



**37th Annual Conference/
*Le 37 jeme conference annuelle***

May 5th to 8th, 2010

**Mohawk College - Fennell Campus
Hamilton, Ontario**

Welcome!

Location has been a major consideration when I have made the decision to attend past conferences. I was excited last year when it was announced that the conference ending my term as President would be held in Hamilton. As a native Hamiltonian, I hope you will feel as much at home at this Conference as I do.

I know that the Conference Committee felt it was important to draw attention to Hamilton's unique topography as part of the Niagara Escarpment, which created the Mountain. Watch for the various ways throughout the Conference that the Committee has incorporated the Mountain theme. For starters, the Conference venue, Mohawk College, is situated on the Mountain.

The Conference logo, effort leading to success, characterizes the work of Conference Chair Kate Morrison and her committee. I want to thank them for their efforts to produce what I know will be a successful Conference. The varied program of workshop sessions has a wide appeal and makes choosing which ones to attend difficult. The social events will provide an opportunity to renew acquaintances with old friends, make some new friends, network and have some fun.

Kate and her team have done their part, now it's up to you to make the effort to have a successful conference experience. Let us know if it was by filling out the evaluation form.

Thank you for attending the Conference. I wish you an enjoyable stay on the Mountain.

Kathryn Suffoletta
President
OALT/ABO

Bienvenue!

L'emplacement a été une considération majeure dans ma décision d'assister aux conférences précédentes. J'étais très excitée lorsqu'on a annoncé que la conférence qui terminerait mon mandat comme présidente, se tiendrait à Hamilton. Comme je suis originaire de Hamilton, j'espère que vous vous sentirez chez vous autant que moi, lors de cette conférence.

Je sais que c'était très important pour le comité de planification de la conférence, d'attirer votre attention sur la topographie unique de Hamilton, qui, fait partie de l'escarpement du Niagara, responsable de la création de la montagne. Durant la conférence, surveillez les différentes façons utilisées par le comité pour incorporer le thème de la montagne. En premier lieu, le site de la conférence, le collège Mohawk, est situé sur la montagne.

Le logo de la conférence, "l'effort mène au succès", caractérise le travail de la présidente de la conférence Kate Morrison et son comité. J'aimerais les remercier pour leurs efforts en vue de produire, ce que je sais, sera une conférence très réussie. Le programme rempli d'une variété d'ateliers a un vaste attrait et rendra la sélection difficile. Les activités sociales vous offrent la possibilité de renouveler connaissance avec de vieux amis, créer de nouvelles amitiés, réseauter et vous amuser.

Kate et son équipe ont fait leur part, maintenant c'est à vous de mettre l'effort et vivre l'expérience d'une conférence réussie. Faites nous part de vos commentaires en remplissant les formulaires d'évaluation.

Merci de participer à la conférence. Je vous souhaite un séjour plaisant sur la montagne.

Kathryn Suffoletta
President
OALT/ABO

Welcome to the 2010 Conference up the Mountain here in Hamilton!

I am excited to welcome you to the 2010 Ontario Association of Library Technicians/Association des bibliothécaires de l'Ontario (OALT/ABO) Annual Conference at Mohawk College. We have gathered here to put our Effort => Success here as we learn, network and live together for one to four days at this year's conference.

The Mountain, or the Niagara Escarpment to the rest of the world, is a big part of life in Hamilton as it geographically splits the City into sections, up or down the Mountain. This has led to this year's theme of Effort => Success. Whether we live in hard times or easy, effort will always lead to success in your work and life. Sometimes the path is gradual and easy, other times the path is very steep and difficult. Reaching the top is always a wonderful feeling. The top is even better when you have had the help of others along the way.

When you look at the logo you will notice that the path up the mountain is left open at the top. Once you reach the top of one goal you can always start exploring up there and start on a different path. Some goals are focused and purposeful. Others are meandering and you find wonderful surprises on the way. Being open to new possibilities and "thinking outside the box" can open unexpected doors! Many sessions at the 2010 OALT/ABO Annual Conference will talk about new ways to do regular tasks, new ways to look at your work place and life, how to hone present skills so you positively succeed in all facets of life as well as learn new trends in the library world. My hope is that you will take these skills, trends and experiences back with you into your life at home and add to your daily life some new perspectives and start climbing new mountains of your own. Join us during the times planned to network with other library technicians and learn about

Bienvenue à la Conférence 2010 au haut de la montagne à Hamilton!

