

# Excel Express

## **Ovarian Cancer Canada and Winners Walk of Hope**

Ovarian cancer is the most serious gynecological cancer, claiming 5 lives a day in Canada. Since there is no effective screening test for ovarian cancer, education and awareness are the best tools for improving survival. Ovarian Cancer is the only national organization in Canada dedicated to increasing awareness, supporting women, their families and educating the public as well. Money raised through the Winners Walk of Hope finance Ovarian Cancer Canada's numerous support and education programs for women with ovarian cancer, health care professionals and the general public. The walk also supports ongoing ovarian cancer research to develop reliable early detection techniques, improved treatments and ultimately, a cure.

The web sites for more information;  
Ovarian Cancer Canada:

[www.ovariancanada.org](http://www.ovariancanada.org)

Winners Walk of Hope:

[www.winnerswalkofhope.ca](http://www.winnerswalkofhope.ca)

We are looking for volunteers and walkers for the event. For more information please contact me at:  
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## **Graduate Spotlight Linzy Bacon**



Linzy graduated in May of last year from the Health Care Office Assistant program at Excel. She enjoyed her practicum at Acreview Dental office, but her career truly began when she started at the office of Dr. Klassen, a local Ophthalmologist. While she was trained as an administrator, Dr. Klassen has empowered Linzy to do much more; from ordering supplies, booking appointments, patient screening, and dictation to actual clinical testing. In fact, there is only one machine in the whole office that she is not trained to use. Dr. Klassen had faith in her abilities and her training and Linzy has truly excelled!

While the typing and interview skills played a critical role in her achieving her new career, Business Communications was her favorite courses; the presentation portion of the module in particular.

Congratulations, Linzy, on your remarkable accomplishments!

## **Bladerunners... starring Pauline!**

Pauline Stevenson; founder and President of Excel Career College, took part in a unique event this past February. Bladerunners youth organization in Courtenay held a two day workshop to help teenagers put together functional resumes and to practice their interview skills. Pauline was fortunate to get to lead this group. With her passion for teaching, Pauline believes that "job readiness is something that we don't practice enough. If I can help people practice the process, it will make their chances of finding employment so much greater."

Pauline has hosted hundreds of these workshops during her career and who better to lead these workshops than the person responsible for hiring all of the instructors, administration and marketing staff at Excel Career College!

## **Web Site Updates**

All Excel Students are reminded to keep up to date with our website changes. The grad updates, student services information and Excel changes affect you and your education!

## **Parking Promotion Winners for March**

Congradulations to Randy B and Samantha P.