South Sound Reading Founda-

April 2019 E-Bulletin

WELL FED, WELL READ

The Well Fed, Well Read Drive is under way! Each year, the South Sound Reading Foundation joins forces with the Thurston County Food Bank for a book and food drive. Public agencies compete to collect the most donations of new or gently-used children's books and non-perishable food.

This is a critical drive for the SSRF and the Food Bank. Agencies donate books that families would have difficulty accessing and provide food for low-income and homeless youth. A warm thank you to the Thurston County Food Bank, the Combined Fund Drive, all the participating agencies, and our supporters who help make this program a great success!

You can now give to the Well Fed, Well Read Program through monthly payroll contribution through the Combined Fund Drive. Please visit www.cfd.wa.gov and sign up to give.

COMMUNITY EVENT CALENDAR

Look for our book van, mascot, free books, and/or literacy materials at these locations! If you'd like to volunteer at an event, email our volunteer coordinator **Korie Jennings at kjennings@nthurston.k12.wa.us.**

We also have a live, online calendar located at: http://www.southsoundreading.org/event-calendar/. Please get in touch with Korie if you'd like to help at an activity!

*****Events in turquoise could use volunteer assistance*****

Date	Event	Time	Location
Tu 4/2	Tuesday Volunteer Opportunities	10-12	SSRF
Th 4/4	Kids' Fest on JBLM	11-4:30	JBLM
F 4/5	Friday Volunteer Opportunities	10-12	SSRF
F 4/5	First Friday Night at HOCM	5-8	HOCM
M 4/8	Pleasant Glade Clubhouse	3:30-4	Pleasant Glade Elementary
Tu 4/9	Tuesday Volunteer Opportunities	10-12	SSRF
Tu 4/9	Adopt a Daycare Tutor Time	11:30-1	Tutor Time Hawks Prairie
Tu 4/9	Lydia Hawk Clubhouse	3-3:30	Lydia Hawk Elementary
W 4/10	Busy Bees Storytime	10-11	Busy Bees Daycare
W 4/10	Spanish Storytime @ Lydia Hawk	11:30-12:30	Lydia Hawk Elementary
W 4/10	Olympia Boys & Girls Club	3:30-4	Olympia Boys & Girls Club
W 4/10	Evening Volunteer Opportunities	5:30-6:30	SSRF
Th 4/11	Madison Family Literacy Event	3:30-4:30	Madison Elementary
Th 4/11	NTPS Language Night	6-7:30	Chinook Middle School
F 4/12	Breakfast with Books	8-8:45	ORLA
F 4/12	Friday Volunteer Opportunities	10-12	SSRF
Sa 4/13	Saturday Volunteer Opportunities	10-12	SSRF
M 4/15	Lacey Boys and Girls Club	4:30-5	Lacey Boys & Girls Club
Tu 4/16	Tuesday Volunteer Opportunities	10-12	SSRF
Tu 4/16	Family Partnership Storytime	10-11	Family Partnership Center
Tu 4/16	Chinook Middle School Clubhouse	4-4:30	Chinook Middle School
Tu 4/16	Creative Writing Club	4:30-5:30	Lacey Boys & Girls Club
W 4/17	Debbie's Daycare Storytime	11-12	Debbie's Daycare
W 4/17	Adopt a Daycare Lacey Head Start	11:30-1	Lacey Head Start
W 4/17	Friendly Grove Head Start Storytime	1:40-2	Friendly Grove Head Start
W 4/17	Mountain View Literacy Night	5:30-7:30	Mountain View Elementary
Th 4/18	Rochester Head Start	11:30-12:30	Rochester Head Start
Th 4/18	ROOF Community Services	4-4:30	ROOF/Rochester
Th 4/18	Rochester Boys & Girls Club	4:30-5	Rochester Boys & Girls Club
Th 4/18	McKenna Elem. Family Math/Literacy Night	6-7	McKenna Elementary
F 4/19	Adopt a Daycare Lacey Head Start	1-2:30	Family Partnership Center
F 4/19	Friday Volunteer Opportunities	10-12	SSRF
F 4/19	Boston Harbor Ice Cream Social	2:30-3:30	Boston Harbor Elementary
F 4/19	Garfield Harry Potter Night	5:30-8	Garfield Elementary
M 4/22	Meadows Clubhouse	4-4:30	Meadows Elementary
M 4/22	Volunteer Hours: Counting Well Fed Well Read	10-12	SSRF
Tu 4/23	Volunteer Hours: Counting Well Fed Well Read	10-12	SSRF
W 4/24	Volunteer Hours: Counting Well Fed Well Read	10-12	SSRF
W 4/24	Evening Volunteer Opportunities	5:30-6:30	SSRF
Th 4/25	Volunteer Hours: Counting Well Fed Well Read	10-12	SSRF
F 4/26	Volunteer Hours: Counting Well Fed Well Read	10-12	SSRF

READERS ARE LEADERS

Readers are Leaders from 7 to 9 AM on Thursday, April 11, is the annual breakfast benefitting the South Sound Reading Foundation. It will be held at the SPSCC Lacey campus. This year's keynote speaker is Washington State Poet Laureate Claudia Castro Luna and emcee is Jeff Kingsbury.

Reservations are required. RSVP to Emily Ecker at emilyeckerssrf@gmail.com. We hope to see you there!

APRIL IS VOLUNTEER MONTH

In April we want to recognize all volunteers for your contributions to the SSRF! During the week of **April 22-26** we will have extended drop-in hours from **10 AM to 12 noon** Monday through Friday to process the hundreds of books donated during the Well Fed, Well Read drive. If you can help out, come by any day. We also invite you to stop in for a snack and pick up a gift from us to show our gratitude for all you do to support deserving South Sound kids.

Volunteers served a total of **672 hours** in March, saving the South Sound Reading Foundation **$19,481.28.** Thank you!

THANKS, VOLUNTEER DRIVERS!

We appreciate **all** of our Books for the Break volunteer drivers! You are making Spring Break brighter for youth experiencing hunger or homelessness by delivering their new books to participating schools!

We especially thank several **WSECU employees** who delivered books for us. Many hands makes light work!

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