

FLIN FLON PUBLIC LIBRARY

19th Annual Report



GROWING WITH THE LIBRARY

Flin Flon Public Library,
58 Main St.,
FLIN FLON, Manitoba.
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LIBRARY BOARD

Mr. Gunnar Folkestone - Chairman
Mr. Murray Smith - Vice-Chairman
Mrs. K. Uhrich - Secretary
Mrs. Joe Sattleberger - Member for Creighton
Mrs. Evelyn Duncan
Mrs. Edra Johnson

LIBRARY STAFF

Mrs. Dorothy Bridges - Librarian
Mrs. Anne Brauner - Assistant Librarian

PART-TIME HELP

Mrs. Kay Nielsen Mrs. Beryl James
Mrs. Bernice Jones

STUDENT PART-TIME HELP

1976 & 1977

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| Miss Jamie Bridges | Miss Elizabeth Schlosser |
| Miss Lisa Garuk | Miss Lorie Woods |
| | Miss Tamzon Bridges |
| | Miss Beatrice LaRoque |

VOLUNTEERS

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|-----------------------|--------------------|
| Kinettes | Flinkore Theta Rho |
| Mrs. Pat Olsen | Mrs. Fran Winters |
| Mrs. Louise Mahussier | |

MAINTENANCE AND CARE-TAKING

Mrs. Kay Matzer

LIBRARY HOURS

Monday through Friday - 11:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.
Saturday - 10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.

Information service is wide and varied, ranging from student projects to one interesting request from a frustrated husband on how to handle a stubborn wife! An estimated number of queries during the year would be close to the 4,000 mark.

A vertical file system in the process of being set up through the assistance of our L.I.P. Grant, will be of great value in the area.

We continue to supply the Northern Lights' Manor, shut-ins, and senior citizens with reading material, with the Large Print volumes most in demand.

A successful work-shop for local art, ceramic and pottery clubs was held in October. We would like to promote more of these educational programs in the library.

Attractive and interesting displays by the Metis Friendship Centre, Art Club, Occupational Centre, Pottery and Ceramic Group, and Ukranian Easter Egg art were a welcome and interesting addition for library patrons.

A visit in October by two Canadian authors, Prof. Robert Kroech and Joan Haggerty was thoroughly enjoyed, although attendance was low due to lack of time for advance publicity.

We are making plans, budget permitting, to up-date our audio-visual department. A donation of a new screen by the Flin Flon Kinsmen Club is a beginning, with many possibilities to work on.

Appreciation to the Library Board, for making it possible for Mrs. Anne Brauner and myself to attend the Manitoba Library Conference held at the Peace Gardens in May. The interesting and educational program in such beautiful surroundings, made it an enjoyable experience for us.



During the Christmas period, a Cookie Tree for the children was set up in the children's area, with cookies and candy canes supplied and replenished daily by the staff.

"Can I have this one?"

Our story-hour program for pre-schoolers continues to be popular, not only with mothers and children, but with the staff. An average of twenty-five to thirty children attend, Friday afternoons, from 2:30 to 3:30.



Bea LaRocque does some adjusting while Tammy Bridges shows the little ones "how".



SINCERE THANKS---

To the Flin Flon Daily Reminder and staff for publishing free of charge, our weekly column of new book reports. To Ron Dobson, for the pictures and articles of the library.

To C.F.A.R., our local radio station and staff, for their courtesy and willingness to air our announcements.

For all donations of books, plants, etc. from Flin Flon florists, merchants, clubs and private individuals.

To our volunteers who have assisted us throughout the year, with book-washing, typing, sorting and shelf-reading.

To members of the Library Board, for support and understanding.

To Mr. Gunnar Folkestone and Miss Barbara Clubb, for sound, unfailing advice and assistance.

Finally, to the members of my staff - for being truly involved in "growing with the library".