C'est avec beau d'enthousiasme que je vous souhaite la bienvenue à la conférence annuelle 2010 de l'Ontario Association of Library Technicians/Association des bibliothécaires de l'Ontario (OALT/ABO) au Collège Mohawk. Nous sommes réunis ici pour montrer que Effort => Succès, pendant que nous apprenons, réseautons and vivons ensemble au cours de la conférence de cette année.

La montagne ou l'escarpement Niagara est, pour le reste du monde, une partie importante de la vie à Hamilton, puisque, géographiquement, cela divise la ville en deux sections, soit le haut et le bas de la montagne. Ceci nous amène au thème de cette année : Effort => Succès. Que nous vivions des moments difficiles ou faciles, l'effort nous guidera toujours vers le succès au travail et dans la vie. Parfois, le sentier est graduel et facile et à d'autres moments, il est à pic et ardu. Atteindre le sommet est toujours une merveilleuse sensation. Arriver au sommet est encore mieux lorsque nous avons eu l'aide des autres en cours de route.

En regardant le logo, vous constaterez que le sentier vers le haut de la montagne est ouvert. Lorsque vous arrivez au sommet d'un objectif, vous pouvez toujours explorer et vous diriger vers autre sentier. Certains objectifs sont centrés et déterminés. D'autres sont sinueux et vous trouverez des merveilleuses surprises le long du chemin. Rester ouvert aux nouvelles possibilités et "penser hors de la boîte", peuvent vous ouvrir des portes inattendues! Plusieurs séances de la conférence annuelle 2010 de l'OALT/ABO, traitera de nouvelles manières d'accomplir les tâches régulières, de nouvelles façons de voir votre milieu de travail et votre vie, de comment améliorer vos compétences courantes pour réussir sur tous les plans dans votre vie et aussi discutera des nouvelles tendances dans le monde des bibliothèques. J'espère que vous apporterez

their workplaces, both its successes and its challenges. They start with our Mohawk Alumni Reception Wednesday night and end with the Annual Business Meeting on Saturday. We come from a wide variety of settings: public, school, government, private business, entrepreneurs, colleges and universities. Let's explore all these different settings, celebrate what is the same and learn from what is different.

Welcome to the Mountain as we put the Effort in our work so we will Succeed at our jobs in the information and library fields!

Kate

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ces compétences, tendances et expériences dans votre vie à la maison et que vous ajouterez quelques nouvelles perspectives à votre quotidien et que vous entreprendrez d'escalader de nouvelles montagnes.

Joignez-vous à nous et prenez le temps de réseauter avec d'autres bibliotechniciens pour connaître leurs milieux de travail, leurs succès et leurs défis. Nous commencerons avec la réception des anciens de Mohawk du mercredi soir pour terminer avec l'assemblée d'affaires annuelle le samedi. Nous venons d'une multitude d'emplacements : public, scolaire, gouvernemental, privé, entrepreneurs, collèges et universités. Explorons ces différents milieux et célébrons ce qui nous ressemble et ce qui nous différencie.

Bienvenue à la montagne alors que nous mettons l'effort dans notre travail pour que nous puissions arriver au succès dans nos emplois dans les domaines de l'information et des bibliothèques!

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OALT/ABO Conference First-timer?

Are you new to the OALT/ABO Conference experience? First of all, welcome! We are very glad you came!

We have prepared a scavenger hunt (yes, there are prizes at the end☺) for you to participate in. The point is to have some fun and meet new people. Anyone who participates will put their scavenger hunt in the draw for the prizes.

A word to the longer time members, please look out for people with a coloured sheet of paper in their hand and help them find the answers!

So have fun and ask away!



THE CITY OF
HAMILTON
OFFICE OF THE MAYOR

On behalf of the City of Hamilton, it is with great pleasure that I welcome you **to the 2010 Ontario Association of Library Technicians/Association des bibliotechniciens de l'Ontario**, taking place May 5th-8th 2010 at Mohawk College.

