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Literacy Action Day

LITERACY ACTION DAY took place on February 19, 1998. It was very successful. Events during the day included:

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- kick-off breakfast hosted by Senator Joyce Fairbairn
- 55 meetings with politicians throughout the day
- press conference to launch the Network
- meeting with Mr. Scott Serson, the Deputy Minister of Indian and Northern Affairs
- meeting with the Honourable Pierre Pettigrew, Minister of Human Resources Development Canada
- reception with speeches by the Honourable Pierre Pettigrew, the Honourable Senator Joyce Fairbairn and representatives from the other four political parties.

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A press conference was held on Parliament Hill on Literacy Action Day to launch the Network.

Pictured in the photograph (left to right): Jennifer Robinson (Corel Corporation), Deborah Gordon-El-Bihbety (CPHA), Dorothy Silver (MCL), the Honourable Senator Joyce Fairbairn, Dan Haley (MCL) and Craig McNaughton (MCL).

*Our representatives are in touch
with learners across the country.
We are your friends in Ottawa.*

Literacy Action Day *(continued)*

We'd like to hear from you! If you have any questions, comments, story ideas or creative writing that you would like to submit, please get in touch. Our mailing address is:

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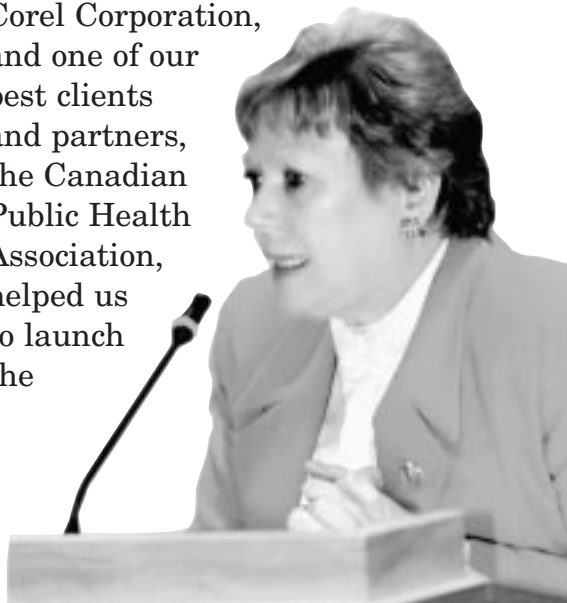
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Literacy Action Day this year was a special event for learners. Learners and other representatives from the six national literacy organizations lobbied on Parliament Hill. The literacy organizations involved included the Movement for Canadian Literacy (MCL), Frontier College, ABC CANADA, the Fédération canadienne pour l'alphabétisation en français, Laubach Literacy of Canada and the National Adult Literacy Database (NALD). In total, about 60 members of Canada's literacy community took part in Literacy Action Day 98.

The Honourable Senator Joyce Fairbairn hosted a kick-off breakfast that left everyone in the room feeling like we could make a difference on the Hill. Senator Fairbairn, along with our corporate sponsor, Corel Corporation, and one of our best clients and partners, the Canadian Public Health Association, helped us to launch the



Senator Joyce Fairbairn is a strong supporter of Literacy Action Day. She spoke several times during LAD 98 — at the kick-off breakfast, at the media launch of the Learners Advisory Network, in the Senate, and at the LAD reception. The Senator's high-profile support during the Day, as well as her advice and steady encouragement before the event are some of the key reasons LAD is such a successful event.

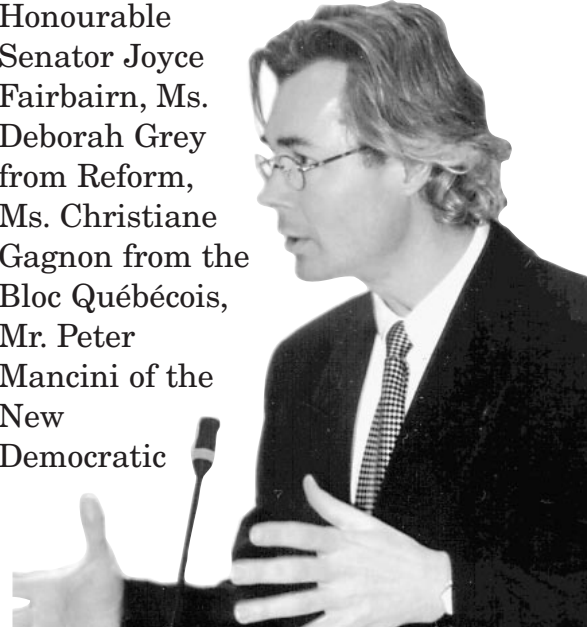
Learners Advisory Network. Corel Corporation donated eleven copies of Corel WordPerfect Suite 8 to the Network during the event.

