



E-BRIEF for NWT local community governments

2008 LGANT Annual General Meeting & Professional Development Update

August 15, 2008

Date Confirmed!

October 28–30, 2008, Yellowknife



Mark your calendars!

The 2008 LGANT AGM & Professional Development will take place in Yellowknife **October 28–30**. Members will be receiving full information including registration, travel, accommodations in September. As well, updates will be posted on the website on a continuous basis at www.lgant.com—Click on 2008 AGM.

Still accepting professional development suggestions!

At this time the Board is requesting from communities ideas for professional development training and/or workshops to be hosted as part of the AGM. Remember, this is your AGM!

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Letter from the President to DM Jeff Polakoff

August 15, 2008

Mr. Jeff Polakoff
Deputy Minister, Municipal and Community Affairs
Government of the Northwest Territories

Re: Local Government Administrators of the NWT

Dear Mr. Jeff Polakoff,

On behalf of the Board and members, it was a pleasure meeting you at our recent Local Government Administrators of the NWT Board meeting on July 16 in Yellowknife. Thank you for taking the time to meet with us.

As follow-up to our meeting we are providing you with some more information about our Association. As you well know, LGANT members are key players in community operations and offer an informed view on the issues and impacts in relation to Government policy, and program and service delivery. The Mission of LGANT is to

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and impacts in relation to Government policy, and program and service delivery. The Mission of LGANT is to strive for and promote excellence and professionalism in the field of local government administration in the Northwest Territories through education and career development programs and to create awareness of the Senior Administrative Officers (SAO) role in the community.

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New Member – Ms. Mary Rose Tetlich

LGANT Board and staff would like to welcome new member Mary Rose Tetlich, Chief Administrative Officer from the Hamlet of Fort McPherson.

Grand opening of the Fort McPherson Community Office Complex

On July 17, 2008, Minister Norman Yakeleya joined Mayor Bill Prodromidis, Mackenzie Delta MLA David Krutko, and Commissioner Tony Whitford at the grand opening of the Fort McPherson Community Office Complex. The complex was planned, designed, project-managed, funded and completed by the Hamlet of Fort McPherson as one of the first pilot projects under the New Deal. The multiuse building, which houses the Hamlet office, a youth centre, an elders centre and the community radio station, is a beautiful, functional asset to the community.



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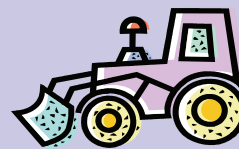
Classifieds for local Community Governments in the NWT.

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Contact: briand@lgant.com



NEWS FROM THE NWT LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY

News from the Legislative Assembly

(*click on the subject line for more information):

[Minister Norman Yakeleya's Portfolios Removed](#)

R(16)085 - Monday, July 28, 2008

Premier Floyd K. Roland removed all portfolios from Minister Norman Yakeleya late last Friday giving the Minister the opportunity to address a personal matter requiring his full attention. Premier Roland will not comment on the nature of the matter.

[Roland to North America: Secure supplies of energy are in NWT](#)

R(16)110808087 - Monday, August 11, 2008

Premier Floyd K. Roland waded into the increasing public debate about North American energy supply today, issuing a pointed reminder that Northwest Territories (NWT) energy supplies can supply the needs of Canada and the United States for



(NWT) energy supplies can supply the needs of Canada and the United States for decades and should be developed.

MACA's School of Community of Government Upcoming Training/Courses

NWT Fire Service Instructor and Evaluator Training (Call Ed Hardy 873-7919)

NFPA 1041 Level 1, Part 1	September 15-19, 2008	Hay River
NFPA 1041 Level 1, Part 2	January 12-16, 2009	Hay River

Land Administration

Contracts & Property Law	February 26–March 4, 2009	Hay River Reserve
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Infrastructure Maintenance (Call Ralph Sanquez 874-5078)

Mobile Equipment Maintenance	September 8-12, 2008	Inuvik
Heating & Air Ventilation	October 3-10, 2008	Fort Simpson
Building Operations	October 21-30, 2008	Inuvik
Works Supervision & Main Mgmt.	January 20-26, 2009	Norman Wells

Airports (Call Ralph Sanquez 874-5078)

Airports Management	November 15-23, 2008	Yellowknife
Airport Winter Maintenance	February 7-16, 2009	Hay River

Management & Finances (Call Carol Beck 920-6167)

Accounting Cycle 1	September 10-17, 2008	Inuvik
Municipal Law 2	October 21-28, 2008	Inuvik
SAO Land Management	November 25-27, 2008	Yellowknife
Accounting Cycle 2	December 2-9, 2008	Yellowknife
SAO Essentials Workshop	January 27-29, 2009	Yellowknife
Capital Planning Workshop	March 2-6, 2008	Fort Smith

Recreation Facility Operations (Call Ed Hardy 873-7919)

Parks & Sportfields	September 9-12, 2008	Fort Smith
Arena Level 1	September 30–October 3, 2008	Fort Smith
Ice Resurfacers	October 4-5, 2008	Fort Smith
Pools Level 1	February 10-11, 2009	Fort Smith

Waste & Water

Solid Waste Management	October 7-8, 2008	Yellowknife
Small Systems Water Treatment	November 17-21, 2008	Norman Wells
Class II Water Treatment	February 16-20, 2009	Norman Wells

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OTHER NEWS FOR YOU

Water Resources Management Strategy Discussion Paper

[Northern Voices, Northern Waters: Towards a Water Resources Management Strategy](#) for the NWT discussion paper and summary presents a sense of what some of the concerns and issues are and what the future management of NWT waters could be. A Strategy could outline a vision and principles and define actions that could be undertaken to tackle resource management issues. Consultations with Aboriginal governments and interested stakeholders will continue into the fall of 2008 and a final Strategy will be completed in March 2009. The documents may be downloaded from www.enr.gov.nt.ca.

