FALL 1989

Editor's Note

At this busy time of year, take a few minutes to read some news concerning technicians and libraries in our area.

At the risk of being repetitive, please let me know about <u>anuthing</u> new regarding your job, workplace or the library world in general. We would like to read about it.

Hope to see many of you at our Xmas supper. Find out more about it inside.

M Fuchs

Director's Report

Summary of Board of Directors/Executive meeting held September 23, 1989.

1)CLA conference

It will be held in Ottawa, June 14-17, 1990. Theme: "Libraries: exploring the myths, rediscovering the magic". Emphasis will be on reading and literacy.

2)25-year membership award
It was suggested that longterm consecutive memberships
with DALT/ABO be recognized.

3)Salary survey

Vice-president, Bette Gore is currently working on a draft salary survey which will be available sometime in December.

4) <u>Public Relations</u> <u>Coordinator's Report</u>

Marsha Delahunt suggested that, this year, we concentrate on increasing our current membership. There are still library technicians in the library community who don't know OALT/ABO exists.

She also proposed that we develop, edit and market the entitled "Difficult Situations in Libraries: Problems With Patrons". It is a workshop kit with instructional modules written ph and assembled instructors with the Mohawk College's Library Techniques Program, Valerie Parke and Liz Bayley. They would like DALT/ABO to be responsible for having the kit printed, for arranging its promotion and to manage its sale and distribution (with profits going towards the funding of other GALT/ABO programs and projects). Directors are to report back to their regions so that this issue may be discussed at the next meeting.

6)CLA 1989 in Edmonton

Past Public Relations Coordinator, Pat Graham reported that " our association is known and recognized as a strong one with a great deal to offer the library community. It is extremely important to maintain our profile, by attending conferences such as CLA and OLA, by continuing our memberships/contacts with other library assocations and by becoming more politically aware".

Apropos is published four times a year by OALT/ABO, Sudbury Region. Letters and enquires should be directed to Box 2351, Station A, Sudbury, Ontario P3A4S8

7)Conference Procedures Manual Update

Lohania Regional Branch will continue to work on this project and would appreciate any input from the other regions.

8)Progress report on translation policy

Bette Gore and Paulette Burton (Sudbury) have made initial contacts and are awaiting responses from different translators represents, samples, contracts, rates, etc. Follow-up report will be submitted at the next meeting.

9)Newsletter/Nouvelles

Please send all submissions for Volume 14, No. 2 before January 1990 to Linda Davis, Co-editor (Sudbury)

10)Pathways/Sentiers '90

17th annual conference, May 13-16, 1990 at Geneva Park. Hosted by Huronia Regional Branch.

Next Board of Directors' and Executive meeting, Nov. 18th, in Toronto.

P Burton

JUST A LITTLE IMAGINATION...

Tired of your drab-looking work area? Want to get your patrons involved in the library? These simple but effective tips may be just the motivation you need.

Build a wall - Scrounge or purchase second-hand or substandard red building bricks. Build your wall two bricks (minimum) for wide desired length, but be sure to alternate the cracks in each row for stability. From 2 1/2 to 4 feet high should sufficient for be illusion without becomina dangerous. For interestpyramid your last few rows top with artificial and plants (held in place between the bricks or with sponge, etc. in the holes).

Section a room - Wooden dowels or other light-weight rods can easily be made to support a room divider of coloured netting 2 to 4 layers thick. Spinner racks hold corner dowels nicely through the center without affecting the rack or the can make a divider, and natural 'doorway'. Corrugated cardboard bulletig board borders can also be used to mark an entranceway. The colour of netting depends on your present decor and purpose for the sectioned area - light and gay for relaxation, dark for a work area or privacy. (At Capreol High School, the students love the new look, and it hasn't affected the

ability to supervise these areas as the netting is

transparent).

N.B. - Netting is better (and less expensive) than plastics as they allow for air circulation.

Create a mascot - Pay a young teenager to create a figure (with your guidance) to who they can relate. At Capreol High School, we now have INFOMA'AM, the fighter of ignorance and purveyor of knowledge. (More about her another time).

<u>Hold a Logo contest</u> - Prizes don't have to be large, but on completion be sure to use the winning logo on all library materials. It helps the winner feel important.

Involve patrons in 'renovating', decorating, and publicizing the library. They'll be encouraged to bring others to see what they are proud to have helped accomplish.