We then had meetings with Members of Parliament (MPs). Learners played a big role in lobbying the politicians to discuss current literacy issues. Most of the politicians listened to our concerns. They gave us their commitment to solve some of Canada's literacy problems.

The Aboriginal members of the Network had a successful meeting with Mr. Scott Serson, Deputy Minister of Indian and Northern Affairs Canada (INAC). It was at this meeting that Mr. Serson learned about our project to test whether access to the Internet helps learners gain literacy skills faster. He liked this idea. He said he realizes that many Aboriginal people have difficulty reading and writing and he is concerned. He thinks we are doing a great job of getting the message out.

Lynda Magerl, Chair of the Network, and Dan Haley, our Vice-Chair, attended a meeting with the Honourable Pierre Pettigrew, Minister of Human Resources Development Canada. During this meeting the Minister gave his commitment to literacy. He gave excellent examples of how literacy has touched his life and the people in his riding. All of the lobbyists who met with the Minister felt that the meeting was a big success.

The day ended with a wonderful reception that about 125 guests attended. Speakers at the reception included the Honourable Pierre Pettigrew, the Honourable Senator Joyce Fairbairn, Ms. Deborah Grey from Reform, Ms. Christiane Gagnon from the Bloc Québécois, Mr. Peter Mancini of the New Democratic



The Honourable Pierre Pettigrew, Minister of Human Resources Development, speaking at the reception for LAD 98. The Minister spoke with passion about his commitment to literacy and adult learners.

Party, and Mr. Greg Thompson from the Progressive Conservative party. The five political parties promised to support the cause of literacy.

But the best speeches of all were given by two learners. Toni Tremblay spoke for the French-speaking learners and Dan Haley spoke for the English-speaking learners. Toni spoke about the hard times he had putting food on his family's table. He explained that he couldn't find good jobs because he had a literacy problem. Dan gave a powerful speech about how literacy changed his life. At the end of Dan's speech, many people in the audience had tears in their eyes. Both men received standing ovations. Their speeches gave everyone in the room reasons to work harder for literacy!

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Dan Haley is MCL's Ontario Learner Representative. He spoke passionately about his battle with literacy during the reception on Literacy Action Day. Dan's speech brought the audience to a stand-still.

2nd EDITION!

Introduction and Welcome to the 2ND EDITION

On behalf of the Learners Advisory Network (or “the Network”) of the Movement for Canadian Literacy, I would like to welcome everyone to the second edition of *Learners in ACTION*. The first edition of *Learners in ACTION* was a great success! A warm thank you to our creative team, the learners and others who sent us stories or who sent us notes and e-mails about how much they enjoyed it. You are a great audience!

We hope that our newsletter helps to bring adult literacy learners across Canada together. It’s hard to bring people together in such a big

country, but we hope that the Report from the Regions helps. Are we publishing the right kind of information? Do you like the stories we report on? Please let us know what sort of news you would like us to research and write about. If you know of any literacy events that

