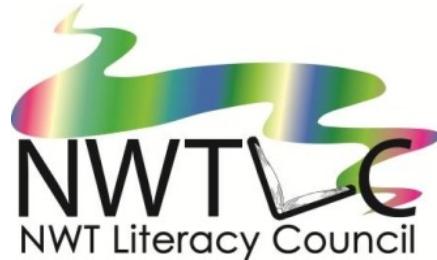


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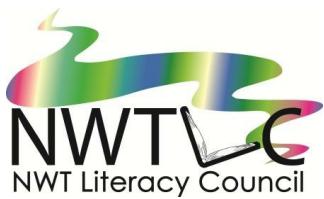
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## Literacy Dates

NWT Indigenous Languages Month - March

Fraud Prevention Month - March

World Backup Day - March 31

National Poetry Month - April

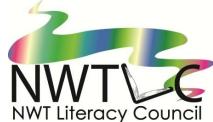
## Our Blog

### CBC embarks on Indigenous Archives Project

*As we wind up NWT Indigenous Languages Month, guest blogger, Janice Stein, writes about an exciting Indigenous languages project.*

It has long been a dream of CBC broadcasters and many people in the North to preserve the rich collection of content we have in Indigenous languages. CBC is now embarking on this project. It is a project 'of the heart'...[Read more](#)

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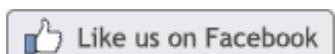


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# Announcements and Events

## **Weekly prizes during Indigenous Languages Month**

We still have one great weekly prize left in our #MyLanguageMatters challenge. You could win by posting a video of yourself speaking an NWT Indigenous language on social media or by sending it by email to [danita@nwtliteracy.ca](mailto:danita@nwtliteracy.ca). Use the hashtag #MyLanguageMatters. Enter by tomorrow, the end of NWT Indigenous Languages Month. This week's prize is a print by Mabel Nigiyok, from Ulukhaktok.



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## Aurora book launch on the weekend

Bill Braden is launching his new book, *Aurora Up!*, at the Northern Frontier Visitor's Centre on April 1, 2017 from 2-4 pm.

## **Days of Pink schedule released**

The Rainbow Coalition of Yellowknife is hosting the [Days of Pink: Outreach Festival](#) April 9-16, 2017 in Yellowknife. The event

promotes safety for lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, Two-Spirit, asexual, pansexual and queer people and a community free of bullying and violence.

## Funding

### **Community Foundation Canada 150 money**

The [Yellowknife Community Foundation](#) is accepting applications for projects that build community, inspire a deeper understanding of Canada, and encourage people to mark Canada's 150th anniversary of Confederation. The deadline for applications is May 30, 2017. Grants are from \$100 to \$15,000. You must match the grant in cash or through in-kind services.

### **Help for victims of crime**

The federal [Victims Fund](#) provides grants and contributions to promote access to justice, improve the capacity of service providers, foster referral networks, and increase awareness of services available to victims of crime and their families. There is no deadline to apply.

## News, Opinion, and Research

### **Budget 2017 - skills and training a priority**

While there is no mention of additional funds for adult literacy, the budget contains a number of items for those interested in adult learning and literacy as well as workplace training, workforce development and skills training...[Read more](#)

### **Federal budget 2017 announces major initiative to increase family uptake of the Canada Learning Bond**

The new federal budget announced \$12.5 million to help more low-income families start saving for their children's education. The funds will be used over the next five years to improve awareness of and access to the Canada Learning Bond, a government grant that provides low-income families with funds to start a Registered Education Savings Plan for their children...[Read more](#)

### **Nunavut's delay of bilingual education a threat to Inuit language, says critic**

Use of the Inuit language has been dwindling among Nunavut's Indigenous population, and advocates say the territory's education system isn't helping as much as it should...[Read more](#)

### **The Memory Code: how oral cultures memorize so much information**

Ancient Celtic bards were famous for the sheer quantity of information they could memorize. This included thousands of songs, stories, chants and poems that could take hours to recite in full. Today we are pretty spoiled...[Read more](#)

### **The non-profit sector as a champion for decent work**

There is no shortage of evidence that Canadian workplaces - and our workforce - are undergoing a major transformation. Precarious work

is on the rise, while pensions and benefits are disappearing...[Read more](#)

## Resources and Websites

**7 tips for donating old books**

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**Save the Camp!**

[A fun way to teach kids about money](#)