B Gore

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Write to:
Ministry of Health
Communications & Info Branch
80 Grosvenor St.
Hepburn Block, 9th Floor
Toronto, Ont.
M7A 152

Ask for: Accidental Poisoning Prevention (1989) in English & French

Write to:
Ministry of Natural
Resources, Public
Info Centre
99 Wellesley St. W.
Toronto, Ont.
M7A 1W3

Ask for: Protect Your Country Home Or Summer Cottage (1989) Lookout Point Trail Guide: Killbear Prov. Park (1988) Algonquin Prov. Park(1989)

Write to:
Ontario Women's Directorate
480 University Ave.
2nd Floor
Toronto, Ont.
MSG 1V2

Ask for: Currents/Courants (irregular journal)

CALENDAR OF EVENTS 1989/90

Sept. 23rd, 1989 Board of Directors meeting Toronto

Oct. 21st, 1989
Fall workshop:
"Why are some people more successfull than others?"
Peak Performance Training, Sudbury

Nov. 18th, 1989 Board of Directors meeting Toronto

Dec. 1st, 1989 Xmas supper Mr. Prime Rib, Sudbury, 6:30 p.m.

Feb. 3rd, 1990
Board of Directors meeting
Toronto

March 3rd, 1990
Sudbury Region's Annual
Business Meeting
Time and place to be
announced

April 7th, 1990 Board of Directors meeting Toronto

FALL WORKSHOP A "SUCCESS"

Why are some people more successful than others? This was the question addressed by Montgomery White of Peak Performance Training during OALT/ABO's fall workshop on October 21st in Sudbury.

Based on the Phoenix Seminar, pioneered by Brian Tracy, this session participants an overview of "the 7 keys of success". The video presentation and discussion underlined the importance of goal-setting for personal success and satisfaction. Proven success principles, according to Mr. White, include studying successful people and emulating their actions. reading books on successful people, and studying the psychology of success.

He also emphasized the importance of self-confidence, maintaining positive attitudes, and using self-discipline to form good habits of thought. With clearly defined goals in mind, these attributes will ensure that actions put individuals on the road to "success".

White Mr. is available throughout the north to present the Peak Performance Training sessions. The complete - Phoenix Seminar includes 27 modules and involves two days of presentation. Other sessions on self-esteem, the psychology of selling, and business management are also available. To obtain quotes.

contact Peak Performance Training, 7 Cedar St., Sudbury, P3E 1A2 (673-1899).

Parcipants in this session received a workbook and a good introduction to the psychology of success. If you want to read futher on the topic, check your library shelves. Books in Print lists over 700 titles on the subject of success!

IN WITH INLEX AT SUDBURY PUBLIC LIBRARY

The Sudbury Public Library has finally joined the ranks of "large" automated systems in public libraries now that they have installed a circulation, reserve and online catalogue system with Inlex Inc.

On October 18, 1989, area librarians and library technicians in public libraries were invited to tour the new system. Ann Fabbro gave a brief history of the library board's struggles to obtain funding and the enormous task of comparing and selecting the right system.

The Inlex system uses Hewlett Packard Equipment and offers a good service agreement. It boasts excellent circulation, reserves and online catalogue functions. UTLAS cataloguing records are received on hard disk and are downloaded into the Inlex online catalogue. Record maintenance is quite simple. The management module offers sophisticated reports and

statistical calculations. Sudbury Public Library has yet to explore this module.

As all small libraries in the north who are always fighting for financial support from its community, we can only imagine what it would be like to work with such a large system. We must content ourselves with our microcomputers.

M Fuchs

DATES TO REMEMBER...

1990 has been declared

International Literacy Year by the United Nations.

Does your library have plans to commemorate this special year? If so, please let us know what you will be doing.

AT OUR small library, we telephone our patrons when the book they requested has arrived. I couldn't understand why one woman laughed after I told her the latest Colleen McCullough book was in until I realized I had said, "This is the Public Library calling, and we have An Indecent Obsession for you."

- Louise Coatta



There are people who believe that no Christmas candle has been set to shine for them. If they can find no other light coloured for Christmas, why should they not look up and see the heaven full of stars. The winter woods are full of Christmas trees, and all December stars are Christmas stars. People who have wearied of every other kind of Christmas will find it difficult to outgrow a star.

Marjory MacMurchy

Best wishes for a happy Christmas season to all our members!

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