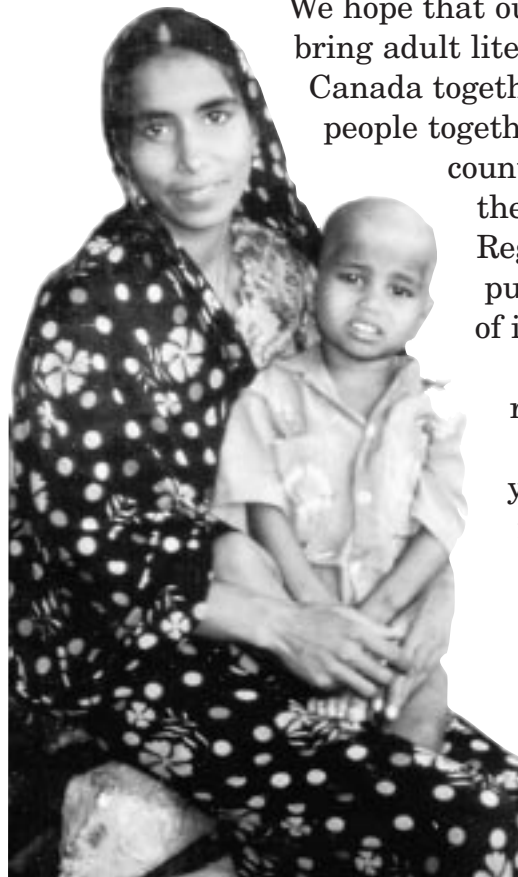
are happening in your area, please let us know. We would be happy to print an announcement for you!

Learners in ACTION is mostly for learners, by learners. We would like everyone to get involved with our newsletter. Please call, write, fax or e-mail us with suggestions, feedback, story ideas and creative writing. If any of you like to create cartoons, please send them along to us. Our Editorial Committee of learners reviews all of the great work you send in. In this edition of *Learners in ACTION* you can enjoy the poem they have selected.

As usual, the Network has been really busy! In this newsletter you will find articles on International Literacy Day, Literacy Action Day, and a very helpful meeting with the Canadian Federation of Students, plus our Report from the Regions. We hope that you enjoy reading them!

Sincerely,

*Lynda Magerl, Chair
MCL Learners Committee*



Kausar Khatan has been participating in literacy classes run by World Literacy Canada (WLC) in India for the past two years. Kausar is a 30-year-old mother of four. She owns a small bangle vending shop that she started with a \$80 loan from WLC in 1997. She has already paid back half of her loan from her earnings of \$1-2 a day. In addition to learning to read and write and run her own business, Kausar also volunteers as the secretary of her local village women’s group. This group was started with the encouragement from WLC.

International Literacy Day

In 1965, the United Nations declared September 8 International Literacy Day. This is a day for people to think about literacy problems around the world. It is a day to think about work that can be done to help people who cannot read.

International Literacy Day is also a day to celebrate the achievements in literacy. There are lots of different ways to celebrate. You can celebrate by talking to your local politicians about literacy problems. You can also write letters

to the editors of newspapers. Talk about literacy to your friends, family and neighbours. You could find out if your local literacy community is going to put information about International Literacy Day on the radio or television. Maybe you'd like to help.

There are many different ways to think about and celebrate International Literacy Day. If you would like to get involved, please call your local literacy group. They'd love to hear from you!

News from the Network office...

The Network is almost one year old! We are active organizing research projects and services to improve the lives of Canadian learners. Listed below are some of the high points of our work:

Projects

Provincial Networks

- ▶ When the Network members met in February we talked a lot about how to help our members set up provincial learner networks. We are doing research on what is needed to support our members while they set up provincial networks. We want to serve Canadian learners better.
- ▶ We met with Georgie Day, the former Minister responsible for literacy in New Brunswick. We presented the Minister with a proposal for a Learners Speakers Bureau. The Bureau would help Dorothy Silver, the learner representative from New Brunswick, build a foundation for a learners network in her province. Right now the province has lots of programs for learners but many learners are not entering the programs. The Bureau would help to get the literacy message out to people in New Brunswick. This way, more learners would get involved in the literacy programs.

Aboriginal Writing Network

- ▶ Our Aboriginal Sub-Committee has put together an exciting research project. It's

called the Aboriginal Writing Network Project. The research will tell Canadians if access to the Internet can help learners gain literacy skills faster. The project will involve Aboriginal people since 65% to 75% of Native, Métis and Inuit people have problems reading and writing.

Senior Learners Health Partners

- ▶ Many senior Canadians have difficulty reading and writing. We want to set up a group called the Senior Learners Health Partners. The Partners will help to give advice on how to express health information in a way that most Canadians can understand. The Partners will also put together a workshop for seniors. The workshop will give tips on how to talk with doctors, nurses and family members. Seniors need this medical information to stay healthy.

Focus Tests

We have participated in three focus tests in the last few months.

