

COMMUNITY LITERACY OF ONTARIO MEMBERS' E-COMMUNIQUE OCTOBER 2017

Dear CLO Members,

Community Literacy of Ontario is pleased to present our **October 2017 E-Communiqué**.

Topics covered in this e-communiqué are:

- Our "State of Volunteerism in LBS" Webinar Recording
- CLO's Upcoming Webinar on Experiential Learning in LBS
- Fraud Awareness Bulletin from the Canadian Anti-Fraud Centre
- Update on CLO's Training Day and AGM 2017
- Provincial Support Organizations for Literacy's "Spotlight on Student Success" Newsletter
- Resources from Literacy Support Organizations & Employment Ontario Partners
- Twelve Benefits of Ontario 211
- Employment Ontario News and Information



OUR "STATE OF VOLUNTEERISM IN LBS" WEBINAR RECORDING

We are pleased to share the recorded version of CLO's "*What's Up? The State of Volunteerism in Literacy and Basic Skills*".

In this webinar, CLO explores strategies and resources to recruit, support, and engage volunteers in traditional and new roles in LBS programming. Real-life examples showcase the state of volunteerism in LBS.

You can access the recorded webinar here:

<https://vimeo.com/237133289>



CLO'S UPCOMING WEBINAR ON EXPERIENTIAL LEARNING IN LBS

Community Literacy of Ontario has conducted research into employment-related experiential learning opportunities in Literacy and Basic Skills programs in Ontario. We've received survey responses from 66 LBS agencies, conducted 25 key informant interviews, and collected success stories. CLO will share the resulting knowledge of employment-related experiential learning in a research report and in a newsletter.

CLO and [CESBA](#) are also delivering a webinar called: “**HANDS ON, SKILLS UP! Employment-Related Experiential Learning in Ontario's Literacy and Basic Skills Organizations**”. Be sure to save the dates! Registration for the webinar is not yet open, but it will be soon. Watch your inbox, or check in with [CLO's Facebook Page](#) for information, which we will share in the next few weeks.



THE CANADIAN ANTI-FRAUD CENTRE'S FRAUD AWARENESS BULLETIN

October is Cyber Security Awareness Month. Sadly, too many Canadians continue to fall victim to a number of online scams.

The Canadian Anti-Fraud Centre assists in the prevention and fight against Cybercrime.

The Centre has prepared this [fraud bulletin](#) to help Canadians recognize, reject and report these scams. It's a great tool to share with family, friends and in your literacy centre.



UPDATE ON CLO'S TRAINING DAY AND AGM 2017

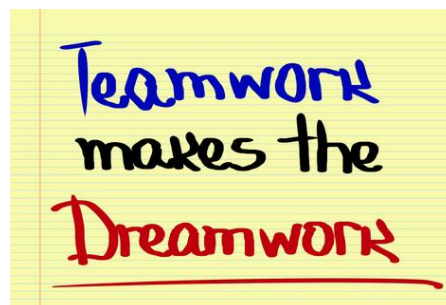
CLO's Training Day and AGM was held on October 17-18, 2017 in beautiful Barrie, Ontario. We were pleased to welcome over 20 participants from literacy organizations from across Ontario. On October 17th, we held our first workshop: "*Be Positive in a Negative World*" by Louise Aspden, The Positive Coach.

On October 18, the day started with the "*Myth Busting: E-Channel and Blended Learning*" workshop by Linda Wright, Director of Sioux-Hudson Literacy Council's Good Learning Anywhere program. Next up was CLO's *Annual General Meeting*. It was followed by our final workshop of the day, "*Marketing with Flair and Success*" by Suzanne Gibson. We thank our participants and presenters for an amazing time of inspiration, information, networking and renewal.

CLO bid a very fond farewell to two exceptional retiring Board Members: **Patti Miller** and **Pierrette Desrochers-Kavanagh**. Thank you both so much from the bottom of our hearts for sharing your time and talents with CLO over the past six years!

We are honoured to present CLO's 2017-2018 Board of Directors:

- Aly Velji – The Toronto Public Library
- Anita Hillis-Krause – Haldimand-Norfolk Literacy Council
- Chris Beesley (Secretary) – Community Living Ontario
- Gene Vallee – Red Lake District Adult Learning Centre
- Ginette Comeau-Roy – Sudbury Vocational Resource Centre
- Helen McLeod (Treasurer) – Hamilton Literacy Council
- Kathy Kennedy – Prince Edward Learning Centre (Picton)
- Shannon Lee (Chair) – Community Learning Alternatives (Belleville)
- Tracy Callaghan – Adult Language and Learning (Chatham)
- Trisha Patrick (Vice-Chair) – Literacy Council York-Simcoe



PROVINCIAL SUPPORT ORGANIZATIONS FOR LITERACY'S "SPOTLIGHT ON STUDENT SUCCESS" NEWSLETTER

Have you seen the most recent newsletter from the Provincial Support Organizations for Literacy?

The focus of this newsletter is "[A Spotlight on Student Success in Ontario's Literacy and Basic Skills Programs](#)". It's a great read!





Innovation Newsletter by Literacy Link South Central

Ready for some inspiration? Then be sure to read Literacy Link South Central's "[Innovation Newsletter](#)" where they share innovative practices used in five LBS organizations.



ABC Life Literacy Canada's "Health Matters" Online Workbook

ABC Life Literacy Canada has created an online health literacy workbook called "[ABC Health Matters](#)". This initiative can help Canadians manage their health more effectively and increase their confidence in making health-related decisions.

ABC Health Matters can be delivered as a workshop, or used as a self or group-study workbook.



Blended Programming Guide by the Northern Literacy Networks

The three Northern Literacy Networks collaborated to develop an "[LBS + ES Blended Programming Guide](#)".

The goal of the guide is to showcase, support and promote LBS and ES blended programming activities.



TWELVE BENEFITS OF ONTARIO 211

211 is an effective tool to help community agencies better serve their clients by providing up to date information on services that can help their clients meet their needs.

Learn about 12 great ways that Ontario 211 benefits community agencies by clicking [here](#).



EMPLOYMENT ONTARIO NEWS AND INFORMATION

MAESD's Employment Ontario Partners Gateway (EOPG) website provides important information for LBS agencies. Be sure to visit this site regularly at: www.tcu.gov.on.ca/eng/eopg/newpostings

Recent news on the EOPG includes:

- [CaMS/2017-12 Bulletin: What's Coming in Release 17.4](#) (October 27, 2017)
- SP Connect - Service Provider User Guide [Chapter 1: Introduction and Navigation](#) (October 2017) [Deputy Minister Memo: Ministry Realignment](#) (October 10, 2017)
- [Organizational Chart: Ministry of Advanced Education and Skills Development Realignment](#) (October 10, 2017)



ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

This E-Communiqué was researched and written by Joanne Kaattari. For more information about Community Literacy of Ontario, visit our [website](#).

This Employment Ontario service is funded in part by the Government of Canada and the Government of Ontario through the Canada-Ontario Job Fund Agreement.

