**Minutes – General Meeting**

# LONDON COUNCIL FOR ADULT EDUCATION

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**Date: January 15, 2013**

**Place: Stevenson Hunt Room, Central Library, London, ON**

**Topic: Programs & courses at the London Public Library, with speaker Kristen Caschera, Information Services Librarian, LPL**

**Present:**

Kristen Caschera (LPL); Donna Moore (UWO, Toastmasters); Kym Wolfe (LMFRC); Nancy McQuillan (LEHC); Alice Brona (LACW); Jane Ellyatt (City of London - OW); Beverley Payne (TVDSB); Carolyn Young (UWO CE); Linda Speers (GCC); Alison Sims (Nokeekwe); Dianna Hardy (Nokeekwe); Ann Walker (Independent); Monica Giorgini (Independent)

1. Kristen welcomed everyone to the meeting and delivered an informative presentation outlining the range of programs available to the general public through the London Public Library system. The program offerings include:
* Children’s Programs
* Author Readings
* Various talks and lectures (topics include Arts & Humanities, Health & Wellness, Classes without Quizzes \*in conjunction with Western University, Nature in the City, and Wellness)
* Book Clubs (including ESL Reading Groups, and Book and Movie Clubs for all ages)
* Workshops and classes (Poetry, Creative Writing, Computer & Technology, Crafts, Special Interests, Resumes/Cover Letters, and Prenatal)
* Documentaries & film screenings
* Arts programs

Kristen also reviewed the library’s website (LPL.ca) and pointed out a number of popular links including Life ([Health & Wellness](http://www.londonpubliclibrary.ca/health), [Home , Garden and DIY](http://www.londonpubliclibrary.ca/homegardendiy), [Searching for Work](http://www.londonpubliclibrary.ca/life/work), [Starting and Running a Business](http://www.londonpubliclibrary.ca/life/business), [Travel, Sports and Hobbies](http://www.londonpubliclibrary.ca/leisuresportstravel)); Research ([academic](http://i.trkjmp.com/click?v=Q0E6MjE4OTI6MTEyNTphY2FkZW1pYzo2MWE5YTFkMDI3ZDNmYjUzNmM1YTRiNjIzZjcxOGE1Njp6LTEwNjMtMTUyMjY5OTk1Ond3dy5sb25kb25wdWJsaWNsaWJyYXJ5LmNhOjI4MDgwOjAyNGI5NzliMzJmM2E0NDdmNDAyOGEzMmJlNzQzOTgx) & lifelong learning research guides); and Staff Picks.

Kristen addressed questions about specific programs, the library’s collections and using the Digital Catalogue)

1. Membership Announcements / Agency updates

Ann Marie Curtain (Literacy Link South Central) announced a new initiative of LLSC called “Community Literacy to Employment” which is for recipients of OW - (period of 1+years) lacking a Grade 12 Diploma. Interested clients can be interviewed and routed to the program most appropriate to their needs. LLSC, in conjunction with 8 community literacy partners, offers this service with financial support from Ontario Works, City of London.

1. Meeting adjourned 1:00 pm

\*Note: Next General Meeting is March 19, 2013 (Topic will be “Skills training available through local employment service providers”.)