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LLO CONFERENCE 2018 RECAP



If you have never had the pleasure of experiencing a stay at the YMCA Geneva Park Conference Centre on Lake Couchiching in Orillia, we highly recommend it!

A friendly, accommodating staff helped run this venue smoothly. All buildings were close together making meals, workshops and bedrooms very accessible and best of all, the beautiful lake was only a short walk away. We were even able to have some workshops outside!

In addition to our annual student meeting, fifteen workshops covering a broad range of topics were offered this year. We were also pleased to honour long term volunteers Connie Morgan and Marilyn Davies at our banquet. Jo Cryderman, another long term volunteer, was our guest speaker.

Thank you to all who took part -

- Our co-hosts Orillia & District Literacy Council and Simcoe/Muskoka Literacy Network
- Presenters
- Volunteers
- YMCA Geneva Park Conference Centre
- Registrants

What participants said this year:

Fabulous workshops!

The setting was very relaxing.

I really enjoyed being here this year.

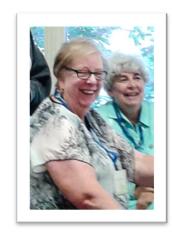
Keep up the good work!

Click here for conference pictures:

http://www.laubach-on.ca/conference/photos

Click here for conference evaluations:

http://www.laubach-on.ca/conference2018/evaluations





The 2018 Student Annual Meeting took place at YMCA Geneva Park Conference Centre in Orillia Ontario during LLO Conference 2018.

Current LLO Board Student Representative, Patricia McFerran started the meeting at 10:25 a.m. June 14th, 2018.

LLO received 3 nominations for LLO Board Student Representative:

- Bill Maes, Next Step Alliston, Ontario
- Jeremy Katz, Hamilton Literacy Council Hamilton, Ontario
- Patricia McFerran, Literacy Council of Niagara West Beamsville, Ontario

Gary Porter (student support) gave an overview of the election process. The three nominees each got up in front of the class and explained why they wanted to be student rep.

All three were well prepared and did an amazing job.

Students then marked their choice on provided ballots. Once complete Mary Anne Baker (LLO Staff) tallied the votes.

LLO is happy to share that Jeremy Katz, Hamilton Literacy Council is the new Student Representative on the LLO Board of Directors. We look forward to having him on the Board and getting to know him better.

After the election Robyn Cook-Ritchie lead a 'Learner Input and Feedback Session' with the students.





June 12-14, 2019

The Conference will take place in London,
Ontario at Brescia University College which is
affiliated with Western University from
Wednesday, June 12th until Friday, June 14th.
For more information about our venue:

http://brescia.uwo.ca/conference/

Stay tuned for more information about local partners and conference details in the near future. In the meantime we need you to help us come up with a theme. Send you ideas to Lana Faessler: literacy@laubach-on.ca The person or agency with the winning theme will get a \$50 credit at the LLO Bookstore.

Curriculum Project 18-19

LLO received a small fund to develop new curriculum in the 2018-2019 fiscal year. Potential topics were derived by looking at needs assessment surveys, conference feedback, scanning currently available resources and reviewing posts on the LLO/CLO joint discussion forum. Initial concepts about the ideas for curriculum development were presented at a learner workshop following the student AGM at Conference 2018. Of the 16 learners that attended, 100% felt that the concepts were relevant, useful and met their needs.

In the next phase of this project, LLO will be developing and testing the following curriculum material:

- Soft Skills Workshop Series
- Customer Service Workshop Series (targeted training)
- Early Childhood Educator Prep Workshop Series (targeted training)
- Four more Modern Math Modules (Decimals, Fractions, Measurement and Percentages)



PROGRAM ADMINISTRATION



Thanks to years of efforts from many, many members of the network, ONN has found a pension plan it is able to recommend to the sector: OPTrust Select, a sector-wide, defined benefit pension plan. Nonprofits can demonstrate they are decent work champions by joining this plan.

