



# Huronia Regional Branch OALT/ABO Vol. 19 No. 2

## Words from the President

Hello everyone! Hope you are having a great summer. It has been the glorious, hot, dry summer they predicted, but those of us who are gardeners would like a nice all night rain once in a while.

There isn't a lot to tell you. The arrangements for the fall meeting have been made and we have set the schedule for the rest of the year.

October 3rd: Fall Colour Tour of Libraries (see page 2 )

December 2nd: Christmas Meeting and Social – Collingwood

March 13, 1999: Annual Meeting – Details to come

Your provincial membership renewal is included with this mailing, so please **RENEW EARLY**. If we only accomplish one thing this year, I would like to see **ONE** new member, so if you know of an LT anywhere in our region who might be interested in joining, please pass the info on to Janet Iles or Pat Frook.

We haven't heard a word, or seen a postcard, from our gypsy member Janet, so I assume the retirement is going well. "Knees" Koenig is back on her feet and all the rest of you have been keeping a low profile, so there's no "scoop" in this issue.

Former member Bill Land interviewed for the job at the Simcoe County District Health Unit, but no word yet on the outcome.

Enjoy the rest of your summer and "we'll do lunch" in October.

**Gale**

## Provincial Executive 1998-1999

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1999 Conference: May 13-16 1999

**Perspectives 99** at Sudbury Ontario.

2000 Conference: Ottawa

## News

Judy reports that she is coming along although she is still moving slowly. Her doctor is very pleased with the results.

This issue is shorter than usual. Please send information – a short biography of yourself, news of what is happening at work, or your life in general. Let this publication live up to its name.

Renewal time is here. Check over your membership form. If there are any changes or additions please print them clearly on the form. Please sign it. Send form and money to Pat Frook or bring to the October 3rd meeting.



# Internet connections

Have you found any good sites lately?

Gale Moreau finds the following very useful. Bell Canada phone directory <http://canada411@sympatico.ca> or [411@sympatico.ca](http://411@sympatico.ca) and Canada Post at [www.canadapost.ca/](http://www.canadapost.ca/)?. Check Canada Post for both postal codes and mailing information.

Pat Frook found the following site for receiving tourist information. OSNG Public Library now has up to date travel information to many countries and parts of Canada and United States. Check [www.mbnet.mb.ca/lucas/travel/](http://www.mbnet.mb.ca/lucas/travel/).

The following are good sites for doing searches: For a good Canadian focus (but with a choice to search internationally ) is [www.canada.com](http://www.canada.com). Toronto Star's site offers search tools for information on the greater Toronto area at [www.toronto.com](http://www.toronto.com). If you want to ask a question in natural language try [www.askjeeves.com](http://www.askjeeves.com). This site comes up with allied questions as it interprets

what you asked. This site also lets you see what others are searching and the replies to their questions.

Do you have a trip in the works? Do you want to know the route? Check out [www.mapquest.com](http://www.mapquest.com). This was suggested by a OSNG patron.

The Bruce County Library system had a CAP grant this summer. They hired students for each branch to mount the web site and offer training. Several days ago I met with Joel the student at Port Elgin branch. The library's site at [www.brucecap.org/~pelib/](http://www.brucecap.org/~pelib/) has excellent links. Many of us have heard of web-based e-mail accounts such as Microsoft's Hotmail and Yahoo mail and Lycos mail. If you have a POP3 e-mail account and want to check your mail while you are away there is a web-based means to do so. Go to [www.readmail.com](http://www.readmail.com). I've tried it out and it works. You can leave it on your ISP's server and then you can read it again and deal with it when you get back home.



## Fall Colour Tour of Libraries

Saturday  
October 3, 1998  
10:00 am Stayner Public  
Library — tour of library  
Travel to Creemore  
Lunch at Creemore  
1:00 pm Creemore Public  
Library — tour of library  
Short meeting to follow at  
place to be announced.  
Watch your mail for more  
details and the minutes of the  
last meeting.