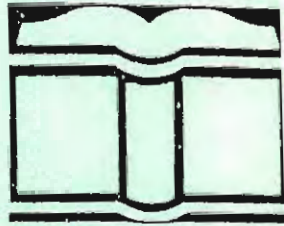


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Contributions should be typed, one side only and single spaced, please. Include as well your full name and Regional affiliation.

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# EDITORIAL

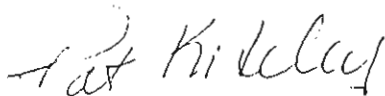
Before anything else I'd like to thank the LOHANIA Region for the letter of encouragement. It makes all the hours of work fade away.

As you will see there are only a few changes in the format of this edition. I've tried to keep to the same layout with a few touches that would clean up the pages. It is considerably smaller than the last issue, but there is an added bonus of the 1988/89 Membership Directory. Bette Gore spent many an hour updating this product in time to mail it out with this newsletter.

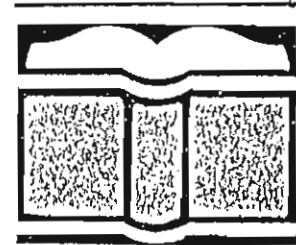
Once again I would like to request that members submit articles for the Newsletter/Nouvelles. It is only with the help of people in the field that this product can exist. The next issue will be out in March and will feature details about the upcoming OALT/ABO 1989 Conference in Hamilton. It promises to be an interesting gathering of library workers.

Deadlines for articles for the next issue is March 1. Let's make it a good one!

HAPPY HOLIDAYS TO EVERYONE!!



P. Kiteley  
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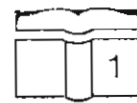


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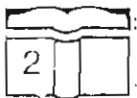
AT the Annual business Meeting in Thunder Bay I promised the membership that the NEWSLETTER/NOUVELLE would undergo several changes, become more responsive to the membership and come out on a regular basis. These changes are being accomplished very capably by Pat Kiteley, our Newsletter Editor. Pat has certainly fired up the Executive and Directors with her enthusiasm. For example, one of the new responsibilities of the President will be to write a report for each newsletter.

OUR membership is increasing with many new student members. Financially we continue to grow. Provincial funds are closely monitored and this year I am hoping to get a more accurate financial picture by following our own budget headings rather than Price-Waterhouse's broad headings. In this way we will have exact figures for the costs of publicity, newsletter, membership directory etc., by year end. You will have noted in the ABM Minutes that the assets of London regional Branch were merged with LOHANIA. It is sad to see the final demise of a region, but as LOHANIA now has most of the former members in its group the added London assets will be put to good use.

I am still receiving requests for Salary Survey information which I think is going to be used in salary negotiations. This has been a very worthwhile project and I hope that it will be repeated next year. If you have any suggestions regarding questions you would like us to ask please contact me.

The Association will be well represented at OLA this year. Our publicity co-ordinator Pat Graham will be attending this years conference in three capacities. First, she will be on our publicity booth and generally showing just how indispensable and wonderful we all are. Secondly, she will be a panelist, along with Eleanor Irwin and Loretta Craig-Taylor, at a workshop OALT/ABO is holding entitled "THE ALTERED TECHNICIAN". Thirdly, Pat will be involved in the discussions of the Strategic Planning committee.

Congratulations and thanks to Pat Kiteley, Bette Gore our Provincial Secretary, and the Conference Committee in Thunder Bay for the timely and attractive delivery of the Annual Business Meeting Minutes/Reports, and the Conference workshop precis which appeared in the September NEWSLETTER/NOUVELLE. Having this information so shortly after the conference is very valuable. Our next project is membership directory which is in the working stage now.



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Christmas just seems to be speeding towards us: so also is the closing date for nominations for the Presidential Award. Please give this your attention. We all know someone whom we feel should be honoured, so fill in the appropriate forms remembering that the decision is partially based on the information you supply. So please give lots of details.