AlphaCom

- ▶ Two Network members met with Mike Kelly from AlphaCom to give feedback on AlphaCom's website. They provided important information about the design and content of the website to make it more learner-friendly.

CPHA

▶ Four members of the Network participated in another focus test with the Canadian Public Health Association (CPHA). We gave valuable feedback on six safety sheets. Some of the safety sheets are listed below:

1. cribs
2. children's sleep wear
3. bunk beds

CPHA told us that we provided valuable information to them!

Elections Canada

▶ In March 1998, Dan Haley and Dawn Morton from the Ontario Literacy Coalition and Deb Chapman, the Coordinator of the Network, met with the Public Policy Forum for Elections Canada. They participated in a roundtable discussion called "Technology and the Voting Process." They talked about how new voting technologies might affect adult literacy learners in Canada. We gave them some insight on the problems some learners have with computerized systems. The meeting was a great success!

Other Activities:

Consumers' Association of Canada

Dorothy Silver, the Learner Spokesperson for MCL and the Learner Representative from New Brunswick, participated in making a video produced by the Consumers' Association of Canada (CAC) and the Federated Women's Institutes of Canada. Dorothy travelled to a farm house outside of Ottawa in May where the video was shot. Starring in the video with



Dorothy Silver, the New Brunswick Learner Representative and MCL's Learner Spokesperson, participating in making a video produced by the Consumers' Association of Canada (CAC) and the Federated Women's Institutes of Canada.

Dorothy is Peter Gzowski, the former host of CBC's Morningside national radio program!

The video is part of a package that is going to be given out at over 1,500 workshops across Canada. The workshops will involve 25,000 rural women who are interested in helping and learning more about rural literacy problems. The package will be made available to rural women interested in hosting workshops.

Food Tips

The Network has been working very closely with the Consumers' Association of Canada for over a year on some Food Tips sheets. The Food Tips sheets are written in clear English. The sheets contain important information. Each of the eight sheets contain facts on how to shop smart and eat well. The Food Tips sheets are finished and have been mailed out to the people who helped to work on them. Over 70 literacy classes (600 students!) helped by giving their advice on the on how to make the tip sheets better. We would like to thank everyone for all of their help! You can get copies of the Food Tips sheets for the cost of mailing from MCL. The Food Tips sheets are also available on the Internet. If you would like to look at the sheets, go to:

www.nald.ca/cac.htm

Voice Software

The Network has produced its first research report, called *Voice Software: A Comparison of Current Products*. It looks at computer software that is very helpful for learners. As Dan Haley says in the introduction:

“The best piece of equipment that I have is my voice software. I talk to my computer. It types up what I say and reads it back to me. It makes my work easier.”

Copies of the publication were distributed at the Literacy and Technology 1998 Summer Institute Conference at the Centre for Literacy. It was hosted by Dawson College’s Centre for Literacy in Montreal.

If you would like a copy of the report, please contact MCL You can also download it from our website. Our Internet address is:

www.literacy.ca

The illustration above shows part of the table found in the report. It compares the different voice software programs available on the market today.

MCL’s Website

MCL has a new website. The Network has its own section on the website which contains lots of important information, including this newsletter! Check it out! The Internet address is:

www.literacy.ca

Text to Speech Software, Computer Screen Readers and Speech to Text Software

- Text to Speech means that the computer reads documents to the user;
- Screen Readers say the commands out loud as they are typed into the keyboard;
- Speech to Text or Voice Recognition means that you can tell the computer what to write. The computer will type what you say.

Company	Product Name	Computer needed	Canadian Price *	Text to Speech	Screen Reader	Speech to Text	Demo - Internet Address
Adaptive	Open Book	PC	\$1500	✓	✗	✗	Demo not available.
DragonDictate	Naturally Speaking Personal Edition	PC	\$290	✗	✗	✓	www.v2tech.com/ctmss/ctmss.html
	Naturally Speaking Preferred Edition	PC	\$180	✓	✗	✓	www.v2tech.com/ctmss/ctmss.html
	Naturally Speaking Deluxe Edition	PC	\$1300	✓	✗	✓	www.v2tech.com/ctmss/ctmss.html
	DragonDictate Classic Edition	PC	\$240	✗	✗	✗	
	DragonDictate Power Edition	PC	\$680	✗	✗	✗	

