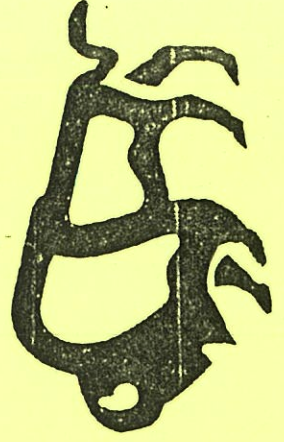
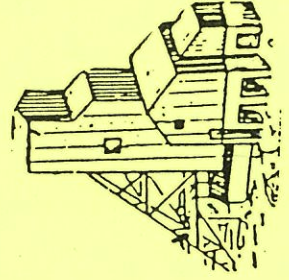
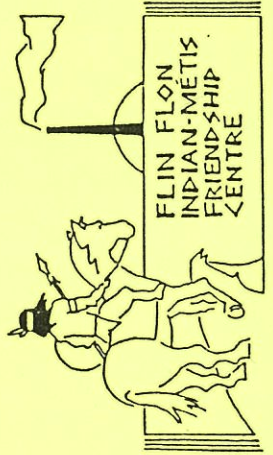
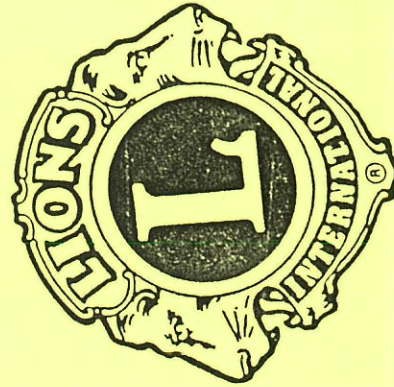
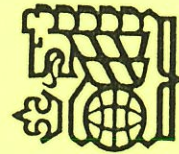
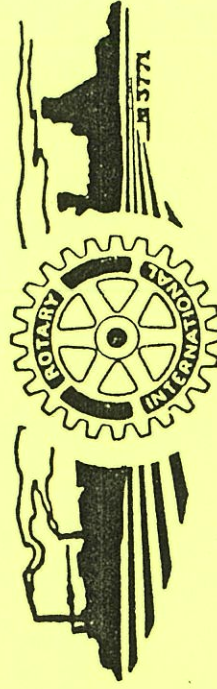
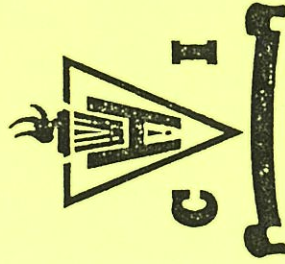
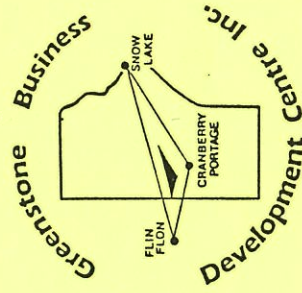
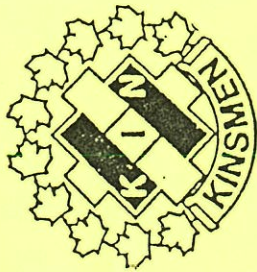


# FLIN FLON PUBLIC LIBRARY





FLIN FLON PUBLIC LIBRARY  
EIGHTEENTH ANNUAL EDITION  
1992

SERVING

CITY OF FLIN FLON

POPULATION - 7,449

TOWN OF CREIGHTON, SASK.

POPULATION - 1,668

RURAL AREAS

BAKER'S NARROWS - SANDY BAY -

CRANBERRY PORTAGE - PELICAN NARROWS -

DENARE BEACH, SASK.



FLIN FLON PUBLIC LIBRARY BOARD - 1992

Bunny Burke	- Chairman
Murray Smith	- Vice-Chairperson
Joyce Henderson	- Secretary
Heather Strom	- Creighton Rep.
Craig Mohr	- Council Rep.
Clyde MacTavish	- Member
Bob Frazer	- Member

STAFF

Gretta Redahl	- Library Administrator
Phyllis Stadnick	- Library Assistant
Joan Reich	- Cataloguing Clerk
Ruth McIntosh	- Clerk
Donna Jesso	- Clerk
Christi Wilson	- Student Page
Joy Zolinski	- Student Page
Erin Lyle	- Student Page
Erin Hammond	- Student Page

### ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

As I sit here and reflect upon 1992, indeed upon the past three years, of what, the total concentrated effort of being involved in the community development process means, I am reminded of the many conversations, the endless meetings and the brain storming sessions that took place, resulting in several significant projects:

- Automation
- The Sound Print Library
- The Adult Learning Centre
- The co-operation with the Alternate School
- The steering committee for the Volunteer Centre
- The Goals, Priorities and Planning Committee for Healthy Flin Flon (Network of 60 organizations, agencies and citizens)
- The opportunity and learning experience of becoming the Northern Co-Chair for the Manitoba Healthy Communities Network and the Manitoba representative for the National Healthy Communities Network;

always keeping in mind that representing the library was and is the most important reason for being involved in the first place.

These projects and networks have created many opportunities to promote library work, and to talk about the future of Library development.

The computer network is slowly becoming a reality for our library, and will enable us to play an important role in helping to develop the Knowledge Worker for the Knowledge Society that is already here.

The exciting part of all this involvement, from my perspective, is the support the library receives from the communities; the goodwill and the donations:

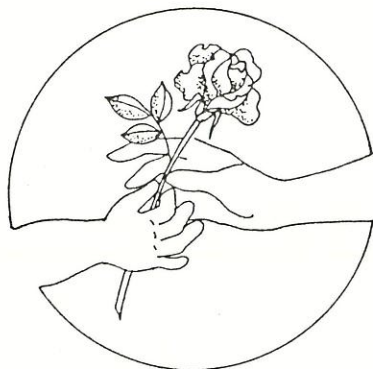
Book Collections: Childrens, Travel, French, Medical, History,  
Cookbooks, Music and pocketbooks.

- Subscriptions to magazine & newspapers
- Videos
- Blackboards for Kinsmen reading room
- Soap Stone carving
- Plants,

just to list some of the gifts in kind we have received.

Administrator's report continued -

The Library Board of Directors, and Library staff extend a warm thank you, to all of the people who so generously support their Library. This public participation is the strength that is essential in our ability to survive in these difficult economic times both here in Flin Flon/Creighton and area, and throughout Canada.



*thank you*

Respectfully submitted,

*Gretta Redahl*

Gretta Redahl,  
Library Administrator.





Alternative High School  
57 Church Street  
Flin Flon, MB  
687-6354  
April 16, 1993

To whom it may concern:

The staff and students of the Alternative High School are very grateful to the staff and board of the Flin Flon Public Library for the support and help they have given us over our first year of operation.


As a new school we found ourselves short of space to offer classes, tutorials, etc. The library has been generous in the donation of meeting facilities during the day. We further appreciate the flexibility they have shown in accommodating our changing schedules and needs.

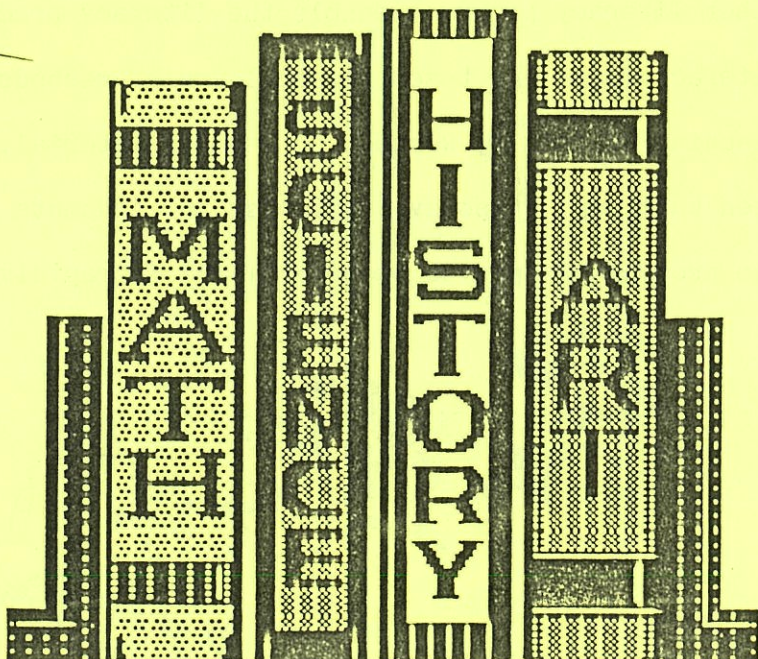
We have found the staff to be very helpful in helping students locate study materials, and in helping the staff locate professional materials. The staff willingness to locate and order University level texts is of particular value to our staff.

