Read to Me PROJECT



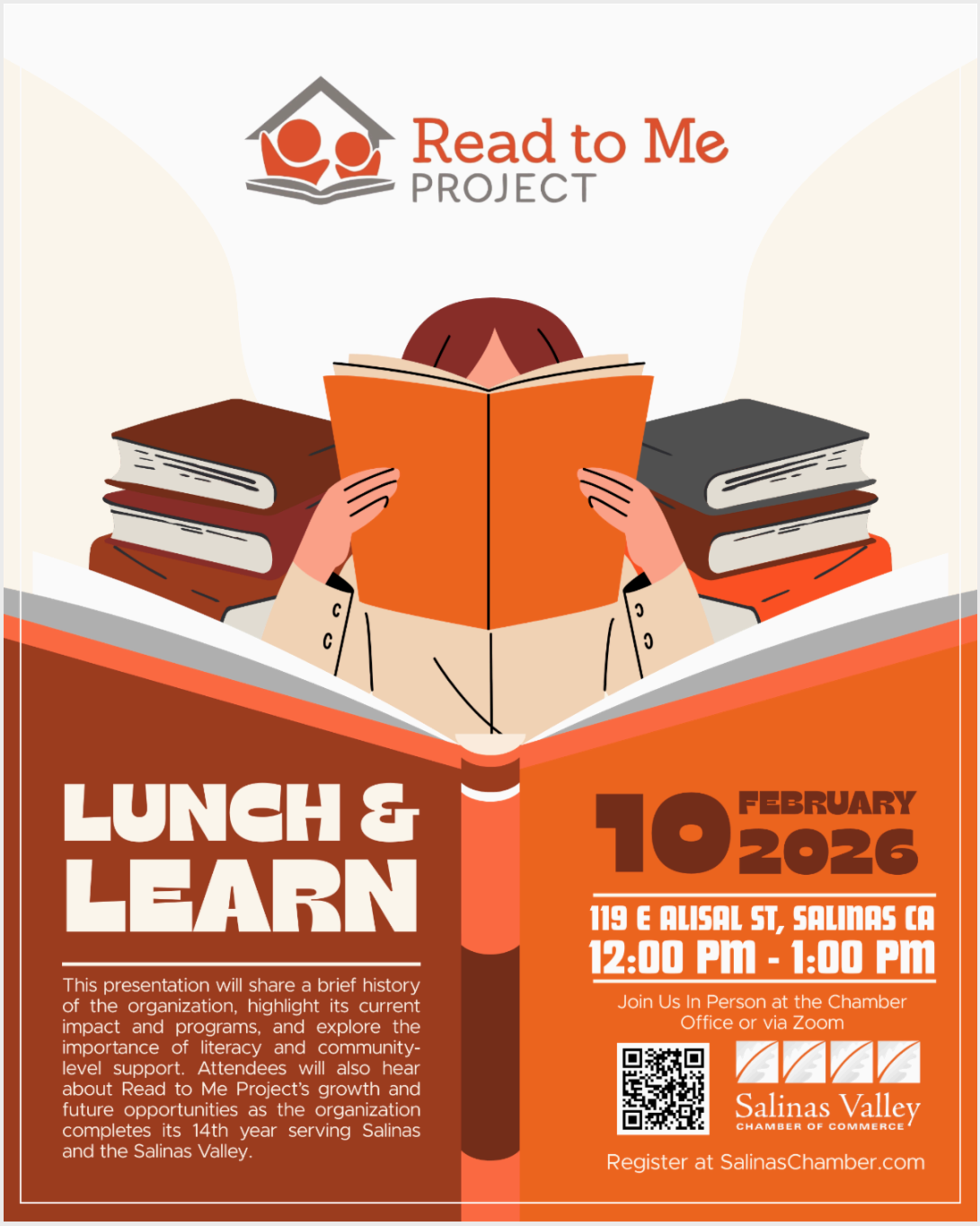
Dear Read to Me Project Friends,

Barbara Greenway and I have been talking, and we think that the Read to Me Project community is ready for more people to get involved. What began as a simple, powerful vision has become a countywide movement to empower children and communities to lead with literacy. At its core, this work is about helping young people find their voice and equipping them to use it with confidence, purpose, and pride. That kind of growth has always been rooted in community.

As we look ahead, we're excited to open new doors for connection and partnership, including our upcoming Lunch & Learn with the **Salinas Valley Chamber of Commerce** on February 10, 2026. This is an invitation to learn, to engage, and to be part of a shared commitment to supporting young people as readers, leaders, and confident voices in their communities. The amazing flyer below was created by Salinas Valley Chamber of Commerce staff, Cesar Chavez -- amazing work!

Kindly,

Jason Little



CAREGIVER EDUCATION SERIES

RtMP has been holding Family Sessions at Sherwood Elementary!

We were proud to see attendance DOUBLE between our first two sessions! Over the past three weeks, over 130 attendees total have spent their Wednesday morning learning about our new 9 Ways to Interact with Literacy!

THIS RESOURCE IS AVAILABLE ON OUR WEBSITE!



These 9 Ways are not only available in English and Spanish, but are clear and concise ways to create positive reading environments for the entire family!

READ FOR ALL: A MONTEREY COUNTY READING CHALLENGE

Winter Break Reading Challenge Results

The Read for All Literacy Challenge invited students and their families to complete 12 reading-based activities using a bilingual bookmark (game token) and QR code tracker.

The first annual Read for All had over 1,300 challenges logged by students, family, and staff

Each participating student will receive a Read for All bracelet as a celebration of their efforts in literacy throughout their time outside of school! We are proud to present the Top 10 schools, whose top 3 winning classes will each be receiving class supplies money!

1. Mary Chapa
2. Arroyo Seco
3. Creekside
4. Sherwood
5. Oak Avenue
6. Frank Ledesma
7. Del Rey
8. Cesar Chavez
9. Rose Ferrero
10. Del Rey Woods

SHARING OUR STORY WITH THE CARMEL VALLEY ROTARY CLUB



We recently had the opportunity to present at a Carmel Valley Rotary meeting! We were excited to share all about our org's impact and our plans for the future!

We were honored to tell our story with our founder, Barbara Greenway in the room! We were grateful to enjoy her knowledge as she expressed her enthusiasm for our future!

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