

LAUBACH LITERACY MATTERS

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NEWS FROM ACROSS CANADA

OLC Doing Research on Professionalization in the Literacy Field

The Ontario Literacy Coalition (OLC) is doing a study, called *Review of Program Participant Impacts of Professionalization Standards for Literacy Practitioners*. It will examine the relationship between standards for literacy service provision and outcomes for program participants. If you were not contacted but want to participate in a 20-30 minute interview, send an email to: elizabeth@on.literacy.ca Results will be posted on their website when done.

Bow Valley Assessment Tool Launched

Bow Valley College's reading assessment resource, *Read Forward*, can be purchased at: <http://blogs.bowvalleycollegeweb.com/adultreadingassessment/>

LCNB The 2011 Sheree Fitch Adult Learner Scholarship Award ceremony will be held in Moncton New Brunswick on June 24th, 2011.

WHAT'S THE SCOOP SAINT JOHN?

READ Saint John hired a new director, *Marijke Geurts* in Feb/2011. At their AGM in March, new board members, *Irene Green* (vice-president), *Jean Cunningham* (Financial-Treasurer) & *Peggy McLean* (Secretary) and 3 new members at large were elected for a 2-yr term *Carol Crawford*, *Wanda London*, & *Marlene Steele*. LLNB welcomes them to their new posts!

This is the 35th anniversary of READ Saint John, the first Laubach council started in NB. On April 15th, the mayor raised their flag at the Market Square. Deanna Allen, Jackie Wilson, Wanda London, Carol Crawford, and Julie McSorley are shown in the picture at the top of this page.

Virginia Little delivered an LLNB Initial Tutor Training (ITT) Workshop on 2 weekends (April 15-16 & 29-30). Three participants: Greg Hayward, Norman Jackson, and Sue-Ellen Thibodeau completed their tutor certification to start tutoring adult learners in the Harbour City. A fundraiser, *Plant A Seed for Literacy* was held May 5th-7th at McAllister Place Mall.



MARKING HISTORY...35TH ANNIVERSARY CAKE-CUTTING CEREMONY FOR READ SAINT JOHN HELD ON APRIL 15TH, 2011

CONFERENCE June 10th-12th @ Mount Allison University ...Mark Your Calendars!

Have you mailed your registration forms to attend our "**Celebrating Learning**" Conference? On-campus rooms must be reserved and paid for through Mount Allison Conference Services at 364-2247. If you have food allergies, please advise & specially-prepared food will be made!

WHAT'S THE SCOOP IN FREDERICTON?

LLF (Laubach Literacy Fredericton) holds Tutor Information Meetings: An information meeting was held Monday, Feb.28 as a means of sharing, exploring, and implementing ideas for tutor/ student preparation after new tutors were trained. Another was in late April.

LLF Annual General Meeting: The annual general meeting for LLF is planned for Wednesday, June 1, from 6:30 p.m. – 7:30 p.m. and is being held at the Courtyard@ Ramada. It is a great time for tutors, students, board members, and visitors to enjoy the presentation of awards, guest speaker, light refreshments and the many prizes that are donated by the community. The business meeting will follow at 7:30 p.m.

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MONCTON EXPANDS TUTOR BASE

Seven tutors received certification for completing an LLNB Initial Tutor Training workshop on March 18-19 and April 1-2 for the Moncton Regional Learning Council Inc. Cynthia Hines, Rebecca Bérubé, Brenda Nault, Debby Warren, Justin Ryan, Ron Comeau, and Liliane Lavoie completed the 20-hour training delivered by LLNB trainer, Valarie Higgins. Peter Sawyer presented on the Laubach Way to Reading resources. LLNB's *President*, Julie McSorley, *Executive Director*, Deanna Allen, and Training & Quality Assurance Coordinator, Joan Perry attended the first evening session at NBCC-Moncton.

LEARNER WINS NB WRITING CONTEST

The **Southern Carleton Literacy Council** in Woodstock NB is especially pleased for one adult learner. Kelly Worden won the Grand Prize, a computer package, in the Literacy Coalition of New Brunswick's first Lifelong Learning: the Future of NB writing/video contest. The contest was held during International Adult Learners' Week (April 2nd-9th) Her writing was selected from other learner writings submitted from across NB. Check it out on LCNB's website at: www.nb.literacy.ca Congratulations, Kelly! You can write and save your files on your new prize. ☺

KESWICK VALLEY BOOK LAUNCHED MAY 5

Read more about 'In my Day Too' in upcoming newsletter!

FAMILY LITERACY: Valuing Children: A Canadian Conversation

Early Childhood Care and Education New Brunswick and the Canadian Child Care Federation were pleased to host this national child care conference, May 26 - 28, 2011 in Saint John, New Brunswick. Events were held at the Delta Brunswick, the Trade and Convention Centre, and the Hilton.

The conference featured an exciting pre-conference workshop *The Changing Landscapes of Early Childhood Education: Opportunities and Challenges of Joining Up Early Learning and Child Care with Education* featuring a keynote by Dr. Pam Whitty from UNB and panelists from across Canada.



ONLINE TUTORING RESOURCE

READ Saint John suggests Quizlet as a great site for finding and making flashcards at: <http://quizlet.com/>



NB LITERACY DAY 2011 North Carleton Literacy Council members Brenda Keenan, Sue MacDonald, Diana Wasson, & Melanie Budicky give out bookmarks at Carleton Co-Op in Florenceville-Bristol to inform about their services.



CHANGING LIVES IN ONE-TO-ONE ADULT LITERACY SERVICE PROVISION