

# NETWORKS

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## ANNUAL MEETING

The annual meeting of Huronia Regional Branch was held on March 6th at the Jozo Weider Information Centre in Collingwood. Nine members were in attendance. Following are the annual reports of the 1981/82 Executive:

## PRESIDENT'S REPORT

1981/82 has been an active year for the Huronia Regional Branch of OALT/ABO. Although our membership figures are good we continue to have a problem getting members out to meetings. This is unfortunate because the meetings have been varied as to place and content. Meetings have been held in Orangeville, Collingwood, Barrie and Midland. There was a pot-luck supper meeting, two meetings in libraries, a day of workshops in a library, and, our annual meeting in a regional Tourist Information Centre.

Huronian Regional Branch members continue to be very active in areas of provincial responsibility. Janet Iles is our representative on the "Proposal for Change" Committee, with assistance from Janet Scheibler. I sit on the "Essay Contest Committee", however, as most meetings have been held in the Niagara area my input has been primarily by telephone. Nancy Mack has continued to have considerable input at the Provincial level. She has done the bulk of the organization of a slide presentation, and, continues to be OALT/ABO's representative to CLA.

An excellent day of workshops was held at the Barrie Public Library in October. The workshops, organized by Nancy Mack and Barbara Rudd, were both interesting and informative. Thank you Barb and Nancy for a job well done!

Louise LaFleur and Judith Koenig have been busy keeping the plan for a Library Technician programme in the area alive. We expect to have more information for you in the near future. (See also Section following in this newsletter)

A list of Huronia industries, who may have need for Library Technicians, has been compiled. Information regarding Library Technicians will be sent to them in the near future with the intent of broadening the job market.

Of course, we must thank Jackie Druery for her contribution in keeping our group together by editing and distributing this newsletter to the membership. Thanks also to the executive who have worked hard this year and who plan to do the same in the coming year.

Mary Davie  
President/Director

## SECRETARY/NEWSLETTER EDITOR'S REPORT

Minutes for three regular meetings and one Executive meeting were recorded and distributed. Notice of upcoming meetings were distributed to members and libraries within the region. A letter was also sent to past members asking them to renew their membership.

Production of our Newsletter, NETWORKS, was left in the capable, experienced hands of Jackie Druery, whose report is also included.

Janet Scheibler  
Secretary

Two issues of NETWORKS - August and November - have been edited by me in the 1981/82 year. Hopefully, in 1982/83 there will be four issues as was originally planned.

More input from members is still required - whether it be contributions or criticisms. If you have any ideas for regular features that you would like to see in NETWORKS please contact me. Your suggestions and comments are required in order to make this newsletter an effective communication outlet for Huronia Regional Branch.

Jackie Druery  
Newsletter Editor

## TREASURER'S REPORT

As of March 6, 1982:

### INCOME

Transfer from previous account	203.76
Fees	71.00
Fall Workshop	95.98
Total	<u>370.74</u>

### EXPENSES

Petty cash	10.00
To OALT/ABO - Fees	38.00
President - Expenses	69.96
Convention	80.00
Secretary - Expenses	10.48
Photocopying	7.80
Workshop Honorariums	30.00
Bank charges	5.00
Total	<u>251.24</u>

BALANCE ON HAND 119.50

### MEMBERSHIP REPORT

Graduates	11
Associates	6
Students	3
Total	<u>20</u>

Janet Iles  
Treasurer

## ARCHIVIST'S REPORT

I have received very little input from members. Within the next month or so I will be organizing the files, and will set up a list of headings to be used.

No material as of yet has been sent to the Provincial Archives. This I hope to do before the next meeting of the Association.

Irene Gelyk  
Archivist

The 1982/83 Executive will be as follows:

PRESIDENT:	Mary Davie
VICE-PRESIDENT:	Louise LaFleur
SECRETARY:	Janet Scheibler
NEWSLETTER EDITOR:	Jackie Druery
TREASURER:	Janet Iles
ARCHIVIST:	Irene Gelyk

## LIBRARY TECHNICIAN COURSES IN HURONIA REGION

Judy Koenig, Louise LaFleur, Mary Davie and other Huronia members are still working hard to establish Library Technician courses in Huronia Region. Judy wrote a letter to George McCague, M.P.P. for Dufferin-Simcoe asking why Georgian College had decided not to offer the courses. In his reply Mr. McCague stated that "Having received approval from the Ontario Council of Regents to offer a Library Technician program on a part-time basis, the College commenced a review of program viability in relation to available revenues. As the College had not offered any program of a similar nature in the past, a significant capital expenditure would be required. Mr. Busch advises that apart from the provision of a specialized laboratory, an investment of approximately \$10,000 in equipment and \$25,000 in resource materials would need to be made. During 1981/82 the College was unable to allocate more than \$100,000 to total capital acquisition for the entire operation of the College and were not able to consider the expenditure of amounts as noted for the training of perhaps sixty part-time students. Given the necessary climate of constraint, Mr. Busch feels that the College had no choice but to defer implementation of this program".

