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1. ACAL Conference – Program now complete
October 2-4, Surfers Paradise
Thanks to a great response from presenters, the ACAL conference program is full. A draft program and abstracts will appear on the website in the next two weeks. Keep looking & register now for earlybird!

Great news!
Senator Ursula Stephens, Parliamentary Secretary for Social Inclusion has agreed to address the ACAL Pre-conference Forum "Adult Literacy, Numeracy & Lifelong learning: A cross sectoral dialogue". Dr Chris Duncan (ABS) will also discuss implications of the ALLS data for different sectors.
Why not register for both the forum and the conference?
Member rates apply to financial members of ACAL or QCAL

2. Aboriginal Literacy: Bridging the Distance to Learning • Literacy Live
ACAL Literacy Live Room Tuesday 19th August at 8pm
The Sioux Hudson Literacy Council is making groundbreaking strides to reach adult Aboriginal learners who reside in 35 remote, isolated communities of Northwestern Ontario, Canada, often only accessible by plane in the summer months and ice
roads during the winter. Over the last three years, the Sioux Hudson Literacy Council has been offering solutions for the literacy learner at a distance with a unique website with direct links to synchronous online classrooms and offers a solution to the growing number of Indigenous learners who have little or no education. See it at http://www.siouxhudsonliteracy.com/

Presenter: Michelle Eady is the Distance Projects Coordinator for the Sioux Hudson Literacy Council in Sioux Lookout, Ontario, Canada and a Ph D Candidate at the University of Wollongong, NSW.

3. Listen to Literacy Live
Recordings of many recent Literacy Live sessions are now available at http://www.acal.edu.au/literacylive/recordings.htm

4. Western Australian Adult Literacy Council
Adults Only - A Conference for Adult Educators:
West Australia: WAALC’s annual state conference Adults Only is only days away now. The draft program is available on http://www.waalc.com/
As usual our AGM is part of the conference at 4.00 pm Thursday July 17th. All WA members of ACAL and WAALC are urged to attend. Membership fees are now due. Please contact helen.grimston@central.wa.edu.au if you want nomination forms for committee positions.

5. Online Vocational Graduate Certificate in Adult Literacy and Numeracy Teaching
This new online graduate level qualification from Southbank Institute of Technology provides an opportunity to develop advanced adult literacy and numeracy teaching skills in a range of VET contexts.
The 100% online delivery mode offers flexibility and convenience, while maintaining a supportive, interactive learning environment.
For more information call 13 72 48 or go to http://www.southbank.edu.au/course/DOM/39178QLD.htm

6. CAE PD day: Numeracy for all: 23rd July
Feel alone and unsure about how to teach numeracy and maths to youth and/or adults? New to teaching numeracy and maths and don’t feel confident about how to teach it in an applied way or how to teach the underpinning maths skills? Want to learn how to integrate numeracy into your literacy teaching? Don’t know where to go for resources or help? Can maths be delivered in a more engaging, hands on, applied learning, flexible way? Do you need some help and want to find some new ideas? Want to network with colleagues? This day of practical information, sharing and workshop sessions will help you.
Wednesday, 23rd July, 2008, 9.30 am to 3.30 pm; Level 4, CAE, 253 Flinders Lane,
Melbourne; $230.00
More details email davet@cae.edu.au or http://www.saalt.com.au/profdev.html

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