



The Literacy Update

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to the Sponsors of the
3rd Annual Azusa Scrabble Night



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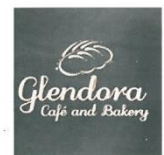
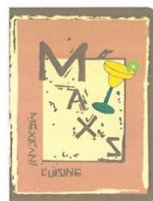


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..and to those who donated delicious food!



Raffle Prizes donated by:

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Thank you to
Jeri Vogel, Scrabble Night Chairperson

Event Hosts:

**The Foothill Learning Alliance
 Azusa Chamber of Commerce**



**English is Just Crazy . . .
 . . . Or Maybe Not**

Have you or your child ever read a word and thought, “Well, English is just crazy! That is a word that just has to be memorized?” If you have, we can help. English is not crazy. There is a way to investigate words along with your child or your adult learner to learn the true underlying structure of English. Never again will you utter those “English is crazy” words!

Structured Word Inquiry, a workshop presented by Dr. Kelli Sandman-Hurley and Tracy Block-Zaretsky will unlock the secrets for you. Dr. Sandman-Hurley is a published author and researcher of dyslexia. Ms. Block-Zaretsky is a trained Special Education Advocate with 18 years of experience tutoring adults and children with learning disabilities. Together they formed the Dyslexia Training Institute in San Diego.

The workshop will be held:

**Saturday, September 26
 9:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.
 at the Glendora Public Library**

Presented jointly by the adult literacy programs at the Azusa, Covina, Glendora and Monrovia Public Libraries, the program is free to all community members.

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**League of California Cities Shines Spotlight on
 Library’s Health Literacy Program**

Listed as a “California City Solution,” the Azusa City Library’s health literacy program was featured in a *League of California Cities* newsletter on May 18, 2015. The “English Lessons for a Healthy Life” classes were created in 2012 to provide adults an opportunity to learn how to improve their health as the context for learning to speak English. The program is offered in partnership with the Azusa Neighborhood Wellness Center and the Azusa Pacific University Department of Global Studies, Sociology and TESOL (Teachers of English to Speakers of Other Languages).

You can read the article at

<http://www.cacities.org/Top/News/News-Articles/2015/May/California-City-Solutions-Azusa-Creates-Program->

**NEW AT THE
 LIBRARY**



Please join us at the Azusa City Library for a free workshop about Mango Languages. Mango is a free online language learning system available to anyone with an Azusa City Library card.

If you’ve ever dreamed of learning a foreign language,
 Mango is the place to go!

- ESL — use Mango to help improve your English skills
- Learn a new language — 70 to choose from, including Pirate!
- Culture — gain cultural insight to help increase comprehension
- Cool features— pronunciation, translation, and voice comparison

Monday, July 27, 8:30 – 10:00 a.m.

Literacy Volunteers Needed. Don’t Wait. Call Now.

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UPCOMING CALENDAR

Aug. 29 ESL Tutor Training Workshop
 9:00 AM – 1:00 PM

Sept. 8th International Literacy Day
 Stay Tuned for Event Announcement