Your association, established in 1973, has worked with its members to further their skills. Our communities have greatly benefited from their expertise and professionalism. The important role of libraries in our community cannot be emphasized enough. In addition to being centres of knowledge, they are community gathering places as well as resource centres for people of all age groups. Library and Information Technician graduates, students, associates and institutional members will gain knowledge from this gathering.

Appreciation is extended to all organizers of this event, which would not be possible without your efforts and support.

On behalf of the City of Hamilton, best wishes for an informative seminar and for continued success in the future.

Sincerely,

Fred Eisenberger
Mayor



Meet Your Conference Planning Committee!

As with each year, many people helped to pull this conference together and helped with all the details. Some people were new to the committee and others had more experience but all were ready and willing to help. Every member had an important role and we couldn't have done it without them! Besides the many meetings, there was communication on the wiki and through email to participate in. A lot of time, energy and hard work went into making this conference happen. Please thank the conference members when you see them! Besides their specific responsibilities, everyone helped with suggestions, feedback and anything else needed.

Here they are in alphabetical order (after all I am in libraries☺):

- Liz Aldrey as our Treasurer kept us in line with our spending, which was a challenge at times! She has developed a new spreadsheet with more detail so that we were able to figure out the cost of more details.
- Pam Casey looked after all things social as our Social Coordinator. She contacted the Mohawk Information and Techniques course department for the Welcome Reception and Mohawk Alumni Reception on Wednesday night, found the fabulous show for Thursday night and is arranging the banquet on Friday. We will certainly have fun networking at the conference!
- Stella Clark pulled together the program for the conference. All of the committee members suggested speakers and made the initial contact but Stella followed up from there and has kept in touch with the speakers and made sure all the details are taken care of.
- Traceyann Crawford helped with feedback and great ideas and will be helping to decorate for the banquet.
- Stacy Goddard, as Facilities Coordinator, is the person who was the liaison with Mohawk College and made sure that all our physical needs will be met. She was patient and got all the answers we needed to be able to plan the conference.
- Beth Murray-Bannister, as the Secretary, is the organized person who looked after taking the minutes and making sure we knew what we had to do for the next meeting.
- Dolores Harms-Penner is the Program Manager/Field Work Instructor for the Library & Information Technician diploma offered at Mohawk College. She gladly stepped in to organize our Welcome Night Reception with the Mohawk Alumni Reunion which is a wonderful privilege to host. As a Mohawk grad, I am looking forward to seeing old friends.
- Lynne Kumagai has helped with advice and her enthusiasm as well as her willingness to help in all areas.
- Irène Kumar is the wonderful person who translated the articles in the programs. It is wonderful to be part of a bilingual association and it is a pleasure to have a volunteer to be able to have the translation for the programs done well.
- Shannon Matthews, our Association's Treasurer, helped Liz by paying the bills and offered suggestions and feedback at meetings.

- Melissa Poremba chimed in with lots of ideas and feedback at the meetings as well as volunteering to help at the conference. She will be coordinating the Newcomer Scavenger Hunt for those new to our conference and association.
- Maria Ripley, as Fundraising Coordinator, found us all the wonderful companies and people who gave money, gifts, material for your conference bags and other miscellaneous that really helps to make the conference a fun place to be!
- Cyndi Smith, 2009's Conference Coordinator, helped Wendy with the huge mail out and was available to me for consultation when I needed it. The telephone is a wonderful machine!
- Kathryn Suffoletta, our Association's President this year, came out to meetings and helped in many ways, especially running the Annual Business Meeting on Saturday. She was there if we needed advise from the Association's point of view.
- Maggie Weaver helped us to get started and was available for consultation whenever we needed her.
- Wendy Witczak, as the Registration and Promotion Coordinator, fearlessly took on the responsibilities of putting together our 2 wonderful programs (the one mailed out and online as well as the one you are reading now) and looking after the gargantuan task of doing the initial mail out. She was insistent but patient as the deadlines came close and has done a great job.

The conference you are attending would not happen without every single person who has helped. As is often said, and is still true today, every little bit helps. It doesn't matter how large or small the role everyone played in organizing the conference, it doesn't happen without everyone!

I would also like to thank all the volunteers who are doing various roles at the conference, such as convening a session, helping to decorate for the banquet, looking after the office, and other "little" jobs that are small but very necessary. The conference wouldn't happen without you!

