

LNH and Sheridan College's yearlong partnership is ACES

In January 2007 Literacy North Halton partnered with Sheridan Institute of Technology to offer the A.C.E. (Academic and Career Entrance) Upgrading Program right in the heart of Georgetown. Over the past year students have been attending from the Halton Hills community from all walks of life in order to upgrade their English and Math skills to obtain Grade 12 equivalency, to enter a college program or to improve their life and workplace skills. Here are a few of our student profiles:

Corrine's goal is to enroll in the General & Science Arts Program at Sheridan College. Corrine failed the mature student test through the admissions process at Sheridan and was referred to the ACE program. When she was asked what she likes about the program in Georgetown she commented "finally I have a teacher that cares—not enough do that."

Joe wanted to pass the GED test to apply for an apprenticeship in the Automotive field—Joe likes the smaller group in ACE and appreciates being able to ask for help more often.

Kim says, "I came to the ACE program to prepare myself for college as I am going into the trades. I also want to better myself for my son when he becomes school age."

Whether a student lives or works in this community there is no doubt that attending a part-time evening class right here in town in order to achieve their goals, has been a win-win situation for both the student and the respective college offering a program in further education. Students



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need only to be "out of the school system" to apply and adults from 17 years of age and older can qualify. Students can choose Monday to Wednesday evenings—they can come every day, or just one or two days a week depending on how fast they want to reach their goals.

More recently, employees, who work in large businesses, have been applying to our ACE program to assist them in

upgrading their Math and English so they can successfully apply for an apprenticeship program with their employer.

Residents of Halton Hills need look no further if they need to upgrade in order to apply for local employment opportunities. The Sheridan ACE program is alive and well right here in Georgetown. For more information call Literacy North Halton 905-873-2200 or check out our website at www.literacynh.org

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Shrine Club news

Credit Valley Shrine Club elected its new executive for the 2008 season on January 22. From left, Jim Gilpin, secretary; Jim Lilly, auditor; Randy White, third vice; Glen Collins, president; Nick Ellis, first vice; Greg Ferguson, treasurer; Keith Perkins, director; Peter Marshall, director and not in the photo, Mike McKay, special projects and Tim Somerville, second vice.

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Credit Valley Shrine Club past-president Robert Down presented Virginia Mech of Mississauga with the first prize in the club's Sail Away Draw recently. The annual draw is a fundraiser for Shriners Hospital for Children.

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