SUPER NEWS 200

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A mix of education, camaraderie and good feeling

Super Saturday promises a strong conference finale

ou loved it last year. So Super Saturday is back an eclectic mix of education and networking that is quite different in its scope and presentation from any other day in Super Conference 2000.

David Suzuki leads off the day in spectacular fashion followed by one last round of the workshops that have been so excellent over the last two days.



The luncheons provide an entertaining and stimulating range of topics and speakers from CBC NewsWorld's Evan Solomon to the hilarious Governor-General's Award winning author, Gary Clement.

Kathryn Deiss from Association Research Libraries is presenting two different but complementary presentations, at lunch and in the afternoon's Super Sessions.

Rumour has it that the Hon. Janet Ecker may be making a major announcement at the

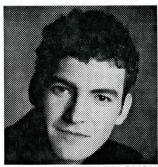
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THE HON. JANET ECKER



KATHRYN DEISS



EVAN SOLOMON

TODAY'S CHANGES

ROOM CHANGES:

Session #1010 - CP Kingsway Session #1101 - MTCC 204 Friends Lunch - CP Ballroom A Friends Session: "Funding and Gaming in Ontario" MTCC 203B

NEW SESSION

Session #1008 Information Studies and the Secondary School Curriculum with Sya Van Geest, OSLA President 2000. See p. 72.

SPEAKER CHANGES, **ADDITIONS**

Session #1003 Carol Koechlin, Toronto District School Board, replaces Jane Moore, Gayle Reid.

Public Library Luncheon CBC NewsWorld's Evan Solomon replaces the Hon. Helen Johns.

Academic Library Luncheon Kathryn Deiss from the Association of Research Libraries.

TICKETED SESSIONS Closed.

LIMITED SEATING: Session #1005

SUPER CONFERENCE 2000 REGISTRATION as of Friday

PAID DELEGATES 2.267 ALL PARTICIPANTS 3,044

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Reports from Friday's workshops

Packed sessions reflect increased attendance

t was standing room only at many sessions Friday, including "Electronic Publishing: a Look Ahead" and "The New Copyright Regulations Are in Effect".

Statistics Canada Library and Information Centre Director Ernie Boyko and JSTOR's Associate Director Carol MacAdam highlighted the major directions of e-publishing, including future strategies and the pivotal importance of librarians in developing digital libraries in Canadian communities.

OLA's Copyright Chair Bernard Katz from the University of Guelph had his overflow crowd scurrying to the OLA's on-site office to obtain copies of his handout. It was an important session and there was considerable interest in workshops over the next year.

How to alleviate the crowded conditions and still give delegates the choice they want were discussed by Super Conference planners for 2001 at their meeting at noon. There were no decisions made but discussion will continue.

Peter Marques

FOR BRUCE WALKER
The guest book in which delegates can congratulate and send messages to seriously iii
Bruce Walker, winner of OLA's
Distinguished Service Award on
Thursday, is available at the
Super Concierge's desk in the
Registration area. Don't forget
to leave your message before

To perform for retiring National Librarian Marianne Scott

The Baobab Youth Performers explode into the Super Conference 2000 closing event

Baobab (bah-oh-bob) is an ensemble of young performers formed in 1995 in the Ottawa area. It

provides students aged 12-17 with a unique opportunity to learn and perform the traditional music and dance of West Africa.

Today they will perform for retiring National Librarian Marianne Scott and you in the great ending to Super Conference 2000 at 4:30 p.m.



The students have learned aurally, in the style and tradition from which this music and dance comes. The ensemble is directed by Kathy Armstrong, a performer and educator who has studied extensively in Ghana. Currently she teaches at Carleton University, is co-director of Akpokli Drum and Dance Ensemble and gives many workshops and performances throughout North America.

Baobab is dedicated to bring togeth-

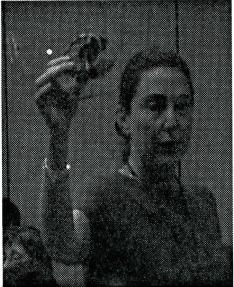
er young people of diverse racial and ethnic background. The students have performed at a variety of locations,

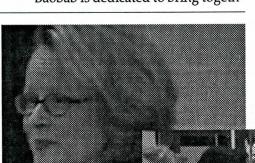
> including the Ford Centre here in the city, the National Arts Centre and Washington, D.C. On several occasions they have worked with Master Drummer Kwasi Dunyo

from Ghana, West Africa.

