

Mel Lloyd Centre chosen for e-learning

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The Mel Lloyd Centre in Shelburne has been chosen for the site of the area's first location of e-learning network, part of Ontario's Reaching Higher Plan, by which residents can earn accredited diplomas or degrees without commuting to or living at a college or university campus.

Dufferin Community Services Director Dan Best said Tuesday he expects the pilot project of 1,000 square feet would be up and running by next month. Depending on the response, he expects the learning centre would grow from there.

According to a Kincardine news report, a similar project in the Bruce County town attracted 84 students with-

in a short time. A recent report indicated there were about 500 pursuing online courses through the province's then-five e-learning network locations - all of which are in smaller communities.

Some of the courses available through e-learning might be otherwise available online in any event, but Mr. Best said not all residents have access to high-speed Internet, and most wouldn't have the kind of technology available to them at e-learning.

"We provide e-learning stations, each equipped with the latest in audio and videoconferencing technology and high-speed Internet to help learners access their programs and courses online," e-learning proclaims on its website.

As e-learning is funded by the province, students are not charged for the service. They pay their regular tuition for the selected courses, and the tuition is paid directly to the university or college providing the course.

To date, e-learning says it has 7,500 courses available through the participation and support of 19 colleges and 15 universities.

Students with home or office access to the necessary technology may choose to register for the courses through e-learning. In that event, they would still enjoy the support of the centre.

"If you have access to a computer and an Internet connection at home, you can do the course from home (depending on course requirements). Those accessing their courses from home or work can still call on us for support, or to print course material. For people who would prefer to be in an environment conducive to e-learning with ready access to a trained professional and a high speed Internet connection, then studying at the nearest elearnnetwork.ca location is the ideal solution," says e-learning.

What are the support services? "A local qualified team member is also available to assist at no charge by providing a range of sup-

port services: Access to e-learning stations for study and research purposes; Demonstrations of e-learning technologies; Research assistance with study options; Support with financial aid, registration and scheduling; Support with using the necessary technology; Support and encouragement throughout course of study; Exam invigilation services; Employment support referrals."

The Mel Lloyd centre is one of 12 locations approved for e-learning location construction this summer.

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Club having recently reminded county council that the county is obligated to maintain recreational uses.

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April 14 Dufferin County Museum and Archives presents "2008 Canadian Battlefields Tour" and a preview of the DCMA's "Dufferin County Virtual War Memorial" 7:00 pm NorthEast corner of Hwy. #89 & Airport Rd.

April 14 Shelburne Christian Women presents "Worry Free Future". Come for coffee 9:30 - 11:30, Tina Weidelich - Music and Speaker, Centre Dufferin Recreation Complex - Town and Country Room. \$4 per person, \$1 first timers. Reservations appreciated. Call Leona 519-925-3130 or Jane 519-938-8838.

April 14 10:30 am Accessibility Committee Meeting, Committee room, lower level, Municipal Building, 87 Broadway.

April 15 Blood Donor Clinic, Orangeville Best Western Hotel, 3:00 pm - 7:00 pm

April 16 6:30 pm Orangeville Trailway Committee, Committee Room, lower level, Municipal Building, 87 Broadway.

April 18 Century Church Theatre "H A Hot Night in Hillsburgh" 2008 Music Fest Canada Gold - Award winners, Chinguacousy Swing Orchestras Big Band sound. 8:00 pm, tickets 519-855-4586.

CORRECTION

A photo caption in last week's issue erroneously described Community Living Dufferin's mission as "to aid disadvantaged persons." Since the dictionary defines "disadvantaged" in purely economic terms, the correct phrase would have been "to aid the intellectually disabled." We apologize for the usage.

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For further information, please contact the undersigned. Only those selected for an interview will be contacted.

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