Conference Agenda

Saturday, October 17, 2015
Room: Saskatchewan A

8:30 am - 9:20 am  Registration & Refreshments
9:20 am - 9:30 am  Opening Remarks
9:30 am - 12:00 pm  Workshop
12:00 pm - 1:00 pm  Lunch & Networking
1:00 pm - 4:00 pm  Workshop

Break

6:00 pm - 6:30 pm  Cocktails
6:30 pm  Volunteer Award Banquet featuring:
  ◊ Keynote Address by Senator Mobina Jaffer
  ◊ Presentation of SOHL Volunteer Awards
  ◊ Entertainment

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Sunday, October 18, 2015
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8:30 am - 9:30 am  Breakfast
9:30 am - 12:00 pm  Workshop
12:00 pm - 1:00 pm  Lunch & Networking
1:00 pm - 2:00 pm  General Meeting

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2015 Conference Registration Form

Name

Phone Number

Email Address

SOHL Member Organization (if applicable)

REGISTRATION (includes banquet)
◊ SOHL Member $50
◊ Non-Member $75

BANQUET (Additional guest tickets only)
◊ Number of adults (12 & up) ___ x $30 = $ ___
◊ Number of children (5-11) ___x $15 = $ ___

I WILL BE ATTENDING:
◊ Saturday Workshop
◊ Saturday Evening Volunteer Award Banquet
◊ Sunday Workshop & General Meeting

DIETARY RESTRICTIONS
◊ Vegetarian
◊ Other (allergies, etc.):

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TOTAL AMOUNT ENCLOSED: $
◊ Cash
◊ Cheque (payable to SOHL)

Registration & Payment Due by October 12th, 2015

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Brief SOHL History

The Saskatchewan Organization for Heritage Languages Inc. (SOHL) is a provincial cultural organization that is governed by a Board of Directors and employs one part-time and two full-time staff members. SOHL’s membership consists of over 70 heritage language schools and multilingual organizations.

Regular membership is open to any community-based non-profit organization in Saskatchewan involved in developing, teaching, and promoting the learning of heritage languages. Associate membership is open to individuals and institutions supportive of the aims and objectives of SOHL but not eligible for regular membership. Associate members cannot vote.

In 2005, for SOHL’s 20th Anniversary, the organization produced a Centennial History Book looking back on Saskatchewan’s Heritage Language Schools. In 2008, SOHL celebrated UNESCO’s declaration of 2008 as the International Year of Languages. A special Yearbook was compiled and published, which outlines SOHL’s various activities, as well as those of MLAR, SIA, and the language schools. Currently in 2015, SOHL is celebrating 30 years of keeping languages alive. Please stay tuned for additional anniversary events!

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Presenter: Ana-Marija Petrunic

Ana-Marija Petrunic, M.A., is the Manager of Teaching and Learning for the English Language Program, Continuing Education at the University of Calgary. In addition to managing educational outcomes for the program, leading teacher professional development, supervising instructors and maintaining best practices, her role also includes being a Practicum Supervisor and Instructor in the Teaching Second/Heritage Languages Certificate Program in Continuing Education.

Topic: Teaching Fundamentals: From Concept to Classroom

Teaching in a second language classroom implies knowledge of a target language as well as its cultural components. However, an effective language classroom is created when the language and culture are supported by learner-centered objectives and strong teaching fundamentals. This session will help participants recognize how the structure and design of an effective language lesson creates an engaging and vibrant learning environment. Specifically, participants will learn how to conceptualize curriculum and then plan, prepare and deliver a language lesson while creating a supportive learning climate in the classroom. Participants will leave this full-day session with practical ideas that can immediately be applied in their heritage language classrooms.

Banquet Keynote Speaker
Senator Mobina S.B. Jaffer

Senator Mobina Jaffer represents the province of British Columbia in the Senate of Canada. She is the first Muslim senator, the first African-born senator, and the first senator of South Asian descent. The Women’s Executive Network named Senator Jaffer among Canada’s Top 100 Most Powerful Women in 2003, 2004, and 2005.

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Presenters:

Tracy Johnson is currently an Educational Consultant: English as an Additional Language for Saskatoon Public Schools. In addition to international language teaching experience, Tracy has been an EAL teacher in Saskatoon for the past 7 years.

Sandra Mancusi has been a language teacher for the past 17 years. She taught middle years and high school Spanish in Georgia and Florida before moving to Saskatchewan, where she has been a teacher with Saskatoon Public Schools for the past 9 years. She currently serves in the role of Educational Consultant: English as an Additional Language.

Topic: Vocabulary Acquisition Strategies

Vocabulary development is critical when learning a language. Although learning a language is hard work, there are numerous activities that can make it fun. Presenters will introduce practical strategies for implementing vocabulary instruction in the language classroom.

Venue & Hotel Accommodation

Saskatoon Inn & Conference Centre
2002 Airport Drive
Saskatoon SK S7L 6M4
(306) 242-1440

The reservation of hotel rooms is the responsibility of each participant. Reservations may be made directly with the hotel at (306) 242-1440 or toll free at 1-800-667-8789. Please identify yourself as being part of the Saskatchewan Organization for Heritage Languages.

SOHL will provide reimbursements for hotel rooms for its members for Saturday evening only, at a rate of 50% for one participant per room, or 100% for two or more participants sharing a room. SOHL can only provide hotel reimbursement for a maximum of up to two hotel rooms per organization.

Rooms under SOHL’s block are $129.00 per night (plus tax). Check-in time is 3:00 pm, and check-out time is 11:00 am. As rooms are only held for a limited amount of time, please make your reservations as soon as possible!

Conference registration is due by October 12, 2015.