In closing - a personal note. I have just come back to the Albion branch of the Etobicoke Library System after a six month stint (as a maternity replacement) at a smaller branch. I found this experience very different and very rewarding because of the public contact I had.

I look forward to hearing from you, the members, and serving you in The New Year.



Maggie Hotchkiss,  
President.

## REGIONAL CALENDAR

### HURONIA

September 17th was a beautiful late summer day for our members to travel to Midland for a general meeting held at Sainte Marie Among the Hurons. After a brief business meeting we visited the library at the site.

Sainte Marie Among the Hurons is one of two sites of the Huronia Historical Parks. The Resource Centre is one of the services offered by the Park's Information Services Department. It exists to provide information primarily to the staff of both sites but also to the public.

Information is given from a few quick facts to in-depth research and comprehensive information searches on the specialized topics -- 17th century French, Huron, and Jesuit history and 19th century British military and naval history. Genealogists also visit the centre searching for their ancestors who had connections with this area in the 17th and 19th centuries.



COMING EVENTS

The Christmas meeting will be a potluck supper on December 5th at 6PM at Judy Koenig's home in Collingwood.

Plans are underway for the annual meeting to be held at the Barrie Public Library in March or April, 1989. Learning about the library's automation project will be the subject of the programme.

submitted by J. Iles.

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HALTON-PEEL

In a fine start to the second half of the year, we held the annual "TALK SHOP" social at Mother's Pizza restaurant in Oakville. We socialized. We swapped information about our jobs. We started taking downpayments for the popular Ski weekend. Janet Tieman took input for the upcoming "Super Saturday" workshops. Thank you to the Sheridan College Alumni Association for offering these again this year. Last but not least, president Donna Duggan presented the Eva Schnurr Memorial Award for the Sheridan College Continuing Education student with the highest academic standing to Judy Pinkpank. The award presented to the full-time graduate had been given to colleen Smith at our June banquet.

COMING EVENTS.

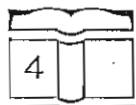
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| January 24     | General Meeting - Panel Discussion, Sheridan Coll. .                        |
| February 11    | "Super saturday" workshops. Calligraphy<br>Personal Finance<br>WordPerfect. |
| February 17-19 | Geneva Park Ski Weekend.<br>Call Doug Willford to book. 416 675-3111.       |
| March 07       | Annual General Meeting and Elections, Sheridan Coll.                        |

submitted by A. Devine.

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THUNDER BAY

A garage sale was held on Saturday September 10th and was a great success. All sorts of items were donated to the sale --- dishes, toys, furniture, etc. Business was brisk all day and the money earned from the sale totalled \$282.



A General meeting was held on October 6th at the School of Library and Information Studies facility at Lakehead University.

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## THE LIBRARY BOARD

Various kinds of people join the Governing Board of a Library for various reasons. Here is the make-up of an imaginary library board in Anytown, Canada.

- HE: wants to raise his community profile.  
doesn't use the library.  
wants to look literate.  
wants something that looks good on a resume.
- SHE: is too old to PTA and too young for Grey Panthers.  
likes to read.  
is curious to see what kind of material is in the Library.  
doesn't have enough Harlequins.  
has too much leisure time but does not play bridge.
- HE: is the accountant recruited to round out the financial picture.  
toys with his calculator during the meetings.  
questions every expenditure then submits and expense account  
for time at the meeting.
- SHE: is the token teacher.  
keeps discipline at the meetings.  
uses books to press flowers.
- HE: doesn't read much.  
likes art books.  
leaves Monday night meetings early so he doesn't miss  
NFL football.
- SHE: has a lot of class, mostly third.  
thinks books are to prevent stains on coffee tables.
- HE: is the lawyer.  
delegates everything.  
puts simple issues into convoluted language.  
his role is to keep things confused.
- HE: is the counsellor from the city hall  
runs by two phrases "wake me up when the meeting is over"  
"don't spend any money while I'm asleep"

## OALT / ABO

## PRESIDENTIAL AWARD

1989

The Presidential Award is intended to recognize outstanding contributions or major achievements of an OALT/ABO Member in promoting and /or developing the association. The 1989 award will be presented at the annual banquet on June 2, 1989 at KALEIDOSCOPE '89 in Hamilton.

