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**FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE: CAPE FEAR LITERACY COUNCIL PRESENTS ITS 30TH ANNUAL GALA – THE MAD HATTER’S TEA PARTY**



**CFLC announces its Gala on Saturday, March 7, 2015 with a special presentation of the Legacy of Literacy Award**

Cape Fear Literacy Council will host its 30<sup>th</sup> annual **Literacy Gala** on Saturday, March 7th at Audi Cape Fear starting at 6:30 PM. The Literacy Gala is based on a work of celebrated literature and this year’s theme is inspired by a key chapter in Lewis Carroll’s *Alice’s Adventures in Wonderland*, *The Mad Hatter’s Tea Party*. All proceeds from the event will benefit the Cape Fear Literacy Council, a tax-exempt organization that serves adult learners in the Cape Fear Region.

Highlights of our 30th annual gala include a magical adult "high tea", elegant heavy hors d'oeuvres, silent and vocal auctions, Wonderland garden games and entertainment, Caterpillar hookah bar, our ever-popular photo booth, entertainment by special musical guests *Blivet*, and much more!

Also, please join us for a very special presentation of the **Legacy of Literacy Award** to Ms. Teresa Huffmon. Ms. Huffmon is a long-time member of CFLC’s Board of Directors and has provided invaluable service and leadership to the organization. Ms. Huffmon has served on a number of committees at CFLC and led the “Raising

the Roof” capital campaign – a \$200,000+ renovation that expanded Cape Fear Literacy Council’s teaching facilities by 75%. In addition, she is a founding member of the Literacy Trust 100; CFLC’s leadership giving group, and she has devoted countless hours over many years to raise awareness and funding to support the Literacy Council’s mission of eradicating illiteracy in the Cape Fear region.

Cape Fear Literacy Council partners with hundreds of volunteers, tutors, and generous supporters to provide, small group classes and one-on-one tutor services to adults in the Cape Fear region. Nearly 40% of adults in the surrounding areas struggle with basic reading comprehension. CFLC aims to eradicate this statistic by offering educational services that increase the opportunities available to both its students and their families. The proceeds from the Gala help make this vision a reality for its students.

All-inclusive tickets to the Gala are **\$125** each. This is a black tie event, but creative Wonderland-inspired costumes are also encouraged. Reserved seating is available upon request at time of ticket purchase. Seating is limited at this exclusive tea party, and we expect another sell-out crowd. **[Tickets and sponsorship information is available by clicking here](#)** or by visiting [www.cfliteracy.org](http://www.cfliteracy.org). Any additional questions about the Gala can be answered by contacting the Erin Payne at [epayne@cfliteracy.org](mailto:epayne@cfliteracy.org) or 910-251-0911.