



Greetings and thank you for partnering with us as we work together to strengthen ties between children, youth, families and communities through the joy and benefits of shared-reading time.

We have been busy with our programs, and before getting to those updates, wanted to thank all who came out and supported our Reading Links Communities golf event in the spring. Fun was had by all, and our fabulous committee and below sponsors contributed immensely to its success!



Frank and Nancy Hogan

We'd love to get together again and have made October our "Dine with Reading Legacies" month so we can Eat and Drink for Good! [Eat a Short Stack for a Tall Cause, Saturday, October 20 from 6am-9am at Richard Walker's Pancake House in La Jolla](#) or enjoy [A Pint for a Purpose, Thursday, October 25 from 5pm-8pm at Bivouac Ciderworks in North Park](#). Click on the flyers below to print and bring with you to ensure your purchases support our programs.

Enjoy a short stack for a tall cause!



Saturday, October 20, 2018  
6am - 9am

In partnership with



 Share a Pint for a Purpose!



Bivouac Ciderworks  
Thursday, Oct. 25th  
5pm-8pm  
3986 30th St., San Diego

10% of all revenue will benefit Reading Legacies.  
(Flyer must be present at time of order)



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We can't wait to see you!



### Welcome Reading Legacies' Newest Board Member

Reading Legacies welcomed a new Board Member, Lillian Loeffler, Esq. earlier this summer. Lillian is a family attorney at Loeffler Law and dedicates a substantial amount of time to at-risk youth programs and various local nonprofit organizations in addition to Reading Legacies. Lillian is a passionate and gifted individual that we are



### Youth Readers Program

#### A New Semester's Underway!

Reading Legacies' Youth Readers Program (formerly "Community Connections") is off to a strong start this semester! Nearly 100 Hoover and Escondido High School students have signed up to participate. Students will volunteer one afternoon a week reading with young children at nearby childcare



### Family Connections Program

Our Family Connections Program runs year-round in 12 facilities throughout San Diego County serving families facing separation through incarceration.

The above photo is of staff and board members attending a Family Connections program graduation where 11 men received certificates for

thrilled to have join our mission!

### Take a Look at our October Book List



We update our Recommended Booklists monthly. You can find them [here](#). Whether you've got a child that just started kindergarten or a choosy middle schooler, we've got you covered on quality stories that are great for every season and reason.

### Check us out on Social Media

If you're on Twitter, Facebook, Instagram, or YouTube take a peek at our pages! Learn the benefits of reading aloud, discover newly published children's books, help us celebrate our program successes, and more! To

centers where they'll promote the joy of reading and develop leadership skills in the process. We are excited to welcome back a handful of returning youth readers and look forward to getting our many new volunteers started. All are eager to begin and we know they'll receive a warm welcome from the children they meet. These dedicated teens will dive into their first reading sessions in late September and early October. Community members are always welcome to participate as Community Guest Readers. So, reach out if you have an interest!

completing our 3-month Re-entry program.

Thank you to Board Members Eric Manese and Mike Haynes for your support of these men as they prepare to return home to their children and families soon.

We continue to be humbled by the gratitude expressed by the program participants and inspired by the family connections that are nurtured and strengthened through sharing storybooks and conversation through recorded DVDs.

### A Huge Thank You

None of this would be possible without the strong leadership of Hoover High School teachers Vince Andrews and Lorena Gastelum-Albrecht and Escondido High School teacher Martha Castiglia who gets help from our Board of Trustees member, Col. Marianne Waldrop, USMC (Ret). We want to thank them as well as our volunteer working group, spearheaded by Terrie Teagarden from Ignation Volunteer Corps, for their commitment over the summer to ensure we got off to a strong start and that we are ready to grow into new communities soon.

We are grateful for our volunteers who facilitate the educational workshops and produce the DVD recordings and are always in need of more!

We are looking for men with a heart for helping incarcerated men reconnect with their children at home by volunteering in our program at RJ Donovan State Prison. Visit our [website](#) for more about the program and how to get involved.

If you haven't done so already, check out the recent media coverage of our Family Connections program by clicking the link below:

follow us on social media, just click on the links below.



*"Reading Legacies is creating an environment for families at every generational level where change becomes possible."* Cecil Steppe, Reading Legacies Advisory Council Member and Retired Chief Probation Officer

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