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Quinte Immigration Services will assist newcomers isolated by cultural and language barriers in the Quinte region through the process of orientation and settlement while encouraging public respect for the diversity of immigrants, the promotion and recognition of the value of racial and cultural differences, and the facilitation of integration and participation of newcomers into the social, economic and cultural aspects of the community.

UPCOMING COMMUNITY EVENTS

April 18, 2014 - Good Friday-
QUIS office closed

April 21, 2014 - Easter Monday-
QUIS office closed

April 22, 2014 - QUIS Laughter
Yoga, 41 Octavia Street, 5:15 pm

April 22, 2014 - Earth Day

April 26, 2014 - QUIS Fundraising
Event, Wine and Taste Tour of PEC,
(see poster for location)

April 30, 2014 - QUIS information
session on META Employment Ser-
vices, 41 Octavia Street, 11 am

May 11, 2014 - Mother's Day –Say
thanks to your mother today!

May 14, 2014 - QUIS information
session on MTCU Apprenticeship, 41
Octavia Street, 11 am.

May 19, 2014 - Victoria Day, QUIS
office closed

May 21, 2014 - QUIS Bingo, 41
Octavia Street, 6-7:30 pm

May 28, 2014 - QUIS information
session, Loyola School of Adult and
Continuing Education, 41 Octavia
Street, 11 am

June 11, 2014 - QUIS information
session, Updates on changes at CIC,
41 Octavia Street, 11 am

June 17th, 2014 - QUIS infor-
mation session on Garbage and Re-
cycling in Quinte region, 41 Octavia
Street, 11am

June 21, 2014 - Summer Solstice-
First Day of Summer !

June 23, 2014 - QUIS Annual Pot-
luck and Open House, 41 Octavia
Street, 5-7 pm

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QUIS Newsletter



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QUIS CHANGES NAME



Following recent government changes to immigration policies and in an effort to modernize its operations in keeping with its mandate and mission statement, QUIS has made a few changes.

You will notice that our new operation name has changed to **Quinte Immigration Services (QUIS)**. This was done for marketing purposes, as it is easier to remember than our legal name. Our legal name will continue to be Quinte United Immigrant Services.

Quinte Immigration Services will be part of a new logo and color branding that will be added to all correspondence and brochures as well as a new website being developed and redesigned at this time and soon to be launched.

The way that we deliver services is also changing. Government-funded programs will continue to be provided free of charge to eligible clients. However, due to new eligibility rules, some clients may be left without services. To deal with this change, **QUIS** is developing a "fee for service" model that will allow clients to get some services in exchange for payment.

The details of the services and the amount of the fees will be included in the new website.

Quinte Immigration Services will take into consideration the needs of our clients, the quality of services we provide and the accessibility to those services by our clients. We will continue to provide the highest quality of service possible.

During this transition period we will keep you all updated with any new changes .



NEW FACE AT QUIS

At the beginning of April, QUIS welcomed Tamara Malinski to its team. Tamara, a native of Brazil, is the new research assistant and administrative person.

Tamara has been in Canada for 8 years. In her free time, she likes to travel and, in the summer, hang out on the beach with her two children.

She is fluent in English and Portuguese. Please say hello to Tamara when you drop in to the QUIS office.



EMPLOYMENT COUNSELLOR AT QUIS

Every Thursday afternoon, from 1 to 4 pm, employment counsellor Joanne Leith, of Community Employment Services will be at QUIS. Community Employment Services is part of Loyalist College. Their office is located at 54 Dundas Street East in Belleville.

Joanne can help people who are looking for work. If you need help creating a resume and cover letter, getting some ideas about how you might job search and what to do in an interview, Joanne can assist you.

Joanne has been coming to QUIS for several months. To see her, you can either call QUIS to make an appointment, or just drop by the office on Thursday afternoon to see if she is available.

On April 16, Joanne will be talking to interested clients about the services provided by Community Employment Services.

This service is free of charge and all QUIS clients are welcome.



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QUINTE LOCAL IMMIGRATION PARTNERSHIP UPDATES

Over the last few months, the Quinte Local Immigration Partnership (QLIP) has been involved in a number of different activities.

At a recent meeting, Ryan Williams, president of the Bay of Quinte Tourist Council made a presentation about marketing the Bay of Quinte region to potential newcomers and visitors. The Council is focusing on the importance of immigration to the area in the future. They are using television ads, a Facebook page and advertisements in theatres to generate interest in the region. Quinte Immigration Services is a member of the Bay of Quinte Living Council, which is trying to create a variety of partnerships in the area.



On March 20, many members of the QLIP participated in a very successful United Nations Association of Canada (UNAC) event at Bridge Street United Church. On that occasion, the City of Belleville joined the Canadian Council of Municipalities against Racial Discrimination. This is a project of the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO). Belleville can be proud of signing this important document. As reported in the Belleville Intelligencer newspaper, [Mayor] Ellis said, "Being inclusive is crucial for any growth to succeed. Several studies have shown Belleville and Hastings County will need immigration for future growth."