We had a fun, exciting and satisfying year planning this conference so please enjoy, learn, network and have fun as we climb the Hamilton Mountain on our way to new life experiences.

Kate

Kate Morrison

2010 OALT/ABO Annual Conference Coordinator

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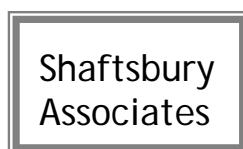
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CONFERENCE PROGRAM

WEDNESDAY May 5 / MERCREDI le 5 mai			
6:30pm onwards	WELCOME RECEPTION & MOHAWK REUNION - Mohawk Residence Meeting Rooms 1 and 2		
THURSDAY May 6 / JEUDI le 6 mai		Conference Office: Room i210	
	Room i125	Room i126	Room i131
8:45-10:15am	(1) 21st century school libraries <i>Lynn Wisniewski</i>	(2) The new myhamilton and Hamilton Public Library website <i>Paul Takala, Rob Foster, Rob Plant</i>	(3) Betty Blogger: a recipe for online instruction <i>Amanda Larsen</i>
10:15-10:30am	<i>Break / Pause santé - room i131 Rotunda</i>		
10:30-12:00pm	(4) Genealogy <i>Laura Lamb</i> <div style="border: 1px dashed black; padding: 2px; display: inline-block;">HELD IN ROOM i227</div>	(5) Planning for disruptions – from pandemic to power outages <i>Adrian Gordon</i>	(6) 10+ Things You Should Know about Library Service and First Nation Peoples <i>Patty Lawlor & colleagues</i>
12:00-2:00pm	<i>Lunch / Déjeuner & Keynote Speaker: KEN ROBERTS - room i131</i>		
2:00-3:30pm	(7) Personalizing learning – creating a self-directed learning plan <i>Kathryn Deiter</i>	(9) Ontario 211 services <i>Destiny Bedwell</i>	(8) Technology tour bus <i>Kathy Hicks, Christine Chiasson</i>
3:30-3:45pm	<i>Break / Pause santé - room i131 Rotunda</i>		
3:45-5:15pm	(10) To renovate or not to renovate: that is the question <i>Maureen Sawa, Beth Hovius</i>	(11) Marketing, communications, and libraries <i>Catherine Baird</i>	(12) Panel discussion on career paths for Library Technicians <i>Gate Walker Hammond</i>
5:45-7:30pm	Dinner / Dîner - room i131		
7:30- 10:00pm	Rocky Horror Picture Show - Transportation: meet at bus ring in front of iwing 7:15pm		

FRIDAY May 7 / VENDREDI le 7 mai		Conference Office: Room i210	
	Room i125	Room i126	
8:45-10:15am	(13) Let's tell stories: using storytelling in public and school libraries <i>Pamela Wagner</i>	(14) Virtual libraries in virtual worlds <i>Krista Godfrey</i> <i>HELD IN ROOM i131</i>	Tour 1 Turner Park Branch of the Hamilton Public Library
10:15-10:30am	<i>Break / Pause santé - room i131 Rotunda</i>		
10:30-12:00pm	(15) Is bigger better? Life in the one-person library <i>Alison McCullough</i>	(16) When nerds collide: the gaming librarian at McMaster University <i>Shawn McCann</i>	
12:00-1:30pm	<i>Lunch / Déjeuner - room i131</i>		
1:30-3:00pm	(17) A Philosopher's Café on success: who was right - Woody Allen, Mae West, or Sisyphus? <i>Stan Skrzyszewsk</i>	(18) Readers' advisory 2.0 <i>Alexandra Yarrow</i>	Tour 2 Dundurn Castle and the Hamilton Military Museum
3:00-3:15pm	<i>Break / Pause santé - room i131 Rotunda</i>		
3:15-4:45pm	(19) Ladies empowerment and awareness workshop <i>Samir Seif, Debbie Michalski</i>	(20) Library Technician Education: what's old, what's new <i>Dolores Harms Penner</i>	
6:00-9:30pm	Banquet - room i131		
SATURDAY May 8 / SAMEDI le 8 mai		Conference Office: Room i210	
	Room i125	Room i126	Room i131
8:45-10:15am	(23) I am retired – Now what? <i>Doug Willford, Liz Aldrey</i>	(22) Roundtable on school libraries <i>Karen Infantino</i>	(21) Do you have the skills for tomorrow's library careers? <i>Pam Casey</i>
10:15-10:30am	<i>Break / Pause santé - room i131 Rotunda</i>		
10:30-12:00pm	(24) Working for a cause, in non-profit libraries <i>Lily Mac, Eileen Lewis</i>	(25) School Chapter meeting <i>Karen Infantino</i>	(26) Simple and free technologies for your library <i>Marian Doucette</i>
12:00-3:00pm	<i>Lunch / Déjeuner - room i131</i> & Annual Business Meeting / La réunion d'affaires annuelle & Brainstorming - room i109		