From the Network’s new publication: *Voice Software*

Canadian Library Association

The Network is developing links with the Canadian Library Association’s Action for Literacy Interest Group. The Group wants our input on how to make libraries more accessible for adult literacy learners. Here are some of the Group’s tasks:

- to address the issue of literacy in Canada
- to work on ways to provide information about on-going literacy programs
- to increase the awareness of literacy issues among library boards, librarians and library staff, trustees and institutions of library education
- to promote the development and evaluation of literacy materials
- to work with provincial and federal governments to build public understanding of the literacy issue in Canada.

Calling all Cartoonists!



If you or someone you know likes to draw cartoons, we’d love to hear from you! Please send your cartoons to our office by mail. Our address is:

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Report from the Regions



Northwest Territories

Pat Hardisty is the learner representative from the Northwest Territories. Pat attended the “Parents and Learning: Family Literacy Forum” in May. The forum was hosted by the Northwest Territories Literacy Council and was held in Yellowknife.

The conference was very successful. Pat said that there was a “full-house”! People from lots of different professions went to the conference. There were teachers, early childhood educators, literacy workers and practitioners, health workers and adult literacy learners.

Pat attended many interesting and informative workshops during the three-day conference. One workshop that was really interesting for Pat was given by a “Women and Wellness Worker.” The woman spoke about the community health program she coordinates. She talked about the role of literacy in people’s health. Pat now sees an important link between literacy and people’s health.



Yukon

Joy Coldwell is the learner representative from the Yukon. On May 1 and May 2, Yukon Learn hosted the first-ever Learners Conference in Whitehorse. 70 people attended the conference! The conference included good food, new friendships, prizes, skits and lots of interesting workshops.

On the weekend of July 4 the Peter Gzowski Golf Tournament was held in Whitehorse. About 120 people came to play and help out. About \$24,000 was raised during the tournament. In addition, Yukon’s Department of Education donated \$3,000. This is a lot of money for the Yukon to raise because it has a small population. The tournament was a lot of fun. Activities included a silent auction, barbeques, prizes and lots of music. Shelagh Rogers, a host on CBC, participated in the tournament too!



Alberta

Gordon Christiansen is the new learner representative from Alberta. Welcome Gordon! Gordon is the new student representative on the board of the Alberta Association for Adult Literacy (AAAL). He is also a volunteer with the Rainbow Literacy Society in Vulcan, Alberta. Gordon has participated in lots of fund-raising events with the Rainbow Literacy Society and he will be helping with some AAAL events too.

We will have more information about AAAL activities and other literacy events in Alberta in the next edition of our newsletter.

Helen Herbert was the learner representative from Alberta before Gordon. She is currently a member of the Network’s Aboriginal Sub-Committee. In the first edition of our newsletter, Helen wrote that she was helping to organize a student conference at the Learning Centre in Edmonton. We spoke to Helen recently and she said that the conference was very successful. Congratulations Helen!



Saskatchewan

Lynda Magerl, the learner representative from Saskatchewan, recently participated in a conference in Saskatoon. The name of the conference was “Family Literacy: The Key to a Healthy Future.” The conference was very successful.

One of the workshops that gave great information was given by Dr. Fraser Mustard from the Canadian Institute of Advanced Research. Dr. Mustard said that healthy food can help improve a child’s learning process and future literacy skills.

Dr. Mustard also explained that it is important to spend quality time with young children so that they can learn more in the future. For example, he said that it is a good idea to read, play, talk and teach your kids to count at a very young age. He said that if you stimulate your children while they are babies, their learning patterns will be set for life. He believes that you have to learn to learn. It’s never too early to teach your kids how to learn!

Another interesting workshop was hosted by Brian Noonan. He talked about a study that shows that children who express themselves well succeed in school.

The workshop hosted by Lynda on Learners Networks was also a great success. She used the example of the Learners Advisory Network of the Movement for Canadian Literacy and our work. She talked about how provinces across Canada are starting to organize provincial Learners Networks. People at the workshop were very excited about the idea of learners working together for learners. They would like to set up a LEARNERS NETWORK in Saskatchewan. Any learners interested in working with Lynda to set up a Learners Network in Saskatchewan can call Lynda at (306) 778-2560. Congratulations Lynda!



