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Measuring and Celebrating Success Get Ready for Conference 2014!

Organization for the annual 2-day Laubach Literacy Ontario conference is already underway! The conference and Annual General Meeting will take place at [Lakehead University](#), Orillia Ontario from Friday June 13th to Saturday, June 14th, 2014. The conference is being co-hosted by the [Orillia & District Literacy Council](#) and the [Literacy Council of South Muskoka](#).

LLO is looking for presenters to provide workshops. If you are interested in submitting an application click on the link for more information:

<http://www.laubach-on.ca/getinvolved/facts/news/call-for-presenters-2014-conference>



This website will help LBS agency staff accurately place ESL clients. The OKLearn.ca website houses pathway charts, information about publicly funded adult education programming in Ontario, and a host of other information pieces that raise awareness about common transition points, the complexity of learners and their needs, and how to better navigate the information that exists out there about adult education options.

Visitors of this site are encouraged to use the OKLearn.ca website as a learning ground for understanding adult education in Ontario more holistically. Taking the time to watch the video and to explore the various charts and information pieces can help enrich the conversation learners and service providers have in order to help adult learners/clients make informed decisions about relevant next steps along the learning journey. Indeed, it is through a rich dialogue with a teacher, an assessor, a caseworker, a settlement worker or an employment counsellor that an adult learner can better understand his/her options before taking that next step along the learning journey.

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All the components of this online toolkit have been developed as part of the Exploring Learner Pathways: Visualizing the Learning Journey project carried out by the Metro Toronto Movement for Literacy (MTML).

<http://www.oklearn.ca/>



NEW BELL'S SOUTH AFRICA TV AD– THE READER

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=VteDp3IK-6o>

Politics and uncertainty got you down? Need a lift? See this video to remind yourself about why you do what you do every day.

The Training Post is LLO's online classroom. There are free course offerings for literacy practitioners, tutor trainers and learners. Coming soon—Modules on Bridges out of Poverty and how to integrate concepts into tutor training. To see an overview of course offerings, click here: <http://www.laubach-on.ca/teach/members/onlineclassroom>

VOLUNTEER CANADA ANNOUNCES NATIONAL VOLUNTEER WEEK 2014 THEME

April 6-12, 2014 will be the 11th consecutive year that Volunteer Canada delivers the National Volunteer Week (NVW) campaign in partnership with Investors Group.

The 2014 campaign call to action asks Canadians from coast to coast to call the Volunt-Hear Hotline and participate in a national conversation about volunteer recognition.

The hotline is a toll-free number where people can call to leave a brief impact statement and say thank you to a volunteer for their efforts.

Messages will be collected as wave files and curated into various play lists. Listeners will be able to download the audio files from www.volunteer.ca/nvw2014, share them through social media and hear first-hand how volunteer work changes lives and shapes communities.

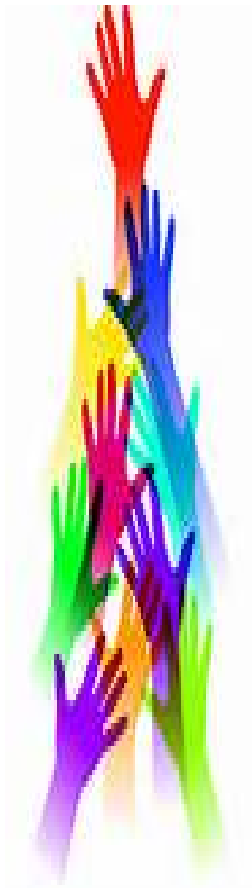
The website will also house a live Twitter feed that features thank you tweets, using the #NVW2014 hashtag.

Volunteer Canada and Investors Group invite non-profit organizations from coast to coast, along with Canadians from all walks of life to call the Volunt-Hear hotline between March 23 and April 12, 2014, and thank a volunteer who has made a difference.

Because volunteer work speaks volumes.

Click here for the toll-free number.

<http://volunteer.ca/blog/volunteer-canada-announces-national-volunteer-week-2014-theme-b-n-voles-canada-annonce-la-th>



PROGRAM ADMINISTRATION



Connecting LBS Delivery Services and the OALCF Training Modules Project

Community Literacy of Ontario is working on a very exciting project!

