



Literacy in Action

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September 2004 Practitioner/Volunteer Edition

Coordinator Regional Meetings

September 20-21

- Whitecourt, AB

October 14-15

- Grande Prairie, AB

November 26

- Edmonton, AB

December 2

- Red Deer, AB

September 27-29

New Coordinator Training
St. Albert, AB
Candice_Jackson@eLit.ca

October 22-23

ATESL Conference
Edmonton, AB
www.atesl.ca

November 18-20

Provincial Conference on Learning
Disabilities
Red Deer, AB
www.laaa.ca

December 2

Towards Clearer Communications
Forum
Edmonton, AB
www.clearercommunications.ca

Announcements

Canada Post Awards for Alberta

Congratulations to Ellen Kildaw of Grande Prairie, winner of the Community Leadership Award, and Terry Flamond of Calgary, winner of the Individual Award. The awards will be presented on September 8 at Keyano College in Fort McMurray.

The Kid from the Muskeg

From a boy to a man living in the foothills of the Rocky Mountains, this book of short stories reflects life in the early 1900s to the beginning of the 21st century. Cost is \$14.00 plus postage. Contact Earl Atwater at ehcrimson@telus.net to place an order.

Thank You!

Petro-Canada's Ferrier Gas Plant in Rocky Mountain House has purchased 75 copies of Earl Atwater's book *The Kid from the Muskeg* to present to school children at the Rocky Elementary School on September 8, International Literacy Day.

Resources

Tutor Tools Handbook

The popular Tutor Tools handbook has been updated! The handbook is available for \$8.00 for members and \$10.00 for non-members plus shipping and handling. Contact Laura at Laura_Godfrey@eLit.ca to order.

Display Materials

Did you know that when you book the display, we can also put together a Display Resource Pack for you? Items include fact sheets, brochures, bookmarks, events news and details about our projects and activities. Contact Laura for more information about this service.

Travelling Trunks

The Travelling Trunks are a service of the Resource Centre. The Trunks have been on the road a lot, and can come to your community too! Trunks can be borrowed for up to one month and include topics like ESL, Learning Disabilities, Family Literacy and Tutor Training. Contact Laura to book a Trunk.





New Address?

New Information?

Just want to talk to us?

You can contact us by ...



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403-410-6990
Call between the hours of
8:00 am & 4:00 pm



In Person

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Email

Send emails to:
office@eLit.ca

Check out our website at
www.literacy-alberta.ca

Send submissions to:
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New Resources in the L.A. Resource Centre

Books by Peggy Kaye:

- Games for Writing: a book of games for children from kindergarten to third grade
- Games for Reading: playful ways to help your child read
- Games for Learning: ten minutes a day to help your child do well in school—from kindergarten to third grade

Surfing Sites...

- www.cllrnet.ca - Canadian Language and Literacy Research Network, bringing research partners together in policy and practice.
- <http://www.statcan.ca/english/dai-quo/subs.htm>
Regular updates from Stats Canada with free online subscription.
- <http://www.readwritethink.org/> - Resources in reading and language arts instruction.

Did You Know About...?

Edmonton Regional Mini-Conference October 16

The Edmonton STAR team is hosting a mini-conference at Norquest College, 10215 108 St., from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Cost is \$5 for members, \$10 for students and tutors in literacy programs and \$20 for others. Registration deadline is October 10. For information call Shirley Sandul at 780-424-5514 or Andrea Pheasey at 780-429-0675.

Lethbridge Regional Mini-Conference October 20

The Lethbridge STAR team is hosting a mini-conference for students and tutors. "Changes and Challenges: Supporting Our Community of Learners" will be at Lethbridge Community College, 3000 College Drive South. Cost is \$5. To register, contact Monika Ekvall at 403-382-6979.

Bursaries for Provincial Literacy Conference Available

Check out the enclosed Student and Tutor Bursary brochure or download it from our Events page at <http://www.literacy-alberta.ca/events.htm>. Application deadline is October 12.

Register for the Provincial Literacy Conference Online!

Go to www.literacy-alberta.ca and click on the "Register Online" link.

Literacy Pin Available

This popular \$3.00 literacy pin makes a great gift for your tutors. If you have tutors who stay beyond one year, add-on bars are available for \$2.50 each. The bar attaches to the main pin and indicates the number of years the tutor has volunteered. The pin comes with a tie-tack back. Contact Marilyn Hunt at jhhunt@telusplanet.net to place an order.

Notice of Literacy Alberta AGM

The Literacy Alberta Annual General Meeting will take place on Friday, November 5, 2004 from 1:00 p.m. to 2:00 p.m. at the Coast Plaza Hotel and Conference Centre in Calgary.