



#### MISSION

To empower children and families through literacy and life skills.

#### VISION

For every child to read on grade level.

VALUES Relationships built by trust, respect, and commitment.

**Partnership** with parents, schools, other non-profits and community members

Access for all children to high quality programs that develop the whole child.

# GUILD MISSION

The mission of the Literacy Now Guild is to support by assisting with program activities and events, helping to raise program funds, and spreading awareness of the organization.

### GUILD MEMBERSHIP RESPONSIBILITIES

Support the mission of Literacy Now by...

- being a brand ambassador,
- volunteering at least 10 hours each year,
- participating in Guild activities (volunteer opps, meetings, socials, luncheon),
- paying annual dues of \$125 (or lifetime \$600) to defray meeting costs.



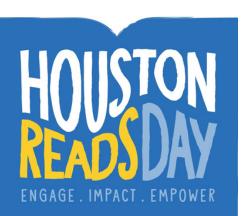
### **EVENT SUPPORT**



LITERACY IS THE KEY

Literacy Now Guild Luncheon 2023

A springtime event orchestrated by the Guild to introduce guests to the work of Literacy Now, recruit Guild members, and raise funds to support all programs.



HRD is a day for Houstonians to come together to read to Pre-K-3rd grade students across the city. HRD will bring attention to Houston's literacy crisis, how we are addressing the problem and raise funds to support our Reading Intervention Program. Guild members can serve as HRD Ambassadors, readers, and/or sponsors.

 Magnums is a one-of-a-kind annual Gala that features an amazing four course meal and some incredible wine all while empowering kids to read. Guild members can serve as event volunteers and/or sponsors.

## NEW Guild-Led Opportunities

#### Program support

Reading Express: Organize drives to collect supplies and create Care Packages to include such items as nonperishable food, diapers, wipes, bus passes, and gift cards to Wal-Mart or HEB. (September and January)

Reading Intervention and Lunch Bunch: Organize drives to collect books and Reading Buddies stuffed animals similar to Beanie Baby size. (Oct/Nov and March/April)

Reading Intervention: Create themed door prize baskets for Parent Engagement Workshops. (October and March)

**Family Literacy Night:** Host a literacy activity table at FLN at Belmont Place Apts. (October)



Guild Leadership Opportunities

**Guild President** 

**Membership Chair** 

Luncheon Chair and Co-Chair

Luncheon Committee Chairs

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Program Support Chair

**Program Support Comm. Chairs** Book and Reading Buddy Drives Reading Express Care Packages Parent Workshop Door Prize Baskets

### Returning Opportunities

Lunch Bunch: Serve as a weekly mentor to a group of four 3rd – 5th graders to share lessons that build selfesteem, positive relationships, and build literacy skills. (October – April)

Group Storytime: Gather up a group of 12 – 16 friends or colleagues to host a group of our Reading Intervention students to read a book, share a snack, and complete a fun book-related activity (Nov – April) at a cost of \$350 – \$500/group.

Administrative Support: Come up to Belmont #197 and assist with assembling backpacks, goodie bags, sorting or stamping books, laminating materials, and more. Shifts are 10:00 – 12:00 and 12:00 – 2:00 ongoing throughout the year.















guild year at a glance

AUGUST	SEPTEMBER	OCTOBER
	25th - Reading Express Begins	2nd - Reading Intervention Begins
	26th -Guild Fall Kick-off	16th - Lunch Bunch Begins 21st - Magnums Gala 26th - Family Literacy Night
NOVEMBER	DECEMBER	JANUAR Y
2nd - Luncheon Planning Kick-off	14th - Last day of programs	8th - Reading Express resumes
28th Guild Social - Book		10th - Reading Intervention
Exchange		resumes 25th - Guild Business Mtg.
FEBRUARY	MARCH	APRIL
	1st - Houston Reads Day	25th - Lunch Bunch Ends
	1st - Houston Reads Day 19th Luncheon Invitation Stuffing	25th - Lunch Bunch Ends
	19th Luncheon	25th - Lunch Bunch Ends
ΜΑΥ	19th Luncheon	25th - Lunch Bunch Ends
MAY 2nd- Reading Intervention Ends 3rd - Guild Luncheon 16th - Reading Express Ends 23rd - Belmont Book Giveaway	19th Luncheon Invitation Stuffing	JULY

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