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PHOTO CONTEST:

CHELSEY MAKARO displays some of the prizes available to one lucky household in the Inclusion NWT Healthy Families Challenge! Share a photo of a peaceful place or rejuvenating activity by Dec. 31st! Please see Pg.2

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Snap a photo of a place or activity that helps your family stay positive

Photo challenge inspires families to make healthy choices, to give kids our best

by Inclusion NWT staff

AS THE CLOCK TICKS toward the Dec. 24th deadline, life can get a little hectic at Santa's Workshop.

Before any elf under pops the pressure, Claus Mrs. encourages everyone at the North Pole to practice moments of self-care. That way, everyone can share the festive kind of head space from which to inspire with mirth and magic.

What helps you see the world through joyful eyes?

Meanwhile in the subarctic, the Inclusion NWT Healthy Families Photo Challenge is heeding Mrs. Claus' wisdom by inviting people across the NWT to share a photo of a place or activity that helps members of their household to reconnect, recharge and refresh. That way, they can be the best big person to the little people in their lives.

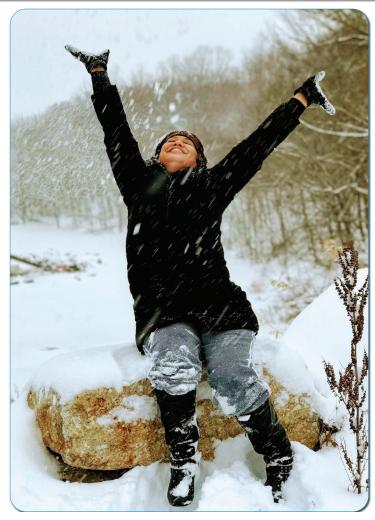
Share your ideas, feel inspired, and win a prize!

This photo challenge isn't just for parents. Siblings, grandparents, cousins,

aunts, uncles, 'bros and BFFs are all part of creating a healthy, nurturing environment for our youth.

Make bannock while you swap memories with a friend

- Dive into the deep end and swim away your stresses at the pool
- Leave the phone at home and walk the dog across the Canadian Shield
- Northern lights or not, peer up at the sky and let your mind drift on the breeze
- Budget half an hour for that beading project (even if it won't be finished until September 2023)
- Choose a board game or other group activity to share without alcohol or other substances
- Take a break from your to-do list to go out on the



SHARE AN IMAGE of your favourite local spot to hike.

land like you used to

Take a picture of your favourite place or activity and submit it to the photo challenge at www.nnsl.com/contests.

Contest closes at midnight on

December 31st.

The most eye-catching photos and inspiring activities will earn one household a bundle of fun prizes for the whole family!

PARENT • SIBLING
GRANDPARENT • COUSIN
AUNT • UNCLE
'BRO • BFF

Reconnect. Recharge, Refresh.

ENTER ONLINE

DECEMBER 17TH - DECEMBER 31ST

Reconnect. Recharge, Refresh.





SPECIAL THANKS

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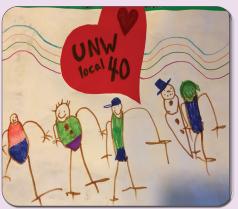
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Donate \$25 or more in support of Inclusion NWT services now through December 23rd and we'll hang a personalized festive bauble in our office window at the Abe Miller Building on 53rd St. Make a shout-out to a colleague, include a

Make a shout-out to a colleague, include a favourite quote or simply pronounce your support for Inclusion NWT loud and proud!













BOARD NOTES



INCLUSION NWT Supported Living clients and elementary students from Weledeh Catholic School, École St. Joseph School and École JH Sissons School created our Bauble Buddy decorations. To view more Bauble Buddies, please see pg. 10.

THANK YOU, YCS!

FLANNEL FRIDAYS, a.k.a. casual Fridays, participants with the Yellow-knife Catholic School Board (YCS) raised more than \$7,000 in support of Inclusion NWT.

Thank you so much for your support, commitment and generosity, YCS!

COOL FUNDRAISER

THIS WINTER, Yellowknife Catholic Schools (École St. Patrick High School, École St. Joseph School and Weledeh Catholic School) participated in the Minus 30 Contest fundraiser.

Staff raised \$520 in support of Inclusion NWT.

Congratulations to the two winners, who correctly predicted the date the mercury hit -30'C this year:

- Betsy Lucko (Weledeh Catholic School)
- Kim Archer (École St. Joseph School)

A big thank you to all the YCS staff who participated!

Watch for YCS schools to launch their It's Finally Zero Again Contest fundraiser in the new year!







THERE IS STILL TIME TO GET YOUR TREE FROM YK SCOUTS!



Odd Job Squad available to deliver your tree until Dec. 22nd

by Inclusion NWT staff

THE YK SCOUTS have a few lovely trees left in stock this week! Support the Scouts and pick up your tree today! Don't forget to ask the volunteers about Odd Job Squad delivery!

The Scouts Xmas Tree Stand is open today and tomorrow from noon to 2pm and 6pm to 8pm in the Co-op parking lot.

Have a very merry Christmas!