On a personal note, I have found Greta Redahl to be particularly helpful as a community resource and as a sounding board for ideas.

We find the Flin Flon Public Library to be an invaluable resource for our school, our staff, and our students.

Yours sincerely,

  
Charles Mott  
Teacher/Administrator





## THE COMMUNITY ADULT LEARNING CENTRE

The Community Adult Learning Centre (formerly known as the Flin Flon Adult Literacy Program) is based in the Flin Flon Library. The program began in January, 1992, and its rapid growth validates the need for such a program in our community. The program is supported by a grant from the Minister of Education and Training and funds acquired from other sources, such as the Joe Brain Foundation, Manitoba Lotteries, etc.

A literacy practitioner, Margaret de Kock, coordinates a group of tutors (at this point, 27) who teach on a one-on-one basis individually, 36 students. The literacy practitioner also teaches students in a classroom set-up, 4 times a week. In addition, those students who are English Second Language students are taught in a group once a week. A study program is designed to meet the individual needs of each student. The student body consists of adults who want to improve their reading, writing, arithmetical, and spelling skills as well as those students who want to learn to speak and improve their English. Student progress reports and periodic evaluations allow the practitioner to assess each student's progress.

Attendance at several conferences and workshops and investigation of other literacy programs enable the literacy practitioner to learn of new literacy ideas and teaching and learning methods. A library of textbooks, teaching materials, workbooks, reading material, and teachers' manuals has been built up. Also available for the students is the Sound Print Library. The program has proved successful and is rapidly growing.



Margaret de Kock,  
Coordinator.



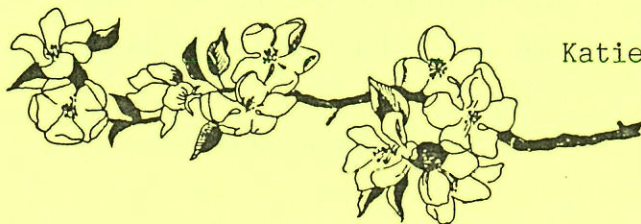
### THE SOUND PRINT LIBRARY

The Sound-Print Library is now into its third year of planning, ordering and cataloguing materials. The collection continues to grow with 1/4 of the books now ordered. In addition to the many children's and teen's books already purchased, many excellent adult books and tapes are being ordered. This year, the Flin Flon School Division added a collection of professional books, journals, and materials to the Sound-Print Library.

With many books and tapes now in the cupboards, plans for a Spring opening are underway.

While the original objective for the Library was to combat illiteracy, that objective has expanded as new community needs became apparent. The Sound-Print Library now looks forward to meeting the needs of students learning English as a second language; people travelling long distances in a car; avid exercisers who want to challenge their minds as well as their bodies; families looking for an alternative to television-viewing; patients facing a hospital stay or a lengthy convalescence; students in classrooms; and hobbyists who can try listening and working at the same time. In short, Sound-print materials can be used at any age, in many places!

Not only is the Sound-Print Library moving steadily towards meeting many community reading needs, it is doing so in the best possible location - downstairs in the Flin Flon Public Library. Relying on the expertise and involvement of the library staff, it will soon add another dimension to the many services our Public Library already provides.



Katie Anderson and Marg Britton



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April 15, 1993

Submission on behalf of the Flin Flon Writers Guild  
to Flin Flon Public Library for inclusion in Annual Report

ATTENTION: Gretta Redahl

#### NOT JUST A LIBRARY

As writers, our appreciation of books goes without saying. The Flin Flon Writers Guild is small in numbers but great in our association with books and libraries. Some of our members are librarians, teachers, researchers, freelance writers, artists. Some are young and single, some are seniors and grandparents. All have had occasions to visit and use more than a few libraries. We appreciate the best. This we have in our Flin Flon Library.

More than a place to hold our monthly meetings and more than a place to borrow, rent or buy, the Flin Flon Library and staff have been instrumental in the successful implementation of most of the activities of the Guild.

It was through the support and encouragement of Library staff that the Guild saw its beginning ten years ago. That support has increased over the years to enable our community to meet, hear and learn from renowned Canadian authors. Working together, we have successfully applied for grants, cohosted author visitations, shared ideas, and most of all, been treated as though our own writing endeavours would one day be on the Library shelf.

