

At the Center...



Learning Center for Adults and Families

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DAR Becomes Learning Center for Adults and Families, Inc.

February 5, 2008 was an important day for the students, volunteers, and staff of Opportunity for Adult Reading, Inc.

That was the day the program officially became known as Learning Center for Adults and Families, Inc.

President of the Board of Directors, Nancy Lewis, said, "This is an important change for the program. The new name really shows more of what we do here. We don't just teach reading, but work on

math, science, social studies and life skills. We also work with all ages. We hope the community will like our new name and understand better the kinds of services we offer."

Along with the name change, there is a new website at www.learningcenter.ws.

Soon students and volunteers will be able to get training and information on the website. There are already some neat things on there because of our new program developer, Rebecca Middleton.



**READ EVERYDAY!!
IT UNLOCKS YOUR
IMAGINATION!**

New Employee and a New Grant

Rebecca Middleton, who has been a volunteer with the Learning Center for over a year, came to work for us 20 hours per week beginning January 1st.

Rebecca is also a graduate student at UTC and is interested in teaching adults and children.

Her assignment for us is to develop learning materials for our students, especially on our new website.

We have been able to get this program because of a very generous grant from the George R. Johnson Family Foundation.

They are the family that owns and manages more than 40 Hardee's Restaurants in our area.

The grant is also helping us get the word out about our name change.

6th Annual Spelling Bee... April 17th

Learning Center for Adults and Families would like to invite you to the 6th annual "Spring into Spelling" adult spelling bee, which will be held on Thursday, April 17th at 6:30pm at the Conn Center on the campus of Lee University. Schering-Plough is the corporate sponsor for the spelling bee.

This year's spelling bee teams include: Lee University, Sylvan Learning Center, First Baptist Church, Uniforms for You, Sunrise Rotary, Noonday Rotary, Plastic Surgery Clinic of Cleveland, Arch Chemical, and Schering-Plough. If you would like to have a team participate in the bee, it is not too late! Teams are made up of three persons; and the cost to enter is \$300.

If you would like to come and cheer on your favorite team or just join in the fun, admission is \$1. Proceeds will be used for GED scholarships and other adult and family literacy projects.

Not only does your \$1 get you into the spelling bee, it also gives you a chance to win some GREAT door prizes, including several \$75 gift baskets of Schering-Plough Healthcare Products and an AMANA Microwave Oven (valued at \$135). Please note that you must be present to win.

For more information about the spelling bee or to be a contestant, please call the Learning Center at 478-1117.

"About It" by Walt

The following story was written by one of LCAF's students. Can you guess what "it" could be? Use your imagination. It could be almost anything.

I saw it. I thought it was nice so I wanted it. I thought it could be used for something so I bought it. I took it home with me and I looked at it some more. And I said to myself, "What did you want with it?" I said to myself I would find something to do with it so I put it on a table till I find out what to do with it and I will keep it because I liked it. But nobody knows what it is."

"My Grandma Miller" by Brenda

My grandma was a short, dark skinned little Cherokee Indian who had a rough life but never complained. When we would visit her, she was always working: cooking, cleaning, taking care of Grandpaw, and everyone else.

My grandma in my eyes could do everything. She was one of the best cooks. She could make good pinto beans and corn-bread. I loved to eat Sunday dinner there.

I remember playing and I ripped my dress in the waist line. Grandma sewed my dress and it looked like it never had been ripped. I remember thinking how could she do that so perfectly. My mom could not do that.

My mom would buy cloth and Grandma would make our school dresses. They were so pretty and stylish.

Grandma could do anything. She could sew, cut hair, and make butter in a churn.

My Grandma had to work hard. She worked for her family. She had to learn the hard way. She was her only teacher.

I am so inspired by my Grandma and her kind and loving nature. I never heard her raise her voice in anger to anyone. No matter what she had to face in life, she kept her faith strong in God until the Good Lord took her home. I love my Grandma Miller and I thank God for picking her to be my Grandma.

Please Take Note of These Closings and Special Dates

Learning Center will be closed:

March 21-30 Spring Break

May 26th Memorial Day

June 27-July 6 Summer Break

BOOK CLUB:

The book club is meeting
Tuesday nights at 6 p.m. to read about
The Trail of Tears. Students and
Tutors are invited to join us for the fun!

Tutor Inservices!

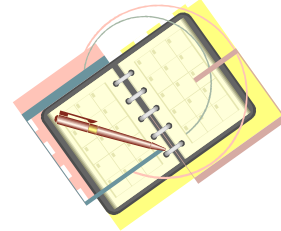
February 28th at Noon

March 20th at Noon

April 24th at Noon

May 6th at 6:00pm

May 29th at Noon



The new logo for Learning Center for Adults and Families, Inc. was designed by Tess Lorraine Ball, a student in graphic design at Lee University. There was a contest and Tess had the winning design. Thanks Tess! Also, thanks to Larry Bingham, volunteer tutor and owner of Bingham advertising for helping us with TV, radio, and billboard ads for our new name and logo.

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