



## PAR Holiday Party

**When:** Thurs. Dec. 5th  
6:30 – 8:00 pm



**Where:** King Library, Room 225/229

Come help us celebrate the holidays with a potluck party. Please bring a salad, side dish or main dish to feed 6 people. PAR will bring drinks and desserts to the party. Play holiday bingo and enjoy some good entertainment. You will also be eligible to win door prizes. Tutors, learners and their families are welcome to attend. Please call us at **808-2361** to let us know you are coming.

## Welcome Ellen!

Please welcome Ellen Loebel, a new PAR teacher. Recently, she was working at the Hillview Branch Family Learning Center. Ellen has been helping adults read better and teaching English as a Second Language (ESL) at several libraries around the bay area. Feel free to ask Ellen if you have a question.



## Soups, Stews and Strong Backs

**When:** Thurs. Nov. 13th  
6:30 – 8:00 pm

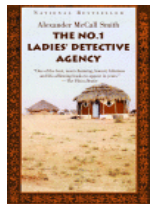


**Where:** King Library, Children's Exploration Room

Learn how to make healthy soups and stews that taste so good on a cold winter day. We will eat the soup and stew, so come hungry. Learn how to keep your back healthy too! Tutors, learners and their families are welcome. Please call PAR at **808-2361** to sign up.

## Learn About the No.1 Ladies Detective Agency in Botswana

**When:** Mon. Nov. 19  
6:30 – 7:30 pm



**Where:** PAR office

We will read about the adventures of the clever Precious Ramotswe. She is a detective who likes to help people in Botswana with problems like a missing husband, a con man, a wayward daughter and a kidnapped boy. Tutors and learners are invited. Snacks will be served.

We will discuss this book at the December book club on 12/10.

## Free Stuff for Tutors and Learners



Starting in November, PAR will have a cart of things that are free for tutors and learners to take. Currently the items include books and video tapes, but other items may be added.

The cart will say "Free Items" and will be in the office near the computers. Stop by and take a look!

## FFL: Good Manners - A Good Way of Thanks



**When:** Wed. Nov. 28  
6:00 – 8:00 pm

**Where:** Children's Exploration Room

Learning good manners can help you show respect to others and improve your relationships. As we approach Thanksgiving, we will see how manners can also be a way of giving thanks. FFL events are open to PAR learners who have at least one child under 5 years old. Call **808-2361** to let us know you are coming.

## Learner Tip

Learn this sentence to help remember short vowel sounds:

**Sad Ed is not up.**



To request accommodation or alternative format for City-sponsored meetings, events or printed materials, please call **408-8082397** or **408-808-2130(TTY)** as soon as possible, but at least 3 business days before the meeting/event.

## Send Us Your 2007 Accomplishments



We encourage you to make a list of all of the things you have been able to do this year with the help of PAR and your tutor. After you do this, pick out the 3 things that you are most proud of. You may be surprised to see how much you have done in 2007.

We have sent a form with this newsletter that you can fill out to send us your top 3 accomplishments. Your tutor can help you do this. Send the filled-out form to PAR before December 1st. We will publish them in a special edition of the PAR Learner and Tutor News. The address for PAR is:

Partners in Reading  
San Jose Public Library  
150 E. San Fernando St.

## Important Dates

### November

- 11/19 Book Club
- 11/5 **Monthly Tutor Reports Due**
- 11/12 **Holiday**—All libraries closed
- 11/22 **Holiday**—All libraries closed
- 11/23 **Holiday**—All libraries closed

### December

- 12/10 Book Club
- 12/5 Holiday Celebration 
- 12/5 **Monthly Tutor Reports Due**
- 12/24 **Holiday**—All Libraries Closed
- 12/25 **Holiday**—All Libraries Closed
- 12/31 **Holiday**—All Libraries Closed