



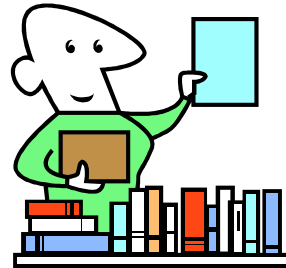
Newsletter

MALT elections are approaching:

- Vice President
- Treasurer
- Membership Coordinator
- Newsletter Editor

We are still accepting nominations for the Library Technician and Support of the Year.

Please email [Vanessa Sobkovich-Wiebe](mailto:Vanessa.Sobkovich-Wiebe) your submissions. Forms may be found on pages 7 & 8.



Please join us in warmly welcoming Donna Sanders as our Webmaster and latest addition to the M.A.L.T. Executive. We know you will add much to our meetings. We would also like to acknowledge Heather Mathis as our winner for the \$15 Timcard from our membership drive raffle. Congratulations Heather!

About the Manitoba Association for Library Technicians

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MALT (Manitoba Association of Library Technicians) was established in 1971 as a nonprofit organization with the objectives to promote and advance the role of library technicians and respond to issues that relate to the entire library community. These objectives are embodied in a constitution and are carried out by an elected executive committee.

An annual general meeting is held in the spring. Membership in MALT is open to any interested person. MALT produces a quarterly newsletter, is involved in sponsoring various programs, workshops, etc., and maintains a job bank that advertises library positions. A representative of MALT participates on the Library Education Advisory Committee of Red River Community College.

MALT remains open to any concerns and questions from its members, who have the opportunity to participate in the association in varying degrees, from volunteering to serving on the executive.

Executive Biographies

Donna Sanders is our latest M.A.L.T. board member, and has taken on the role of **Webmaster** for our group. She currently hails from Thompson, Manitoba, and is M.L.A.'s Rural and Northern Libraries Director. She was Red River College's 2008 Spring/Summer winner of a free C+DE course. She currently works at the Burntwood Regional Health Authority Staff Library at the Thompson General Hospital in Thompson, Manitoba.

Rotary Career Symposium

On March 11th & 12th MALT participated in the Rotary Career Symposium at the Winnipeg Convention Centre. Wednesday attendance was 6,586. Thursday attendance was 4,800. 11, 786 people attended all together.

We had 118 people visit our booth. Many school councilors and prospect students specifically looked for us and were able to take information about our skill set, job prospects and the Library and Information Technology Program at Red River College.

AV Workshop

MALT had a half day AV Cataloguing workshop February 28th in Winnipeg at the Millennium Library. The workshop was designed for library staff responsible for audio visual materials. It was created and lead by Brian Rountree, the cataloguing instructor for Red River College. Aside from the technical difficulties things went smoothly. There were 20 participates. If anyone is interested in participating in a workshop or has suggestion for one please contact MALT.

Creative Arts Awards Dinner

On April 15th Red River College had their annual awards dinner, which included the Library Technician program. The library group had four awards presented and two full tables. It was an impressive evening! The following people won the following awards: Lucy Zeng and Fatima DeMelo were presented with the Betty Andrich award, Melissa Maskus with the Par Excellence E.Q. award, Naomi Maendel with the Manitoba Association of Library Technicians award, and Caroline Monnin with the Manitoba Library Association award.

Tech Toolbox

Check out the Red River Library & Information Technology Alumni group in Google groups! Sherri Vokey, one of Red River College's instructors in the Library & Information Technology Program has set up the following Google Group available to Red River Alumni and current MALT members. The site address is <http://groups.google.com/group/rrelibtechalum>.

Library Happenings

For library openings, important anniversaries, major events and retirements. Please send information to the [Newsletter Editor](#), we will be happy to post such news and events for you.

Call to Action!

