

FLIN FLON PUBLIC LIBRARY
ANNUAL REPORT
1987



FLIN FLON MANITOBA CANADA.

FLIN FLON IS NAMED AFTER JOSIAH FLINTABATEY
FLONATIN AN ADVENTURER IN "THE SUNLESS CITY"
A NOVEL BY E. PRESTON-MUDDOCK. IN 1914 A COPY WAS
FOUND IN THE WILDERNESS OF NORTHERN MANITOBA
AND THESE

FLIN FLON PUBLIC LIBRARY

THIRTIETH ANNUAL EDITION

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SERVING

CITY OF FLIN FLON

POPULATION - 8,261.

TOWN OF CREIGHTON, SASK.

POPULATION - 1,636.

RURAL AREAS

BAKER'S NARROWS - SANDY BAY -

CRANBERRY PORTAGE - PELICAN NARROWS -

DENARE BEACH, SASK.

FLIN FLON PUBLIC LIBRARY BOARD - 1987

Murray Smith	- Chairman
Bunny Burke	- Vice-Chairperson
Joyce Henderson	- Secretary
Joe Sattelberger	- Creighton Rep.
Earl Watson	- Council Rep.
Del Baird	- Member

STAFF

Gretta Redahl	- Library Administrator
Phyllis Stadnick	- Library Assistant
Joan Reich	- Cataloguing Clerk
Ruth McIntosh	- Clerk
Donna Jesso	- Student Library Clerk
Stacey Braaten	- Student Page
Karna Antoniow	- Student Page
Heidi Nilsen	- Student Page

1987 - A Year of Many Changes for the Board of Directors

Del Baird resigned on April 1st, due to a busy schedule. She still works closely with the Library staff and Board on many community activities and continues to do the Library promotion on the local radio station.

The low point for the Board of Directors and the Library community at large, happened with the sudden deaths of Earl Watson in November and Joe Sattelberger in December.

Earl was the council representative for the City of Flin Flon, and Joe was the Creighton Library Board and the Province of Saskatchewan representative. These two gentlemen will be missed by the Library staff, Board of Directors, and the communities of Flin Flon and Creighton, Sask.

Murray Smith was appointed to the Library Board in January 1974. Murray acted as Chairman of the Board for nine of the past fourteen years, and was instrumental in many improvements within the library. He resigned from this position on December 31st, although he has agreed to stay on as a member of the Board.

Four new people will be appointed to the Board by City Council in January 1988.

Vice Chairman,
Lois (Bunny) Burke.

Joe Sattelberger
Creighton Library Board Trustee

The organizational meeting of the Creighton Library Board, with the expertise of a representative from the Saskatchewan Provincial Library Board was held on August 27, 1970.

Due to the close proximity of the communities of Flin Flon, Manitoba and Creighton, Saskatchewan, it was decided that the Town of Creighton, Saskatchewan and the Province of Saskatchewan would contribute to the operating budget of the Flin Flon Public Library. The first members of the Board of Directors appointed by the Council of the Town of Creighton were: Mr. J. Sattelberger, Mr. O. Toffan, Mr. N. Stadnyk, Mr. C. Sliworsky, and Mr. A. Harvie.

Joe Sattelberger was declared Chairman of the Creighton Library Board on January 14th, 1971, a position he held until the time of his sudden death in December 1987.

The support Joe projected through the many discussions and decisions regarding improvements to the building and employee benefits over the years, was both knowledgeable and well informed. We miss his quiet manner and his shy smile very much.

The Saskatchewan Provincial Library Board awarded a special \$3,000.00 one-time only materials grant. From this money, the Library will establish a Native collection in 1988, in memory of Joe Sattelberger.

Joe had requested, prior to his death, that we update and purchase new books for the Native collection.

ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

The highlight in 1987 arrived in the form of several generous donations from different organizations in the community, enhancing the services provided through the Library:

- A T.V. and V.C.R. were donated by the Flin Flon Lion's Club.
- A group of Health Care Workers associated with Canada Health Day, purchased a 24 volume - illustrated Family Health Encyclopaedia plus four medical books for a total cost of \$500.00.
- Manitoba Community Services, Norman Region, has provided a maximum \$3,000.00 grant per year from their Children's Special Services budget to purchase equipment, toys, and games which have proven to stimulate development activities in children. Journals, magazines and books will also be provided with Audio Visual materials relating to the printed materials.

The Flin Flon Community Archives, under the Archives Capital Facilities Grants Programme to enable the purchase of archival and environmental equipment, was approved in February 1987. A reader/printer was purchased for the Archives. This equipment will be made available for the use of the general public as another source of revenue for the Library.

Work accomplished during the summer months: the Pocket Book system was improved; the travel information was transferred to the Vertical File; the Library Collection was weeded, with approximately 800 volumes pulled; the total collection is in the process of being updated and repaired.