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WORKSHOPS & TOURS / ATELIERS ET VISITES GUIDEES

All workshops will be held in English / Les ateliers seront présentés en anglais

Keynote Speaker:



Why can't all workplaces be perfect? It doesn't seem too much to ask, does it?

Ken Roberts

Surveys indicate that most people recognize the traits and characteristics of a "good place to work." What are those traits?

Surveys also acknowledge that few people actually work in positive and successful work environments. If so many people seem to agree on the traits of a "good place to work," why do so few of these places actually exist? Using research, Ken will try to provide an answer.

Ken Roberts is the Chief Librarian of the Hamilton Public Library and the Past President of the Canadian Library Association. He is also a Past President of the Ontario Library Association. Ken is a popular conference speaker, both in Canada and the United States

THURSDAY MAY 6 / JEUDI LE 6 MAI

8:45 AM – 10:15 AM

(1) 21st Century School libraries

Lynn Wisniewski

This session will focus on 21st Century school libraries. Topics covered will include the Library Technician's role, library functionality, technology and services, and advocacy for change.

(2) The new myhamilton and Hamilton Public Library website

Paul Takala, Rob Foster, and Rob Plant

In November 2009, the Hamilton Public Library launched its newly renovated website. The new myhamilton (www.myhamilton.ca) integrates a community website with the library's site (www.hpl.ca). The speakers will share how the site was created, the principles behind it, the technology used, the role of staff in creating content, and the communications plan.

(3) Betty Blogger: a recipe for online instruction

Amanda Larsen

Riding on the success of their public computer classes and that of their popular staff training program, BPL Web 2.Huh?!, the Burlington Public Library trainers developed a Web 2.0 summer school for their customers, Betty Blogger, winner of the 2009 Angus Mowat Award of Excellence. Now they want to share with you their program goals, strategies, successes, disappointments, tips and tricks.

10:30 AM – 12:00 PM

(4) Genealogy

Laura Lamb

This session will cover how to research your family history using online resources and various reference materials available at Hamilton Public Library.

(5) Planning for disruptions – from pandemic to power outages

Adrian Gordon

“The only thing harder than planning for an emergency is explaining why you didn’t.” Many organizations do not have the time, money, or expertise to begin what seems like a daunting task. This session addresses these three hurdles to preparedness, and provides the tools, templates, and skills-set to begin to build a plan.

(6) 10+ Things You Should Know about Library Service and First Nation Peoples

Patty Lawlor, First Nations consultant Southern Ontario Library Service, and colleagues

Do you know ...Aboriginal peoples are the fastest growing segment of Canada’s population? ...Ontario’s First Nation public library community is in the midst of a critical advocacy campaign? ...Too many libraries still have outdated and inaccurate “Aboriginal” resources on their shelves? Taking a “you-should-know” and “what-you-can-do-about-it” approach, this session will increase awareness of issues, initiatives, resources, and programs relevant to the development and delivery of library service to First Nation peoples (and others!) in First Nation (and non-native!) communities.

2:00 PM – 3:30 PM

(7) Personalizing learning – creating a self-directed learning plan

Kathryn Deiter

Among the most important skills in today’s rapidly changing workplaces, are skills in self-reflection and self-directed learning. How do you develop a learning plan to support your career development goals? How do you continually refresh the skills you learned in school? How do you undertake training in your workplace even when training budgets are tight or non-existent? If you have the motivation, this workshop will provide you with the knowledge to meet your needs.