## PREVIOUS PRESIDENTIAL AWARD RECIPIENTS

1984 - Danielle Amat (Ottawa)  
 1985 - Liz Aldrey (Lohania)  
 1986 - Sue Weaver (Halton-Peel)  
 1987 - Paulette Burton (Sudbury)  
 1988 - La Rea Moody (Thunder Bay)

A nomination form is included in this issue. Additional forms are available from members of the Executive and Board of Directors or Donna Fossum, Chairperson of the Presidential Award Committee.

Nominees from previous years must be re-submitted for consideration this year. Please send Fully completed forms to:

Donna Fossum  
 19 Crawford Green,  
 London, Ontario.  
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THE DEADLINE DATE FOR SUBMISSIONS IS FEBRUARY 28, 1989.

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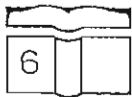


COMING EVENTS (Thunder Bay)

Januray 10 - General Meeting : Wine & Cheese

February 25 - Workshop - Panel Discussion - Senior Services.

March - Annual Dinner Meeting.





OALT/ABO PRESIDENTIAL AWARD

Please complete the following information as completely as possible:

Name of Candidate:

Address of Candidate:

Phone number of Candidate:

Membership status of Candidate:

Regional Branch:

Number of years as a member:

List contributions to OALT/ABO at the Regional Branch level (e.g. executive positions held, committee affiliations):

List contributions to OALT/ABO at the Provincial level (e.g. executive positions held, committee affiliations, conferences attended):

List other contributions to OALT/ABO (e.g. workshops presented, publications written, panel discussions):

List other contributions to the field of Library Technology (e.g. community service, publications, seminars, projects at work/school worthy of note):

Additional comments:

This Candidate is nominated by:

Name:

Regional Branch:

Phone Number:

Name:

Regional Branch:

Phone Number:



## BOARD OF DIRECTORS / PROVINCIAL EXECUTIVE

### MEETING SUMMARY

SEPTEMBER 10. 1988. REXDALE, ONTARIO.

Maggie Hotchkiss, President, opened the meeting with a code of behaviour to be followed by all in attendance.

#### Report Highlights

2.a.i. President (M. Hotchkiss) - Directors were presented with a final copy of CLA's "Report on the Roles and Responsibilities of Librarians & Library Technicians"

- Problems and additional expenses are being incurred by membership renewals not operating smoothly. A cut-off date (Sept. 1?) is being discussed for removing members from the membership rosters if renewals have not been received.

2.a.ii. Treasurer's Report (S. Wigney) - Bank Balance Aug. 31/88 \$8928.08.

2.a.iii. Public Relations Coordinator (P. Graham)

- The Ontario Public Libraries Strategic Planning Committee requires volunteer LT's willing to provide input to this committee when the committee meets in their area. The overall purpose of the Strategic Planning Committee is to revamp the Public Library System in Ontario. Directors were asked to take an information package back to their regions about this committee.

- A fact sheet about OALT/ABO is being prepared.

- LT's may consider becoming involved with local library boards.

2.a.vi. Membership Chairperson (C. Boardman)

- A motion was passed that the Membership Chairperson will send reminder lists for renewals every month to the regional membership persons.

2.a.vii. Newsletter Editor (P. Kiteley) - A contest for re-designing the cover of Newsletter/Nouvelles is in the works.

2.b.i. Halton-Peel (D. Willford) - The Regional recognition award was presented to Jean Elioff at the Annual Banquet June 3. Guest speaker was Elena Jankowicz, of the Etiquette Institute, author of "Behave Yourself".

- Judy Pinkpank received the "Eva Schurr Award" Sept. 27. This award is presented to a deserving student in the Continuing Education program.

