to everyone who brought those tasty dishes.

This fun social hour activity provided a great way for students, tutors, and staff to relax and interact with each other.

Look for announcement on the next event in your emails!



# LVCC ACHIEVEMENTS!



Students in both the Basic Literacy and the ESL programs have reached their personal and educational goals these past months. Here are some of those that have been reported to us:

In the ESL program: These past few months have been successful for many of the students in the program. Grace passed her green card interview. Murad got a new job. Myo passed his citizenship test (and welcomed a new baby into his family)! Thank you to Douglas, Bobbie, and all the tutors who worked with them.

At the One-Stop and within the BL program, Ronnie enter CDL training after having passed his test with Learning Link - thank to John for all the hard work to help make this goal possible. Also, Collette has a new job and Jyothi passed her HiSET - a special thanks to Lucy, Roberta, and Ilka.

Thank you to all the tutors who help their students reach their goals and congratulations to all the students who have reached their personal milestones!

## NEW CLASSES & WORKSHOPS



### Family Literacy & Conversation



This Spring and Summer LVCC will be offering new and returning programming. The programs will cover a variety of topics and are open to all of the students registered in LVCC. Please see the descriptions below for specific information.

If interested in registering or learning more about the class, please contact someone in the office.

#### Family Literacy

Dates: May 20th & May 27th, 6:30pm -8:30pm

Location: Voorhees Library, Room A

This 2-day workshop will go over skill sets for parents and children using lessons developed by Townsend Press. Parents are invited to bring their children to the workshop.

#### Summer Beginner ESL Class

Starts: June 23rd, 6pm-7:30pm

Location: Voorhees Library, Room B

This summer class will run for 6 weeks and is perfect for students whose tutor or class will be taking a break for the summer.

### Important Dates

#### Tutor Training

The winter session will be held over five consecutive weeks from **Sunday, February 23rd - Sunday, May 22nd.**

The session will be from 2pm-4pm at the Voorhees Library.

For more information please email Susan Mulholland

#### Tutor Meet & Greet



**Tuesday, March 17th**  
**2:00pm, Voorhees Library**  
**Room C**

In formal meeting to tutors exchange ideas. We will also discuss some of the upcoming events and programming.

RSVP to LVCC office



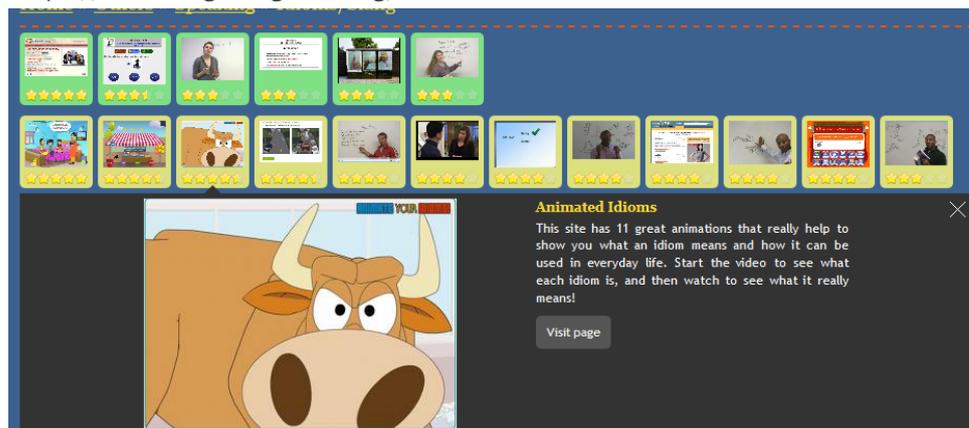
Due to the success of the pilot courses run in the Fall, the **Citizenship** and **Financial Literacy** classes will also be returning. Dates and times are still being determined, so be sure to check in with the office if interested in registering for the class. Both of these classes are open to the public.

## A TUTOR RECOMMENDS...

Exploring online resources, one tutor stumbled across the English Guide. This website has everything from vocabulary to grammar to listening activities. One page that the tutor found helpful was the idioms and slang expressions tab. These terms are ones that are often encountered in life frequently but are not traditionally taught in formal English text.

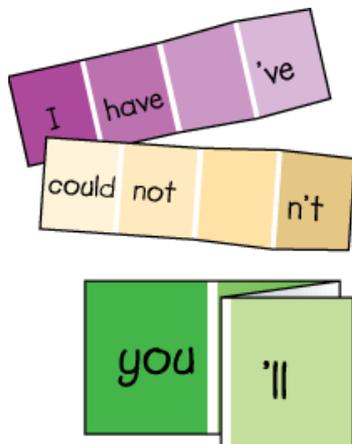
### ENGLISH GUIDE

<https://www.english-guide.org/>



screenshot from English Guide

### PAINT STRIPS



Another fun idea from the Internet are contraction paint strips. This uses paint sample strips to make a fun visual for forming contractions.

Check out these ideas and others. If you find something you want to share, let us know!

## Announcements



### ESL Social Hour Returns!

On the 3rd or 4th Monday of each month there will be an informal social hour for students to get extra practice speaking English. The Social Hour is open to all students. Check your emails to verify the future dates.

The next Social Hour event will be **Monday, March 23rd** from **12pm - 1pm** in **Room A** of the **Voorhees Library**.

Hope to see everyone there!

(Please RSVP to the LVCC )

### ESL Book Clubs



There is still room in the Thursday evening Book Club. It meets at 6pm the Voorhees Library.

If your student is interested in joining or wants to learn more about the book club, please contact Victoria Chisholm



# FROM THE DESK OF...



## *New Year, New Decade...New Flooring*

Everyone at the Literacy office would like to thank all the tutors for their understanding during this past month while the library went under some renovations. This caused some disruption with tutoring sessions and classes, but all of you handled it like pros! The 3rd floor now has new flooring and carpeting, along with a few other changes. The bookcases outside our office are gone and have been replaced with cabinets. The books that were on those shelves are located inside the cabinet (we will put a sign "Tutor Resources" to identify the locations). The citizenship materials were relocated to the cabinet below the bulletin board. Finally, some of you may have noticed that the tables outside our office were gone - they have been replaced so this area can once again be used for tutoring.

Come stop by to see the changes and thank you again!

*~ Victoria Chisholm*

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