(8) Technology Tour Bus

Kathy Hicks and Christine Chiasson

Take a virtual ride of the Library@Mohawk. Come out and hear how our efforts with emerging technologies at the Library@Mohawk contribute to the success of our students! Let us give you a whirlwind tour of some of the technologies we are trying out – askON, Meebo, and Skype, collaboration using wikis, enhanced content using streaming video servers, and more!

(9) Ontario 211 Services

Destiny Bedwell

This session will discuss how 211’s phone information and referral line and database (<http://www.211ontario.ca/>) can help you to help library patrons to get the help they need from the human services sector.

3:45 PM – 5:15 PM

(10) To renovate or not to renovate: that is the question

Maureen Sawa and Beth Hovius

Changing legislation and service requirements have an impact on library renovations of all sizes. Beth Hovius and Maureen Sawa, Public Service Directors at the Hamilton Public Library, will describe the planning processes that they have applied to recent renovation projects for large, medium, and small library locations. They will share lessons learned, and tips for developing a realistic plan for your library.

(11) Marketing, communications and libraries

Catherine Baird

Discussion topics for this session include: what is a marketing and communications plan really, and why should I use one?; marketing failures and what we can learn from them; and the top ten marketing and communications strategies and ideas.

(12) Panel Discussion on career paths for Library Technicians

Cate Walker Hammond

INFORMAVORE: a never-ending passion for learning and sharing information leads to continuous improvement and innovation.

FRIDAY MAY 7 / VENDREDI LE 7 MAI

8:45 AM – 10:15 AM

(13) Let's tell stories: using storytelling in public and school libraries

Pamela Wagner

Everyone loves stories! From birth to old age, we are captivated by the stories we hear and read. In this participatory

workshop, we will focus on oral tales to use with children from the ages of five to ten. As well as providing some basics about storytelling, Pamela will tell participation stories, rhymes, and traditional tales that you can use when you get back to your library. Come prepared to listen, participate, and enjoy.

(14) Virtual libraries in virtual worlds

Krista Godfrey

Virtual worlds made a big splash in 2006, and today there are in excess of 50 virtual worlds, many of them designed for children – our future library users. This session will show what libraries have been doing in virtual worlds and discuss what role we may find for ourselves within these virtual spaces.

TOUR 1 (8:45 AM – 12:00 PM)

Turner Park Branch of the Hamilton Public Library

HPL's newest branch, with all the newest technology in a beautiful setting.

10:30 AM – 12:00 PM

(15) Is bigger better? Life in the one-person library

Alison McCullough

This session will describe the ups and downs of starting up and running a one-person library. Examples from church libraries, independent school libraries, and community libraries/resource centres will be examined. Managing burn-out, volunteers, cataloguing and policy development etc. look surprisingly similar to the big organizations. Time will be allowed to share best practices.

(16) When nerds collide: the gaming librarian at McMaster University

Shawn McCann

This session will be a closer look at what it means to the Immersive Learning (gaming) Librarian at McMaster University – a position that was first of its kind. Shawn will share his experiences including successes and failures, as well as what the future holds for this innovative role in the library.

1:30 PM – 3:00 PM

(17) A Philosopher's Café on success: who was right – Woody Allen, Mae West, or Sisyphus?

Stan Skrzyszewski

Come and learn the secrets to (my) success, and then be prepared to become engaged in an open discussion on (your) successes, and on Woody Allen (eighty percent of success is showing up), Mae West (between two evils, I always pick the one I never tried before), and Sisyphus (he was the guy condemned to push a rock uphill, only to have it roll down again.)

(18) Readers' advisory 2.0

Alexandra Yarrow

Get a virtual tour of approximately a dozen free online tools to help with readers' advisory questions. Focusing on websites, blogs, podcasts, videos, wikis, and other online tools in French and English that library technicians in public and school settings can use to learn, engage with others who are passionate about books, and develop program ideas. Learn about RA tools to supplement library catalogues/databases, best practices, and get ideas to make readers' advisory prominent in your library.

TOUR 2 (1:30 PM – 4:45 PM)

Dundurn Castle, and the Hamilton Military Museum

Come and visit Hamilton's National Historic Site, home of Sir Allan Napier MacNab, and the archives at the Military Museum containing information on the history of the Canadian Military from the American Revolution to modern peacekeeping.