1. Please everyone remember our [M.A.L.T. community board](#)! We want to see it being kept active by our library workers and active members. And don't forget we are on Facebook, and have a place on LinkedIn.com. Check us out! Links are listed on our Contacts page.
2. We still need volunteers to assist with the MLA conference May 6 - 9! Please contact Elizabeth Stregger, the MLA Volunteer Coordinator, at estregger@gmail.com if you are able to assist in any way. Volunteers contributing half days are invited to enjoy a half day of the conference free of charge. Tasks include help with signage, av equipment, registration, information, and more.
3. Springfield Public Library is having their ribbon-cutting ceremony for the Grand Opening May 23rd at 11:00 am. Our own M.A.L.T. President, Vanessa Sobkovich-Wiebe, and new Head Librarian at Springfield Public Library, cordially invites you to join the residents of the RM of Springfield to the Grand Opening. The Kinsmen and Kinettes will be providing a hot dog lunch from 11:30 am to 1:00 pm. Local entertainment and library tours will be included as well. Come on out!
4. Working in a synagogue library is very interesting. I have come across some interesting and old texts for which I require the assistance of an antiquarian bookseller as well as a book repairer. For the appraisals, it would be more helpful if you could come to the synagogue as there are quite a few large and heavy texts. Please email Hava Salita at classicalsweetheart2001@yahoo.ca if you know of an appraiser or a repairer.

The Last Hurrah: A Reflection

by Victoria Papst & Fatima DeMelo, 2007-2009 RRC Student Representatives

When we signed up to represent our class at M.A.L.T. little did we know the places we would go on this wild ride known as the Library and Information Technology Program. Where do we start on our reflection? Among the readings, the homework, and the freak-weeks with seven assignments due, plenty of highlights emerge.

A group of students, ourselves included, raised money as part of a Student CLA Chapter for the Princess White Dove Library. Princess White Dove is a community-run library serving the Lord Selkirk Park area. The generosity of students and staff despite the third-term chaos helped raise \$810 for the library.

As M.A.L.T. student representatives, we helped plan the 2008 Conference. While we could not do much, it was useful to participate in planning an event in service of the membership. The next time you see us at the conference will be as full-fledged colleagues.

Part of our duties is to report on student concerns and progress. Central to our concerns regard curriculum and the laptops issued by the program. As the only local training available for Library Technicians it is important the program remains current with skills needed in the modern work place. In addition to informing M.A.L.T. executives about student conditions, we also contributed input towards change. These same suggestions were also used by our Advisory Committee student rep.

We would like to thank the executive, both current and former, for all their support. Having two reps allowed us to switch off if schedules conflicted and also insured both sections of the

program were informed and represented at the meetings. We in turn support them as they continue to steward the profession with many more workshops and events to come. However, while we put a period to our student story, a new chapter emerges as we will continue to remain involved with the Manitoba Association of Library Technicians.

Upcoming Events

The Alberta Association of Library Technician's conference is coming April 29 to May 3. Check out the attached flyer and website at www.aalt.org/conference/index.html for more details!

The Manitoba Library Association is pleased to announce its Conference: **Future Generations, Evolving Services** at the Delta Winnipeg, 350 St Mary Avenue, May 6 – 9, 2009. The conference is the result of exciting partnerships with the Public Library Service Branch, Manitoba Culture, Heritage, Tourism and Sport and the Association of Manitoba Book Publishers.

The conference program includes timely and relevant sessions around the theme of Future Generations, Evolving Services for archivists, librarians, library technicians, library trustees, museum curators and records managers. The program will explore human resource challenges in libraries and other culture institutions such as museums and archives, and will also focus on serving new populations of patrons.

Conference delegates will have the opportunity to visit a trade show on Friday and Saturday, May 8 & 9 where there will be door prizes, entertainment, and food. The conference planning committee is enthusiastic about the opportunities that the downtown location will provide for social activities and special events.

Visit the conference website at <http://www.manitobalibrariesconference.ca> for registration and program information. All early bird registrations will be entered in a draw to win exclusive door prizes. We look forward to seeing you at the Delta Winnipeg in May!

The M.A.L.T. Annual General Meeting will begin at 5:15 pm at the Delta Winnipeg Thursday May 7th.