https://theonn.ca/our-work/our-people/decent-work/pensions-and-nonprofits/

It's literacy service planning time. Watch this informative video on how to set priorities from the Literacy Service Planning Institute:

https://www.youtube.com/watch? v=pH4FeCy2Yac

For more resources related to Literacy Service Planning check out the tool kit:

http://literacyserviceplanning.ca/node/25

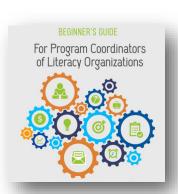
Step by Step to
Success in
Transition Oriented
Programming—
Resources



LBS programs are working to attain the "Fully in Place" marker in the Ministry's Agency Self-Assessment tool for implementing the Ontario Adult Literacy Curriculum Framework. Simcoe/Muskoka Literacy Network (SMLN) and QUILL interviewed LBS programs, across the province, who are "Fully in Place" to gather their best practices and samples of their documents. Best practices and documents can be accessed here:

https://www.quillnetwork.com/resources/eresources/ **New to literacy?** Check out this great guide!

https:// www.northernliteracy.ca/ upload/documents/mnnproj/beginers-guide-finalv2-may-26-16.pdf





Create a community calendar using Teamup. All you need is link. A free basic plan includes unlimited users and 8 calendars. Here's an example of how Employment Ontario agencies in Brantford are using this free tool to coordinate services:

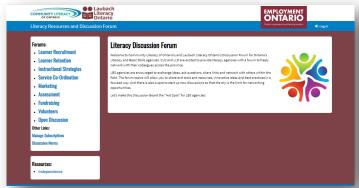
https://teamup.com/ ks4k8ickosn31eeb4j

Create your own calendar:

https://teamup.com/

You asked - we listened!

Laubach Literacy Ontario and Community
Literacy of Ontario are revamping the Literacy
Practitioners' Discussion Forum. Not to worry, it
will still have great forums with priority topics and
it will still provide you with a place to discuss new
issues. Now we are working on making it even
better!



Based on feedback we received from LBS practitioners, the Discussion Forum is being reformatted and we are adding a great new annotated OALCF resource library. Resources all in one place and at your fingertips.

Stay tuned for more details about its fall relaunch!

https://lbsresourcesandforum.contactnorth.ca/



Here's an interesting article:

Hundreds of Canadian adults still struggle to read and write—but you wouldn't know it.

https://this.org/2018/10/09/hundreds-ofcanadian-adults-still-struggle-to-read-and-writebut-you-wouldnt-know-it/ The Laubach Link is our mentoring service for member agencies. We can offer face-to-face, telephone or online support to agencies regarding any topic. If we don't have the internal expertise to support you, we will pair you with someone that does. If you have a question, or need some help, LLO is here for you!

For more information email Robyn Cook-Ritchie at:

ritchieg@execulink.com

Innovative Instruction



Online Community of Practice 2018-2019 – Enhance Your Practice With Math

FREE Upcoming webinars include:

- Math Anxiety (Oct 25)
- Making Math Fun! (Nov 22)
- Math Resources (Jan 24)
- Money Math (Feb 28)

To register:

<u>https://learningnetworks.ca/resources-</u> publications/online-community-of-practice/





The Task-Based Activities for LBS website is a collection of activities aligned to the OALCF, organized by stream, goal path and level. This fully

searchable database provides task-based activities (available in Microsoft Word and PDF formats) to help you support your learners in achieving their goals. **24 new financial literacy activities** were added in March 2018!

To visit the portal and sign up for an account:

http://taskbasedactivitiesforlbs.ca/user/login



Learn about differentiated instruction in the context of adult learning in this resource researched and written by Literacy Link South Central:

https://irp-

cdn.multiscreensite.com/1a9192fe/ files/uploaded/Differentiated% 20Instruction.pdf



What's New at LLO?



2018-2019 LLO Board

President: Vandra McQuarrie

Vice-President: Cathy

Graham

Treasurer: Gary Porter

Secretary: Jo Cryderman

Member-At-Large: Tracey M.

Mollins

Student Representative:

Jeremy Katz

The latest edition of LLO Express can be downloaded here:

https://us2.campaign-archive.com/? u=527e811a0c782656b30e7f7f3&id= 915fda31df



Annual Report

Couldn't make it to our annual meeting? Don't worry—you can view our full annual report online:

http://www.laubach-on.ca/sites/default/files/2017%20Annual%20Report.pdi

In 2018 the Warkworth Institution Literacy Council held a writing content. The first, second, and third place entries are featured below.

http://www.laubach-on.ca/ warkworth/writingcontest2018

Partner News and Information



LLO is a proud member of the Provincial Support Organizations for Literacy (PSOL).