PHOTOS – TOP: Sam Pameogorak and Chris Strus load a tree. **BOTTOM:** Kelton Broome completes a work-shift.





THE ODD JOB SQUAD stats for November



LAWN CARE (shoveling snow, **RUNS** hauling gravel,



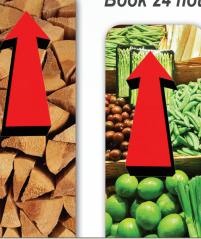
raking etc.)

SMALL FURNITURE MOVES/ **DELIVERIES**



MISC. (wood-stacking, stringing Xmas lights etc.)





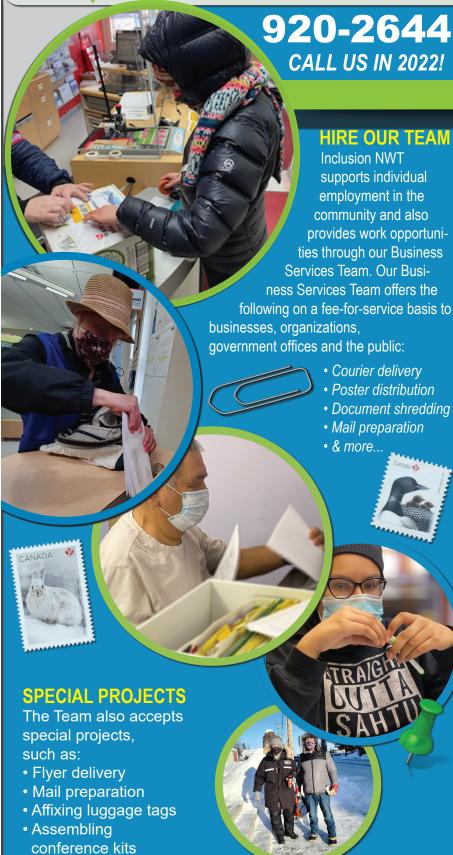
THE ODD JOB SQUAD seeks to assist under-employed individuals who self-identify with a disability to derive a small income from one-time or

short-term work while they search for permanent employment.

GROCERY ORDER PICK-UPS



SPECIAL PROJECTS





CLARA TUTCHO, right, greets Caitlin Cleveland (MLA Kam Lake) at the Abe Miller Building in Jan. 2020.

Four MLAs ** hire the Team

FOUR MEMBERS of the Legislative Assembly saved time and energy in the lead-up to the holidays by hiring the Inclusion NWT Business Services Team.

Caitlin Cleveland

(MLA Kam Lake), Rylund Johnson (MLA

Yellowknife North), Julie Green (MLA Yellowknife Centre) and Caroline Wawzonek (MLA Yellowknife South) each hired the Team in December to deliver holiday greetings and newsletters

door-to-door



Caroline Wawzonek

constituents in their respective ridings.

"The Yellowknife South Office has been working with Inclusion NWT since 2019 to deliver all of our printed materials to constituents and have been really



Julie Green

Rylund Johnson

happy with our relationship," said Sarah Kalnay-Watson, constituency assistant for Yellowknife South. "They provide a wonderful service to us."

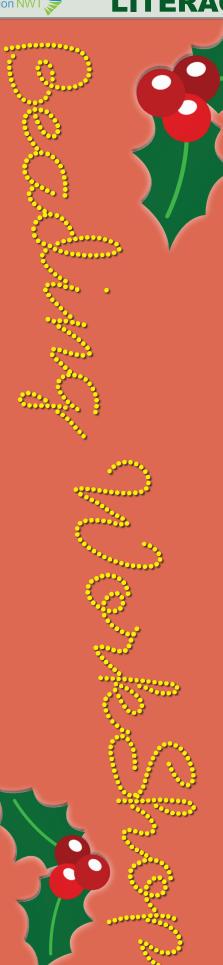


Affixing promotional

stickers

LITERACY OUTREACH CENTRE

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by Thomas Gagnon-van Leeuwen
LOC Instructor

AS A SPECIAL TREAT on the last day of class before the holiday break, LOC student Susan Chaffee showed her classmates and instructor how to create beaded key-chains. It was a creative and colourful workshop!

Class resumes on Jan. 4, 2022. We still have spots available in the new year. If you or someone you know would like to improve their reading, writing and math, call Thomas at 445-3969 or email: loc@inclusionnwt.ca.















The day kicks off with physical exercises conducted by Trust. The program is very popular with the clients, who get to interact among themselves and share a laugh. Terry Kuliktana often plays the piano.





EVERY TUESDAY and Thursday, some Inclusion NWT - Supported Living Clients gather at "The Blue House" for various educational activities throughout the day.

Under the tutelage of

Under the tutelage of Team Leads Halima Ali, Trust Mashoro, Home Lead Lian Vilan and Skills Facilitator Bessie Orellana, the clients do design, object-construction, skill-testing games, puzzles, math and reading exercises.

(Last week, the team created Bauble Buddies decorations.)

At present we don't have many craft materials to work with. We accept donations of colouring materials, art paint and paper, simple games, puzzles of 100 pieces or less, to mention but a few.



From all of us at the Blue House: Merry Christmas.

~ Trust Mashoro