If I were told that I had to give up all material things but one, I would keep books. For in them I can travel, make music, solve problems, learn a trade, follow directions, find a friend, find a job and keep healthy.

Books are certainly a priceless resource. Libraries that house them are necessary. But far more important are the people who mind them. A library staff who reaches out to the community, who are aware of our changing world and who, too, are sensitive to community needs is a blessing indeed.

Our Flin Flon Public Library is that.

by Myrna Guymer.



## ADULT EVENTS AND SEMINARS

### MARCH:

- Michael Bomek, B.A., LLB.  
held the second Seminar on Debtor and Creditor Consumer Protection from his Adult Education Seminar Series.
- Audrey Mark, Director of Pakhisimon Nuye, Ah Library System from La Ronge, Sask.  
Visited with the Flin Flon Public Library Board of Directors at the regular Board luncheon to discuss common concerns of both our Saskatchewan and Manitoba patrons.

### APRIL:

- National Book Week  
Dr. Rudy Wiebe, author and editor of 24 books, held a public reading in the Library on April 25th.  
On Saturday morning Dr. Wiebe was stranded in Saskatoon due to runway conditions at the Winnipeg Airport. He hired a car and drove to Flin Flon causing the delay of his reading instead of its cancellation. The crowd which snapped up his books, showed their appreciation for the world his writing has revealed to them, and his efforts to include Flin Flon on his Northern Tour.

### MAY:

- The Library staff were invited to attend the Economic briefing presented by the Royal Bank.

### JUNE:

- Joyce Henderson, Board Trustee, entertained the Personal Care residents with a historical slide presentation of Flin Flon.  
The trip down "Memory Lane" brought a response of laughter, tears and much conversation.  
Tea, coffee and dainties were served.
- The C.L.A. Conference was held at the Convention Centre in Winnipeg.  
The conference theme as presented by Marnie Swanson, President of C.L.A.: "The Walls Come Tumbling Down" - Jurisdictional walls with a program, resource sharing for the 21st century.
  - scaling walls to achieve new partnerships
  - eliminating walls to build networks
  - rebuilding publisher-vendor relationships by removing communication barriers
  - linking programs for schools and universities

ADULT EVENTS AND SEMINARS - Cont.

I was very impressed with this forward thinking vision, because we believe that our library is working toward these goals in our own small way.

When the Flin Flon Public Library was asked to participate in the "Table Topics" 1992 - Focus on Manitoba, we willingly agreed. It was an opportunity for us to share this library's active coordinating role in the city.

JULY:

- The 2nd, was the grand celebration of the 25th anniversary of the Flin Flon Public Library. "New Centennial building project".

It was a time to recognize the many people who had worked so hard for the new Library now located on Main Street, and to remember how the library services have developed over the years since the library was located in the Community Hall.

- Phyllis Stadnick attended the "Inmagic Plus" computer software training course in Winnipeg.

The preparation for the recon is progressing.

AUGUST:

- Gretta Redahl made a public presentation to the Northern Manitoba Economic Development Commission on behalf of the Adult Learning Centre and the Library.

OCTOBER:

- Joe Robertson, author of "From Prairie to Tundra" read his book during a Flin Flon Writers' Guild sponsored reading. Twenty people were on hand for his reading Friday evening while 25 people attended his seminar on journalizing, Saturday morning.

Joe Robertson, a game officer, travelled throughout the north due to his work.

- Public Library Services Fall Conference was held at the Royal Oak Inn in Brandon:
  - Improving ILL Service to rural Manitoba
  - Introduction to computer 'Ease'.
  - Are gifts really free? (Panel discussion)
  - Libraries and Economics in the Rural Community
  - Book Mobile service : a viable alternative?
  - Storytellers apprentices
  - Stretching the Budget: Financial Management for Board

Gretta Redahl and Joan Reich attended this conference.



ADULT EVENTS AND SEMINARS - Cont.

NOVEMBER:

- Nov. 25 - Keewatin Community College hosted a luncheon with the intersectorial network.

The College was seeking input and discussion regarding the educational programs the community deemed necessary for future growth and development. The Library participated in this discussion.

DECEMBER:

- Once again the happy tone for our Christmas season begins with the Flin Flon/Creighton Senior Citizens Annual Christmas Party, held the first Saturday of December.



*Congratulations!*

## STORY HOUR

The "Story Hour" program begins with an organization meeting in September, to plan the two Wednesday sessions for the year.

