

Literacy This Week

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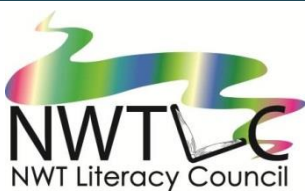
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We're the family, youth and adult literacy and essential skills centre for excellence.

We support literacy and essential skills in all the official languages of the Northwest Territories.

We're also plain language specialists.

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Literacy Dates

Holiday Hours - We are closed December 20 to January 1

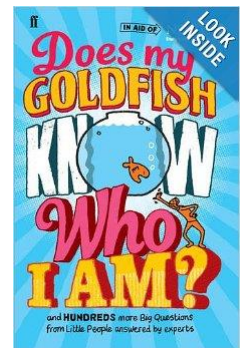
National Family Literacy Day - January 27

Announcements and Events

This is our last *Literacy This Week* until January 9, 2014!

What book do you want for Christmas?

Helen wants the latest Ian Rankin book. Pat is giving her grandchild *Baby Beluga*. Need ideas for the tween in your life or for the fantasy book lover? Check out our [Christmas book list](#) and add your own favourite books!



Registration open for writing workshop

[NorthWords NWT](#) is holding a two-day Master Class on short fiction and creative non-fiction (essays and memoirs) in Yellowknife January 18-19, 2014. Hayden Trenholm will deliver the workshop. Registration is at the Yellowknife Book Cellar. Check the NorthWords website for information on pre-workshop preparation.

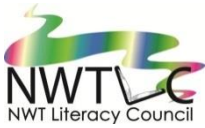
New book documents Tlicho life of yesterday

Adventures of a Priest Among the Tlicho People, edited by Dave Matthews, is a collection of stories in memory of Father Jean Amourous and father Jean Pochat, and to the people of the Tlicho region. We contributed to this publication with money we raised through the PGIs for Literacy.

Action Canada fellowship nominations open

[Action Canada](#) is seeking nominations of emerging Canadian leaders for their 2014/15 fellowship year. Each year, Action Canada selects up to 20 outstanding young Canadians to participate in an 11-month leadership development program that enhances Fellows' leadership skills, broadening their understanding of Canada and its policy choices, and builds an exceptional network of leaders. The deadline for nominations is February 14, 2014.

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Funding

GNWT guide to grants and contributions

The Government of the Northwest Territories updates its [guide to grants and contributions](#) each year.

Awards available to help homeless youth

Eva's Initiatives, the Sprott Foundation and Virgin Unite, the non-profit foundation of the Virgin Group, offer [four awards of \\$25,000](#) each for organizations working with homeless and at-risk youth. The deadline to apply is January 29, 2014.

News and Research

Without a safety net: the series

A series of stories in the Toronto Star draws attention to Canada's eroding social safety net. The series asks, what kind of country do Canadians want and what kind of Canada will we be left with?...[Read more](#)

Study finds child obesity linked to parental stress

Parental stress is linked to weight gain in American children, according to a new study from St. Michael's Hospital... a reliable supply of healthy food, an opportunity to live in a nice neighbourhood and other financial or service resources could help cope with stress...[Read more](#)

Digital divide: Canada's poorest sacrifice basic needs to get connected

Huffington Post, November 29, 2013

The digital economy has created a new underclass made up of groups that already face many obstacles. Immigrants, the poor, the uneducated and the elderly are being left behind...[Read more](#)

Unilingual elder takes to facebook

CBC news, December 18, 2013

A 75-year old unilingual Inuk in Nunavut says social media can be great for elders too...[Read more](#)

Resources and Websites

Christmas Eve

[An older, winning short story from Fort Resolution](#)

Find the service you need

[GNWT Service Directory](#)

Canada Helps

[Find NWT charities. Last minute shopping? Give a gift card](#)

New Male Studies: An international journal

[Online interdisciplinary forum on issues facing boys and men worldwide](#)

Family outdoor activities for the holidays

[Winter Fun](#)