Work completed in the downstairs level: the government Deposit was weeded and the files updated; the Library records were put in order, keeping the past seven years of all accounting records according to the Tax law, the rest destroyed with the exception of all historical valued information and minutes, and all ledgers. Also the Reminder picture collection was sorted into categories to be catalogued in the Archives.

Donna Jesso was employed on a Job Training for Tomorrow Grant sponsored through the Employment Services & Economic Security. Donna is being trained to assist Joan Reich in the cataloguing dept.

Phyllis Stadnick and Donna Jesso successfully completed the Library Practicum Course from Red River Community College. The Board of Directors reimbursed Phyl and Donna the course fee from the Continuing Education Budget they established in 1986. Congratulations Girls!

Karna Antoniw and Heidi Nilsen, two high school students were hired through the Challenge '87' student grant for the summer months, and have continued their employment on the Library payroll as student pages.

We would like to extend our appreciation to the staff at Public Library Services for their selections in the blocks of "Talking Books" and "Videos" that are being sent to the library. The patrons are enjoying these extra services and they are fast becoming one of the most popular features.

The Library, being a centennial project, celebrated 20 years of service in the area this year, and we commemorated the occasion by painting the outside trim. As the building is located on Main Street, it brightened up our outside image to match the cheerful smiles of the staff inside. I would like to express my appreciation for the work and support of each staff member. They each, in their own way, bring a unique style of service to the people of Flin Flon, Creighton, Sask., and surrounding area.

Respectfully submitted,
Gretta Redahl.

PUBLIC RELATIONS

The community is constantly made aware of the library; first, through a weekly radio report from local station CFAR with Del Baird, that tells what is happening during the week - such as; new books, displays, programs, etc.

Secondly, a book report column in the local newspaper, 'The Reminder', along with a corresponding book display in the library every two weeks. A special block or community news column advertises programs or events that are coming up in the future.

The involvement of the Library staff on local committees and organizations also provides an avenue of public awareness for the library in the city and surrounding area.

<u>MEMBERSHIPS</u>	<u>1986</u>	<u>New Members</u>	<u>Cancellations</u>	<u>1987</u>
Resident Family	3,793	278	357	3,714
Non-Resident	<u>688</u>	<u>153</u>	<u>9</u>	<u>832</u>
<u>TOTAL</u>	<u>4,481</u>	<u>431</u>	<u>366</u>	<u>4,546</u>

* The Membership file has been partially updated and will be completed for the 1988 Annual Report.

THE FLIN FLON PUBLIC LIBRARY
STATEMENT OF REVENUE AND EXPENDITURE

Year Ended December 31, 1987

	<u>1987</u>	<u>1986</u>
Revenue:		
City of Flin Flon - levy	\$ 17,068	\$ 17,068
- grant	23,282	23,282
Town of Creighton - Library board levy	8,500	8,500
Provincial Library grant	11,500	5,500
Province of Manitoba - operating grant	55,923	44,039
Province of Manitoba - Job Training for Tomorrow	4,118	
Government of Canada - summer student project	4,752	6,425
Copying charges	5,172	4,979
Overdue book fines	1,045	649
Rotary room rentals	2,588	3,650
Parking stalls rental	870	1,050
Book sales - net	4,544	2,357
Commission sales - net	342	406
Interest	1,965	2,337
Miscellaneous	532	617
	<u>142,201</u>	<u>120,859</u>
Expenditures:		
Audit	900	1,081
Bank charges	576	338
Books	22,964	16,408
Express and delivery	327	272
Furniture and equipment	778	5,314
Insurance	1,210	1,879
Janitorial contract	4,280	4,280
Janitorial supplies	567	458
Magazines and periodicals	1,753	1,223
Maintenance and repairs - building	2,880	818
- equipment	653	529
Membership fees	193	170
Publicity and promotion	570	393
Salaries and employee benefits	64,806	57,448
Stationery and library supplies	3,575	3,277
Summer student project	5,075	6,262
Sundry	1,571	1,192
Supplies for copy machine	1,088	1,379
Telephone	555	506
Travel and conference	532	1,108
Toys, records and tapes	38	
Utilities	6,405	7,068
	<u>121,296</u>	<u>111,403</u>
Net Revenue on Operations	<u>\$ 20,905</u>	<u>\$ 9,456</u>