Story Hour volunteers, Tracy Nilsen, Rona Rideout, Bev Charuk, Janice Ballard, Natalie Pilling, lead the Story Hour sessions.

The parents take turns assisting the volunteers.

Attendance is very consistant with 20 children per session.

The Library purchases supplies for crafts and drink refreshments for special occassions; the mothers bring the cookies.

We wish to express our thanks to all the volunteers and mothers, their participation make Story Hour the success that it is.

Phyllis Stadnick,  
Co-ordinator.

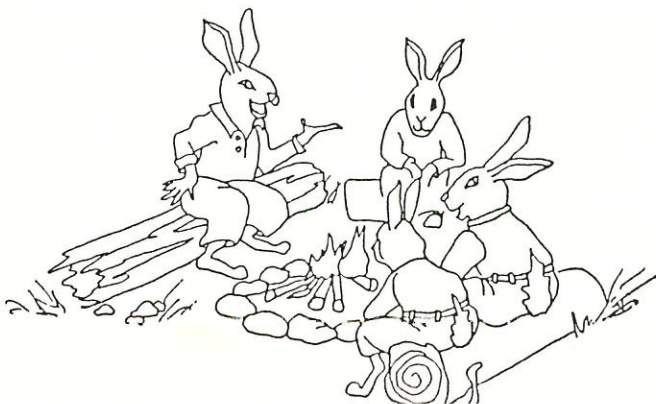
### What it means to be a Story Hour Volunteer

Being a volunteer gives me an opportunity to compare my child and her social skills to others her age, and to view how my child relates to other children and adults.

Our first priority is to read 3 or 4 books with the children, to foster a desire to read in the children. It is amazing how quiet 20 children can be. As soon as the kids get wiggly we change pace - perhaps with one of the songs we remember from childhood like "I'm a little tea pot", or something new like "Going on a tiger hunt". Then we move on to colouring or a simple craft; a game like farmer in the dell, and before you know it the Hour is over.

I'm a "crafty" person who likes to re-cycle, so have found crafts that use egg cartons and toilet paper rolls. It gives me a chance to teach the re-cycle and re-use concepts to the children at a very early age.

Saving the best for last, it is a chance for me to spend a little time with other moms of pre-school children. We share ideas and visit, and our children become friends as we become friends working together to prepare for upcoming sessions.



Janice Ballard,  
Volunteer.



## PUBLIC RELATIONS

The community is constantly made aware of the Library: first through a weekly radio report from local station CFAR that tells what is happening during the week.

Secondly, a book report column in the local newspapers, 'The Reminder' and 'Goldbelt Gazette', 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.

## Memberships

	<u>1991</u>	<u>New Members</u>	<u>Cancellations 1992</u>
Resident Family	4,549	264	26
Non-Resident	1,159	97	2

## LIBRARY SERVICES

BOOKS SUPPLIED REGULARLY ON A MONTHLY BASIS TO OUR SENIOR CITIZENS IN THE NORTHERN LIGHTS MANOR, HEMLOCK LODGE, PERSONAL CARE HOME & ROTARY COURT.

PROMOTION, DISPLAY & SALE OF LOCAL HANDICRAFTS.

FAX MACHINE : PHONE 687-4233  
PHOTOCOPYING SERVICE  
LAMINATING SERVICE

### LOANS

INTER-LIBRARY LOANS  
FILM LOANS  
TALKING BOOK LOANS  
CAMERA LOANS  
VIDEO LOANS  
LARGE PRINT LOANS  
MULTILINGUAL SERVICE  
REFERENCE MATERIALS  
TOY LENDING  
RECORD LENDING

### RENTALS

SCREEN  
16 MM PROJECTOR  
SLIDE PROJECTOR  
OVERHEAD PROJECTOR  
ROTARY AND KINSMEN ROOMS  
BOOKS (OVER 25,000)