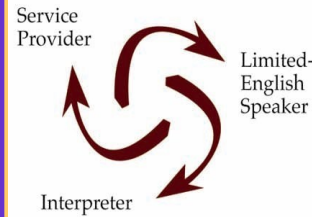


In May, the City of Belleville and UNAC are co-sponsoring an event on Diversity in the Workplace at Loyalist College on May 8. The event will include a talk by a specialist in workplace diversity and a panel discussion.



Recently, TVCOGECO Cable 4 joined the QLIP Partnership. TVCOGECO and Quinte Immigration Services QUIS are community partners in promoting the diversity that exists in the greater Quinte region. Their combined efforts are demonstrated in the documentary "Breaking Barriers: A Local Look at a Global Perspective". There are five episodes available online at the QLIP and QUIS websites. Episode sixth has recently been completed featuring the QLIP Partnership and can be viewed on certain dates on TVCOGECO Cable 4. This new video will soon be added to the QLIP website at www.quintelip.ca and the QUIS website at <http://www.quinteimmigration.ca>





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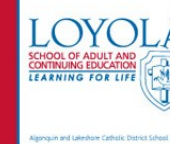
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Loyola School of Adult and Continuing Education is a provider of LINC and ESL for adults age 18+ in the Quinte Region. We offer day and evening classes, including TOEFL and Canadian Citizenship preparation.

Loyola is interested in knowing your ESL needs. We invite you to participate in the following survey:

Please go to this website: <http://www.surveymonkey.com/s/ESLSTUDENT>

Please email Michelle, at michelle.rosebush@alcdsb.on.ca for further information or visit our website at www.learning@loyola.ca

VALENTINE'S SOCIAL

On Wednesday, February 12, Quinte Immigration Services hosted a Valentine's Social. The event included valentine craft making for kids and a cookie exchange, with recipes, for the adults.

Those who attended had a good time chatting with new friends, sampling cookies and making Valentine's cards they were able to give to their teachers, parents and friends. Quinte Immigration Services looks forward to seeing many of you at our upcoming social events!



INCOME TAX CLINIC AT QUIS

Do you need some help doing your taxes? Are you new to Canada? In March, Quinte Immigration Services started hosting the Community Volunteer Income Tax Program (CVITP). The program, sponsored by the Canada Revenue Agency (CRA) (Canada's tax department), allows eligible clients to have their income tax returns prepared for free by a qualified volunteer. Again this year, QUIS is being assisted by Ken Palmer, who has generously donated his time in order to help people with their tax returns.

To qualify, you need to be a client, have an income under \$30,000 a year for a single person or \$40,000 for a couple and have a simple return. We will give you some information regarding what documents you need to bring with you to an appointment. If you are interested, please contact QUIS at (613) 968-7723. We can give you further information and book an appointment for you.



UPCOMING INFORMATION SESSIONS AT QUIS



Employment Information!

Date: **Wednesday, April 30th, 2014**
 Time: **11:00 a.m. to 12 noon**
 Place: **41 Octavia Street, Belleville**



Darrell McGrath from **META Employment Services** will be here to tell you about employment services at META and how to :

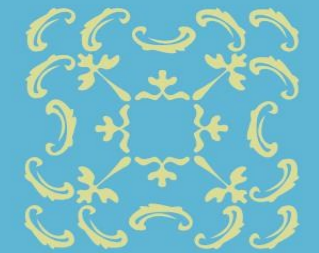
- write a good resumé and cover letter
- have a good job interview

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QUIS FUNDRAISING EVENT!

*Wine & Taste Tour
 of Prince Edward County*



Saturday April 26th, 2014

Quinte Immigration Services is proud to present a wine and taste tour of our local Prince Edward County. There are many locations to stop and enjoy in the county but we have narrowed it down to 6 stops which will allow you to taste local wines, beers, Cider and cheeses.

We will be stopping at:
 Black River Cheese, Del Gatto Estates, Waupoos Estates, County Cider Company, Barley Days Brewery and Huff Estates.

This tour includes a comfortable bus with washroom, a lunch at Waupoos Gazebo restaurant, door prizes and a silent auction.



Tour Starts:	Tour Ends:
41 Octavia St - 9:30am	LCBO Rossmore - 5:00pm
or LCBO Rossmore - 9:45am	or 41 Octavia St - 5:15pm



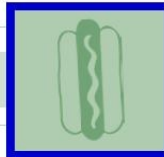
Cost: \$95.00/person or \$180 for 2



Tickets must be purchased in advance by calling our office or coming into our location.

