

Team: Literacy Across the Lifespan
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On our way to 100% Literacy in Onondaga County!

1. The Leadership Council met and the managing partners self identified for roles and responsibilities. This Council will meet quarterly.
2. The Managing Partners for the Literacy Coalition of Onondaga County are:
The United Way, The Greater Syracuse Chamber of Commerce, Onondaga Community College, OCM BOCES, LeMoyne College, The Central New York Community Foundation.
 - a. The United Way will serve as the 501c3
 - b. The Chamber is finalizing the Executive Director job description and a posting should be made soon
 - c. Managing Partners have decided to use a consensus decision making process and have committed to attend a monthly meeting to carry out the work of the Coalition.
 - d. The Literacy Coalition is still looking for office space. Please contact us with ideas!!
3. Check out the FLAGS website www.flags-cny.org
<<http://66.192.44.64/exchweb/bin/redirect.asp?URL=http://www.flags-cny.org>> for all the Events and Calendar entries for literacy related fundraisers, programs, parades, meetings! It is an exciting time in our community:
 - * Onondaga County Show and Tell Summer Programs

 - Literacy Tutor Circle Meeting
 - * Ice Cream for Literacy Motorcycle Ride, a Learning Place event
 - * Light a Candle for Literacy Parade on June 7
 - * GED Testing dates 07- 08
4. The Learner Forum is in the planning stage and literacy programs and their students have been notified. We are working with the organization VALUE: Voice of Adult Learners Understanding Education.
5. Literacy Volunteers of Greater Syracuse Corporate Breakfast was a huge success. Michael Kroth, the speaker, spoke of the passion we bring to our work....our ideas....our volunteering....our learning. Congratulations to Donna Valerino, her board and staff! Ed Kochian served as Honorary Chair for the event!
6. Congratulations also to John Eberle, recently appointed at the Central New York Community Foundation as Vice President, Grant making and Community Initiatives.
7. The Funding Analysis and Literacy Mapping Project has been presented. We will provide a link at this site soon.