



Memorandum

To: CDLPA President
County and District Law Library Staff

From: Martha Foote, Board General Manager

Date: July 20, 2011

Re.: **Conference for Ontario Law Associations' Libraries 2011**

This year the **Conference for Ontario Law Associations' Libraries (COLAL)** will be held in Toronto from October 19 to 21. It is the primary vehicle for continuing education for the library staff in the 48 county and district law libraries in Ontario.

While we are still finalizing the educational program, we have confirmed some excellent topics and speakers to date. They include:

- Value-added Reference Service by Wendy Reynolds, Ontario Legislative Library
- Marketing Library Services to Students and New Lawyers by Joan Rataic-Lang, Toronto Lawyers Association
- WordPress: What it is and Practical Applications by David Whelan, Great Library
- LibraryCo Update, including a session with members of the LibraryCo Board of Directors

In addition to the educational program, library staff will have opportunities to network with their colleagues. There will be an opening reception on October 19 at the Nicholas Hoare Books. This was such a popular event last year that we decided to repeat it in 2011. We are also planning a reception and sit-down dinner on October 20 at the Law Society of Upper Canada.

LibraryCo will pay the travel expenses, the cost of the two receptions, breaks and luncheons on October 20 and 21 and the cost of the dinner on October 20. The Association is responsible for covering the two nights' accommodation costs, other meals and any other expenses incurred for all staff that participate.

A block of rooms, at \$147.00 (plus applicable taxes) per night, has been booked at the Metropolitan Hotel - Toronto at 108 Chestnut Street. Rooms have been set aside for the 19th through the 21st. You should make your own reservations by calling (416) 599-0555, 1-800-668-6600 (toll-free) or by e-mailing reservations@tor.metropolitan.com. Reservations at this rate and against this block will be held until **Monday, September 19, 2011. Please mention that you are with LibraryCo (COLAL) when you make your reservation.** For further information, map and directions, please check the hotel web site at: <http://www.metropolitan.com/toronto/>

I look forward to welcoming you to COLAL in October.

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