

*"If there's a film that will finally make you want to accept that friend request from your grandparents, this one is it."*  
- Village Voice

*"A Must-See Movie"*  
- Huffington Post



*"Cyber-Seniors is a fun look at seniors bridging the digital divide"*  
- Los Angeles Times

*"Charming, Poignant, Hilarious"*  
- Maria Shriver, NBC News

## Cyber-Seniors Newsletter - January 2017



Michael P., a student from Burlington Christian Academy in Burlington, Ontario, teaches Marcella Virture, a senior from LaSalle Park Retirement Community

### Cyber-Seniors Program in Burlington, Ontario

This fall, with the help of Amy Back of Computer Help for Adults in Hamilton, Ontario, the seniors at LaSalle Park Retirement Community in Burlington and students from the Burlington Christian Academy participated in a Cyber-Seniors program. The students taught the seniors to use technology and then worked with them to create a video that was posted on YouTube. The program was very successful and was featured on CogecoTV in December.

In celebration of Canada's 150th birthday, Amy is planning a project that will match up seniors and students to create videos celebrating living in Hamilton and Canada. We look forward to seeing that later this year.

### Best Practices Webinar

We are excited to have Amy Back from Computer Help for Adults in Hamilton, Ontario to share her tips and success stories spearheading the Cyber-Seniors program for this month's webinar of Best Practice Sharing.

The webinar is scheduled for Tuesday, February 28th at 1pm EST. Please check our Events Page for further details and login link.

Amy is the founder of Computer Help for Adults, she is a 2017 YWCA Woman of Distinction Award Nominee for Business Entrepreneur, and a Hamilton Spectator 2016 Readers Choice Award Winner Platinum - Senior Services, Diamond - Adult Education.

### **Cyber-Seniors Webinars**

We will be reviving our Best Practice Sharing webinars starting on February 28th at 1:00 pm EST. Keep checking our Facebook and website events pages for the login link. If you have any questions about the webinar, please contact Tess Finlay at [tess@cyber-seniors.ca](mailto:tess@cyber-seniors.ca). These webinars will continue once a month.

If you are interested in our webinars on Youth Mentorship or Starting a Cyber-Seniors Program, please contact Tess and she will share it with you.

### **Help with Grant Applications**

We have been working with organizations that are interested in starting or growing a Cyber-Seniors program, but lack the necessary resources. We are happy to work with you to evaluate your community and identify program needs, help with writing a program proposal and develop a budget, and share the latest data showing impact to older adults and student mentors and measurement tools that would be used to show your program results. If you are interested in applying for a grant, please email [info@cyber-seniors.ca](mailto:info@cyber-seniors.ca) for more information.

### **Cyber-Seniors on PBS**

PBS stations across the United States have now been airing Cyber-Seniors since November. Some stations are airing the film during their pledge weeks. To find out when it's airing on your local station, check our Events section of our Facebook page or visit the station's website. If you don't see it on their schedule, please contact them to ask when it will air. Remember that your PBS station relies on support from its viewers to air quality programs like Cyber-Seniors.

### **Cyber-Seniors in the News**

Read about several groups making an impact in the lives of older adults and young people:

- at the [Francis Tuttle Technology Center and Concordia Life Care Community](#)
- at the [LaSalle Senior Center and Burlington Christian Academy](#)
- at the [Harry L. Coomes Recreation Center in Abingdon, VA](#)
- at [Newhaven Court at Clearview in Butler, PA](#)
- at [Goderich Place, and the Elder Abuse Prevention Committee of Huron County](#)
- in [Medicine Hat, AB](#)
- at [Wenonah High School in Birmingham, AL](#)
- at the [Elsie Stuhr Centre in Beaverton, OR](#)
- at [Lauralton Hall High School in Milford, CT](#)
- in other news, from [NetNanny.com](#)

More webinars and webinar details, along with other upcoming events are on our site, see them [HERE](#).

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