2.b.ii. Huronia (L. Campbell) - Coordinators for the 1990 Conference are Janet Iles and Nancy Bradley.

- A tour of Ste. Marie Among the Hurons on Sept. 10 covered collection development, storage of rare materials, and research.

2.b.iii. Lohania (P. Buczkowski) - "Kaleidoscope '89", OALT/ABO's annual conference, will be held May 31-June 4. Frances McCrone is Conference Chairperson.

- Niagara College's Library Technician Program has been suspended for 1 year, with no reinstatement date scheduled.

2.b.iii. Ottawa (D. Amat-submitted by J. Desislets, presented by P. Graham) - A car rally was successfully completed June 26 by 25 members.

- "Christmas in July" was held July 25 (re-scheduled from snowed out December dinner). Heather Lindsay received the Regional Award at this time.

2.b.iv. Sudbury (P. Burton) - A workshop on Pay Equity is scheduled for Oct. 22 1988.

2.b.v. Thunder Bay (H. Heerema) - A garage sale was held Sept. 10 1988 to raise money for the region.

- Coffee & donuts were served at a welcoming party for students of Lakehead U's Library Tech program.

2.b.vii. TALTA (K. Major) - A brochure is being created on TALTA's set-up and operation.

- An open house meeting where members are encouraged to bring a friend was held Sept. 13. Francis Davidson-Arnott was the guest speaker.

- Letters of protest were requested on behalf of all OALT/ABO members regarding the Gratton Institute's diploma in Library Technology. As this program is not recognized by CLA, 'graduates' may be at a distinct disadvantage. A letter stating such will be written to the Gratton Institute, with copies to OALT, CLA, OLA, Ministry of Culture and the Ministry of Education in an attempt to have the program stopped or upgraded for CLA recognition.

3. Draft Budget (M. Hotchkiss/S. Wigney)

- The first draft of \$19,450 was accepted.

4. Membership Directory (B. Gore) - Bette will produce a full Membership Directory as soon as possible, in accordance with the guidelines established by the Board of Directors.

7. OLA Job Hotline (M. Hotchkiss) - Problems still exist with this line. Pat Buczowski, after having tested the line, recommended persons making use of the service call both lines regardless of interest, as each line contains jobs for both librarians and technicians.

11. OLA Conference Update (M. Hotchkiss) - The panel discussion being put on by OALT/ABO is arranged for Nov. 5 1988, 2-4 p.m. Panel members are Pat Graham, Eleanor Irwin, and Loretta Craig Taylor. Their topic will be "Library Technicians in Alternative Careers".

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| <p><b>BOARD OF DIRECTORS /</b><br/> <b>PROVINCIAL EXECUTIVE</b></p> <p><u>MEETING SCHEDULE</u></p> <p>November 19, 1988.<br/> February 4, 1989.<br/> April 15, 1989.</p> |
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## Book review

Bell, George G., and Pascoe, Andrew D. Ontario Government : Structure and Functions. Toronto : Wall & Thompson. 1988.

This recently published first edition provides a comprehensive look at the functions and organization of the various ministries, agencies, boards, commissions, etc, of the government of Ontario. It reflects significant changes in the provincial government structure which will be of general, professional or academic interest to those both within or outside of the government.

The organization of this work lends itself to use as a ready reference tool. It is divided into two major parts. The first one deals with the workings of the government of Ontario in general. It includes sections on

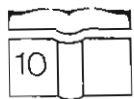
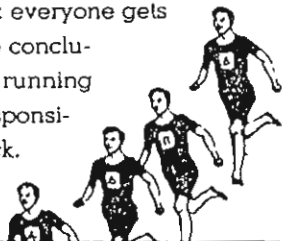
- i) Parliament - executive, legislative and judiciary
- ii) Process of policy development and budgeting
- iii) Ontario Public Service

Eight annexes supply information regarding, among other things, names of ministries and ministers as well as references used in compiling the data contained in this work.