Our March 2018 Provincial Support Organizations for Literacy (PSOL) News Bulletin focuses on Digital Literacy, Blended Learning and online training.

Click here for the full newsletter:

http://www.laubach-on.ca/sites/default/files/PSOL-March2018-EN-VF.PDF



NEW CUSTOMIZED, ON-DEMAND LEARNING SESSIONS AVAILABLE

Topics include:

- Using your iPad out of the box.
- Connecting and meeting with Google Hangouts or Google Meet.
- Creating online forms with Google and Microsoft Forms.
- Building websites with Google Sites.
- Using Google Classroom.
- Meeting quickly with Appear.in.

To sign up for on-demand training, visit the booking page

https://alphaplus-e.youcanbook.me/.





OCWI relies on engagement with all members of the workforce development community to create a sustainable impact. They want to identify and share best practices from around the province to build a more integrated and innovative employment and training system. To connect with OCWI:

http://www.ocwi-coie.ca/contact-us/



The Learning Networks of Ontario work collaboratively to support adult education and training across the province. Click on the link to find information about services and are resources offered by support organizations across the province:

http://www.learningnetworks.ca



e-Channel provides Ontarians online literacy and basic skills courses, that are either "live" in an online classroom and meeting space for students, teachers, coaches, trainers and leaders of adult literacy and basic skills programs OR "anytime" when class work is completed online at a time and place convenient to the student.

https://e-channel.ca/

In the last year several resources have been circulated to help service delivery agencies and learners access e-Channel:



- Blended Learning in LBS: What It Is and How It Works: https://youtu.be/qlFoJUgSzJk
- Registering for e-Channel Programs: https://youtu.be/oZYblExQ-m8
- e-Channel Resource for LBS Online Community of Practice: https://e-channel.ca/
 practitioners/lbs-online-community-practice

MTCU Updates



- Chapter 7: Monitoring Questionnaire (posted October 2018)
- Desk Aid: Monitoring Questionnaire (posted October 2018) (PDF, 156 KB)
- Chapter 6: Literacy Service Plan (posted on September 14, 2018)
- Desk Aid: LSP Accessing and Completing a Service Delivery Chart (posted on September 14, 2018)
- Desk Aid: LSP Adding an Itinerant Location (posted on September 14, 2018)
- Desk Aid: LSP Creating a Service Delivery Chart (posted on September 14, 2018)
- Desk Aid: LSP Populating a Literacy Service Plan by SDS (posted on September 14, 2018)
- Desk Aid: LSP Populating a Literacy Service Plan (posted on September 14, 2018)
- Memo: Monitoring (posted on September 7, 2018)



OALCF Inspired Fall and Holiday Themed Activities

Competency	Task-Based Activities
Find and Use	⇒Research local community Fall holiday related events
Information	⇒Read online instructions on how to build your own door wreath
Communicate Ideas and Information	⇒Write out instructions on how to carve a pumpkin⇒Express your creativity by designing a homemade costume using household items
Understand and Use Numbers	⇒Calculate length of cooking time for different sized turkeys ⇒Estimate how much candy you need to buy for trick or treaters
Use Digital Technology	⇒Send an email invitation to Christmas dinner ⇒Print a pumpkin carving stencil from the Internet
Engage with Others	⇒Work as a group to carve or decorate pumpkins⇒Share one thing you are thankful for with the other members of a group

On behalf of the Board of Board of Directors and the staff at LLO we want to wish everyone a great fall and happy holiday season!

Holiday Themed Activities

Christmas Around the World Research Project

Find out about Christmas traditions and customs around the world at:

https://www.whychristmas.com/

Christmas Online Games and Activities Day

Crossword puzzle, memory game, jokes: https://www.whychristmas.com/fun/

Christmas Karoake Event

Enhance vocabulary with music. Lyrics and music are on the site:

https://www.tistheseasonto.be/