*Help!*

<u>LIBRARY HOLDINGS</u>	<u>1991</u>	<u>Added</u>	<u>Withdrawn</u>	<u>1992</u>
<u>ADULT BOOKS</u>				
Adult Non-Fiction	8,499	238	150	8,587
Adult Fiction	5,243	306	309	5,240
Youth Non-Fiction	685	-	2	683
Youth Fiction	1,152	172	351	973
Unaccessioned Pocket Books	<u>1,867</u>	<u>545</u>	<u>295</u>	<u>2,117</u>
<u>SUB TOTAL:</u>	17,446	1,261	1,107	17,600
<u>CHILDREN'S BOOKS</u>				
Junior Non-Fiction	2,131	36	113	2,054
Junior Fiction	1,822	185	248	1,759
Children's Beginner Readers	<u>2,405</u>	<u>398</u>	<u>291</u>	<u>2,512</u>
<u>SUB-TOTAL:</u>	<u>6,358</u>	<u>619</u>	<u>652</u>	<u>6,325</u>
Books: Downstairs Level	<u>779</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>200</u>	<u>579</u>
<u>TOTALS:</u>	<u>24,583</u>	<u>1,880</u>	<u>1,959</u>	<u>24,504</u> ✓
Newspapers & Periodicals (Combined)	62	-	-	62
Donated	21	1	-	22
Bound Periodicals	80	33	-	113
Film Strips	52	-	-	52
Records & Cassettes	377	5	1	381
Toys	175	4	16	163
Videos	301	58	8	351
Talking Books	112	3	4	111
Vertical File Folders	195	-	1	194
Telephone Directories	72	-	-	72
Government Documents (Headings)	<u>100</u>	<u>          </u>	<u>          </u>	<u>100</u>
	<u>1,547</u>	<u>104</u>	<u>30</u>	<u>1,621</u>
<u>TOTAL</u>	26,130	1,984	1,989	26,125



<u>CIRCULATION</u>	<u>1991</u>	<u>1992</u>
<u>ADULT</u>		
Adult Non-Fiction	8,314	8,561
Adult Fiction	8,587	9,209
Youth Non-Fiction	165	239
Youth Fiction	1,197	1,212
Large Print	506	638
<u>CHILDREN</u>		
Junior Non-Fiction	2,655	2,626
Junior Fiction	4,165	3,912
Beginner Readers	11,227	11,367
Magazines	793	751
Unaccessioned Pocketbooks	8,098	8,647
University (I.U.N.)	<u>364</u>	<u>335</u>
<u>SUB TOTAL:</u>	46,071	47,497
Films	2	4
Records	183	62
Cassettes	41	23
Talking Books	218	244
Toys	296	306
Inter-Library Loans : Borrowed	413	386
Inter-Library Loans : Lent	110	76
Videos	6,289	6,891
Vertical Files	352	430
Foreign Language	<u>74</u>	<u>47</u>
<u>TOTALS:</u>	<u>54,049</u>	<u>55,966</u>

THE FLIN FLON PUBLIC LIBRARY

STATEMENT OF REVENUE AND EXPENDITURE

YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1992

	<u>1992</u>	<u>1991</u>
Revenue:		
City of Flin Flon - grant	\$ 59,050	\$ 47,050
Town of Creighton - Library board levy	8,500	8,500
Province of Manitoba - operating grant	48,933	48,933
Province of Saskatchewan grant	8,500	8,500
Government of Canada - summer student project	1,539	1,760
Copying charges	5,185	5,160
Overdue book fines	2,650	2,643
Rotary room rentals	4,432	4,096
Parking stalls rental	465	550
Book sales - net	5,129	1,688
Interest	1,345	2,011
GST rebate	2,209	1,247
Miscellaneous	573	1,223
	<u>148,510</u>	<u>133,361</u>
Expenditures:		
Audit	974	974
Bank charges, penalties and interest	968	508
Books	20,890	10,121
Continuing education	330	426
Express and delivery	419	211
Furniture and equipment	760	711
GST	3,936	2,066
Insurance	517	483
Janitorial contract	5,150	4,850
Janitorial supplies	605	819
Magazines and periodicals	1,658	1,745
Maintenance and repairs - building	492	1,224
- equipment	1,140	867
Membership fees	193	225
Publicity and promotion	862	915
Salaries and employees benefits	87,031	84,886
Stationery and library supplies	2,766	2,344
Summer student project	1,539	1,875
Sundry	1,476	1,441
Supplies for copy machine	2,020	1,797
Telephone and telecopier - net	454	1,302
Travel and conference	1,055	1,058
Toys, records and tapes	1,048	1,155
Utilities	12,007	10,396
	<u>148,290</u>	<u>132,399</u>
Net Revenue on Operations	\$ <u>220</u>	\$ <u>962</u>