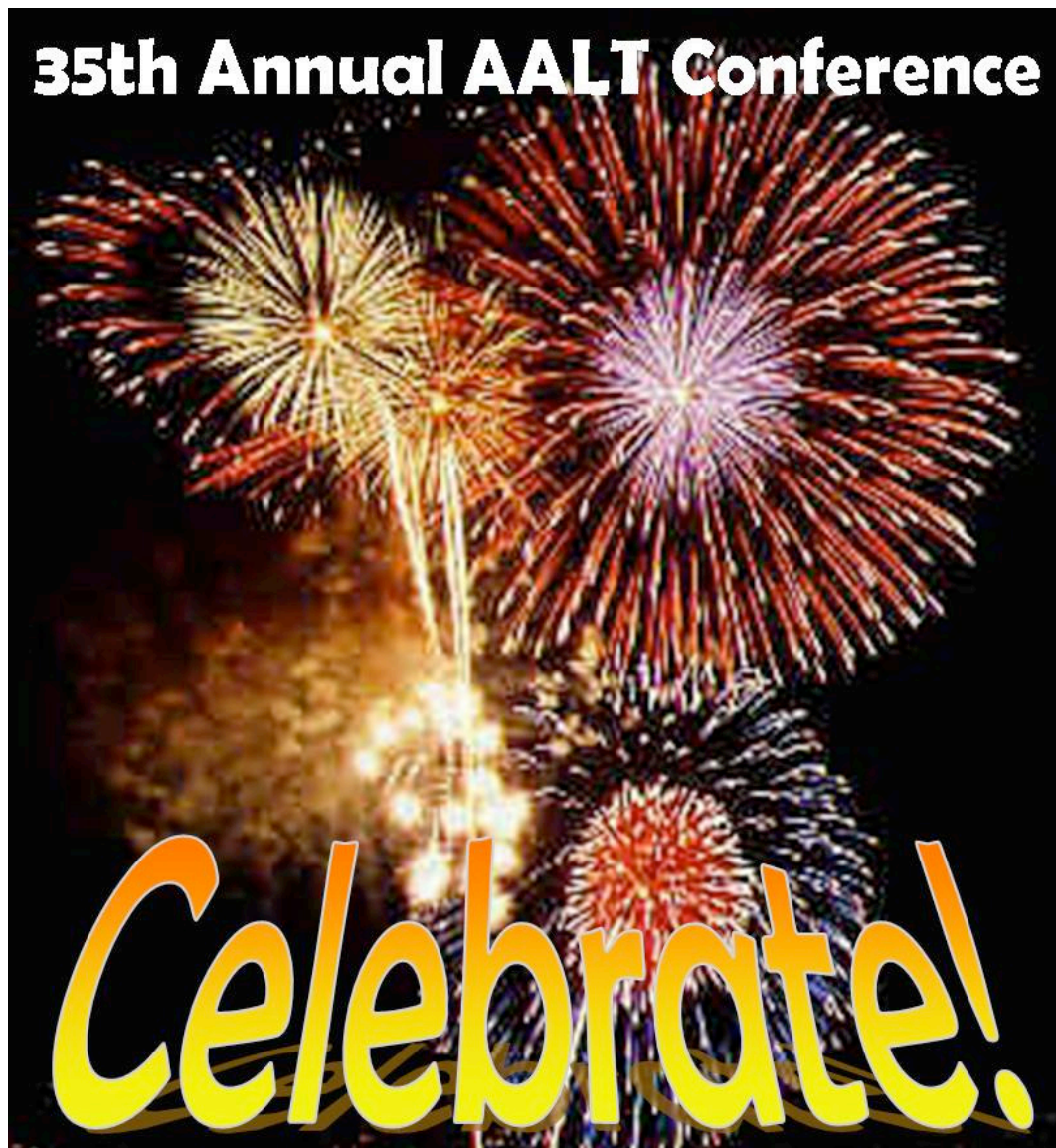
M.A.L.T. has never been very political. Our current executive wants MALT to have a voice on the political field so we ask our members to please bring ideas to our AGM. As a group of library professionals we know what needs to be done so our patrons and members to be served. As a few individuals we may not be loud enough but as a membership we can accomplish great things. Please bring your membership cards as we will be voting on executive positions.

