

OAGEE Fall Conference 2011

Remembering the Past – Illuminating Our Future



Region 7 York-Durham invites you to OAGEE's Fall Conference at St. Andrew's College in Aurora, Ontario. Conference activities at this campus venue on the Oak Ridges Moraine will be held from Friday, November 11, to Saturday, November 12, 2011.



Our theme, "Remembering the Past—Illuminating Our Future," acknowledges both the proud foundations of our discipline and a bright future for geographic and environmental education in the province. Forty-five presentation and workshop sessions will highlight the revised curriculum for elementary and secondary geography in Ontario, physical geography, geotechnology, strategies for ecological awareness, urban and infrastructure issues, social justice and global citizenship, and resources. Remembrance Day activities will be included in the schedule.

A variety of field trips highlighting geotechnology and planning in York Region, environmental awareness and protection in the GTA, and significant Southern Ontario geologic features will take place over the weekend. See geospatial technologies in action at the York Region Planning Department, explore the Lake St. George Field Centre with a GPS, learn about greener parks at Aurora's McKenzie Wetland and Sheppard's Bush, or participate in a guided hike along the Oak Ridges Moraine.



Marina Nemat, author and humanitarian, will discuss her exodus from Iran in Friday morning's opening keynote address. Adventurer **Elia Saikaly**'s multimedia presentation on Embracing Innovation will take place after Friday evening's banquet, and on Saturday morning geologist and broadcaster **Nick Eyles** will focus on the importance of engaging young people with their physical environment. More than twenty exhibitors, anchored by major event sponsor ESRI, will also be part of the conference.



Visit the Fall 2011 Conference section of the OAGEE website (www.oagee.org) for online registration, conference schedules, session and field trip details, keynote speaker information, conference updates and contact information. Early bird registration fees of \$225 increase to \$260 after October 1 (reduced rates for student-teachers); all conference meals and snacks are included. Preferred accommodation has been arranged with hotels in Aurora and Newmarket.

Our planning committee of publishers and public, Catholic and independent school teachers look forward to enjoying the conference with you in early November. See you in Aurora!

Sincerely,
David Joiner and Bert Duncan
Co-chairs, OAGEE Fall 2011 Conference