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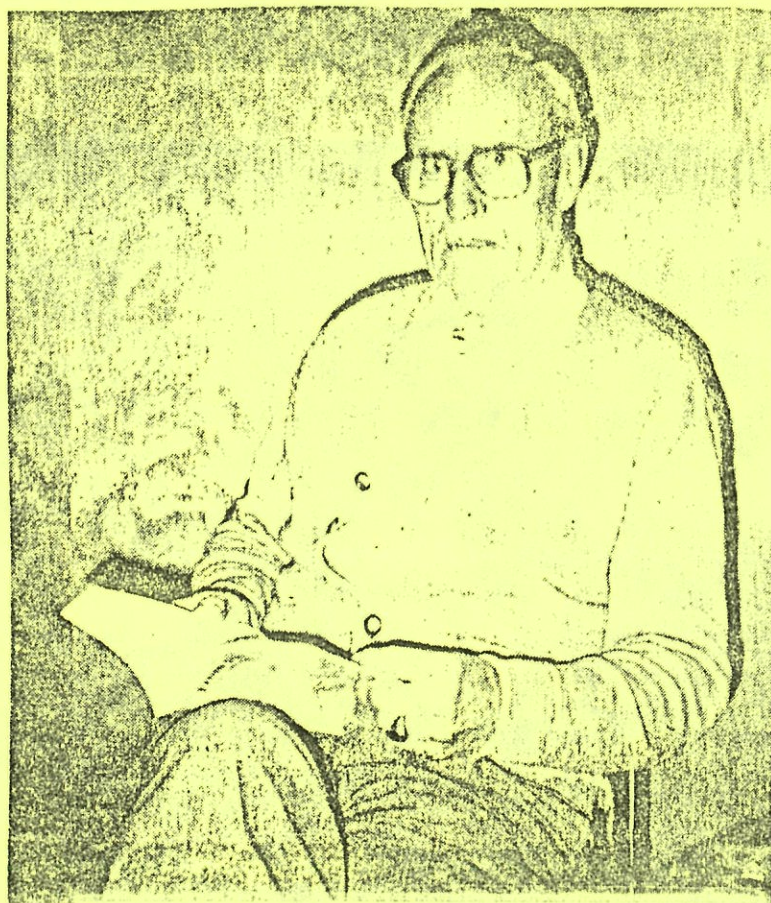
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AUTHOR RUDY WIEBE  
AND  
WRITER'S GUILD MEMBER JOYCE HENDERSON



