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## SOUTH SUBURBAN COLLEGE TO HOST FREE FAMILY READING NIGHT

SOUTH HOLLAND, IL – South Suburban College's Adult Volunteer Literacy Program is hosting their annual Family Reading Night event on Tuesday, April 4th from 6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m. in the SSC Performing Arts Center Lobby. The public is invited to join SSC for a FREE event to find out about community literacy while enjoying stories and presentations. There will also be free books for children, raffles and refreshments.

The event will feature 30 minutes of free face painting and then a puppet show by yours truly the Puppet Master Eric Stiles. The wonderful Poet/Motivational Speaker will be in attendance and reading one of his newly written children's book. We are also pleased to announce that Mr. Art Burton, former SSC professor, professional author, and historian, will be gracing us with his presence. Last, but not least, there will be an Arts and Crafts table set up to have the children make their own little books. We are so pleased this year to be having this event again, the activities and speakers will be something that you will NOT want to miss!!!

This year at Family Reading Night, SSC will hand out free children's books to all children attending, raffle gift cards, and host interactive games.

Illiteracy is an issue that can be debilitating in so many ways for adults and children who never received the proper instruction. Adults who are unable to read have a much more difficult time with many daily activities that others may take for granted, along with a clear disadvantage in today's competitive job market. SSC's Adult Education Department administers the Adult Volunteer Literacy Tutoring Program in addition to High School Equivalency (HSE/GED), English as a Second Language (ESL), and Adult Basic Education (ABE).

For more information about Family Reading Night or the Adult Volunteer Literacy Program, please contact Raylynn Stokes, coordinator, at (708) 596-2000, ext. 2558, or email rstokes@ssc.edu. South Suburban College is located at 15800 S. State St., South Holland, Illinois. This event is sponsored by the SSC Foundation.