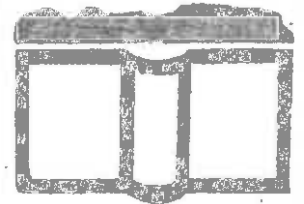


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## EDITOR'S NOTE

As the new Newsletter Editor, I would like to welcome all new members of OALT/ABO and hello again to all "old" members. The editorial policy of this newsletter is to inform all members of upcoming meetings, workshops and other activities. Also, it is a must that we as an organization, begin to speak out on issues that affect our local libraries and our jobs. If you wish to submit an article on a related topic, please feel free to contact me.

...Helen Heerema

## SUDBURY SUCCESS!

Our region was well represented at the Sudbury Conference this year with members from Kenora and Atikokan, as well as Thunder Bay attending.

The workshops were very well done and the after hours activities were numerous. The French Canadian evening was a hit with everyone. LaRea Moody and Donna Fossum reminisced about their early years in OALT/ABO, much to the delight of all.

Stephen Lewis, the guest speaker for the banquet, was a treat. His wit and ascerbic comments kept the guests entertained for almost an hour. As well, who can forget the many hours spent in the pursuit of trivia? Sudbury is to be congratulated for a superb Conference.

...Judy Sennett

## ELECTION RESULTS FOR THE REGION

Thunder Bay Region held their Annual Dinner Meeting on Wednesday, March 30 at the Airline Motor Hotel. Approximately thirty members attended the dinner with guest speaker Fred McIntosh, Director of the School of Library Technology. Mr. McIntosh informed the members of the proposed changes to the Library Technology program.

Also, at this meeting elections to the regional executive were held. The following people were chosen to fill positions on the Executive for 1983-84:

President	Karen Chivers
Co-ordinator	Yvonne Rezik
Regional Director	Corrine Symons
Secretary/Treasurer	Betty Ann Bes
Membership/Mailing	Johanna Partnoy
Newsletter Editor	Helen Heerema

If you have any questions, ideas or suggestions for the local executive, please contact any one of them or attend the next executive meeting, scheduled for August 10th at the home of Helen Heerema. Please call if you wish to attend.

An organization can only survive with the participation of its' members. Try to attend membership meetings, workshops or give suggestions, write an article for the newsletter, just participate! Please help the executive to make the coming year a success.

LEARNING MORE IN '84

OALT/ABO 11th Annual Conference hosted by the Huronia Regional Branch. To be held at Geneva Park YMCA Conference Centre, Orillia, May 30-June 2, 1984. Tentative workshops to include:

Laubach Literacy: twelve hour literacy training course using the Laubach method. All participants will receive certification as tutors from the Laubach Literacy Council of Canada.

Historical Tour: Visit the facilities of Sainte Marie Among the Hurons; Simcoe County Archives; and Barrie Public Library Local History Department.

Microcomputers in libraries

Puppetry: intensive course to include puppet making, script writing, presentation, etc.

Promoting your library

Stress management

Business communication

Library services for native people

Newspaper librarianship

User orientation programs for libraries

Role & education of library technicians

Several of the above topics (including literacy training, microcomputers, promotion and puppetry) will be offered as intensive one or two day learning experiences.

TIDBIT

"Books are the most mannerly of companions, accessible at all times, in all moods, frankly declaring the author's mind, without offence"

...Amos Bronson Alcott,  
Concord Days

NEWS NOTE...

The new Provincial Secretary for OALT/ABO is Thunder Bay's best antique collector/dealer, Donna Fossum. Congratulations and happy meeting minutes!

LAKEHEAD UNIVERSITY - LT GRADS

Heartiest congratulations to all new graduates of the Library Technology program at Lakehead University: Shawn Allaire, Cheryl Bickford, Colleen Bolin, Doris Brown, Janis Degagne, Jenny Donahue, Lorraine Gordon, Carolyn Heyens, Sharon Jeffrey, Carolyn Laatu, Ann Loewen, Dian Miller, Rosamond Jennifer Nesbitt-Dufour, Michelle Pasiuk, Marguerite Wainikka, Sharon Wigney. Welcome to the group!

OALT/ABO - ANNUAL CONFERENCE

According to the participants, the Tenth Annual Conference in Sudbury was a smashing success. The Annual Business Meeting was also a success with an excellent slate of officers elected to the Provincial Executive for 1983-84.

President	Loretta Taylor
Vice-President	Barbara Cope
Treasurer	Ron Cheney
Public Relations	Alicia Friese
Secretary	Donna Fossum
Archivist	Andrew Porteus
Newsletter Editors	Marg Bushell Marian Doucette

Congratulations and good luck to our new Provincial Executive. If you have any questions dealing with OALT/ABO on the provincial level please contact our Regional Director for Thunder Bay, Corrine Symons.

During the Conference, Ten Year Certificates were handed out to members with ten consecutive years of membership. Hats off to LaRea Moody and Donna Fossum, Thunder Bay's decade people.