

HURONIA REGIONAL BRANCH OALT/ABO

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FROM THE PRESIDENT

Let's keep those memberships coming. Our 91-92 membership was a record for Huronia at 40 members. Only you can keep it there.

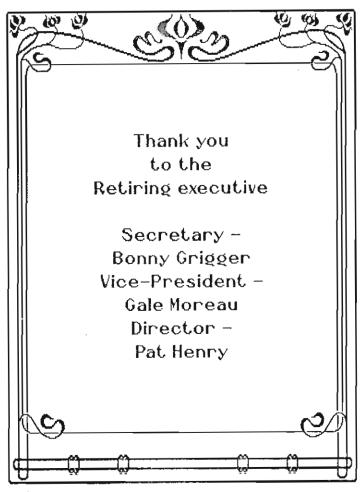
Renew now to AVOID

- missing Networks and other mailings
- higher rates at the OALT/ABO annual conference
- extra work for Olive

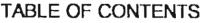
• that nagging feeling that you should be doing more to promote your chosen profession.

It would be great to see all or at least 1/2 of our members at the barbecue on June 1st 1992.

Chris Carmichael, Huronia President







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ANNUAL REPORTS 1991-1992

President

The past year has been an interesting and productive one for Huronia Regional Branch. Our first general meeting on June 12th took us to the great outdoors at Springwater Provincial Park for a super potluck barbecue and then to the great NEW indoors of the Simcoe County Board of Education for a tour and meeting. October 26th was a terrific day with 2 workshops and a business meeting - a very productive day. November 23rd brought us to the home of Judy Koenig for the great Christmas hospitality we've come to know and love. Executive meetings have been very informal this year with one major session held at the Nottawasaga Inn.

I have been really pleased to see a renewed emphasis on workshops this year and feel the Workshop Committee have done a great job. Thanks to Ruth Branget, Lynda Reid and Judy Koenig.

Another highlight of the year has been our increasing size. We are now up to 40 (members that is), although with all the great meals we've shared, I'm sure other increases were noticed!

And I just can't help mentioning how proud we all are to have Janet Iles on our team. We were thrilled to be able to present Janet with the OALT/ABO Presidential Award (her inability to attend the conference enabled us to do the honours).

Finally, I would like to extend thanks to my fellow executive for their support as I struggled through my first year as President. THANKS FOR ALL YOUR HELP - PAT, GALE, OLIVE & BONNIE!!!!

Respectfully submitted,

Chris Carmichael, President

Vice-President

At the March 16, 1991 annual meeting, held at the Orangeville Public Library, I began my third and final term as Huronia's Vice-President.

The first meeting in the 1991-92 year was the annual barbecue, held Wednesday June 12, at Springwater Park. The evening was well attended by members and visitors alike. The outdoor activities were followed by a general business meeting and tour at the Simcoe County Board of Education building.

Annual Reports — Vice-President (cont.)

Our fall meeting was held Saturday, October 26, 1991 at Collingwood Public Library. Special thanks to the workshop committee for arranging two great workshops — «Special needs patrons» and «Public Speaking». Everyone I talked to was very pleased with the workshops, and hopefully we can have more workshop meetings in the future.

In October I attended the Georgian College graduation of two more library tech grads, Joanne Comper and Lynda Reid. Congratulations to both!

On a Saturday morning in early November Mary McAlpine and I hosted a «coffee hour» for the «Introduction to libraries» class at Georgian College. In spite of kettles that would not boil, Mary and I seem to have made a positive impression and as a result Huronia has seven new student members.

The annual Christmas pot luck dinner and gift exchange was held on Wednesday November 27, 1991 at Judy Koenig's home in Collingwood. Although we had a lower than expected turnout, due to weather, the evening was a great success. This year we had the dinner catered, a delicious meal of Caesar salad & lasagna, and dessert was pot luck. M-M-M-M! M-M-M! Good. Recipes were shared in the newsletter. In lieu of a gift exchange, \$92.00 was donated to the Collingwood food bank! The evening was a great success. Thanks to Judy for hostessing once again!