<u>LIBRARY HOLDINGS</u>	<u>1986</u>	<u>Withdrawn</u>	<u>Added</u>	<u>1987</u>
<u>ADULT BOOKS</u>				
Adult Non-Fiction	8,209	543	449	8,115
Adult Fiction	5,824	992	293	5,125
Youth Non-Fiction	827	-	6	833
Youth Fiction	2,160	553	168	1,775
Unaccessioned Pocket Books	<u>1,469</u>	<u>90</u>	<u>244</u>	<u>1,623</u>
<u>SUB-TOTAL:</u>	<u>18,489</u>	<u>2,178</u>	<u>1,160</u>	<u>17,471</u>
<u>CHILDREN'S BOOKS</u>				
Junior Non-Fiction	1,721	-	236	1,957
Junior Fiction	1,768	234	124	1,658
Children's Beginner Readers	<u>1,926</u>	<u>126</u>	<u>218</u>	<u>2,018</u>
<u>SUB-TOTAL:</u>	<u>5,415</u>	<u>360</u>	<u>578</u>	<u>5,633</u>
Books : Downstairs Level	<u>2,062</u>	<u>83</u>		<u>1,979</u>
<u>TOTALS:</u>	<u>25,966</u>	<u>2,621</u>	<u>1,738</u>	<u>25,083</u>
Newspapers & Periodicals (Combined)	56	-	7	63
Donated	39			39
Bound Periodical	40		14	54
Film Strips	52			52
Records & Tapes	304		14	318
Toys	82	1		81

<u>CIRCULATION</u>	<u>1986</u>	<u>1987</u>
<u>ADULT</u>		
Adult Non-Fiction	7,921	8,558
Adult Fiction	11,701	9,774
Youth Non-Fiction	230	204
Youth Fiction	2,610	2,248
Large Print	302	397
<u>CHILDREN</u>		
Junior Non-Fiction	2,789	2,506
Junior Fiction	4,139	4,988
Children's Beginner Readers	10,497	11,304
Magazines	625	798
Unaccessioned Paperbacks	4,438	4,338
I.U.N. (Inter-University North)	<u>228</u>	<u>191</u>
<u>SUB-TOTAL:</u>	<u>45,480</u>	<u>45,306</u>
Films	82	33
Records & Tapes, Videocassettes	303	330
Talking Books	200	197
Toys	356	185
Inter-Library Loans: Borrowed	303	306
Inter-Library Loans: Lent	<u>51</u>	<u>62</u>
<u>TOTALS:</u>	<u>46,775</u>	<u>46,419</u>

CHILDREN'S EVENTS

The Children's Story Hour continues in the same format that was established in 1986. A committee of four volunteers with the assistance of several Moms are responsible for a morning and afternoon session of 20 children per session. There is a waiting list that warrants serious consideration in starting another session when Story Hour resumes in the Fall of 1988. The committee meets frequently for the advance planning of crafts, stories, films, games and parties.

The Summer Reading Program is a popular feature for the young people. Seventy people participated during the summer.

A display on "How To Draw" was set up in the children's dept. by student page, Stacey Braaten. This featured a table of books and art material for the children to draw with. The response by the children to this activity surprised us. There is a whole wall displaying several examples of art talent in the community.

Robert Munsch's visit was an overwhelming success. The reading had to be moved to the Community Hall to accommodate 400 children and parents. Sunday afternoon is indeed a good time to hold a popular event of this nature, here.



ADULT EVENTS SEMINAR & WORKSHOPS

The library, in conjunction with the Chamber of Commerce Education Committee, held a prospectors' workshop on April 24, 25, 26th. The workshop was sponsored by the Saskatchewan & Manitoba Prospector's and Developer's Association. The content of the workshop was: Mineral Identification, Rock Identification, Prospecting Techniques, Claim Staking and Gold Panning; a total of 17 people participated.

The Chamber of Commerce Education Committee, Canada Employment Centre, Keewatin Community College, and the library, provided a unique learning experience for the general public "On Jobs of the Future" based on the video "The Third Wave" by Alvin Toffler. This video explores such diverse subjects as the economy, the personality of the future, the post nuclear family, the "electronic cottage", the crack-up of the nation-state, and the shift from the obsolete politics of today to the twenty first century democracy. Twenty people participated in a panel discussion. The panel consisted of four people with a background in the labour market, education and economic development. It was very interesting, and left all who attended with much "food for thought".

As guests of the Chamber of Commerce, Barbara Greeniaus and Georgina Karklin combined a business trip with an underground tour of the new Tartan Gold Mine owned by Granges Exploration Ltd. The surface tour was very informative, while the underground walk down the steep incline into the mining drifts can only be explained as an experience that enables a person more insight into the life of a miner. A delicious lunch was served to the Chamber members and guests following the tour.

Maureen Woods, the Saskatchewan Library Development officer from Regina, met with members of the Library Board to discuss libraries from the Saskatchewan perspective, and our unique situation of being a border town library. We will be meeting with her again in April 1988.

Phyllis Stadnick, library assistant, attended meetings with the Northern Reading Council and the Manitoba Health Day Committee, to discuss ideas and ways the library can participate more in the community, through purchasing special materials and programming.

Phyllis held an in-service workshop on Government Depository materials, filing, cataloguing and weeding.

