TECH TALK

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Once again, it is time to update all regional members on the latest news from OALT/ABO. The annual dinner meeting was held at the Valhalla Inn on March 23rd with fourteen members in attendance. The new regional executive for 1989/90 was elected after the dinner.

The following is a brief introduction to the new executive:

KATHY DEGUNS -- President

Kathy is a newcomer to the regional executive and is a library technician at Hogarth-Westmount Hospital medical library.

LAREA MOODY -- Regional Director

LaRea is a veteran of the regional executive. She has served as newsletter editor as well as regional director in previous years. LaRea is a library technician at the School of Library and Information Studies at Lakehead University and the District Courthouse law library on Camelot St.

CATHY WALSH -- Treasurer

Cathy is serving her second year as treasurer on the executive. She is a library technician in the office of the law firm, Buset, Eryou, Firman.

NANCY CHOVANCAK -- Secretary

Nancy is also a newcomer to the regional executive. She works as a library technician at Fort William Collegiate library.

VALERIE WELSCH -- PUBIC RELATIONS Co-ordinator

Valerie is also serving her second year as public relations co-ordinator. She is a library technician at the Instructional Materials Centre, Lakehead Board of Education.

HELEN HYVARINEN -- Newsletter Editor

Helen is also serving a second year as newsletter editor as well as being past secretary on the executive. She is a library technician at the Lakehead Psychiatric Hospital staff library.

WENDY WOOLSEY -- Archivist

Wendy is serving her fifth year as regional archivist. She will most likely be the archivist until she retires from Brodie Resource Library. Wendy is a library technician in the reference department.

The new provincial executive elected in February is:

PRESIDENT -- SUE BOURDEAU

VICE PRESIDENT -- MARIE WHATTEM

SECRETARY -- LINDA LANDERVILLE

TREASURER -- CAROL SKIPPEN

DIRECTOR -- SHERRY STEWART

Congratulations to the newly elected regional and provincial executives!

REGIONAL DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Provincial Executive and Board of Directors' Meeting - April 15, 1989.

The entire morning was spent reviewing the duties of the Executive. The duties of the Membership Chair have been tabled for the incoming Executive.

Travel reimbursement - re - 1989 Conference Directors' meeting:

* Thunder Bay's director's travel to be covered for 75%. This applies only to this year's conference, and is not to be considered a precedent.

A brainstorming session for the new Provincial Executive and Directors has been scheduled for the weekend of June 24th, 1989 at the Cambridge Motor Hotel in Toronto.

Treasurer, Sharon Wigney, will use an auditor in Sault Ste. Marie for convenience and cost-cutting.

NEWSLETTER/NOUVELLES: Pat Kitely will continue if she can have a co-editor. Linda Davis (Sudbury) has agreed to the position.

TALTA: Catherine Honkawa, president, described a promotional brochure for general comments and changes. Other regions may wish to adapt the format for their own use.

KALEIDOSCOPE '89: Approximately 250 delegates are expected. If Thunder Bay wishes to present a regional award at the banquet, call Pat Buchzkowski at 416-963-8819 or toll-free, 1-800-268-7215, ext. 231.

Future conference dates and locations:

1990 - Huronia

1991 - TALTA

1992 - Sudbury

Provincially-assisted workshop: Sudbury requested a workshop on April 22, 1989. Cost was \$130. Approved. Maximum assistance is \$200.

LaRea Moody, Regional Director.

REGIONAL TREASURER'S REPORT

The Thunder Bay region OALT/ABO bank balance is \$4,119.36 (as of March 31, 1989).

Heather Manty received the OALT/ABO Regional Branch Award. She was presented with the book <u>Superior</u>, the haunted shore and her name will appear on the award at the Department of Library and Information Studies at Lakehead University.

WORKSHOPS

The new executive is already busy planning and organizing workshops for the next season. Tentative workshops for October and November are "Searching -- On-line" and "Pay Equity -- Information". Watch for details in the next newsletter and workshop notices.

** Included in the back of this newsletter is a list of workshop suggestions. Please check (ν) the ones you are interested in attending and forward the list to:

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Thought for the day ...

"By the time most people learn to behave, they are to old to do anything else".

"Suspenders are the oldest form of social security'.

"Many a woman has acquired a fur coat by skinning an old goat".

From: Friends and gems from a sunset country kitchen. Stella Davies.

A HAPPY AND SAFE SUMMER TO EVERYONE!!!



WORKSHOP/INFORMATION SUGGESTIONS FOR 1989/90

SUPERVISORY SKILLS

LIBRARY DESIGN - UTILIZING SPACE

STRESS MANAGEMENT

MARC RECORD

COMMUNICATION SKILLS

FRENCH LIBRARIES

COMPUTERS -WORKPLACE HAZARDS

CONDUCTING A MEETING

DISPLAYS - BULLETIN BOARDS

REFERENCE - FOR THE NATIVE OR MINORITY PATRON

CENSORSHIP

DESKTOP PUBLISHING

SERVICE OF OLDER ADULTS

FRIENDS OF THE PUBLIC LIBRARY - MEETING WITH SPEAKER

CONTINUING EDUCATION/UPGRADING - FOR L.T.'S

CHILDREN'S PROGRAMS - PUPPETS

SPECIAL LIBRARIES - VISITING, WORKSHOP, SPEAKING ON.

ALTERNATIVE JOBS - RELATED JOBS FOR LT'S