They have been featured on CBC-TV's NewsWorld, Rogers Cable and on TVO's Studio 2.

The closing reception for Marianne Scott will provide an exciting ending to Super Conference 2000.





Above left: Ann Dowsett Johnson from Maclean's

Top left: Lineups for author autographing at the exhibit

Bottom left: Nova Scotia Library Association President Ron Bulmer

you leave today. SUPER CONFERENCE 2000 EVALUATION FORMS

Please fill out the overall conference evaluation form that was in your registration bag. Drop them in the boxes located at Registration or FAX or mail them to the OLA office. Thanks.



Reprise of session draws an appreciative audience

Women as library leaders draws forty-nine women and one man and applause

ix library leaders with close to 100 years combined experience as CEOs started the process of filling the skills gap that will occur when 48% of existing library leaders retire in 2005. Joanne Tate (Waterloo Public Library), Eleanor James (Oakville Public Library), Jane Horrocks (Richmond Hill Public Library), Margaret Beckman (formerly University of Guelph), Newman (Brantford Public Library) and Barbara Clubb (Ottawa Public Library) told the 49 women and 1 man present that keeping well informed, seeking out a mentor, and keeping their lives balanced are all important strategies for those who would follow in their footsteps.

"Demonstrate supreme competence" said Margaret Beckman, "by attending conferences, constant reading of library literature, publishing articles, and chairing committees"





because there unfortunately still are biases against women leaders,

To be a conspicuous leader

All six stressed the importance of positioning yourself, thinking about how you want to be perceived, and building a good reputation -- "being a conspicuous leader", as Wendy Newman put it. Rather than waiting for the perfect leadership opportunity to happen to you, "Lead from where you are," Eleanor James told the group. "Try to get a work environment that will support and nurture your growth." If you feel your present job won't let move up, "go deep --

become an expert," Wendy Newman advised. "Or consider whether you need to change jobs, workplaces, or even professions."

All recounted the value of various mentors they had had, and the importance of creating supportive networks, especially outside your workplace. As leader, "you will be somewhat isolated from staff you might normally count as friends," said Joanne Tate.

Five don'ts for success

Barbara Clubb ended with five Don'ts, for those who want to get ahead.

- Don't talk too fast.
- Don't give others too much detail.
- Don't be too judgmental.
- Don't be too self-critical.
- Don't use weak body language or a timid voice. *kae elgie*

Libraries Advance Ontario launches its Millennium Project with CN Tower bash

Then the bartenders thank you for coming because this was fun, you know something more than usual is going on. More than 400 conference-goers found their way to the CN Tower for the Libraries Advance Ontario launch of the OLA's Millennium year celebrations. And they had a great time!

The crowd got into the spirit of the evening from the beginning. Light sticks, costumed characters and the good music provided by Pavlo and his band were instant hits.

Everyone seemed to be into the evening's contest trying to identify King John, Isaac Newton and Andrew Carnegie and other nine wonderfully costumed historical personages wandering through the cheer.

And many took advantage of the free ride to the observation deck to see the view, one of the perqs provided by the Association and Super Conference 2000. Over 200 stayed for dinner in the sky when the reception was over!

This was the first of a series of events that are all part of the OLA's Millennium Project. Libraries Advance Ontario will mail out its "census forms" next week. This stage of the project which will also be on line at OLA's web site will identify everyone who works in and for libraries in Ontario, whether in a paid or volunteer capacity. The "census" is intended to show just how large and powerful a group we are. The results will be part of the OLA's 100th Anniversary time capsule.

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Super Saturday promise

School Library Awards luncheon. We will all know by 1:30 p.m.

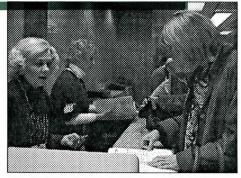
Super Sessions of particular note

This year's Super Sessions have been given a great deal of thought by their distinguished and eminent speakers and panelists. They are all being well attended and will bring us to the end of Super Conference 2000 – the closing reception for retiring National Librarian Marianne Scott (see Baobab story, p. 2). Enjoy.



With Special Thanks...

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