Mrs. Dorothy Bridges

Budget for 1994
1976

SAMPLE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Statement of Revenue & Expenditures

| A. Revenues | 1976 <u>Budget</u> | 1976 <u>Actual</u> | 1975 |
|-------------------------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|------------------|
| Municipal Revenue | \$28,500.00 | \$28,500.00 | \$27,971.68 |
| Provincial Government Grant | 21,460.00 | 21,460.00 | 12,258.00 |
| Grants in Lieu of Taxes (if any) | | | |
| Special Grants (if any) | 3,600.00 | 3,800.00 | 2,200.00 |
| Non-resident Fees | | | |
| Sundry Receipts: Fines, Rentals | 3,125.00 | 4,084.56 | 3,500.00 |
| Lost Books | | 11.25 | |
| Interest Earned | | | |
| TOTAL: | <u>56,685.00</u> | <u>57,855.81</u> | <u>45,930.28</u> |
| B. Expenditures | 1976 <u>Budget</u> | 1976 <u>Actual</u> | 1975 |
| Salaries | \$29,000.00 | \$31,206.62 | \$24,713.31 |
| Employee Benefits | 960.00 | 1,046.31 | 816.24 |
| Materials: Books | 6,500.00 | 6,225.35 | 3,631.94 |
| Periodicals | 500.00 | 550.80 | 358.35 |
| Phono Discs | | | |
| Tapes | | | |
| Etc. | | | |
| Stationery & Supplies | 1,635.00 | 1,857.73 | 1,806.24 |
| Membership Fees | 120.00 | 129.00 | 100.00 |
| Travel & Conferences | 600.00 | 244.35 | 364.00 |
| Maintenance of Building & Equipment | 2,280.00 | 5,373.79 | 2,706.41 |
| Rent | | | |
| Fuel, Hydro, Water | 4,620.00 | 5,703.41 | 3,943.62 |
| Telephone | 155.00 | 175.99 | 189.70 |
| Furniture & Equipment | 2,600.00 | 1,560.00 | 268.95 |
| Publicity | 250.00 | 165.13 | 161.19 |
| Insurance | 2,015.00 | 2,206.50 | 1,773.70 |
| Audit | 525.00 | 520.00 | 480.00 |
| Bank Charges | 125.00 | 40.42 | 28.00 |
| Sundry | 2,000.00 | 1,877.05 | 163.35 |
| TOTAL | <u>56,685.00</u> | <u>58,882.45</u> | <u>45,930.28</u> |

2. Balance Sheet

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| A. Assets | \$107,520.00 | |
| B. Liabilities | 9,676.00 | As per Audited Statement |
| C. Equity | 97,844.00 | |

LIBRARY DUST - 1977

1. Librarian's Motto on Office Wall:
"I Don't Know What I'M Doing, But I'm Getting Very Good At It!"
2. Two Library Staff Members -- enroute to Winnipeg by bus for Spring Meeting -- re a very inebriated character:
"Keep your eyes closed and he won't bother us!"
"What's happening?"
Hysterical answer, after a quick peek - "He's wearing bright red shorts!"
3. After Staff Meeting this item was placed on the bulletin board:
I know that you believe you understand what you think I said,
but,
I am not sure you realize that what you heard is not what I meant.
4. Story Hour - Very small boy, asked to tell a story - obviously nervous, with his hands plunged in his pockets, removed them very slowly, saying, Fonzie style: "Cool it, man!"
5. Pre-schooler using washroom facilities, crawled under the door, leaving it locked. With an evening meeting due, a cry for help from our janitoress - for the thinnest, smallest staff member to slide underneath and re-open it!
6. Staff member, struggling to assemble new shelving, "I know what we forgot to order - a Man!"
7. Unanswerable Question: With a waiting line at the circulation counter, photocopying requested, and the telephone ringing - "Miss, are you busy?"
8. One of the most interesting days in the life of the Library, is when Dorothy decides it is time to clean out her purse. For instance, how about a piece of dried up old cheese? Or the sock with a hole in it and a hairy old cough candy sticking to the sock? Various raffle tickets that never win anything. Now we know where all the books of matches disappear to. Empty envelopes and a postcard or two - or three. These are just a few of the surprises in store for you when Dorothy decides to "dump" her purse. General consensus - No self-respecting moth would risk his life to enter therein.
9. The priceless look of embarrassment on Bunny's face, as a new staff member, while trying to find her way upstairs, walked into a Board meeting. Then, in utter confusion, backed into the storage room, closing the door behind her!