Even though Georgian College will not be offering the courses, there is a good possibility that courses will still be held in Huronia Region. A meeting will be held in May and further news will be available after that time. In the meantime, if you are at all interested in Library Technician courses please complete the questionnaire enclosed with this issue and return it as soon as possible to Mary Davie or Louise LaFleur. This project needs everyone's support!

## PROVINCIAL NEWS

Newsletter editors for the Provincial Newsletter will come from London.

The London Regional Branch will not be reforming as was previously announced.

OALT/ABO is publishing a Procedures Manual and glossary for conventions, for the use of the hosting region.

The job survey is progressing. OALT/ABO Board of Directors will send letters to firms of over 300 employees describing Library Technicians and their capabilities. It is hoped that these job descriptions will make industry and business more aware of our expertise in order to generate jobs.

OALT/ABO is printing a new, up-dated version of our publicity brochure.

The Provincial President and the Public Relation Co-ordinator have been visiting library schools to promote library technicians to future librarians.

Niagara Regional Branch is presently compiling some of the comments made about last year's convention. On the whole, delegates seemed satisfied.

New members to OALT/ABO will receive a new members kit consisting of a copy of the constitution, standards of ethics, brochures, etc.

## WELCOME ABOARD

Huronian Regional Branch extends a warm welcome to Gwen Hawke, a new member. Gwen is a Library Technician at the Orillia Campus of Georgian College. Please add Gwen's name and address to your membership list:

Gwen Hawke  
Rugby Estates  
RR#1  
Hawkestone, Ont.  
(705) 487-5921  
  
Library Technician  
Georgian College, Orillia Campus

## COMING UP....COMING UP....

Huronian Regional Branch is hosting a day of workshops on April 24 at the Owen Sound Public Library. The workshops have been arranged by Janet Iles and promise to be interesting and informative. The morning workshop will focus on the library's role in LITERACY - WHAT THE LIBRARY CAN DO TO HELP CHILDREN AND YOUNG ADULTS. Participants will have a choice of one of two workshops in the afternoon session: NUTS AND BOLTS OF CATALOGUING AND FILING will be a working session - bring your questions and problems. PUPPETRY will focus on the manipulation of puppets, their use in the library, and, simple puppet making. For more information see the enclosed registration form.

Thunder Bay Region will be hosting the 9th Annual OALT/ABO Convention at Lakehead University in Thunder Bay, May 13-15, 1982. Workshops will include AACR2, Human rights in the workplace, Kidlit and Kidporn, Managing Small public libraries, and many more. By now everyone should have received their registration kits. The address is: OALT/ABO Conference, Box 3332, Thunder Bay, Ont. P7B 5J8

NEXT ISSUE

The next issue of NETWORKS will be published in June 1982. There will be a report on the 9th Annual Conference in that issue. Hopefully, we will also have more news about the Library Technician courses in Huronia Region.

Please send any contributions you have for the next issue to me at RR#1 Stroud, Ont. L0L 2M0.

Jackie Druery  
Editor

DON'T FORGET:

WORKSHOPS - OWEN SOUND PUBLIC LIBRARY - APRIL 24

RETURN YOUR QUESTIONNAIRE AS SOON AS POSSIBLE!

QUESTIONNAIRE

All those interested in a Library Technician Programme in the Huronia area please complete the following questions and return to:

Mary Davie  
RR#1  
Meaford, Ont.  
NOH 1Y0

or

Louise LaFleur  
P.O. Box 208  
25 Larkdale Cres.,  
Angus, Ont.  
LOM 1B0

OR

Louise LaFleur  
Simcoe County Library via  
Georgian Bay Regional Library Courier

HOW FAR ARE YOU PREPARED TO DRIVE TO CLASSES? \_\_\_\_\_

WOULD YOU PREFER EVENING OR SATURDAY CLASSES? \_\_\_\_\_

DO YOU HAVE SOME QUALIFICATIONS ALREADY? B.A. \_\_\_\_\_

LIBRARY TECHNICIAN COURSES \_\_\_\_\_

OTHER \_\_\_\_\_

DO YOU AGREE THAT CLASSES ARE OUT OF THE QUESTION IN JANUARY, FEBRUARY, MARCH? \_\_\_\_\_

ARE YOU PREPARED TO ATTEND CLASSES IN THE SUMMER MONTHS? JULY? \_\_\_\_\_ AUGUST? \_\_\_\_\_

ARE YOU QUALIFIED TO TEACH? \_\_\_\_\_

CAN YOU MAKE SUGGESTIONS FOR INSTRUCTORS FROM OUR AREA? \_\_\_\_\_

IF YES TO EITHER OF THE PREVIOUS TWO QUESTIONS PLEASE SEND CURRICULUM VITAE  
BY MAY 1, 1982.