Part two divides the various ministries into four categories : those of Economic Policy, Justice, Social Policy, and General Government. Within each category, 33 individual ministries are dealt with under headings of : roles and functions, background history, organization, programs, expenditure estimates, agencies-boards-commissions, legislation, innovations. An index includes references to acts, committees, agencies, boards and associations.

Joan Boles, Ottawa Region.

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THIS teleconference service offers library workers in the health sciences the opportunity to dial into various continuing education subjects. Once an account has been established, a tape recorder (to keep a copy of the presentation) slide projector, (often slides are mailed to listeners to assist in the presentation) and a telephone with a conference attachment enables participation in a forum of health librarianship.

On November 25th, the speaker was Claire Callaghan of the University of Western Ontario. She spoke on A/V SOURCES AND USES IN THE HEALTH SCIENCES. Ms Callaghan began her presentation by outlining the planning guidelines for acquiring a/v resources. Planning should include stating objectives clearly, choosing the most simple and compatible systems, and aiming for excellence from the start.

The second portion of the presentation covered establishing criteria for selection of material before the acquisitions can begin. Consideration should be given to the prospective materials content, currency, technical quality, price, reviews of the material, audience level and rental availability.

Next Ms. Callaghan reviewed three acquisition tools she has come to rely upon. 1). The National Library of Medicine Audio-Visual Centre Catalog. 2). The National Medicine Audio-Visual Centre Catalog: Films for Health Sciences 3). The Medical Libraries Association News.

Lastly, the many benefits of audio-visuals in the health library were covered. Listeners were then invited to direct questions to the speaker.

On the whole it was an hour well spent. The subject was of particular interest to me as I work in a Library that is increasing its a/v holdings considerably. I am looking forward to the next in the series.

The remaining topics in this series are- Pay Equity & Job Descriptions on December 16th. Electronic Mail on February 3rd,

Contact your local Hospital Libraries Association for information or contact.

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# OLA

## CONFERENCE REPORT

The Ontario Library Association held it's 86th conference at the Royal York Hotel, Toronto, November 3-5 1988. This years theme was Managing Change, Marketing Services and Communicating with People. The Annual business meetings of the OLA and its fifteen component groups took place at the same time and on Sunday November 6th a post conference on the Ontario Public Library Strategic Plan Was held. Friday and Saturday saw a record number of exhibitors. Displays covering the entire spectrum from books to library furniture were set up for eager viewers. Many posters were available along with buttons and mugs along with several door prizes for a lucky few.

Guest speakers included The Honourable Robert Nixon; Margret Chisholm, ALA President; Erika Ritter, author and Peter Mansbridge of the CBC.

Thursday there was a choice of 5 full day sessions. Myrna Kostash, author of No Kidding: Inside the World of Teenage Girls, offered a lot of insight into the lives of todays young adults, both male and female. She read several passages from her book and answered questions. After lunch a panel discussion gave suggestions on marketing and promotion of library services to teenagers.

Delegates had a choice of twenty six workshops on Friday and again on Saturday. The wide range of topics and the dynamic leaders left delegates wishing for more time to participate and enjoy these workshops.

Saturday afternoon OALT/ABO sponsored a workshop called The Altered Technician : Library technicians working in Non-Traditional Jobs. Maggie Hotchkiss, OALT/ABO President was the convenor, Elenor Irwin, Pat Graham and Loretta Craig-Taylor were the panelists. The delegates attending this workshop were very enthusiastic and participated in an active question period. It was exciting to listen to the panelists who made us aware of the possibilities that exist in the workplace after a Diploma in Library Techniques has been achieved. One common thread from all three panelists was the importance of NETWORKING; especially in our own organization and other Library Associations. It was unfortunate that more technicians in the area had not attended this workshop and taken advantage of our reciprocal fee arrangement with OLA.

It was an excellent conference: providing lots of inspiration and reminders of the challenges to be met in the library field today.

submitted by Dale Peters, TALTA.

