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THE 1991-92 YEAR IN REVIEW

Under the guidance of Rosemary Ullyot, THLA's President for 1991-92, the past year has been full, fun and felicitous. There have been three evening meetings, a half-day workshop with OHLA, the Christmas party at OCI (with good weather this year!) and a splendid annual dinner meeting in May. Attendance at all events was higher than last year, despite recessionary times; this may prove, if anyone felt doubtful, that there is still a valuable role for THLA to play in the lives and work of Toronto area health librarians. And thanks are due to every THLA executive member for their contributions towards making the year such a successful one.

The first meeting of the year, in September, was a talk on *Copyrights and Wrongs* with guest speaker Susan Merry, Chief Librarian of the CIBC Information Centre and President of the SLA Toronto Chapter. Susan gave a thoughtful and informative overview of copyright complexities.

In November, THLA cooperated with OHLA to sponsor a highly recommended workshop on *Issues in Information Malpractice*, featuring U.S. experts Marianne Puckett and Pamela Ashley. The workshop was excellent, providing information that was important and challenging; and with 42 people attending, we were easily able to cover the costs of mounting the program.

What would December be like without our annual Christmas Party?! Once again we were treated to a wonderful evening at the OCI house on Wellesley Place in December. Space and food were arranged by Carol Morrison and colleagues from the OCI library; keyboard music was provided by Gord Lindsay of Mount Sinai; and the bar was tended well by President Rosemary.

A panel discussion on *Interlibrary Loans* was held in February at Women's College Hospital, and this proved a very popular program. Panellists were **John Jackson** (OCI); **Elizabeth Reid** (Toronto Western); and **Kent Weaver** (SciMed), with **Madeline Grant** as chairperson. Those who missed this informative evening still have the chance to read the panellists' presentations in <u>BMC</u>, v13(4), 1992.

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LIBRARIES ASSOCIATION

In April we were privileged to have **Stephen Abram**, Product Manager of Tax Electronic Publishing at Thomson Professional Publishing, and past-President of SLA Toronto, speak to us about *Images of Librarians* -- the results of the 1990 Inter-Association Task Force Report on Image. A most thought-provoking presentation.

And to cap the year, the annual dinner meeting was held in May at the University Women's Club, where guest speaker **Richard Landon**, Chief Librarian of the Thomas Fisher Rare Book Library, gave a delightfully witty talk on fraud in the rare book world. The weather (sunny spring), the ambiance, the food and fellowship, and the drinks (courtesy of our regular sponsors Canebsco and Faxon/SMS) all blended together to make this a happy evening; a pleasant end to a good year.

EDITORS' CORNER

by Joanne Collingwood

As this is my last editorial column let me say thank you very much to the 1991-1992 THLA executive for giving me the opportunity of working with you. I hope that the new executive have as much enjoyment and camaraderie as we did.

I have enjoyed being Editor very much and I feel some regret that my term is over as I will no longer have such close ties to THLA.

I wish each and every one a happy summer. Before you know it you will be gearing up for another exciting year of THLA programs and events!

The names and addresses of the new THLA executive are included in this issue. Please feel free to contact any member of the THLA executive (present and future) if you wish to make contributions to the Newsletter. Also, THLA has acquired a mailing address (details elsewhere in Newsletter). This should facilitate submission of material for the Newsletter as well as communication with the THLA executive. The deadline for submissions for the next issue of THLA News will be September 4, 1992.

THE NEXT GENERAL MEETING IS SEPTEMBER 21, 1992

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TORONTO HEALTH LIBRARIES ASSOCIATION ANNUAL DINNER MEETING, MAY 11TH, 1992 UNIVERSITY WOMEN'S CLUB

TOPIC: FORGERY AND FRAUD: MURDER AND SUICIDE: RARE BOOK MYSTERIES

SPEAKER: RICHARD LANDON, CHIEF LIBRARIAN, THOMAS FISHER RARE BOOK

LIBRARY, UNIVERSITY OF TORONTO

ATTENDANCE: 60

The annual Dinner Meeting was held this year at the University Women's Club and members enjoyed the reception in the attractive second floor room with its pleasant balcony. As the evening was mild, many members took the opportunity to be outside before going down to the dining room. Canebsco and Faxon kindly sponsored wine, beer and soft drinks for the reception and wine with dinner respectively.

After dinner, President Rosemary Ullyot gave tributes and life memberships to Beatrix Robinow and Sheila Swanson. Past-President Eva Gulbinowicz presented a gift to Margaret Robins, who retires this year. Rosemary then thanked the 1991/92 executive and introduced the executive for 1992/93: Madeline Grant, President; Rosemary Ullyot, Past President; Sylvia Newman, President-Elect; Davida Glazer, Secretary; Helvi Thomas, Treasurer; Teresa Helik, Editor THLA News; Rebecca Strange, Associate Editor; Gail Knaggs, Assistant Editor.

President-Elect Madeline Grant introduced the speaker, Richard Landon. Richard's talk outlined the motives and methods of both historical and contemporary literary forgers. Many of the perpetrators of this crime are colourful characters, and Richard's presentation was most entertaining. With luck, most THLA members will not have to deal professionally with the problem of literary forgery. However it is always useful to be reminded of the wide range of possibilities that the library and information profession affords.

FLIS STUDENT PROJECTS NEEDED

Do you have an interesting project that would be suitable for a library and information science student? This is your opportunity to get that special project done and contribute to a student's learning. The course Health Sciences Information Resources will be offered at FLIS between September and December 1992. Health sciences librarians in the Toronto area are invited to submit brief descriptions of one or more practicum projects that meet the following criteria:

- the project requires the expertise of a library science student who has completed the basic MLS courses
- the project is a discrete piece of work requiring professional level judgement and problem-solving ability
- the project will result in a final written report suitable for grading by the instructor
- the project can be completed by the student in approximately 30 hours over the term

Projects can be administrative in nature or they can deal with any aspect of service or collection development. Examples of recent projects include evaluation of bar coding systems, interlibrary loan software and policy and procedures manuals.

Please send a brief outline of the project that includes the following information by August 20, 1992:

- project title
- brief description of the project (one or two paragraphs)
- any special background or interest that are required by the student
- the name, mailing address, telephone and fax number of the supervisor

Students will select their projects by September 25 and you will be notified if a student selects your project at that time.

Please send project information or call if you have any questions about the practicums:

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The Oshawa General Hospital is offering copies of their Book Title holdings for a fee of \$5.00. The listing is arranged alphabetically by title and includes author, edition and date.

If you wish to order please prepay to the Oshawa General Hospital Library, 24 Alma St. Oshawa, Ont L1G 2B9

FACES AND PLACES

Ann Chin is the new librarian at Providence Centre.

Ellina Chernyak (new THLA member) is the librarian at HCOHSA (Health Care Occupational Health and Safety Association).

THLA wishes fond farewells and happy retirement to *Margaret Robins* (Women's College Hospital) and *Kay Beacock* (Hospital for Sick Children).

The two new honorary lifetime members of THLA are Sheila Swanson and Beatrix Robinow.

Elizabeth Reid (Toronto Western Hospital) has been put in charge of local arrangements for the UNYOC conference to be held in Toronto in 1993. She will be looking for willing volunteers to help organize the conference.

THANK YOU

"I was truly surprised and overwhelmed by the honour which THLA gave me. It is an honour I appreciate all the more coming as it does from my 'working' colleagues and from the first library association to which I belonged. Thank you all very very much."

Sheila Swanson

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