



P.A.L.S. Talk

December 2018

Newsletter

Activities and Events

December

Dec. 11 Happy Holiday Party, 6 p.m.
Dec. 21, 22 Casino – Volunteers needed.
December 21 to January 2, 2019 Office closed.

January

January 12 Reaching New Heights Meeting – Saturday, 10 a.m. to noon
January 27 Family Literacy Carnival – Robbins Health Centre, 109 St. and 104 Ave.
2 p.m. to 4:30 p.m.

February

February 23 Public Speaking Workshop – Saturday, 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.
February 24 Math Literacy Test Preparation Class Sunday, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

March

March 10 Literacy Tutor Professional Development – Sunday, 1 p.m. to 4 p.m.
March 17 Emergency First Aid and CPR – Sunday, 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m.
March 20 Students Share Stories at Audreys Book Store, Wednesday, 6:30 p.m.

April

April 23 Student and Volunteer Recognition Celebration and Annual General Meeting – Tuesday, 6:00 p.m.
April 27 Math Literacy Tutor Professional Development, Saturday 10 a.m. to noon
April 23 Raffle Tickets Available for selling.

Office Closed

Closes on December 21, 2018 and opens on January 2, 2019



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Congratulations!

Kanwaljeet Pannu passed the IELTS and now has the skills to enter another educational program.

Youguan (Anna) Gao passed the CELPIP exam and now has the skills to enter another educational program.

Phouthaphon Keovolalath passed the CELPIP exam and now has the skills to enter another educational program.

Roda Jibril got a new job.

Tsega Weldmichael is accepted into NorQuest College.

Yeonsil Lee got a job.

Misganaw Desta got into an upgrading program.

Mahmood Jaghori passed his Apprenticeship entrance exam and is starting at NAIT.

Brandon Lillo got a new job at the Shaw Conference Centre.

Rukiya Abdalla got a new job.

Saager Arora completed a driver training course.

Rukiya Sheik has been attending College since September.

Reaching New Heights Workshop – Make a Gift.



The participants ironed a picture on their t-shirt.

Students for Students – Workshops and Events



Invitation to Join Reaching New Heights

Learn about the Reaching New Heights Program.
Saturday, January 12, at 10 a.m. to noon.

This program is open to all students.
Develop skills that you can use in the community, public speaking, build confidence and self-esteem, and encourage volunteering.



Family Literacy Carnival

Sunday January 27th, 2019 from 2:00 p.m. and 4:30 p.m.
Robbins Health Learning Centre at 109 street and 104 avenue.
MacEwan University.

There will be games and fun for the whole family.



Public Speaking Workshop

Saturday, February 23, 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.

- develop your public speaking skills
- reduce your anxiety to speak in public
- practice speaking

Sign up at the office.



Emergency First Aid and Adult CPR

Sunday, March 17, 2019 at 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Cost: \$20 for P.A.L.S. member.
\$90 for non P.A.L.S. member.

Limit 16 people. As space is limited register early.
Register at the office, this includes payment.
Register by March 12, 2019.



Students Share Stories

Wednesday, March 20 at 6:30 p.m.

P.A.L.S. share their learning journey and the changes in their lives.

Audreys Book Store
Jasper Avenue and 107 Street.

Literacy, Bonnie Caron, Coordinator

Welcome New Tutors!

Lyn Didrickson, Shannon Harrington, Debralee Kuilboer, Derval Ryan, Danna Houssain,

Danielle Carleson, David Rose, Alexandria Ouelette Zuk, Constance Brisenden, Tamara Palliot, Linda Ghobad, Roz Skinner, Chris Markham, and Barry McNeil.

Good luck with your matches!

We are pleased to Welcome you to the P.A.L.S. Literacy Team!

October Tutor Workshop: Journals, Creative Writing and Scribing with Adele Fontaine.

We had 15 tutors from both Literacy and LELL attend. It was fun and very informative. There were several handouts. Contact Bonnie if you need copies.

Tutor Roundtable

Thank you to Coleen Taylor, Raysa Marcondes, Eunice Milligan, Amit Ramchandani and Alyssa Sobool for attending. We enjoyed your company and contributions at the Tutor Roundtable. It was so nice to sit and talk with you all.

Book and Writing Club

We will be starting a new Murder Mystery on January 16th. Come join us for Frost and Shiverrrrs! There is room for 4 new people in the Book Club. Book Club is on Wednesday at 1:30.

Nadia Sadi is back and running the Writing Club. We are working on spelling and writing good sentences and paragraphs. Writing Club is on Tuesday at 1:30.

LELL, Jenny Homan, Coordinator

Welcome New Tutors!

Arlene Sittler, Calecia Burte, Cecile Kibasa, Heidi Czarnietzki, Sissi Wang, Derrick Zhou, Tamara Totovic, and Andreas Wolski.