3:15 PM – 4:45 PM

(19) Ladies empowerment and awareness workshop

Samir Seif and Debbie Michalski

This workshop is designed to educate women in the crime statistics of sexual and physical violence against females. Prevention and a proactive lifestyle can deter the continuation and growth of these statistics. Samir and Debbie will demonstrate physical and psychological exercises to further aid in this education towards empowerment.

(20) Library Technician Education: what's old, what's new

Dolores Harms Penner

Curriculum for library technician programs continues to evolve, and may have changed substantially since you graduated. In this session, Dolores Harms Penner, Program Manager of Mohawk College's Library & Information Technician program, will review the current curriculum for library technician programs in Ontario, as well as look at changes that are anticipated down the road. A panel of current students and recent graduates will reflect on their educational experience and its relevance to the workplace. Group discussion will follow.

SATURDAY MAY 8 / SAMEDI LE 8 MAI

8:45 AM – 10:15 AM

(21) Do you have the skills for tomorrow's library careers?

Pam Casey

Library technician positions are evolving into such areas as Taxonomy Specialist, Knowledge Manager, and others. This session focuses on how to acquire the knowledge needed to achieve the skills that these types of career positions require. Join in on this session so that you can be prepared for the next decade.

(22) Roundtable on School libraries

Karen Infantino

The Ministry of Education has invested thousands of additional dollars into school libraries in the last couple of years. These are very busy and challenging times for LTs working in school libraries. Join this discussion, hopefully with input from a Ministry representative, on the current situation in secondary and elementary schools, and the vision for the future.

(23) I am retired – Now what?

Doug Willford and Liz Aldrey

This will be a panel discussion with Doug and Liz about keeping yourself informed, involved, and NOT inactive – things to think about as you look forward to retirement. This session will not be dealing with financial planning.

10:30 AM – 12:00 PM

(24) Working for a cause, in non-profit libraries

Lily Mac and Eileen Lewis

Lily and Eileen will share their experiences of working in non-profit organizations, outline the organizations' information needs, the services provided, and the challenges.

(25) School Chapter meeting

Karen Infantino

For School Chapter members to organize, discuss, share, network, and determine chapter activities for the year. Members are asked to bring pictures of your libraries on a memory stick

(26) Simple and free technologies for your library

Marian Doucette

Technology trends are reshaping library services. Blogs, wikis, Facebook, messaging services, and more create possibilities for extending the reach of your library; discover new applications, free tools for tough times, and how to evaluate, recommend, and implement new tools for creating connections.

12:15 – 3:00 PM

Lunch, followed by

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SOCIAL EVENTS

Welcome Reception

Wednesday May 5th 6:30-8:30pm

An alumni/welcome reception will be held on Wednesday evening for all conference attendees and alumni of Mohawk's Library and Information Technician program. After some words of welcome, spend the evening catching up with old friends and fellow students and making some new connections. This event is sponsored by Mohawk College's Library and Information Technician Program. Refreshments will be served.

*****New Addition for the 2010 Annual Conference** Keynote Speaker Ken Roberts***

Thursday May 6th 12:00-2:00pm

We have a special treat during the lunch break. Ken Roberts, the Chief Librarian from Hamilton Public Library will be here to speak.

Rocky Horror Picture Show Transportation: meet at bus ring in front of iwing 7:15pm

Thursday May 6th 7:30-11:00pm

What would a trip to Hamilton, Ontario be without experiencing a Theatre Aquarius production? On Thursday evening enjoy the live production of the [Rocky Horror Picture Show](#). Transportation will be provided

Alternative entertainment on campus – there is a small cinema room in the residence where you can enjoy a movie or two.

Join us for a buffet dinner in the residence prior to either event.