MONDRAGÓN
BOOKSTORE & COFFEEHOUSE
91A Albert Street Winnipeg MB R3B 1G5

Term Windup is approaching!

Wednesday April 29, 2009 at 2pm there will be pizza & beverages at the Princess Street Campus. Come on out and relax with the 2009 Lib Tech Grads, fellow students and colleagues, and Professors!

Alberta Association of Library Technicians Presents...



April 29 – May 3, 2009

Delta Edmonton South, Edmonton, Alberta


Registration begins February 17

Early Bird registration deadline March 31

For more information, go to

<http://www.aalt.org/conference/index.html>

Mark your calendars now for these exciting opportunities to learn & celebrate your work with colleagues from across the province.



Pre-conference programs are being planned for
Wednesday, May 6.

A Mexican themed pool-side reception will be held on
Thursday evening May 7.

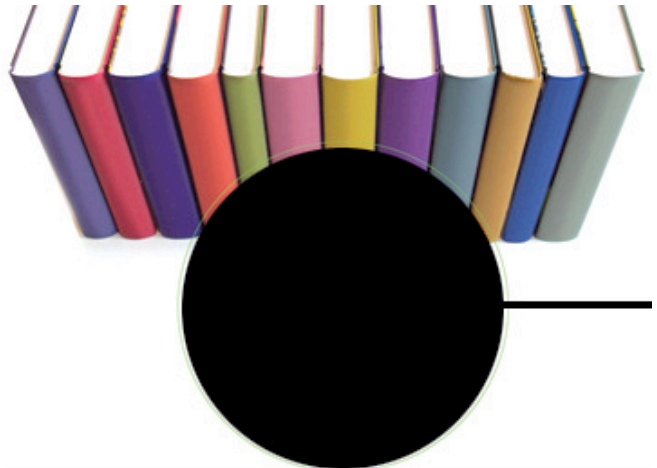
The conference trade show will be held
Friday & Saturday, May 8 & 9.

A closing luncheon and awards ceremony will be held on
Saturday May 9.



FUTURE GENERATIONS
EVOLVING SERVICES

Visit the conference website for program and registration information
www.manitobalibrariesconference.ca



**Early bird registrations received before Monday, April 6
will be entered to win a Sony Reader PRS-505**
(an e-book reader valued at \$299)

The Manitoba Library Association together with Public Library Services Branch
and the Association of Manitoba Book Publishers are pleased to announce the
Manitoba Libraries Conference



FUTURE GENERATIONS
EVOLVING SERVICES

May 6 - 9, 2009
Delta Winnipeg
350 St. Mary Avenue

Our keynote speaker is **Ian Brown**, host of CBC's Talking Books
for ten years and feature reporter for the Globe and Mail.

Library Technician of the Year 2008-09

- Intent:** To recognize the efforts of a Library Technician who has made a major contribution to the library field in Manitoba.
- Guidelines:** The individual must be a student or graduate of a recognized Library Technician program.
- Nominations:** A nomination form must be submitted, as well as a short outline of the nominee's specific achievements or contributions and a brief biographical sketch.
- Submissions:** Please send the completed form, biography, 2 references and any additional information to:

Manitoba Association of Library Technicians
P.O. Box 1872
Winnipeg, MB
R3C 3R1

Submissions deadline A.S.A.P.

- Presentation:** The award will be presented during the MLA Conference Awards Presentation in May at the Delta Winnipeg.

Award will be presented with the MALT Library Support Staff of the Year Award and MALT Student Award.

More details to be announced

AWARD OF EXCELLENT SERVICE NOMINATION FORM

NOMINEE'S NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

TELEPHONE: (Res.) _____ **(Bus.)** _____

EMAIL: _____

NOMINATOR'S NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

TELEPHONE: (Res.) _____ **(Bus.)** _____

EMAIL: _____

SIGNATURE: _____ **DATE:** _____

Library Support Staff of the Year 2008-09

Intent: To recognize the efforts of a Library support staff member who has made a major contribution to the library field in Manitoba.

Guidelines: The individual must be currently working in a library without a Library Technician Diploma or Master's of Library Science.