Tutor Roundtable

Thank you to Linda Sutcliffe, Doug Taylor, Dave Quick, and Nabanita Ghosh for attending the outcomes workshop! It was a wonderful discussion with some new great ideas shared.

Greetings

2019 is going to be a great year! Our goal is to create a stronger tutor team with more communication and collaboration. There is so much experience and talent in our tutor team that it only makes sense to let you share and lead.

Math Literacy, Adam Rupp, Coordinator

Welcome new Tutors!

Shannon Tse, Kate Houg, Gerald Roy McHugh, Kate St. Onge, Adam Skoreyko, Briannagh Dean, Christine Naturkach, Scarlett Robles, Rajwinder Dhaliwal, Rajan Boopathy, Barry Brisson, Juliet Koski, Mohamed Abdelalim, Samantha Hinz, and Vishnu Rangan to the Math Literacy program!

Student Classes

Math in Science starts in January

Math Literacy Test Preparation Workshop – February 24, 10 a.m. - 4 p.m.

Math Literacy Test Preparation Class – February 24, 10 a.m. - 4 p.m.

If you want to enter the apprenticeship program or another opportunity and need to write a math exam, come to this workshop and learn tips and strategies to write the exam.

Learn how to solve many kinds of math problems, how to use the calculator, and more.

The workshop will include a practice test to try your skills. Talk to Adam to register.

Computer Literacy, Elaheh Mola, Coordinator

Welcome New Tutors!

Welcome Daria Williams and Maria Hoshi.

Computer Classes

Get on the road to success! Develop your skills, increase your confidence with computers and explore the online world!

Computers Basics

An introduction to using computers and the internet.

Computer Skills for Work and Daily Living

Develop your skills with Microsoft Office.

Classes are 2 hours a week, and a schedule will be announced in January. To register or for more information, talk to Elaheh or Adam.

Annual General Meeting Tuesday, April 23 at 6 p.m.

Send agenda items to the office by April 2.

All adult students and volunteers are members of P.A.L.S. and have voting rights at the meeting. The Board of Directors and staff will report on 2018 and future plans.

Office Closed on December 21, 2018 and opens January 2, 2019.

If a match or a group wants to meet during the day, please talk to your coordinator and get a key for the office.

Have a great holiday!!

Thank you! Thank you!

Everyone who volunteered for the activities in the last 3 months.

Students and tutors who helped mail out the August Newsletter.

Sattar, Angie, Maria, Eunice, Louisa, and Alison.

Students, tutors and family members who assisted with the Community Thank you.

Marilyn Shannon, Trish Derkach, Linda Savage, Tina McEwen, Anthony Mah, Edda Loomes, Eunice Millgan, and Danny Haines.



Thank you to everyone who volunteered for the LRT Book Give Away

Marilyn Shannon, David Crowther, Sattar, Anthony, Christen, Bruce Summersides, Desta Misganew, Eddie Piche, Helen McCabe, and Kayle Wert. Thank you to AVIVA for the grant.



Thank you for representing P.A.L.S. at the Ten Thousand Villages Community Shopping Partnership.

Marilyn Shannon, Janice Christensen and Angelica.

The United Way Next Gen Event Raysa, Literacy Tutor.



Raysa



Thank you for representing P.A.L.S. on the United Way Speaker Bureau and sharing your stories with members of the community

Daniel Haines on the left.
Dennis Rouleau on the right.



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Family Literacy Carnival on Sunday, January 27.

Thank you MacEwan University, Golden Key International Honour Society.

For holding a Halloween Bake Sale for P.A.L.S. on October 31st.

They are partnering with P.A.L.S. and the Centre for Family Literacy to present a

Star Metro Edmonton Community Choice Award

We received this award for the second year in a row.

Thank you to everyone who voted for P.A.L.S.



AVIVA Grant

We applied for a grant with AVIVA for Computer Literacy.

Although we did not receive the grant, thank you to all who voted for us.

We will apply again next year.



Thank you to all who volunteered for the Merry Little Christmas Market.

Adam, Barb Haines, Janice Christensen, Fatemeh, Jenny, Trish Derkach, Elli Mola, Luisa Olivares, Bonnie, Gloria Pigat, and Farida.

Thank you to all who brought their crafts to sell.

We want to participate in another market again next year. Bring your suggestions of where to go next year to Shirley.



Happy Holiday Party



Tuesday,
December 12 at 6 p.m.

Family and friends welcome.



Call the office at 780-424-5514
tell us you are coming and
how many guests.



**Loonie Raffle
for the United Way.**

Great Prizes to be won.
Suitcase, shredder, gift cards and other items.



Join us! Have fun!