OALT/ABO Conference & Awards Banquet

Friday May 7th 6:00-10:00pm

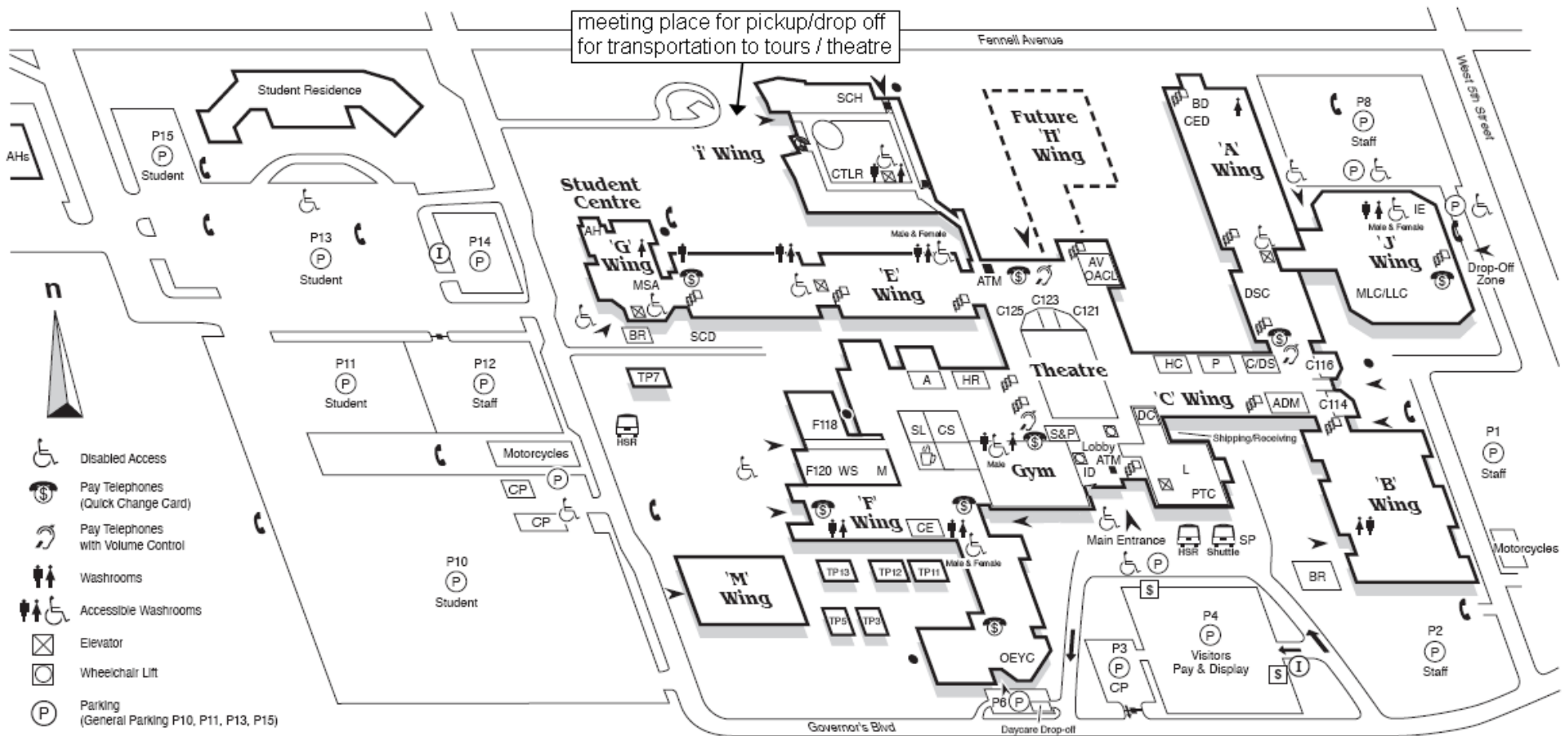
The culmination of a wonderful conference is the OALT/ABO banquet where you can enjoy a delectable dinner provided by Mohawk College's caterers. The banquet will also feature Ted Scott, the Dean of Applied Research & Innovation at the Applied Research Centre of Mohawk College. He will be speaking on solving complex challenges using innovation. The OALT/ABO President's Award winner will also be announced. After the banquet feast, relax and mingle with friends and colleagues

Final Lunch and Annual Business Meeting

Saturday May 8th 12:15-3:00pm

Finish the conference with lunch with your colleagues. Then attend the ABM to find out what is happening with OALT/ABO. Hear the issues and welcome in the new executive.

meeting place for pickup/drop off
for transportation to tours / theatre



Sessions to be held in
"i" wing

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