



Literacy Volunteers of Greater Bridgeport

*A program of the Friends of the
Bridgeport Public Library*

SPRING NEWSLETTER

New Tutor Resource - 'News for You' Online

Many tutors and students enjoy using the **News for You** easy-reader newspaper as part of their weekly lessons. We always have multiple copies of the **News for You** (along with the teacher's guide) in the office for you to take but we now have an extra related resource.

As part of our membership in ProLiteracy, we've been given a trial subscription to the **News for You online**. This provides the option for readers to also listen to news stories as they read along with the printed material online. If you or your students would like to try this out, just go to **NewsforYouOnline.com** and enter the password **63178C** to sign in to our account. Let us know how you like this!



NEDP Graduates

We had 2 students complete the National External Diploma Program in March. Congratulations Evelyn and Melissa – we are so proud of you! Evelyn, Melissa and several of our other recent NEDP graduates will participate in the Bridgeport Adult Education graduation ceremony on June 6. Look for photos of the ceremony in our summer newsletter!

New Tutor Training

Our next tutor training class will be held on Tuesday evenings (5-8 pm) in June and July at the Bridgeport Public Library. If you know someone who would be interested, please have them contact us for more details by calling 203-576-7012 or emailing lwolfeiler@bridgeportpubliclibrary.org. We are always in need of more tutors as we have new students registering every single week!

New Grants

LVBPT has recently received several local grants to support the important work we do:

- \$2,000 from Bridgeport Rotary to be used towards the National External Diploma Program
- \$1,300 from Fairfield Rotary to be used for volunteer recruitment, tutor training and teaching materials
- \$10,000 from Fairfield County Community Foundation to be used to expand our National External Diploma Program enrollment in 2017

We're honored that these organizations recognize the quality of our programs and have provided their support so that we may serve more individuals in the greater Bridgeport community!



Welcome New Tutors!

We are excited to have 9 new tutors who completed our tutor training class in March! Welcome to: Sherry, Lisa B, Lisa S, Robin, Lorrin, Whitney, Amy, Larry and Cathy.

We are also thrilled to have 4 new math tutors - Alan, Barry, Claudio and David and a new mentor for our NEDP students - Lisa G.

Save the date for Tutor Link South

Saturday, June 3, 10:00 am - 1:00 pm

On June 3, Literacy Volunteers of Greater Bridgeport, Literacy Volunteers of Norwalk and Literacy Volunteers at Family Centers of Stamford, will join together for a morning of tutor networking and learning at the Bridgeport Library. Tutors will have the opportunity to hear about different activities and resources for teaching English, reading, writing and math, as well as meet tutors from other literacy programs. A separate flyer with details will be emailed shortly. We hope you will join us!

Giving Day Results



Thank you to everyone who contributed to Literacy Volunteers during Fairfield County Giving Day! As a result of your generosity, we received \$817, which will directly benefit our students in the form of books and instructional materials.