That brings us to this annual meeting, a

morning workshop on first aid (finally) thanks to Pat Henry, and an afternoon meeting and tour of the law library.

My time as your vice-president ends today, with the completion of my third term. I intend to take a little time off and let other members explore executive positions. To my successor — take that coffee box and good luck!!

All kidding aside, I have enjoyed my time as your vice-president, and I am pleased to see our membership increase. Hopefully, more of our student members will be able to actively participate this year.

As we begin our fourteenth year as a region, I feel we are...

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Gale Moreau



[NOTE: Unfortunately,

once again, the first aid workshop did not materialize. Let's hope none of us need to use our first aid skills.]



Director's report

This past year has been a very productive year at the Board. All members and the administration have worked hard and well together to get a number of projects started and completed.

Annual Reports – Director's (cont.)

The Membership Directory was contracted out for the first time and the results were very good. Numerous comments have been made about the new and improved style.

The Salary Survey results should be published very shortly. The first report on returns of the survey have been very good with Huronia Regional Branch having one of the best rates of return.

The Conference Procedure manual is almost completed and should be presented at the April 11, 1992 Board meeting. Liz Aldrey and Donna Fossum have worked diligently to complete this project.

The DEALING WITH PROBLEM PATRONS package is completed and is slated for unveiling at the Conference in Sudbury in May.

A new format for the January Board meeting was tried. Members met at 5 centres in the province to have a . teleconference meeting. I do not have the final figures yet, however, I understand that the cost of the meeting will be about 1/3 of the cost of getting everyone to Toronto for a meeting. This format also eliminated anyone having to travel far in the dreaded January weather. It is my understanding that this may become the standard for the winter meeting.

Another new innovation started this year was the mailing of each Board and Executive report to the Secretary prior to the next meeting so that he could mail the material out early. This gave members time to review the reports ahead of time and to formulate any questions so we could deal with things faster when we met.

On a personal note, thank you to the members of our region for a very interesting three years. I have enjoyed being your Director and wish my successor the best of luck.

Respectfully submitted,

Pat Henry

Nominating Committee

The following members have agreed to their nominations for the coming year:

Chris Carmichael	~	President
Debra Kuehl	-	Vice-President
Olive Vousden	-	Treasurer
Lynda Reid	-	Secretary

The following person has volunteered her services for an appointed position: Janet Iles - Newsletter Editor

The following elected position received no accepted nominations: Director

Respectfully submitted,

Gale Moreau & Judith Koenig

Judy Koenig agreed to be Director.

Newsletter Editor



Last year I did 2 issues as guest editor. My aim is to have 3 or 4 newsletters each year. I feel that it is very important to communicate

with fellow Huronia members on a regular basis. I propose to have an issue following the annual meeting, one in late June or early July, one in late September or early October and one in mid-December. The only way this will come about is if everyone contributes news about themselves or where they work. If you wish to continue getting *Networks*, remember to send your membership to Olive Vousden.

Information can be sent to me at my home or through the Ontario Library Service courier to Owen Sound Public Library (Saugeen).

1992-1993 Executive

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These positions have yet to be reaffirmed for the coming year.













Huronia Region Annual Barbecue at Chris Carmichael's Monday June 1 More details to follow.

OALT/ABO Annual Conference

May 27-30 in Sudbury

Are you going to this year's conference in Sudbury? The workshops offered look very interesting and worthwhile. There is a good variety. Both public services and technical services have been covered and they also pertain to a variety of types of libraries.

Do you need a ride? Contact Janet Iles (Owen Sound) or Judy Koenig (Collingwood). Is anyone going from the Barrie area? Do you use Wordperfect? Did you know that there is a magazine published for Wordperfect users? Each issue includes ideas to increase productivity and ways to spruce up documents. Step by step procedures are given.

Have you the responsibility for creating procedure manuals? «Write procedures that work» *Library Journal* September 15, 1991, pages 42-45 gives some good advice on writing procedures that are easier to follow and use. An illustration is given on how the page layout can be an aid to clarity and ease of use.



Have you read any good professional literature lately?



Reminder

 Membership information to Olive Vousden.
News to newsletter editor. Dateline for next issue: June 20