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COMMUNITY CONNECTIONS EVENTS AT QUIS



Quinte Immigration Services Annual Pot Luck and Open House



*Please bring your favourite food from
your home country to share!*

Monday June 23, 2014

Doors Open at 5:00pm

Pot Luck Starts at **5:30pm**—7:00pm



41 Octavia Street
2nd Floor Common Room
RSVP by Wednesday June 18
613-968-7723 Ext 0



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Quinte Immigration Services Presents an Information Session on:



Apprenticeship Training from the Ministry of Training, Colleges and Universities (MTCU)

Date: Wednesday, May 14th, 2014

Time: 11:00am to 12 noon

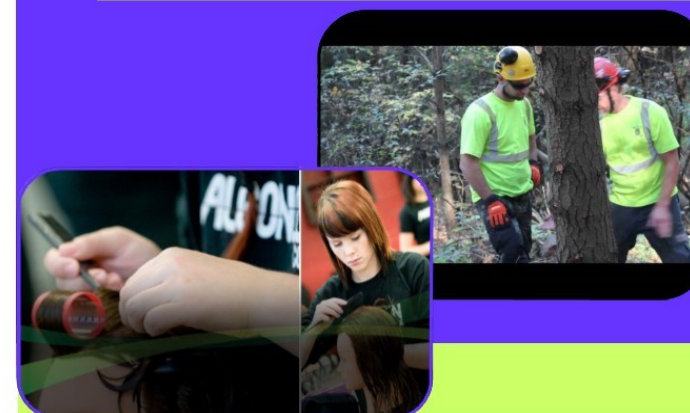
Where: 41 Octavia Street, Belleville

Guest Speaker: Janice Faires



Find out about:

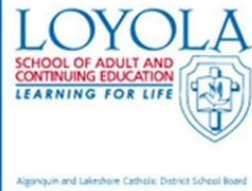
- The Apprenticeship Program through MTCU
- Apprenticeship options
- Apprenticeship training
- How to find an employer to apprentice you



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- ⇒ Distance education and **on-line learning**
- ⇒ **Career** Programs
- ⇒ Essential **Skills** training
- ⇒ Personal Support Worker (PSW) Training



Date / Time: Wednesday, May 28th, 2014, 11:00 a.m. to 12 noon
Place: 41 Octavia Street, Belleville
Guest Speaker: Bernice Campbell

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COMMUNITY CONNECTIONS EVENTS AT QUIS



**Come join
Quinte Immigration Services
for a fun filled night of family Bingo.**

Win Prizes!

Wednesday May 21, 2014

Doors Open at 5:30pm Games Start at **6pm**—7:30pm

QUIS will provide Refreshments and Popcorn



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Laughter Yoga

Tuesday April 22, 2014

Doors Open at 4:45pm Starts at **5:15pm**

No mats or special clothing required.

QUIS will provide Light Refreshments and Snacks at 6:00pm immediately after the class.



Instructor: Luisa Sorrentino
Certified Laughter Yoga Leader

Laughter Yoga combines simple laughter exercises and gentle yoga breathing (Pranayama) to enhance health and happiness. The exercises are simple, structured and based on the philosophy of "acting happiness". They are appropriate and beneficial for all, regardless of the participants' cognitive or motor abilities/limitations.

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RSVP by Wednesday April 16
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UPCOMING INFORMATION SESSIONS AT QUIS



Citizenship and Immigration Canada - the Basics

Date: Wednesday, June 11th, 2014

Time: 11am to 12 noon

Place: 41 Octavia Street, Belleville

Guest speaker: QUIS Staff

Find out about:

- How to navigate the new CIC website
- What's new at CIC
- New rules for Citizenship?
- How to track your application on-line



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UPCOMING INFORMATION SESSIONS AT QUIS

GREEN DAY



Date: Tuesday June 17, 2014
Time: 11:00am to 12 noon
Place: 41 Octavia Street, Belleville

Garbage & Recycling

Quinte Waste Solutions and the City of Belleville will come to Quinte Immigration Services to tell you about:

- Blue Box
- Garbage Pick-up
- Green Bin Composting
- Backyard Composting

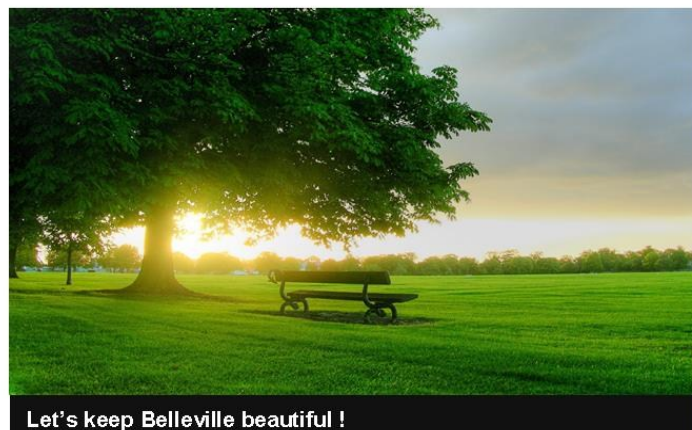


“As much as 40% of household waste is organic and can be recycled...”

- the City of Belleville Green Bin Organic Waste Recycling

We will answer your questions:

- Q: What can I put in a Blue Box?
- Q: What days and times will they take my garbage?
- Q: What is a Green Bin, and how do I use it?



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Today is a good day to learn more, so let's talk.
 Este es un buen momento para informarse mejor, así que hablemos.

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