AUTHOR JOE ROBERTSON





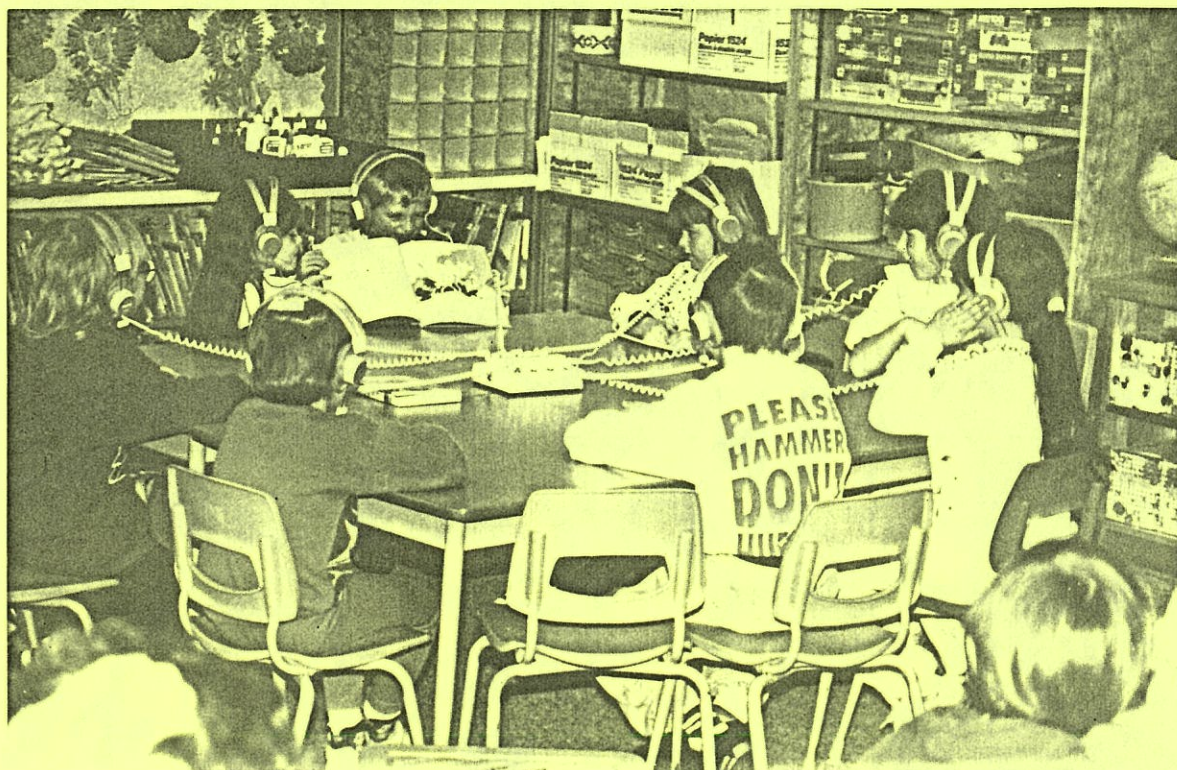
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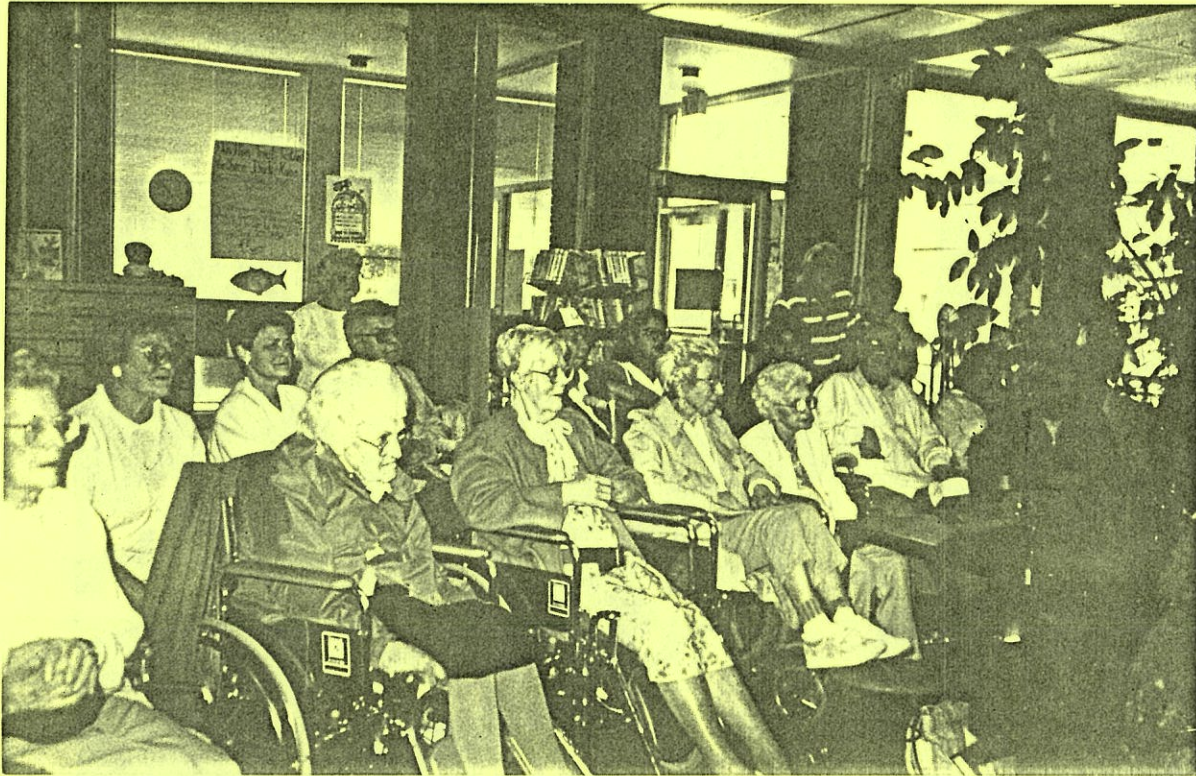


COMMUNITY LEARNING CENTRE  
STUDENTS



SOUND PRINT LIBRARY  
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HISTORICAL PRESENTATION  
OF FLIN FLON  
FOR  
PERSONAL CARE RESIDENTS



KINDERGARTEN STUDENTS  
ENJOYING A  
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