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Literacy program enjoys support

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"[Businesses] have all been so supportive," Berger said. "Everyone's been so excited. Literacy is just one of those issues that people don't talk about enough, especially in the workplace. People always think of it as when you're done you're Grade 12, your done learning. And they think you're either literate or you're not, but there's so many different levels of

literacy."

The fact is literacy impacts everything in your life is why it's so important. They talk about life long learning, and it's true. You can't stop learning."

The benefits of the program can range from a higher productivity to workplace safety. And as Alexander emphasized during his presentation, a higher literacy rate can reduce errors and health issues and increase profitability for both the company and indi-

vidual, which in turn reflects positively on the economy.

"We want to be able to sustain the project, so it is ongoing," said Berger. "It's such a positive step for businesses."

The assessment is free for businesses to take part in, although it hasn't been determined if the classes will be free or low cost. For more information contact Berger at www.chilliwacklearning.com.



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TEEN'S GRIEF SUPPORT GROUP

Chilliwack Hospice Society is pleased to offer our Teen's Grief Support Group.

This group is for teens ages 13 – 19 who have experienced the death of a family member or friend or currently have a friend or family member dying.

The group will meet at our Chilliwack Hospice Center at 45360 Hodgins Avenue.

Our Teen's Support Group will run for 8 weeks once weekly from 3:30-5:00. Dates to be established.

To attend this program; refer a teen to this program, or find out more about this program, please call Lucy @ 604-795-4660.

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CHILDREN'S GRIEF SUPPORT GROUP

If you're old enough to love, you are old enough to grieve. Chilliwack Hospice Society is pleased to offer our third Children's Grief Support Group. This group is for children ages 6 – 12 who have experienced the death of a family member or friend or currently have a friend or family member dying.

The group will meet at our Chilliwack Hospice Center at 45360 Hodgins Avenue.

Our Children's Support Group will run for 8 weeks once weekly from 3:30-5:00. Dates to be established.

To refer a child to this program, arrange for your child to attend, or if you have any questions and/or concerns, please call Lucy at 604-795-4660.

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Bill 29 compensation

Re-issue: Important notice for past and present B.C. health care workers (hospital and long-term care)

The multi-union Facilities Bargaining Association representing health care workers covered by the Facilities Collective Agreement (government-funded hospitals and long-term care facilities in B.C.) have reached a settlement with the Province of B.C. related to last year's Supreme Court of Canada decision that struck down sections of *Bill 29 (Health and Social Services Delivery Act)*.

As part of that settlement monies have been set aside to provide some compensation for workers whose employment was impacted by the implementation of *Bill 29* from 2002 onward, and who meet certain criteria.

This is a final call for health care workers who worked under the Facilities Collective Agreement in 2002 or after and believe they may have a claim for compensation, to obtain a Claims Form and submit it by September 30, 2008.

You can obtain a claims package which includes a Claims Form by:

- Contacting the union that represented you at the time your employment was impacted by *Bill 29*
- Downloading the package from www.heu.org (*Bill 29* Information)
- Calling a toll-free number 1-800-909-4994 (HEU)
- Sending an email to bill29compensation@heu.org

The deadline for returning your Claims Form is September 30, 2008



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