Manitoba

Hilma Fiedler is the learner representative from Manitoba. Hilma attended the Northern Learners Conference in The Pas, Manitoba in April.

Copies of *Learners in ACTION* were distributed to some of the learners at the conference. Hilma thinks that the conference was successful but she would like to see more learners attend these sorts of conferences. Overall, the workshops were very useful and the information has helped her with her job.

Hilma has been asked to make a presentation at the Margaret Laurence Awards Ceremony on September 12. The ceremony will take place in Thompson and will be hosted by the Thompson Reading Aides Corporation (TRAC).

Hilma is very happy to announce that Literacy Partners of Manitoba has applied for funding for a Learner Leadership Circles project. This exciting project will set up a provincial learners network and speakers bureau in Manitoba. We hope to write more about this wonderful project in the next edition of *Learners in ACTION*.



Ontario

Dan Haley is the learner representative from Ontario. As always, Dan has been very busy!

In June, Dan attended a literacy and technology conference in Montreal. The conference was hosted by Dawson College’s Centre for Literacy. The conference was a huge success! Dan opened the conference with a presentation about how computer technology has helped him get ahead. People were impressed with Dan’s presentation. A professor from a university in Georgia, USA invited him to open their technology and literacy conference next winter! Congratulations Dan! Dan enjoyed the conference because people

spoke about how technology helps people learn, especially people with learning disabilities.

The good news for Dan is that he now has a job in the literacy field. He will be coordinating a learners project in Peterborough. Dan will be responsible for running a drop-in centre for learners. The centre will provide support for learners. The support will help them stay enrolled in their literacy programs. We would like to wish Dan the best of luck with his new project!



Prince Edward Island

Lillian Mead is the learner representative from Prince Edward Island (PEI). Lillian is very busy! She is the Coordinator of the PEI Adult Learners Association. The Association is a non-profit organization that gives a stronger voice for adult learners across PEI on issues that affect them in their educational and learning goals. It is run by learners, for learners. The organization shares information and guides and supports adult learners and helps them find the services that they need.

Right now, Lillian is networking with adult learners, government departments, educators and literacy communities. Lillian is trying to get more adult literacy learners involved with the program. She is also trying to get funding to keep the program running.

If you're an adult literacy learner living in PEI, Lillian would like to hear from you! Please call the office at (902) 368-4352.



New Brunswick

Dorothy Silver, the learner representative from New Brunswick, is busy arranging literacy events in her province. Dorothy, along with one other person, is organizing the Learners Power Forum. The conference will take place between September 30 and October 1 in Fredericton. 30

students from across New Brunswick are expected to attend the conference. People at the conference will talk about setting up a provincial Learners Network. There will also be workshops and a ceremony at which the Flight for Freedom Award will be presented.

Dorothy hopes to organize a follow-up meeting after the conference to discuss the ideas raised during the conference. Information about the conference will be in the next edition of *Learners in ACTION*.



Nova Scotia

Gordon DeWolfe is the new learner representative from Nova Scotia. Gordon is also a board member of the Nova Scotia Provincial Literacy Coalition (NSPLC). The NSPLC is undergoing reconstruction. They now have a full board and they are working to set up a Learners Network in Nova Scotia.

The Peter Gzowski Golf Tournament was held in Baddeck on June 14–15. Over \$40,000 was raised for the NSPLC. The government announced that it will match the \$40,000. The Royal Bank has offered to donate 10% of the total amount raised. The tournament was very successful! This money will help literacy programs across Nova Scotia. Thanks to all those golfers!

September will be a busy month in Nova Scotia. That is when the NSPLC is hosting the Atlantic Region Literacy Coalitions Forum in Tatamagouche. The goal of the conference is to break down the literacy barriers. The conference will work on issues that all of the Atlantic coalitions share. Adult learners and board members will be participating at the conference.

The NSPLC is working on a ground-breaking project in the area of literacy and technology. This project will help learners living in remote areas of the province. The project will start soon and will be free. If anyone is interested in

learning more about the program please call the NSPLC at (902) 897-2444.