Nominations: A nomination form must be submitted, as well as a short outline of the nominee's specific achievements or contributions and a brief biographical sketch.

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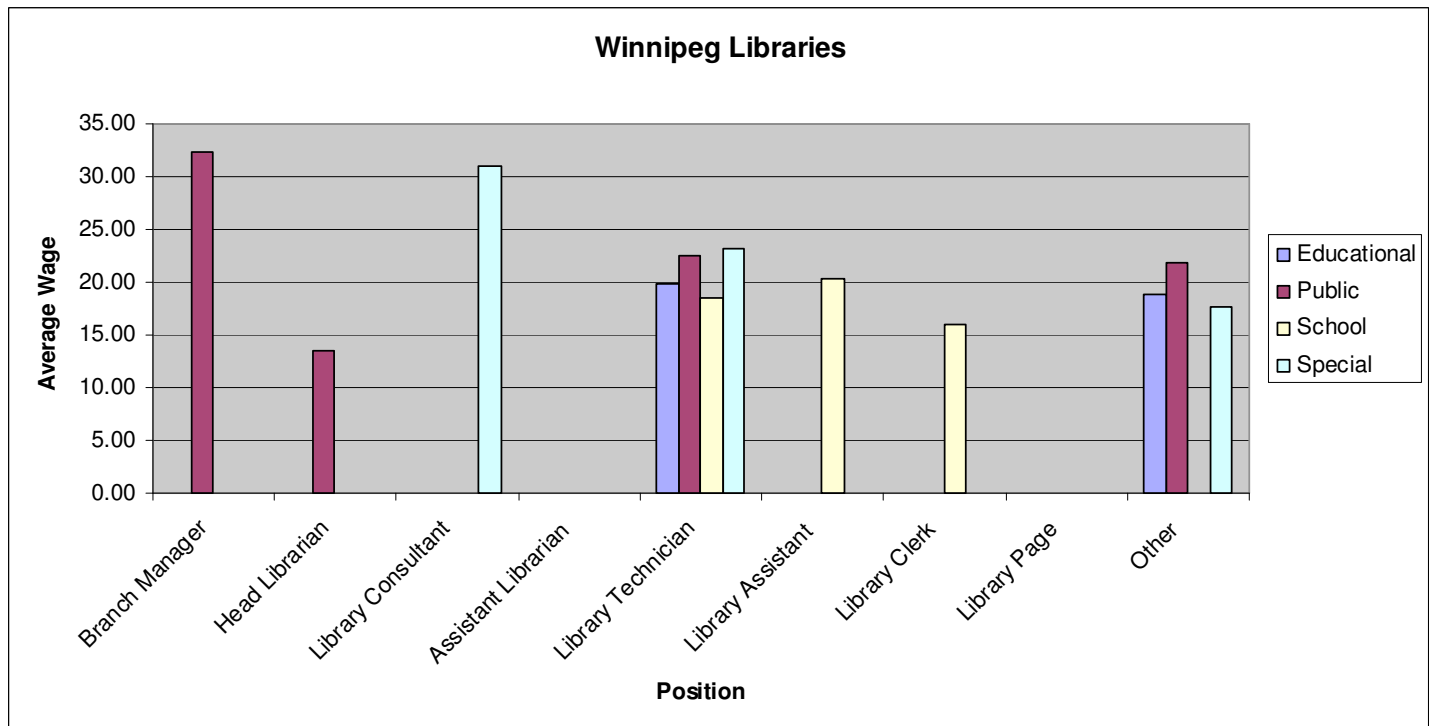
