

In the Loop

March 11, 2025

The [Surrey White Rock Literacy Task Group's](#) bi-weekly newsletter helps you stay in the loop on literacy news, events, and resources. Please share with your colleagues and networks.

Literacy is the ability to access, understand, and use information whether it is written, read or heard. Literacy is a continuum of learning – we hope you will learn something today.

PROGRAMS AND EVENTS

- ✿ **March** is [Canadian Agriculture Literacy Month](#). See BC's [Spring Agriculture Literacy Contest](#).

- ✿ **March 14** is [Pi Day](#).

- ✿ Learn about housing supports on **March 15** at the free, Seniors Housing Forum at Guildford Recreation Centre (poster attached). What's the link to literacy? Literacy skills are needed to read about housing or services, navigate websites, fill out forms, manage budgets and more.

- ✿ Canada Revenue Agency offers free income [tax clinics](#) for individuals with a modest income and a simple tax situation. Find a [local tax clinic](#) here.

- ✿ Learn about benefits, credits, pensions, programs and services you may be entitled to at the [CRA and Service Canada Support Clinic](#) on **March 17**, at White Rock Library.

- ✿ [Free tax clinics at Surrey Libraries through March and April](#)

- ✿ [Nature Storytime in the Park](#) – dates in **March and April** at [Surrey Nature Centre in Green Timbers Park](#)

RESOURCES/PRO-D/NEWS

- ✿ [7 St Patrick's Day Activities for English Language Arts](#)
- ✿ [Undergraduate Scholarships from the Horatio Alger Association](#)
- ✿ [Tips on how to access large print newspapers with reading magnifiers and electronic book readers.](#)
- ✿ Immigrant Services Society of BC is hiring now for several LINC instructor positions. Visit their website [Join Us | ISSofBC](#)
- ✿ [Navigating Political and Economic Upheaval: Advice from Nonprofits on the Frontline](#)
- ✿ If you conduct work in the Tri-Cities, check out the February newsletter from the [Tri-Cities Literacy Committee](#).
- ✿ [Reading Enthusiasts Alert - The Switch from Paper to Screen](#)

MATH HUMOUR

3. What do you get when a bunch of sheep stand around in a circle?
Shepherd's pi.
1. Why is pi so lucky in love?
Because its love is infinite and non-repeating.
4. What do you call it when someone gets a huge tattoo of pi on their face?
An irrational decision.
1. What's wrong with the equation 'pi r squared?'
Pi are round. Cake are square.

(Sorry for all the jokes, I just couldn't stop.) [Source \(and more Pi jokes\).](#)

Housing Forum

SUPPORTING HEALTHY ACTIVE AGING



Saturday March 15

9:30am-3:00pm

Doors open at 8:30am

Guildford Recreation Centre

15105 – 105 Avenue

Engage in dialogue and gain information on what is available to you or your loved ones on the continuum of housing support programs and services.

Presentation topics will include:

- Housing in Surrey: and The City's Role
- TRAC: Rental Rights and Responsibilities
- Fraser Health: Health and safety in the home
- Brella Community Services: Better at Home Program
- Surrey Libraries: Accessibility Services
- Fortis BC: Energy Saving Tips
- United Way of British Columbia: The Gap in Affordable Rental Housing for Low-Income Seniors
- Co-Operative Housing: Navigating programs and services

- ✓ A complimentary Route65 Caregiver Association bag
- ✓ Door prizes
- ✓ Complimentary welcome refreshments and light lunch provided
- ✓ Resource booths

3 WAYS TO REGISTER

Registration # 428434
Register to secure your spot.

BY PHONE



604-501-5100
MON - FRI 8:30am - 4:30pm

GO ONLINE



www.surrey.ca/register

IN PERSON



At any City of Surrey
Recreation Facility

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