Tracy Nilsen showed an archives slide presentation on the history of Flin Flon at the McIsaac school in June, for exchange students from Southern Manitoba.

Phyllis Stadnick and Gretta Redahl attended a small business and micro-computers - Where to Begin, at the Kelsey Inn in Flin Flon.

Joan Reich and Gretta Redahl attended the Public Library Services Spring Conference at the Birchwood Inn, Winnipeg, in April. Topics discussed were: Getting the rural non-user into the library, Community Health information, The Image of the farm in Children's Materials,

Illiteracy and its Challenge, Managing the Non-Fiction Collection, Marketing, Disrupted Lives: Children's drawings from Central America.

Gretta Redahl attended the Northern Libraries IV Meeting in Thompson, Manitoba in October. Topics discussed were: Changes to the Legislation and Regulations, Programming Public Relations, Interlibrary Loans, Parliamentary Procedures, Board/Staff Conflict Resolutions, New Capital Programmes, Fundraising, Prospects North, Use of Volunteers, National Book Festival.

Joan Reich and Ruth McIntosh attended a Northern Manitoba 75th Anniversary Conference in The Pas, October 1, 2, 3rd. The workshop topics were: Oral History, Developing Local Historical Societies, Writing Local History, Northern Manitoba 1912-1987, Festivals of the North, 1912-1987, Northern Transportation, The Hudson's Bay Company in Northern Manitoba, 1912-1987, Economic Aspects of Aboriginal Title in Northern Manitoba, Historic Sites in Northern Manitoba, Agriculture in Northern Manitoba, Women of Northern Manitoba, Native People and Hydro Development in Northern Manitoba, The RCMP in Northern Manitoba.

The Annual Seniors Christmas party was celebrated on December 5th. This event gives the seniors from various Homes, and their guests, an opportunity to visit, and to share the wonderful Christmas music provided by the Flin Flon/Creighton Senior Choir, along with a recital of organ music by the students of "Music Place" under the direction of Carol Boyes from Wanless, Manitoba. The afternoon of music leaves us filled with the spirit of Christmas and fellowship. A lunch provided by the Library Staff completes the time spent together.



Georgina Karklin, Gretta Redahl and
Barbara Greeniaus

JOINING THE LIBRARY

Memberships:

Available, without direct charge to citizens of Flin Flon, Creighton & other municipalities participating in the Flin Flon Public Library System.

WELCOME

TO THE FLIN FLON PUBLIC LIBRARY!

This pamphlet will provide you with some general information about the library and its services.

Should you have any questions or require assistance, please ask our friendly, courteous staff. Their job is to help you find the books or information you require and, they are eager to assist you.

Also, please let us know about the kind of books and services you want in the library. The library is supported by your tax dollars and your opinion is important to us.

Gretta Redahl,
Administrator.

FLIN FLON PUBLIC LIBRARY

58 MAIN STREET

PHONE: 687-3397

BORROWING REGULATIONS

Adult Books: 2 week loan -
no restriction

Children's
Books: 2 week loan -
no restriction

New Books: 1 week loan

Reference
Books: in-library use only

In order to make materials available to everyone:

- (1) Please do not take all the books on any one subject.
- (2) Please borrow only the books you require for the 2 week loan period.

OVERDUE FINES

Adult: 10 cents per book, per day

Junior: 5 cents per book, per day

RENEWALS

Books can be renewed for an additional 2 weeks.
Phone: 687-3397.

HOURS

Winter: Monday - Friday
10:00a.m. - 7:00p.m.
Saturday
11:00a.m. - 5:00p.m.

Summer: Monday - Friday
10:00a.m. - 6:00p.m.
Saturday
Closed.

ARCHIVES &
GOVERNMENT DEPOSITORY

Tuesday & Thursday
1:00p.m. - 3:00p.m.
& any time upon request.

STORYHOUR

Preschool children
Ages 3 - 5 years
Wednesday
10:30a.m. - 11:30a.m.
1:30p.m. - 2:30p.m.

REQUEST SERVICE

Can't find the book or information you want? Have the library staff fill out an 'Inter-library Loan Slip' and the material will be made available for you through Public Library Services.

LIBRARY SERVICES

Books supplied regularly on a monthly basis to our senior citizen's in the Northern Lights Manor, Hemlock Lodge, Personal Care Home & Rotary Court.

Promotion, display & sale of local handicrafts.

Special Feature: Angelique Merasty's Birch Bark Bitings.

LOANS:

Inter-Library Loan requests

Film Loans

Talking Book Loans

Camera Loan

Video Loan

Large Print Books

Multilingual Service

Reference Materials

Toy Lending

Record Lending

RENTALS:

Projector & Screen Rentals

Rotary Room Rental

Photocopying Service

Books (Over 25,000)

