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BANA Holds Fall Meeting  

The Braille Authority of North America (BANA) will hold its fall meeting in Toronto, Ontario, Canada from October 30 to November 1, 2010. This meeting is being hosted by the CNIB (Canadian National Institute for the Blind), a BANA member organization.  

The CNIB 2010 Conference "Now I Know My ABCs": Access, Braille, Communication will be held October 28 – 29, 2010 at the CNIB Centre, 1929 Bayview Ave., Toronto, ON, Canada.  

Following the close of that conference, BANA will hold an OPEN FORUM, on Friday, October 29, at 3:00 p.m. Please let CNIB know at CNIBconference@cnib.ca if you wish to attend the Open Forum.  

The meeting of the Braille Authority of North America will also be held at the CNIB Centre, 1929 Bayview Ave, Toronto, ON, Canada. BANA sessions begin at 9:00 AM on Saturday, October 30, and end on Monday, November 1, 2010.  

Guests are welcome to attend the BANA meetings and observe the deliberations. Space is limited, so to reserve a seat, please contact BANA Chair Judith Dixon to register your desire to observe any or all of the BANA sessions.  

The mission and purpose of the Braille Authority of North America are to assure literacy for tactile readers through the standardization of braille and/or tactile graphics. BANA promotes and facilitates the use, teaching and production of braille. It publishes rules, interprets and renders opinions pertaining to braille in all existing codes. It deals with codes now in existence or to be developed in the future, in collaboration with other countries using English braille. In exercising its function and authority, BANA considers the effects of its decisions on other existing braille codes and formats; the ease of production by various methods; and acceptability to readers.  

For additional resource information, visit http://www.brailleauthority.org.