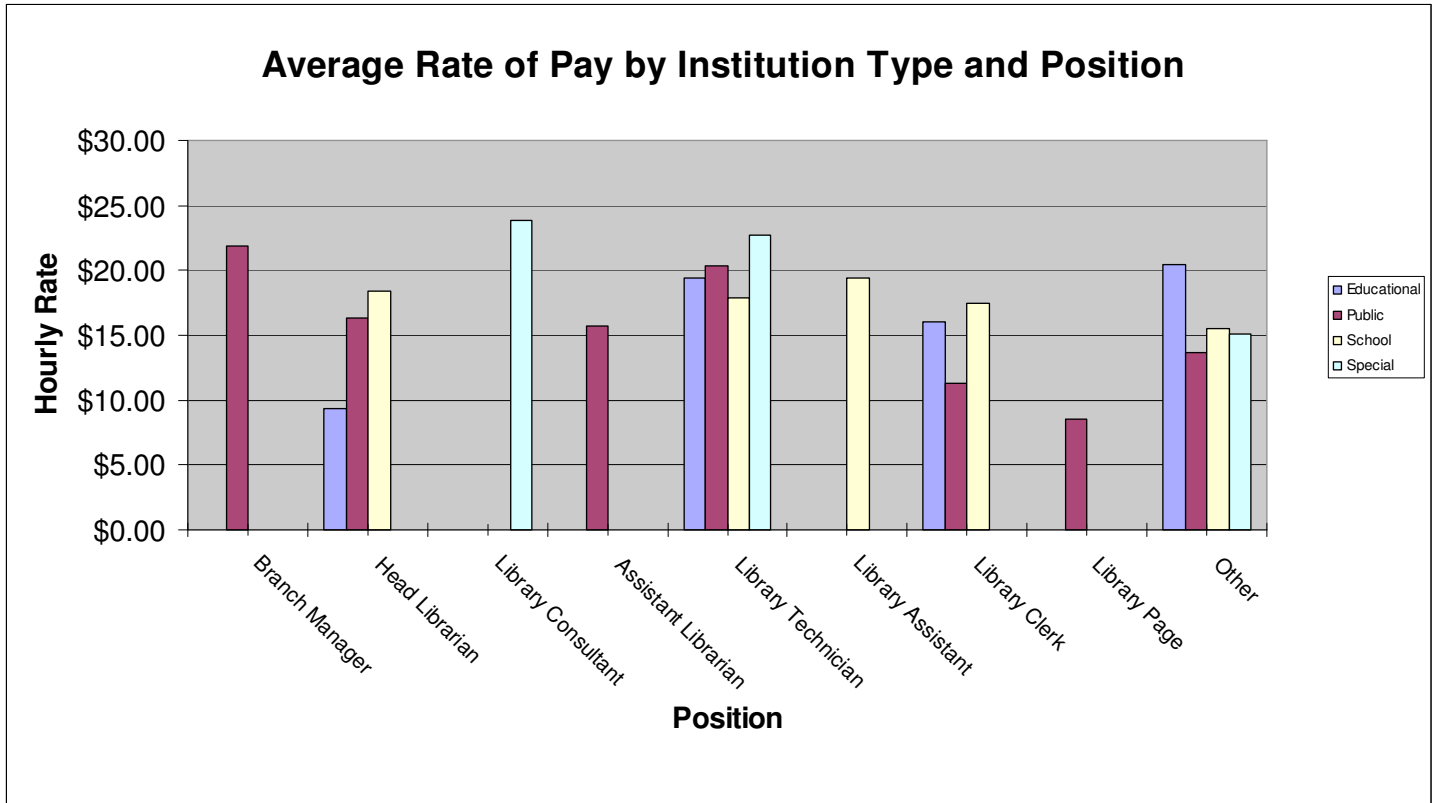
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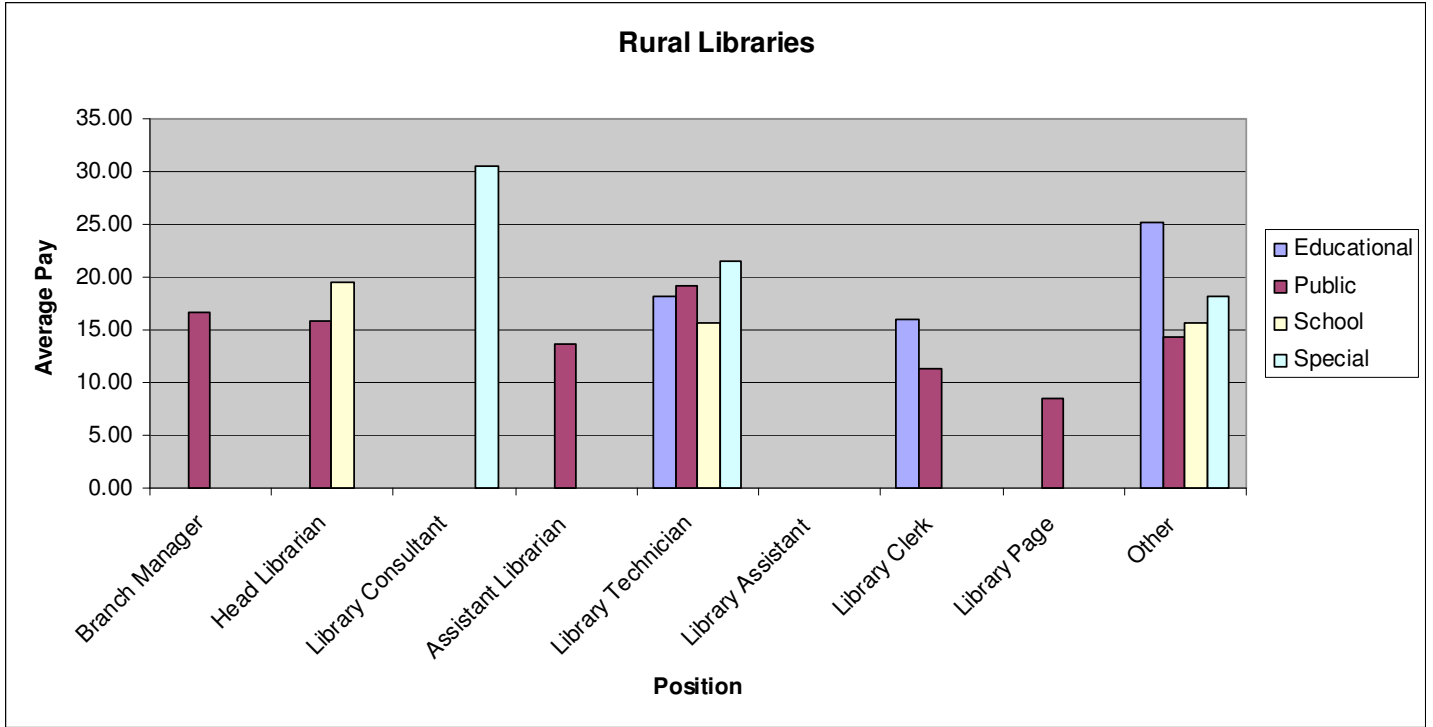
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MALT 2009 Salary Survey Results

