

Ontario Library Association  
**SUPER NEWS** 1999

Thursday, January 21, 1999

From the National Post's most talked about columnist to best-selling author  
**Linda McQuaig continues a great tradition  
of nationally prominent speakers at OLA**



According to our opening plenary speaker, we are living in a "culture of machismo: endless government bravado on deficit cutting and inflation control, while government officials lose their testosterone when it comes to fighting unemployment or delivering social programs. Governments are practising selective impotence."

Journalist/author Linda McQuaig gives us a fabulous kick-off to Super Conference '99. She discusses libraries, librarians, and the choices we have in controlling our future. Control, and who has it is the major theme running through her work.

**A nationally watched columnist**

McQuaig has written for The Globe and Mail, The Toronto Star and Maclean's Magazine and currently is a columnist with the National Post. She is a political and economic commentator for CBC Radio.

McQuaig received an Atkinson Fellowship for journalism in 1991, for public policy to study the social welfare systems in Europe and North America. Her 1993 book, *The wealthy banker's wife: the assault on equality in Canada* was the result.

Her other books include: *Behind closed doors: how the rich won control of Canada's tax system*, *The quick and the dead: Brian Mulroney, big business and the seduction of Canada*, and *Shooting the hippo: death by deficit and other Canadian myths*.

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**Today's Changes**

**Session changes**

Thursday: Session # 103 cancelled  
Session # 302 cancelled  
Session # 401 cancelled  
Session # 412 cancelled

**Speaker changes, additions**

- Session 109: Barbara Quinlan, Director of Public Services, Mississauga Public Library System.
- Session #306: Susan Haigh, National Library of Canada/CIDL replaces Gwynneth Evans.
- Session #405: Susan Haigh added.

**Change of Room**

- Session #415 moved to CP Boardroom.
- CASPAR User Group Meeting has been moved to MTCC/202A 4:00pm - 5:00pm 01/21/99

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