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## Upcoming Events in 2009

In addition to the weekly tutor-student meetings, we have book clubs, tutor workshops, student groups, board meetings, literacy events, after hours business meetings, and much more! Here are the events coming soon:



- Jan. 28:** TAG Tutor Group Meeting
- Feb. 5:** Nonprofit Day at State House
- Feb. 17:** Beat the Winter Blues
- Feb. 23:** Board Meeting
- Feb. 23:** LAC Student Group Meeting
- Mar. 3:** Tutor Workshop —  
Writing without Fear
- April 16:** Tutor Workshop —  
Teaching Math to Adults

New Basic Computer Lab Classes are starting in February.  
Call Michele at 324-2486 to register.

## Supporting Agencies

We would not be able to offer our various literacy programs and outreach events without the generous support of the following agencies and foundations:

**Sanford Community Adult Education  
Town of Sanford**  
**United Way of York County**  
**Maine Community Foundation**  
**Stephen and Tabitha King Foundation**  
**Virginia Hodgkins Somers Foundation**  
**Sanford-Springvale Rotary**  
**Maine Humanities Council**  
**Kids and Transportation**  
**UNUM**

*Thank you for your support!*



**Office Wish List:** Conference Table, Water Cooler, Tall Storage Cabinet, Multi-line Phone System

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# Literacy News

*Making a Difference in our Community  
One Reader at a Time*

## 8th Annual BEAT THE WINTER BLUES

### OLYMPIC LEARNING FUN!!

**Date: Tuesday, February 17, 2009**

**Snow Date: Wednesday, Feb. 18**

**Time: 5:00 to 7:00 pm**

**Knights of Columbus Hall  
47 High Street, Sanford, ME**

**Registration Starts at 4:45 PM**



- Indoor Olympic Learning Games
- Free T-shirts and other prizes
- Picture Book readings for kids
- **Free books** sponsored by Kennebunk



- Savings Bank
- Medals and other awards
- Pasta Bar, Kids 11 & under eat FREE

**Any Questions, call 324-2486**

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## 2008: A Year in Review... an eventful year, as always!

Here at the LVGS office, we have seen many significant events and accomplishments. Looking back, here are some of the wonderful changes in 2009:

- We enrolled 17 new students into our program.
- Rotary donated a new computer lab complete with four new workstations in the back room, two new desktops in the front office, and a new server for networking all six computers.
- Charlie Cragin and Jon Safford donated 30 hours of technical support to install our computer lab stations, office desktops and server.
- LaValley Lumber donated new countertops for our new computer lab workstations.
- We hosted a Spaghetti dinner at the Carl J. Lamb Elementary School for over 200 people.
- We received several grants to fund our new literacy outreach project, bringing services to rural families in Lebanon/Berwick, Waterboro, and Acton.
- York County Community College offered to fund a one year scholarship to an LVGS student. Cheryl Ruel was selected as our first literacy scholar.
- New tutor training sessions were held in three locations: LVGS office, Massabesic Adult Ed, and Noble Adult Ed

### Welcome New Tutors from our Noble Adult Ed tutor training program:

Linda Keefe, Yvette Donahue, and Amy Wentworth-Godfrey

### New Tutor Training

**When:** 2 Saturdays, January 31 and February 7, 2009

**Time:** 9 am to 3 pm

**Where:** Sanford Community Adult Ed in Springvale

**Register:** Call the LVGS Office at 324-2486

## Learner Advisory Committee

The Learner Advisory Committee (LAC) held their second Literacy Pins Fund-raiser during the holidays and sold 116 Lucinda Pins. Congratulations to all committee members who worked on this popular fundraiser.

The next event planned for the spring is a walk-a-thon. Students Bernice Chadwick and Dennis Nadeau are in charge of the event.

They need many hands to put their plans into action so please join!

**Next LAC Meeting:** Mon., Feb. 23

**Time:** 6:00 p.m.

**Where:** LVGS Office

**Who is Invited:**

Any student enrolled at LVGS.

## Holiday Gatherings at LVGS

### Holly Daze Open House

During the Sanford Holly Daze community celebration, LVGS hosted an open house. We served hot coffee, hot cocoa, and cookies to all the families who dropped by.

Office volunteers Adria Valez and Linda Gulnac, and office manager, Michele Lawrence, welcomed all guests and gave out books to children.



Sally Ashworth reading to Tattianna Potter at Holly Daze.



### Holiday Party

This year we hosted a Holiday party for tutors and students to drop by, socialize, and enjoy refreshments. Everyone participated in a Yankee Swap Ornament Exchange. Thanks to everyone who dropped in to celebrate the holiday season with the LVGS office.

## Thank-you to our Community Sponsors 2008-2009

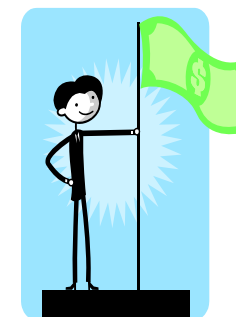
With a combination of generous in-kind donations and direct financial support, LVGS received over \$14,000 from businesses and individuals in the Greater Sanford Community. Here is a list of our business sponsors to date for 2008-2009:

### Literacy Sponsors

Evonick (Cyro) Industries  
Great Beginnings Caterers  
Kennebunk Savings Bank  
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### Literacy Partners

Atlantic Pump and Engineering  
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## New Books New Readers Book Club Begins February 11!

Beginning this year, NBNR will have a new Book Club Facilitator. Carolyn Keddell is from Lebanon and looks forward to meeting with our Sanford group. We will miss our long-time facilitator, friend, and fellow book-lover, Mary Alice Crosby.

The new session begins on Wednesday, February 11 at 6:00 pm, and runs the second Wednesday of each month. Our theme this session is Real Life and there are some thought-provoking books lined up from the Maine Humanities Council.

We are always looking for new members. If you are interested in attending, please call the office and ask for Linda Gulnac. You can also email Linda at [gryphonspen@zwi.net](mailto:gryphonspen@zwi.net)



**Spring Book Club: "Real Life" Theme**  
**Meets the 2nd Wednesday of each Month**  
**6:00–7:30 p.m. at the LVGS Office**