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President's Message

It's been a fantastic year! We have accomplished things, like the provincial convention, that we would have considered impossible a short time ago. We have a large, articulate membership with diverse ideas. I think, however, our major role has been, and will be, providing library technicians with the opportunity to talk to each other, and that is why this newsletter can be one of our most important activities.

We rarely have time at our general meetings to discuss any issue thoroughly. During the past year and a half many people have asked me questions I couldn't answer, given me suggestions I had to file or asked for information I couldn't provide. I hope that you will use this newsletter as an information centre, so that people with questions can meet people with answers, people with suggestions can meet people with enthusiasm.

There are many things the executive would like your opinion on ......

— considering the number of courses available in Toronto, should we have work shops? Or should we try something different? If so, what?

-— do you think we should have fewer general meetings and more local meetings?

—— how do you feel about the fact that each area association has one vote at the provincial level despite widely varying number of members?

-- what are your feelings on qualifications for membership in TALTA and OALT/ABO?

Our editor will be waiting to hear from you.

The first issue of this newsletter will be going to everyone on our mailing list. The second will go only to our membership. It will include resumes of the minutes of our meetings, reports from our workshops and other committees, important phone numbers, and news of interest to library technicians. Join us!

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## TALTA WORKSHOPS

## Saturday March 15, 1975

Trinity Presbyterian Church, 2737 Bayview Avenue, Willowdale, Ontario.

(Corner of Trueman Road and Bayview Avenue, one block south of 401 on east side.)

COST: \$2.00 per member; \$4.00 for non-members; free to students.

10:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon Workshop on Government Documents

Ken Sundquist - Queen's Printer for

Ontario.

10:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon Workshop on Job Descriptions & Salaries

Barb Drake

Please bring with you your job description

and salary ranges.

12:00 noon to 1:30 p.m.

Luncheon (included in cost of workshops).

1:30 p.m.

MEETING

Election of Officers

Discussion of coming year

Discussion of By-laws

keport from OALT/ABO Board of Directors

Meeting.

Any other business

## IMPORTANT

If you are planning to attend the Luncheon and have not already informed your person on the Telephone Committee, will you please contact Joanne Dingwall as soon as possible at 492-9293 in order that catering arrangements may be completed.

We are now involved in another conference. CLA has set aside a room for library technicians at the Toronto conference in June. They have suggested we use the theme "The Re-education of Women". We are trying to get exhibits, etc., from library technicians right across the country, and we'll need people to receive them, organize the room, and talk to conference visitors. This is excellent public relations for us, both as a group and as individuals, so let us know if you want to help.

Ryerson is currently working on expansion of it's programme with the intent of eventually establishing a Bachelor's Degree for library technicians. This fall they are hoping to have evening courses dealing with government documents and law libraries,. Projected is a two year post-diploma course in public relations combined with training for specialized libraries. Please direct your questions or express your interest to Dean Tudor at Ryelson.

THE FOLLOWING POSITIONS ARE VACANT ON THE EXECUTIVE. IF YOU WISH TO NOMINATE ANYONE PLEASE CONTACT, Mrs. Helen Dutton. — 491-7243.

Vice-President
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WE NEED WORKERS FOR THE FOLLOWING COMMITTEES:

Workshops
Newsletter
Phone Committee
Membership
CLA Conference

- (1) Membership fees for students \$2.00 TALTA \$1.00 OALT/ABO
- (2) Cheques should be made payable to TALTA
- (3) Please mail forms and cheques to:

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or hand in at reg stration desk at the meeting and workshops being he'd on March 15, 1975.