New communications & policy coordinator joins association

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(Yellowknife, August 7, 2008) The NWT Association of Communities welcomes Terry Kruger to the team as Communications and Policy Coordinator. He started work July 30 after spending nearly a year as Communications Coordinator with De Beers Canada - NWT Projects. "We're really pleased to get the E-News going again and regular updates on our website," says Yvette Gonzalez, NWTAC Executive Director. Terry has lived in Yellowknife for more than eight years, coming north in January 2000 to work as Coordinating Editor at Northern News Services. He held that position until July 2007. "I look forward to working with the association's members and board of directors," he says. "The NWT's communities are wonderful places and are home to terrific people." Originally from Vernon, B.C., Terry is married and has three teen-aged children. To contact Terry Kruger: terry@nwtac.com

Call for Exhibitors: NWT's 1st Wood Pellet Fair

In response to growing interest in wood pellet heating, the Arctic Energy Alliance is hosting the NWT's first Wood Pellet Fair in Yellowknife this October and we're looking for people interested in exhibiting their wood pellet products, services or projects. We're also looking for people who've installed wood pellet stoves or boilers in their homes or businesses, and would be interested in participating in the fair and sharing their experiences. The Wood Pellet Fair will be held Friday, October 3rd, 2:30 p.m. - 5:30 p.m., and Saturday, October 4th, 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. in the atrium of the Greenstone Building, 315-5101 50th Avenue, Yellowknife. If you're interested in participating or would like more information, please contact John or Margaret at 867-920-3333 or toll free 1-877-755-5855.

E-mail: info@aea.nt.ca.

Home Energy Evaluator Training - September

Arctic Energy Alliance is offering a course to train residential energy evaluators to perform energy assessments under the ecoEnergy Retrofit Homes program. The course is being offered in Yellowknife in September 2008 and February 2009. Cost of the course is \$500, all of which will be reimbursed upon successful completion of 10 energy assessments. The course includes a Canadian Home Builder's Association's "Builders Manual" as well as Joseph Lstiburek's "Builder's Guide to Cold Climates" manual. For more information, contact Mike Stuhec, Residential Energy Management Specialist, at 867-920-3439, toll free at 1-977-755-5855 or rems@aea.nt.ca.

Workshop for Northern Energy Professionals

The Arctic Energy Alliance is planning a one-day workshop for northern and remote community energy professionals this October in Yellowknife. This will be an opportunity for northern energy professionals to share their experiences from Nunavut, NWT, the Yukon and the northern parts of the provinces. Watch for more details in future issues of the AEA E-news and on our website.

Aboriginal Business Conference in Yellowknife October 14-16 2008.

Please use the link below to register, or to gather more information. The earlybird registration is some time in September. <http://www.denendeh.ca/eec/2008Conference/tabid/120/Default.aspx>.

For more information, you may also contact: Josephine Mackenzie ph:(867) 766-8452 fax:(867) 766-8457 email:mackenziej@inac-ainc.gc.ca

Transportation dollars

The [Federation of Canadian Municipalities](#) (FCM) accepts applications for [Green Municipal Fund](#) loans and grants for capital projects that facilitate shifts to sustainable modes of transportation. FCM will award up to \$10 million in low-interest loans and \$1.5 million in grants. Eligible applicants can request up to \$2 million in loans and \$400,000 in grants for each project. Applications due 3 November. Application guidelines available on the (FCM) website at www.sustainablecommunities.ca

The Basics of Writing Policies and Procedures—1 Day Seminar

Can you make sure employees read and understand what you've written? The answer is in this unique one-day seminar. Attend and you'll sharpen your writing skills with the keys to keeping your text clear and concise – without sounding patronizing

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Calgary, October 7 & Edmonton, October 8—Alberta

www.nationalseminarstraining.com

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National Conference and Policy Forum on Water Efficiency and Conservation, November 2 - 5, 2008 Waterloo, ON

The event will provide an opportunity to report on and learn about water efficiency and conservation programs, issues and initiatives from across Canada and elsewhere. Conference sessions will cover all aspects of municipal efficiency programs from technology, to best management practices, to policy and education.

For more information: http://www.cwwa.ca/2ndwater_efficiency_e.asp

Building Communities Through Arts and Heritage

Each of Canada's communities is unique, and each is uniquely Canadian. This includes your community! Communities are shaped by geography, history, their founders and those who came to live there. They continue to grow and change as the people who live there now build on those foundations. The Building Communities Through Arts and Heritage program was created to help you celebrate your community, its past and its present. The Program will increase opportunities, through festivals or other events and activities, for your local artists and artisans to be involved in their community and for local groups to commemorate your local history and heritage. Eligible events and activities must be local - created by and for your community. They must be open and accessible to the public and strongly encourage and promote the participation of everyone in your community. The Program has two components: **1. Local Arts and Heritage Festivals**—Festivals, events and activities that involve your whole community, give opportunities to local artists and artisans and/or celebrate local history and heritage. **2. Community Historical Anniversaries Programming**—One-time commemoration through festivals or other activities that celebrate a major anniversary of a significant local person or event.

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