Newfoundland and Labrador

Cecil Godwin is the new (and first!) learner representative from Newfoundland and Labrador. Welcome aboard!

Cecil is the coordinator of the Provincial Learners Association. Cecil has been the learner representative for the Literacy Development Council of Newfoundland and Labrador (LDCNL) since June 1996. He is also a volunteer with the Fogo Island Literacy Association. More information about LDCNL and the Labrador Literacy Information and Action Network will be available in the next edition of the newsletter.

A New Network Sub-Committee for Aboriginal Learners

Nearly half of the Network members are Native or Métis. These Aboriginal members want to do special projects to better serve the special needs of their people. So we have set up the Aboriginal Sub-Committee of the Learners Advisory Network. The members include: Helen Herbert of Alberta, Joy Coldwell of the Yukon, Pat Hardisty of the Northwest Territories and Hilma Fiedler of Manitoba.

The Sub-Committee elected Pat Hardisty as Chairperson at its first meeting. They discussed the Aboriginal Writing Network Project and gave suggestions on how to improve it. When this project gets funding, they will act as advisors on it. We hope this is the first of many exciting projects that they will work together on.

Adult Learners and the Canadian Federation of Students

In June, Dan Haley, Vice-Chair of the Network, and Deborah Chapman, the Coordinator of the Network, met with Elizabeth Carlyle, the National Chairperson of the Canadian Federation of Students. The Canadian Federation of Students represents students who go to college and university. The meeting was to discuss how the Network and the Federation can link up and work together.

One idea is to work together on research projects. Both the Network and the Federation are interested in knowing how funding works for students with disabilities. Since many learners have learning disabilities, this could help us. We are doing background research on places where students and learners with disabilities can go for funding to help pay for school. We will provide this information to the Federation.

Participants at the meeting between the Network and the Canadian Federation of Students (CFS).

Left to right: Deb Chapman (Network Coordinator), Dan Haley (Vice-Chair of the Network and Vice-President of MCL), Elizabeth Carlyle (National Chairperson, CFS) and Jennifer Story (National Deputy Chairperson, CFS).



FOCUS-TESTING

We are looking for adult learners interested in participating in focus-testing. If you would like to help us, we'd love to put you on our list! Please contact the Network office with your name, address, and the type of projects you would be interested in helping us with. Some of the projects that we have worked on so far include technology, banking and health issues.



SUBMISSIONS

We would like to thank all of the writers for sending in their stories and poems. We received a lot of great submissions for this edition! The Editorial Committee carefully read all of the work. They then made the difficult decision of picking just one to print. We didn't have the space to print them all in the newsletter but we will be publishing all of the stories that were sent to us on our website. Check out the great work at:

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Please keep on sending in your submissions for other editions of the newsletter.

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Flowers Will Not Fade

Take care Mother Theresa may your soul grow in our hearts.

Your eternal footprints will be left behind in the green hills for all to see.

For you are a torch to all of us to remember in days to come.

You are like a golden child of purity for all to see.

People of the universe that are in pain will echo your name in whispers.

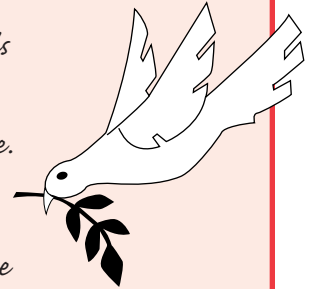
Gaining heaven is no problem, for your wings and spirit will reach heaven.

Angels and stars will await your wings of compassion.

Life's good deeds will be known for all to see.

Flowers will not fade and many doves will echo your name.

See you later Mother Theresa.



Lorraine Bigelow

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THANKS

We would like to say a big thank you to the Editorial Committee for their time! Members of the Editorial Committee include:

- ▶ **Joy Coldwell**, Yukon Learner Representative
- ▶ **Pat Hardisty**, Northwest Territories Learner Representative
- ▶ **Lynda Magerl**, Saskatchewan Learner Representative
- ▶ **Dorothy Silver**, New Brunswick Learner Representative

OUR NEXT ISSUE...

Stay tuned for our next issue. We'll have another Report from the Regions, information on programs and services to help learners find education funding, creative writing submissions and lots more! See you then!

This logo shows that Network standards of clear communication have been met.



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