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Since our last newsletter, several members have been actively involved in organizing the biggest event ever undertaken in our region. This issue therefore, may not be filled with the most creative articles ever produced, but it is a most crucial newsletter. Be sure to read, and act upon, the information on the very last page!!

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Being president for two years, has been rewarding and enriching. During this period, the executive and active members have been successful in:

- a) increasing our membership
- b) providing a day of workshops for professional development
- c) producing APROPOS regularly
- d) organizing OALT/ABO's 10th annual conference
- e) maintaining a good rapport with the provincial body
- f) keeping a high profile in the Sudbury community.

My thanks to the Sudbury members for allowing me to hold this fulfilling position. Although I plan to continue as an active member of OALT/ABO, I feel it is time for other members to consider assuming the president's position. Therefore, I will not be allowing my name to stand for this office in our upcoming elections.

Monique Fuchs

WANTED--NEW EXECUTIVE MEMBERS

Elections '83--On March 29, 1983, at our annual dinner meeting, election of a new executive will take place. (See details on page 3)

Nominations will be accepted from those who complete the nomination form in this newsletter, and from the floor at the

meeting. The executive positions are: president, secretary/treasurer, public relations coordinator, newsletter editor(s), director(s).

If you would like to inquire about the duties of any executive position, call me at work, 675-4427, or at home, 693-4317.

To ensure the vitality of our group, new "blood" is essential. Please consider these elections seriously.

Monique Fuchs

DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Board of Directors and Provincial Executive meetings were held November 20, 1982, January 15 and February 26, 1983. The next meeting will be on March 26th at Ontario Hydro in Toronto.

Following are some of the highlights of these meetings:

a) the president, Danielle Amat, submitted a statement of OALT/ABO's expenses at the January 15th meeting. This will permit the membership to examine how our fees are spent. This report will be available at our dinner meeting for anyone interested.

b) a Presidential Award will be offered by OALT/ABO as of 1983/84. This award will recognize active members who have contributed greatly to OALT/ABO by their achievements, by the positions held provincially or regionally, or by their years of participation in the association.

c) The 1982 membership directory has been printed at a cost of \$1400. It will be distributed the week of March 14th. The BD and PE are considering producing the directory bi-annually.

d) A provincial workshop, the first ever, was hosted on November 13, 1982 at Sheridan College in Oakville. Workshop topics were "Word Processing--What's It All About?" by Vera Coates, and "Library Functions and the Computer: The Integrated, Automated World of the Future" by Dorothy Kew. The second session sponsored by OALT/ABO was held in

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DIRECTOR'S REPORT cont.

Ottawa, March 5th at Algonquin College. Topics included "INET" and "Human Relations."

e) A report on the Job Survey conducted by OALT/ABO will be included in the next issue of Newsletter/Nouvelles. Over 250 replies were received from a variety of businesses.

f) Membership statistics:

graduates	296
students	146
associates	31
<u>institutional</u>	<u>16</u>

TOTAL 489

Monique Fuchs

CONFERENCE UPDATE

The final countdown is underway and DECADE 1 will soon be a reality. The months of planning, writing, phoning and typing will culminate May 5th when the conference gets underway at Laurentian University.

Conference committee meetings were held most recently on March 1st and March 15th. Our next meeting is scheduled for April 6th in the Ontario Government Building 7th floor boardroom.

Information about the conference has appeared in the Sudbury Star and Northern Life. Approximately 800 flyers promoting the conference were sent out to members and other potential delegates in February and the registration brochures and forms were recently mailed as well.

A total of 19 different workshops will be offered during the conference. Many will be given twice if the number of registrants warrants a second session. A description of each session and a timetable are included in the registration package which has been sent to all members.

Special events during the conference include Thursday's French Canadian evening with food and entertainment. That same evening, OALT/ABO will commemorate a decade of accomplishments with awards to members who have made outstanding contributions to our association.

The closing banquet on Saturday features Stephen Lewis as guest speaker. Extra tickets for the banquet are available at \$17.

If you are aware of anybody who would like to purchase a ticket, please contact a member of the conference planning committee.

Saturday afternoon, delegates will have an opportunity to tour Science North or the Big Nickel Mine site. Buses will be provided from Laurentian University to the tour locations.

As panic sets in during the final few days before the conference, we will need all the support we can gather. If you would like to help in any way (registration tables, making signs, selling souvenirs, picking up delegates at the airport or depot, etc. etc.), please let us know!!

The conference committee hopes that Sudbury Region will be well-represented at the conference, and we especially look forward to meeting our out-of-town members who are not able to attend our regular membership meetings.

