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Tutor Communication

March 10, 2016

Don't forget to spring ahead! This year, Daylight Saving Time begins on Sunday, March 13, 2016.

The time change officially takes place at 2 a.m., but you don't have to spring out of bed and move the big hand on your clock ahead an hour. The change is automatic for most smartphones, computers, tablets and other digital devices.

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Trivia Bee Fundraiser

Teams are gearing up to compete in The Literacy Connection's 19th Annual Trivia Bee Fundraiser, which takes place on Saturday, April 9, from 9:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. at Grand Victoria Casino in Elgin. The agency is looking for teams to join the competition. In order to be acknowledged in the event program and pre-event publicity, the deadline for registration is March 25. Teams are comprised of no more than four members. Prizes are awarded to the top three teams. Registration is \$500 per team. Individuals, groups, businesses, or employers can sponsor a team to participate.



Trivia Bee Fundraiser
April 9, 2016

Grand Prize Raffle Tickets will be on sale soon! 1st Prize Apple iPad Air 16 GB WiFi 2nd Prize \$250 cash! 3rd Prize 2 tickets for June 12, 2016 Florence and the Machine at Hollywood Casino Amphitheater Chicago - Tinley Park, IL

For more information and to register visit our [website](#).

Volunteer Help Needed!

Have you used Constant Contact or any other email newsletter program? If the answer is YES, we could use your help in the office for approximately 6 hours every two weeks. Please contact [Bridget](#) if you are interested or if you know someone else (doesn't have to be a tutor) that could possibly help us out.



Tutor Tip

There are two significant events coming up within the next week and a half: Daylight's Savings Time on Sunday, March 13th and St. Patrick's Day on Thursday, March 17th. Attached is a [reading](#) and some activities for you to enjoy with your learner.

[Vocabulary column matching](#)

[St. Patrick's Day Vocabulary](#)

Note: Permission is granted to reproduce the attachments for non-commercial use. Visit www.elcivics.com for more free ESL materials.



25th Annual On the Road to Literacy Conference



The 25th Annual On the Road to Literacy Conference is April 9th!

Be sure to check their [website](#) for updates in the schedule and workshops being offered. Registration will be available shortly.

They've got some great things lined up for you for their 25th year.

McHenry County Human Race

April 24, 2016 8 a.m.
Race address: McHenry County College
8900 RT 14, Crystal Lake IL
Parking on site



McHenry County Human Race is a unique 5K walk/run that allows participants to choose which organization will receive the proceeds of their race fee and any fundraising they choose to do. The race annually takes place at McHenry County College on the fourth Sunday in April at 8AM.

In its first five years, the Human Race has supported over 60 local organizations serving McHenry County and raised over \$360,000!

[For more information click here.](#)

Misc.

Kane County Electronics Recycling Drop-offs Are Closing

The two last remaining Kane County electronics drop-offs at the public works departments in St. Charles and West Dundee will be closing at 3 p.m. Friday, April 8, 2016. Until that date, the drop-off will remain open to receive electronics, including TVs, from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. Monday through Friday.

Read more details regarding electronics recycling in Kane County [here](#).

Easter Activities

Flashlight Egg Hunt with Hayride (Ages 8-12 years) Hunt for eggs under the moonlight at our annual Flashlight Egg Hunt. Bring flashlights and baskets to collect eggs and don't forget your camera for a photo opp with the Bunny. Register your child today as preregistration is required and space is limited per time slot. Don't delay, register today! [More information here](#)

Breakfast with the Bunny! [More information here.](#)

Elgin Hispanic Network (EHN) Scholarship

The purpose of the Elgin Hispanic Network (EHN) Scholarship Program is to assist Hispanic high school students in pursuing an undergraduate college education or trade school curriculum.

Candidates must:

- Be a graduating high school senior, resident of Elgin of Hispanic heritage.
- Be enrolled in an accredited college, university, or trade school
- Commit to attending the EHN Summer Picnic on June 22, 2016
- Commit to volunteering ten (10) hours within the EHN member organization, volunteer hours must be completed by December 31, 2016.

More information can be found [here](#). The application deadline is March 25, 2016.

Youth Leadership Academy

The Youth Leadership Academy (YLA) is a unique program providing a constructive, mentoring environment for students from low-income backgrounds who are statistically less likely to attend college than their non-low-income peers.

Applications are now available and they must be received at YLA Office by Friday, March 11, 2016. Here are the application forms in [English](#) or [Spanish](#). Get more information at their [website](#).

DLA Architecture Scholarship

DLA Architecture is offering a \$1,500 scholarship to graduating seniors at many Illinois high schools including those listed below. See their [website](#) for a complete list of included schools and all the details.

Bartlett High School (School District U-46)
Elgin High School (School District U-46)
Larkin High School (School District U-46)
South Elgin High School (School District U-46)
Streamwood High School (School District U-46)

Free Tax Preparation

Grand Victoria Foundation supports the Center for Economic Progress (CEP) Elgin tax site that allows certain residents to get their taxes done for free. This year's tax site is located at Judson University and started January 23rd.

Additional information is available by clicking [here](#).

Tutor Training

Share Your Love for Tutoring

Tell a friend, family member, neighbor or work colleague about becoming a tutor. We need more good volunteers like you! Training dates coming soon!

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Adults Remain On Our Wait List

Helpful Websites & Links

[Amazon Smile](#)

Eligible purchases at smile.amazon.com earn The Literacy Connection

0.5% of the purchase price.

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www.englishclub.com - Free resources to help you teach English and for your student to learn English.

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