In April 2013, Community Literacy of Ontario was funded by MTCU, under Employment Ontario, to develop new Literacy Basics self-study online training modules to capture how the Ontario Adult Literacy Curriculum Framework works with the LBS service delivery functions of:

- ◆ Information and Referral
- ◆ Assessment
- ◆ Learner Plan Development
- ◆ Training
- ◆ Follow Up

These 5 training modules will be available on CLO's Literacy Basics Training website by March 31, 2014 at <http://literacybasics.ca/> . CLO is also developing an online training guide featuring content from the 5 Literacy Basics modules and this resource will be freely available on CLO's website (www.communityliteracyofontario.ca/) by the end of March 2014.

To introduce the new Literacy Basic modules and their content, CLO has developed 5 webinars. These webinars are recorded and posted on CLO's website after they are delivered and can be accessed at www.communityliteracyofontario.ca/resources/webinars/ .

Suitability Indicators – Phase 2

Indicator	Where is this recorded in CaMS?
1. <Grade 12	<i>client summary</i> page in the service plan
2. OW/ODSP recipient	<i>client summary</i> page in the service plan
3. No source of income	
4. Crown ward (Note: you can only select one of these three options)	
5. More than 6 years out of education	<i>client summary</i> page in the service plan
6. More than 6 years without training	<i>client summary</i> page in the service plan
7. Age over 45 and under 64	Determined based on the date of birth on the <i>person home page (EO case)</i> + start date from the <i>service plan home page</i>
8. History of interrupted education	<i>client summary</i> page in the service plan
9. Person with Disability	<i>person home page (EO Case)</i>
10. Aboriginal	<i>person home page (EO Case)</i>
11. Deaf	<i>person home page (EO Case)</i>
12. Francophone	<i>person home page (EO Case)</i>

Fun Stuff

The Washington Post's Mensa Invitational once invited readers to take any word from the dictionary and alter it by adding, subtracting, or changing one letter, and supply a new definition. Here are some of the winners:

Intoxicaton: Euphoria at getting a tax refund, which lasts until you realize it was your money to start with.

Giraffiti: Vandalism spray-painted very, very high.

Karmageddon: It's like, when everybody is sending off all these really bad vibes, right? And then, like, the Earth explodes and it's like, a serious bummer.

Decafalon (n.): The grueling event of getting through the day consuming only things that are good for you.

Glibido: All talk and no action.

Arachnoleptic Fit (n.): The frantic dance performed just after you've accidentally walked through a spider web.

Caterpallor (n.): The color you turn after finding half a worm in the fruit you're eating.



AlphaPlus is launching a series of *Digital Technologies E-Bulletins* dedicated to exploring, discussing and sharing their ongoing research and observations related to digital technologies and the Ontario Adult

Literacy Curriculum Framework (OALCF).

Their first issue, titled *OALCF Goal Paths and E-learning*, focuses on competency requirements in each of the goal paths and takes a look at the ever-increasing reach of e-learning in workplaces and in education.

To see more and to access the 'pdf' link to the first issue click on the below link:

[AlphaPlus Digital Tech E-Bulletin](#)



The Write Way: 8 Commonly Misused Words!

Unless you want a visit from this guy, you'd better familiarize yourself with some of the most common violations below!

Compliment / Complement

Compliment = an admiring remark
Complement = goes well together

The sauce complements the steak.

Accept / Except

Accept = to receive; Except = not including

THE CHEESE-SLICE FACTORY
We Accept Everyone!
Except you!

Emigrate / Immigrate

Emigrate = leaving; Immigrate = coming

He's an emigrant!
He's an immigrant!

Flair / Flare

Flair = skill, talent, or style
Flare = a sudden blaze

Julie has artistic flair
Jessica has artistic flare

Fewer / Less

Fewer = nouns that can be counted
Less = nouns that cannot

My aunt has less hair than my uncle.
My uncle has fewer warts than my aunt.

It's / Its

It's = contraction of "it is"
Its = possessive pronoun or adjective

"It's a filthy animal"
WOOF!

Flammable / Inflammable

...yeah, that's going to catch on fire

Don't worry, it says "inflammable!"
Yay!

Lie / Lay

Lie = intransitive verb (it has no object)
Lay = transitive verb (it has an object) and past tense of "lie"

How dare he lie where I lay my egg?

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CREATIVE CURRICULUM CORNER



CLEO is pleased to announce three new titles to the Consumer Law Series, produced in partnership with the Community Law School (Sarnia-Lambton) Inc.

Identity theft (December 2013)

This resource explains how to spot the warning signs of identity theft, how to protect yourself, and what you can do if it happens to you.

