

# Literacy Volunteers to Partner with Onondaga County Historical Association

In 2013, LVGS will collaborate with the Onondaga County Historical Association (OHA) to create a virtual online retrospective of LVGS' 50 years of service to our community. OHA will staff the project, researching the LVGS archives and records, and accessing public records. The resulting virtual exhibit will feature an interview with Ruth J. Colvin, founder of Literacy Volunteers, and video interviews with key LVGS stakeholders, photos, newspaper clippings, and other memorabilia. The exhibit will be available to the public on the LVGS website and will also be used as a backdrop for public speaking opportunities.

Gregg Tripoli, executive director of OHA, said, "There are many compelling stories from our local history that have had national and international impact, but few have had as large an impact and as compelling a story as LVGS. It is an inspirational story of how we can change the lives of so many people in our community and how people from our community can change the lives of so many people all over the world.



A history of 50 years speaks to an organization's relevance, longevity, sustainability, and adaptability. OHA looks forward to telling the story of LVGS, its great contributions to our proud collective community's heritage, and its role in helping us to shape a bright future."

The LVGS Board of Directors has a policy of 100% giving in support of our work and is now conducting a special fundraising campaign in support of this project, led by Board Member Robert Dewey. Mr. Dewey said, "I am especially pleased for the opportunity to collaborate with the Onondaga Historical Association in recognizing significant contributions to our community by these two great organizations. This is a unique opportunity to share LVGS' 50 year legacy of advancing the basic literacy skills of adults in Central New York." If you would like to make a contribution in support of the 50th Anniversary Retrospective, you may contact our office at 471-1300 x172 or email [office@lvgs.org](mailto:office@lvgs.org) to speak to Mr. Dewey.