

APROPOS

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Apologies for the delay in compiling this last newsletter of volume 4. As most of us were preoccupied with the conference during the spring, other matters were set aside and thus, the delay.

Our membership list is being updated as people renew memberships for 1983-84. A complete list for Sudbury Region will accompany APROPOS, volume 5, number 1 (Summer 1983).

Read on....

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

The region of Sudbury held its annual business meeting on Tuesday, March 29, 1983. Eight members enjoyed supper at Melany's Restaurant prior to conducting elections and discussing objectives for the coming year.

Executive members for the 1983-84 fiscal year are:

President-Paulette Burton
Secretary/Treasurer-Judy Laplante
Public Relations Coordinators-
Maysel Dag & Diane Gagnon
Newsletter Editor-Monique Fuchs
Director-Linda Davis.

This year I would like to concentrate on wrapping up the conference quickly so that we may put our efforts into increasing our membership, organizing workshops and undertaking projects of interest to our members. The Decade 1 Conference made many people aware of our association and of the capabilities of the library technicians who are involved in promoting it. We plan to maintain this level of awareness in our region through continuing contact with libraries and other potential employers of library technicians.

Let's work together to keep our association working for us in 1983-84.

Paulette Burton

DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Board of Directors & Provincial Executive Meeting, Saturday, March 26, 1983, Ontario Hydro Building, Toronto.

The highlights of this meeting include:

JOB SURVEY

A list of the 182 respondents to the job survey was distributed. To question 12 of the survey, "Would you consider employing a library technician within your organization?"

71 replied yes

81 replied no.

(Fifty percent of the negative replies were due to financial restraints, or cuts in staff with no other openings available at the present time)

A copy of the survey results will appear in the next issue of Newsletter/Nouvelles.

ESSAY CONTEST

The essay contest committee has received three submissions for the 1983 contest.

NEW POLICY

A ten year recognition award will be given at each annual conference to any person having 10 years consecutive membership in OALT/ABO.

NEW POLICY

No provincial lifetime memberships will be available. Such memberships can only be obtained at the regional level and they shall not be transferable if a member should move. Each region has the discretion to decide if the lifetime members pay provincial fees.

PROVINCIAL WORKSHOP

In Ottawa, March 5, 1983, 20 people attended the INET & Human Relations workshops. Danielle Amat & Pat Buczkowski will be organizing future workshops. The regions are asked to submit topic ideas.

HISTORY

The archivist has submitted an application to hire a summer student to compile an oral history of OALT/ABO.

FUTURE CONFERENCES

Hurononia submitted a written request to

Sudbury Regional Branch

OALT/ABO

host the 1984 conference at the Geneva Park Conference Centre near Orillia. Ottawa also requested permission to host the 1986 annual conference. Both Halton-Peel and TALTA voiced intentions to host future conferences but did not make any formal requests.

NEXT MEETING

The first Board of Directors & Provincial Executive meeting of the new fiscal year will be held June 11, at the Ontario Hydro Building in Toronto. If you have any questions or wish to bring matters to the attention of the new executive, please contact Linda Davis, who will be attending this meeting.

Monique Fuchs

arrangements are also included in this free kit. Available from:

Tandberg
Labriola Court
ARMONK, New York, 10504

NIGHTSHIRTS--WE HAVE NIGHTSHIRTS!!

For those who were unable to visit our sales booth at the 1983 conference, it's not too late to get your souvenir nightshirt. The top-quality 50 percent polyester/50 percent cotton nightshirts come in small and medium (burgundy, blue or pink), and large (blue or pink), and are imprinted with "ON RESERVE." The price is \$15.00. To order, call Linda Davis or Monique Fuchs at 675-4427 or 1-800-461-0183 (within area code 705). Ask your co-workers too, and order your nightshirts soon!!

TECHNICIANS IN OTHER PROVINCES

Associations for library technicians exist in several other provinces. Information on these groups can be obtained from the following sources.