Motor vehicle repairs (December 2013)

This resource explains your legal rights when you pay anyone to repair or work on your motor vehicle in Ontario. It includes information on estimates, warranties, and what you can do if you are not satisfied with the work done.

Online, telephone, and mail-order shopping (October 2013)

This resource explains your legal rights when you shop by internet, phone, or mail, and how you can enforce those rights.

These pamphlets, and others, can be downloaded free of charge from the CLEO website. Use them to do task-based activities with your learners!

<http://www.cleo.on.ca/en/resources-and-publications/resources-topic>



The Literacy Information and Communication System, funded by the National Institute for

Literacy in the United States, is a national, regional, state and local literacy infrastructure.

LINCS has a Moodle site with self-paced online courses for adult education practitioners that are free of charge. These courses are available for use anytime.



The Media Library of Teaching Skills for adult learning and literacy project is a free, online, digital library of short videos of adult education teachers and their classes or tutorials, intended for use in professional development.

Click here to search for videos:

<http://mlots.org/index.html>



The weekend is fast

approaching and you're not sure how to spend it. Why not host a game night with your friends? Games are a great way for everyone to practice their literacy skills while having fun! You can also host a games day in your agency.

ABC Life Literacy Canada shares some great game ideas for literacy learners.

[ABC Literacy Activities](#)

Current courses include:

- Integrating Technology into the Adult Classroom
- Teaching Adults to Read

Click on the link to access the portal:

<http://lincs.ed.gov/courses>

WHO WE ARE...

Laubach Literacy Ontario (LLO) is a volunteer-driven, non-profit charitable organization dedicated to increasing literacy in Ontario, guided by the principle of "Each One Teach One". LLO is a literacy and basic skills support organization funded by the government of Ontario.

LLO has been in existence since 1981 and incorporated since 1992.

We believe in:

- Enhancing the quality of life of Ontarians through literacy
- Achieving our goal through cooperation and partnership
- Maintaining a high standard of service to learners and community

MEMBER NEWS

Welcome New Members

Core Essentials: St. Louis Adult Learning and Continuing Education, Cambridge, ON <http://stlouis.wedsb.ca/programs/core.html>

Can Am Indian Friendship Centre, Windsor, ON
<http://www.caifc.ca/>

East Parry Sound Literacy Council, Parry Sound, ON
<http://www.eastparrysoundliteracycouncil.org/>

We are excited that we now have 70 organizational members!

Moving on Up!

Niagara Regional Literacy Council is moving in May. They will be co-locating with the YMCA Employment and Newcomer Services at 285 Bunting Road, Unit 7, St. Catharines. Their new phone number will be 905-684-3500. As their newsletter stated, their learners will have access to many other programs and services, and clients of the Y will have access to the council's services.

Formalizing Transitions between Employment Services and LBS

Simcoe/Muskoka Literacy Network (SMLN) is wrapping up an exciting project called **Formalizing Transitions between Employment Services and LBS**, funded by the Ministry of Training, Colleges and Universities.

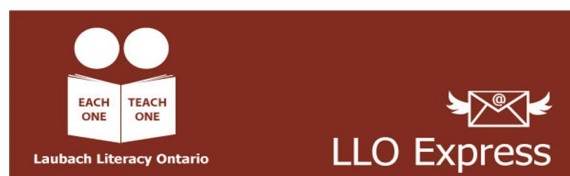
The overall goal of the project is for LBS and ES providers to have increased capacity to promote seamless client transitions between their services, so that learners/clients have successful transitions to proceed along their goal paths. Because many LBS learners and ES clients are Ontario Works (OW) clients, some OW staff also participated in the project.

A number of products are being produced as a result of this project. These include:

- * **Best Practices in Transitions Guide**
- * A **webinar** to share the results of the research
- * **Face-to-face training sessions** for LBS and ES providers, based on the webinar

The **Best Practices in Transitions Guide** and the project report will shortly be posted on the websites of [Simcoe/Muskoka Literacy Network](#) and the [Learning Networks of Ontario](#). You will be able to link directly to resources, tools and documents included in the Guide.

SMLN will be presenting the Formalizing Transitions between Employment Services and LBS workshop at the LLO Measuring and Celebrating Success Conference in Orillia on June 13th, so if you missed it when it came to your Region, please join us then.



Click here to see the latest version of LLO Express: <http://us2.campaign-archive1.com/?u=527e811a0c782656b30e7f7f3&id=d9a5ac5ec7&e=ae576b60da>

