

CLO'S March 2006 E-BULLETIN

Community Literacy of Ontario is pleased to present our March 2006 E-bulletin. CLO's monthly e-bulletin will:

- Serve as a monthly summary of current information of interest to member programs
- Be short! (we know how busy you are...)
- Be sent to paid CLO members only
- Include web sites of interest to CLO members

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1. CLO's Recorded Centra Workshops

On February 23 and March 7, 2006, Community Literacy of Ontario was pleased to offer online workshops on outcomes-based program evaluation. In total, 46 Ontario literacy practitioners took this training. Participants rated the content and facilitation of these workshops extremely highly.

Here are the learning outcomes for this training:

- Identify the purpose and benefits of outcomes-based evaluation
- Share the successes and challenges of outcomes-based program evaluation
- Understand how to make outcomes-based program evaluation manageable
- Identify the key steps in conducting outcomes-based program evaluation
- Become familiar with the terminology specific to outcomes-based evaluation
- Learn how to choose measurable outcomes relevant to your agency
- Understand how to implement outcomes-based evaluation in your agency

The recorded version of the workshop is now available. To access it, log on to <http://alphalive.alphaplus.ca> and then click on 'public recordings' at the top left of the screen.

There are quite a few recordings in the system, so the easiest way to find what you are looking for is to enter Program Evaluation in the search box.

CLO's recorded version was held on March 7th. Just click on playback.

We hope you enjoy this informative workshop on outcomes-based program evaluation!

2. Learner Recruitment Strategies

CLO is currently researching and writing our next online training session (to be delivered this May on Centra). The topic is learner recruitment.

We would love to hear from our creative programs about any effective strategies for recruiting students into your program, or effective strategies for program promotion, or program design. Please email Joanne Kaattari of CLO with your ideas (kaattari@bellnet.ca). Thanks for your help it is most appreciated!

This exciting session will be offered on Tuesday, May 16th and Thursday, May 25th. Watch for the registration forms in early April!

3. Family Literacy Conference 2006

The Centre for Expertise in Family Literacy for Eastern Ontario is proud to present the Family Literacy: Programming that Works Conference in partnership with Queen's University Faculty of Education. Exemplary training opportunities for practitioners and others interested in family literacy will take place at Queen's University in Kingston on June 1 and 2, 2006.

For more information, contact Donna Vinkle at: dvinkle@kingstonliteracy.com

4. Ontario Native Literacy Coalition's 'Learning as One - Sharing as Many' Conference

The Ontario Native Literacy Coalition (ONLC) will be hosting its annual provincial training conference at Cambrian College in Sudbury this year. 'Learning as One - Sharing as Many' will be held June 2nd and 3rd, 2006.

Each of the Native Literacy programs in Ontario will be sending a literacy practitioner and a learner to this conference and for the first time we are also extending an invitation to other professionals to join us.

We will be running two separate, concurrent training streams to meet the needs of both learners and practitioners. Participants have the option of coming for the full two day conference or picking specific session topics, depending on their needs and interests.

This is a great way for front-line workers to get some very cost-effective training, learn more about the Native literacy scene in Ontario and to be exposed to some excellent cross-cultural awareness building.

For more information, please contact Marnie McIntosh at: onlcinfo@bellnet.ca

5. CLO's February 2006 'Our Voice' Newsletter

CLO's most recent newsletter is available online! Highlights of this edition of 'Our Voice' include articles on the Labour Market Development Agreement, Essential Skills and CLO news.

To view this newsletter, please visit:

<http://www.nald.ca/PROVINCE/ONT/CLO/NEWSLET/feb06/1.htm>

6. Ontario Literacy Coalition's Workplace/Workforce Literacy: Building Linkages for Action Symposium Report

The Ontario Literacy Coalition held a workplace/workforce literacy symposium in Toronto on May 31, 2005. To read the symposium report, visit:

<http://www.on.literacy.ca/what/wpawfsr/cover.htm>

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