

U.S. CITIZENSHIP for 12 of our STUDENTS!

April 2017



"America, you great unfinished symphony, you sent for me. You let me make a difference. A place where even orphan immigrants can leave their fingerprints and rise up." –Hamilton, "The World Was Wide Enough."

HERO OF LITERACY

Jane Lemkin pictured above, left, with new U.S. citizen, Norma. A very special mention is given to LS Tutor, **Edna Ward**, whose dedication to her former student, Norma, for 2+ years has smoothed the way for Norma to accomplish her goal of U.S.citizenship.

*Thank you Jane! Thank you Edna!
Two LS Heroes of Literacy!*



Two Ways Tutors Can Help with Student Citizenship Goals

ONE FINE DAY in the life of our
Citizenship Specialist...

JANE LEMKIN

Here is Jane's recap with photos of the Naturalization Ceremony that took place in Rockland County on April 7th, 2017.

1. Tutoring for the English and Civics Content of their USCIS interview.

<https://www.uscis.gov>

During a Naturalization interview candidates will be given an English test that

*"Today two
firsts...*



*First, I
volunteered
to assist at the Naturalization Ceremony
for the swearing in of 158 new citizens of
the United States of America.*

*First, I saw a record number of persons,
12, whom I helped with completing their
application and assisted with the learning
of the civics and history for the
naturalization interview and test.*

*I am so proud of Napoleon, Norma,
Narcisca, Valentina, Jesus, Mr. Patel,
Nube, Hugo, Isabel, Carmen, Sonia,
Karjnys!*

*Also pictured is Julio, sworn in last year
with his son being sworn in today."*

Jane



has three components: reading, writing and speaking. Click link below:

<https://www.uscis.gov/citizenship/learners/study-test/study-materials-english-test>

Additionally, they will need to know the answers to 100 U.S. Civics questions. Click link below:

<https://www.uscis.gov/citizenship/learners/study-test/study-materials-civics-test>

Any tutor interested in working with a student specifically for **learning citizenship content** should contact our Citizenship Specialist, Jane Lemkin @ lemkindnj@msn.com.

2. Guiding students in understanding the USCIS Application for Naturalization.

<https://www.uscis.gov/n-400>

The application for Naturalization can be daunting for an ESL student. And the content in their application makes up an important part of their one-on-one interview with the USCIS agent. Therefore, it is important they understand their applications thoroughly.

Our staff are certified by the Bureau of Immigrant Appeals (BIA) and can train you to assist in this process. If any tutor would like to learn more about guiding a naturalization candidate on **completing their application**, please contact Ms. Anne Carey Colorado, ONA Communications Manager at @ 845 429-5731, ext 13.



Have your students tell their friends!

Our Office of New Americans provides FREE help with a student's citizenship application. They also may qualify for a reduced application fee. If your students mention friends who are ready to begin the Naturalization process, please direct them to Andrea Fermin, ONA Program Manager at 845-826-5022 (call or text).

are aired on Cablevision every Saturday evening at 8:00 p.m. For the remainder of this year there should be ceremonies scheduled in June, August, October and December, but please check with the Rockland County Clerk's office for confirmation of date, time and location.

(Pictured left is Paul Piperato, Rockland County Clerk, with a newly confirmed United States Citizen!)



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