We'll see you in Sudbury May 5th!!

Linda Davis

TAKE A BREAK!

Fitness Canada is promoting this 7 minute series of light exercises by offering a free kit to interested Canadians. The package includes a record and instruction booklet. So, write for your kit today (specify French or English), and get fit! Take a Break, Fitness Canada, 365 Laurier Avenue West, OTTAWA, K1A 0X6.

NEW PERIODICAL

The Canadian Book Publishers Council has produced its first issue of International Checkpoint. This new selection tool will provide Canadian reviews of imported children's books. It will appear quarterly and is available from Canadian Book Publishers Council, 45 Charles Street East, 7th floor, TORONTO, Ontario M4Y 1S2. The cost for a subscription is \$15 per year.

IT'S THAT TIME AGAIN

Membership renewal forms for 1983/84 are attached. OALT/ABO is your professional association, so renew your membership today!!

EVENING COURSES TAUGHT BY SUDBURY TECHS

The demand by employers for more qualified and knowledgeable staff in an insecure and ever-shrinking job market has prompted educational institutions to expand continuing education programs.

Library technicians in Sudbury have certainly felt the need for professional development and have found associations such as OALT/ABO to be an important asset to continuing their education. Evening courses at the local colleges and universities are another source which many technicians have taken advantage of in order to learn new skills. But there are some other technicians who have been enticed by evening courses to expand their horizons in a different manner--they do not attend classes as students but as teachers.

Two such persons are Sudbury members, Linda Davis (Ministry of Education Children's Services), and Bette Heard (Sudbury Board of Education, Capreol High School).

Teacher-Librarians' Course--Nipissing University College in North Bay offers the three part teacher-librarian program in Sudbury. Eve Kendel, principal of the Part II Course, asked Linda Davis to teach the class called "Canadian Materials" during the winter session. Her class was designed to inform the 15 students about the selection tools and authorities used to acquire Canadian materials (print, non-print & government publications). She found the experience interesting & would consider teaching the same class again if the opportunity arises.

"Euman Relations Development"--Cambrian College offers this particular course to college and mature students. Bette Heard has been the instructor of the 3 hour evening class, given in 13 week sessions, for three years now. She was trained by a former teacher of that same course who later resigned. The course deals with the process of positive interaction between persons--communication skills, self-awareness are emphasized.

Linda's and Bette's training as library technicians has provided them with the necessary skills for locating the resource materials they need for teaching their courses. Their work ex-

perience has also developed their knowledge of sources which can be used to enhance course content and presentation.

Both Linda & Bette have benefited from their teaching opportunities and look forward to continuing in this role.

Monique Fuchs

DINNER MEETING

The annual business meeting of Sudbury Region (OALT/ABO) is scheduled for March 29th and will be held at Melany's Dining Lounge, 1837 Lasalle Blvd., at 5:30. The meeting area will be ready earlier for those who finish work before 5:00 p.m. and wish to go directly to the restaurant. Elections will be held so please make an effort to attend this important meeting. Non-members are welcome to join us, so encourage your co-workers to come as well.

If you have any questions, please call Monique Fuchs or Linda Davis at 675-4427.



"I've been looking for that!"

WHAT'S NEW??

We need articles and news items for our next newsletter. Share your expertise with fellow members--we will all benefit!!

Submit to: Editor, APROPOS, Box 2351, Sudbury, P3A 4S1

Annual Business Meeting

ONTARIO ASSOCIATION OF LIBRARY TECHNICIANS/
ASSOCIATION DES BIBLIOTECHNICIENS DE L'ONTARIO

We invite you to attend our annual business meeting on Tuesday, March 29, 1983, at Melary's Dining Lounge, 1837 Lasalle Blvd., 5:30 p.m. If you know someone who would be interested in serving on the executive for 1983/84, please complete the nomination form below. Non-members are welcome--come and find out what OALT/ABO is doing for library technicians and other employees!! Please confirm your attendance by calling Monique Fuchs or Linda Davis at 675-4427.

N O M I N A T I O N F O R M

The executive of OALT/ABO (Sudbury Region) comprises the following positions:

- president
- secretary/treasurer
- public relations coordinator
- newsletter editor
- director

NAME OF NOMINEE _____ POSITION _____

TELEPHONE NUMBER _____

NOMINATED BY: _____

SECONDED BY: _____

NOTE: All persons standing for election must be members of OALT/ABO--Sudbury Branch

Please return nomination forms to: Denise Denommé
(prior to March 25, 1983) Past President
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