The full results may be viewed on our website at <http://www.malt.mb.ca/>, but we have broken down results into rate of pay, position held, and location here for quick referral.







Manitoba Association of Library Technicians

PERSONAL MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION FORM

NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

CITY: _____ PROVINCE: _____ POSTAL CODE: _____

HOME PHONE: _____ WORK PHONE: _____

EMAIL: _____

Fee Schedule:

Regular \$25 / year \$60 / three years New ___ Renewal ___

Student \$12.50 / year New ___ Renewal ___

Unemployed \$12.50 / year New ___ Renewal ___

Please make cheques payable to M.A.L.T.

OPTIONAL

What type of library do you work in?

Academic School Public Special

What is your level of education?

Library Technician Diploma or Certificate

Other - _____

When did you graduate? _____

Any information you provide to us is for membership purposes only.

It will not be shared with or sold to any other organizations.



Manitoba Association of Library Technicians

INSTITUTIONAL MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION FORM

INSTITUTION NAME: _____

CONTACT NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____ CITY: _____

PROVINCE: _____

POSTAL CODE: _____ TELEPHONE: _____

EMAIL: _____

Fee schedule:

Regular \$40.00 / Year \$100.00/Three Years New _____ Renewal _____

Please make cheques payable to MALT

OPTIONAL

What type of library do you represent?

Academic School Public Special

What type of library professionals do you employ?

Librarians

Library Technicians

Library Assistants

Library Clerks

Other - _____

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