AALT--Alberta Association of Library Technicians
Box 700
EDMONTON, Alberta
T5J 2L4

BCALT--British Columbia Association of Library Technicians
Box 67515, Station 0
VANCOUVER, B.C.
V5W 3T9

MALT--Manitoba Association of Library Technicians
Box 1872
WINNIPEG, Manitoba
R3C 3R1

SALT--Saskatchewan Association of Library Technicians
342 Anderson Crescent
SASKATOON, Sask.
S7H 4A3

JOB OPENING

Cambrian College Library is accepting applications for the position of Library Technician I. The job primarily involves working with government documents, and providing technical services. The successful applicant will also act a backup in the area of public service. Forward applications to:

Mr. Chris Bartlett
Manager of Media Resource Services
Cambrian College of Applied Arts & Technology
1400 Barrydowne Road
SUDBURY, Ontario, P3A 3V8

BEST BOOKS

Booklist has published 2 brochures listing the top books from 1982 for children and young adults. For copies of "Top Choices for Young Adult Recreational Reading" and "Literary Landmarks in Children's Books," send a self-addressed envelope to:

Booklist
American Library Association
50 East Huron Street
CHICAGO, Illinois, 60611

REARRANGING YOUR LIBRARY??

A kit containing 134 cutouts of 21 kinds of furniture & equipment is available to help you plan your new arrangement. The cutouts (counters, shelves, tables, etc.) can be moved around on a grid to achieve a suitable plan. Sample

DID YOU KNOW??

The 4th annual summer musical event, "Festival of the Sound" will take place July 22-August 14th in Parry Sound. For a program write Box 750, PARRY SOUND, P2A 2Z1.

DECADE 1 DECENNIE

A full report on OALT/ABO's 10th annual conference will be featured in the next issue of APROPOS. Initial response indicates the event was a success, and all our members who have worked so diligently the past few months should feel proud of our accomplishments.

Best of luck to Huronia Region as they prepare for the 1984 conference in Orillia, at the Geneva Park Convention Centre.

FREE FOR THE ASKING...

Do you need new materials to update your vertical file on the status of women?

Write to:

Canadian Advisory Council on the Status of Women
151 Sparks Street, Box 1541
Station B, OTTAWA, K1P 5R5

Ask for:

Women in the Public Service:
Overlooked & Undervalued.
62 p. (or 8 p. summary)

Statement on Matrimonial Laws in
Canada.

Canadian Perspective on Sex Stereotyping in Advertising. 117 p.

Occupational Health Hazards to
Women: A Synoptic View. 132 p.

Your Rights--What Are They? outlines some of the provisions of the new Canadian Charter of Rights in booklet and poster form. Available from Publications Canada, Box 1986, Station B, OTTAWA, K1P 6G6, at no cost.

RELEVANT READING...

...featuring recent titles of interest to our readers.

Beaumont, Jane, ed. Microcomputers for Libraries: How Useful Are They?
CIA, 1983.

Landsberg, Michele. Women & Children First; A Provocative Look at Modern Canadian Women at Work & at Home.
Macmillan, 1982.

Newman, Joan E. Girls Are People Too! A Bibliography of Nontraditional Female Roles in Children's Books.
Scarecrow Press, 1983.

Share some of your new titles with us. Forward suggestions to APROPOS for inclusion in future issues.

MEMBERS, MEMBERS!!

If you haven't renewed your OALT/ABO membership, don't wait another day! We need input from all library technicians in the region to keep our association vital and relevant.

Are you interested in courses or workshops to update your skills; an information exchange session with other technicians; a survey of library technicians' salaries??

Let us know the direction you want your association to take. Without conference matters to contend with in 1983-84, we will have more time (and, hopefully, more money) to provide services for our members.



"You one of those 'speed-readers'?"

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Monique Fuchs will take over as editor of our newsletter, beginning with the next issue. Articles & suggestions for volume 5, number 1 should be submitted by June 20, 1983.