

# **Literacy This Week**

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Literacy Dates National Poetry Month - April National Volunteer Week - April 7-13 Earth Day - April 22

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# Blog



#### Five reasons to sign up for the PGI Bowl-a-Thon for Literacy

We're hosting the PGI Bowl-a-Thon for Literacy on Saturday, April 27. I have five good reasons you should sign up or sponsor a bowler. The money we raise buys supplies for our Bison Bus...<u>Read more</u>



## **Announcements and Events**

#### Bowl-a-Thon registration open now

Register your team now for our <u>PGI Bowl-a-Thon for Literacy</u> on April 27. We're raising money to buy supplies for the <u>Bison Bus</u> when it travels this summer to NWT communities. Help us stock up on craft supplies, books and games for our mobile family literacy centre. Register now to get your choice of times and lanes.

#### Preserve Indigenous culture and language recordings

<u>Listen, Hear Our Voices</u> aims to help digitize and preserve First Nations, Inuit and Métis Nation culture and language recordings. Angela Code, of the Yukon, is one of seven archivists in Canada hired to help Indigenous people and communities do this work over the next two years. Call 819-956-4394 or email <u>bac.ecoutezentendrenosvoix-listenhearourvoices.lac@canada.ca</u> for more information.

#### Nominate a volunteer for a national award

The deadline to nominate people or a group for one of <u>Canada's Volunteer</u> <u>Awards</u> is June 21.



# Funding

#### Money available to digitize Indigenous recordings

Listen, Hear Our Voices has funding to digitize Indigenous culture and language audio and video recordings. It can also help build the skills, knowledge, and resources needed to digitize and preserve Indigenous culture and language recordings. There are two years left in this federal government project. The current deadline to apply is July 17. There will be at least one more call for proposals, likely in the fall.

#### Apply now for Field Law Community Fund

The <u>Field Law Community Fund</u> is open for applications until May 6. Field Law prefers causes that support education, healthcare, at-risk youth, homelessness, women's organizations, community and sports, or arts and culture.

#### Women's initiative grants deadline next week

The <u>NWT Women's Advisory Office</u> provides one-time-only funding for special projects that support the cultural, economic, political, and social participation of women in the Northwest Territories. Special projects may include workshops, conferences, publications, life skills development, and support to organizations involved in these activities. Applications are due <u>April 18</u>.



## News, Research, Opinion

# Year of Indigenous Languages lunch marked by youth push for revitalization

The Dene Nation marked the 2019 International Year of Indigenous Languages with a luncheon held at its Yellowknife head office. Much of the event focused on youth efforts to revitalize traditional ways of speaking...<u>Read</u> <u>more</u>

#### GNWT faces challenges with Indigenous birth certificates

NWT Health and Social Services Minister, Glen Abernethy, submitted a guest comment to News North to update the public on why it's taking so long to use Indigenous language characters on territorial birth certificates...<u>Read more</u>

#### Testing literacy today requires more than a pencil and paper

The results of large-scale tests may be used to make important decisions such as grouping students by ability or assessing how well schools are doing. Yet while the competencies of literacy have changed in our digital, globalized world, the methods that many educational systems use to assess literacy have not...<u>Read more</u>

# Why old-school printed books may be better than e-books for teaching kids to read

Researchers find printed books spark more discussions and offer fewer distractions...<u>Read more</u>

#### 7 surprising things that could change the job market by 2030

Everyone expects automation and other tech advances to eliminate some jobs and create others. But in a new report, Canadian futurists say there's a far wider range of trends that could influence the types of skills that are likely to be in demand—or not—in the future...<u>Read more</u>

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**Resources and Websites** 

Literacy 2.0 podcast Insights from the new frontier in the digital age

Canada Revenue Agency 75 videos to help people do taxes and manage money

Code to Learn Free professional development to help engage youth

#### **Indigenous Arts and Stories**

Teacher's guide to art and writing activities

