



SCARBOROUGH PUBLIC LIBRARY BOARD

The Scarborough Public Library was founded in 1955 as a community service supported by local taxes and provincial grants. It is dedicated to the ideal that the dissemination of ideas and information is an essential service in a democratic community. Through books, films, records, and special programmes, it provides facilities for continuing education and for recreational and cultural needs in Scarborough.

Scarborough Public Library System is governed by a Board of Trustees, operating under the Public Libraries Act of Ontario. As a free service for all who live, work, or attend school in Metropolitan Toronto, the Scarborough Public Library Board operates eight branch libraries, three bookmobiles and an Administration Centre.

AN INFORMATION AND RESEARCH CENTRE

All branches operate as community resource centres to assist all citizens in their work, hobbies, recreational and cultural interests. Generally we try to cover all fields of knowledge and all opinion on world and local events. For information in greater depth than our resources can provide, we can direct you to larger libraries, or other sources that may be useful.

INTER-LIBRARY BORROWING

The Scarborough System is the first library in Canada to develop the use of a Teletype Network to speed up the inter-change of books between its branches. A borrower may find the location and availability of any book in any branch while he waits, thus making all 315,000 volumes in our collection available at a moment's notice. Any material not found among our resources, may be borrowed from other libraries by completing a simple inter-library loan form. During 1967, 28,619 inter-library loans were completed.

PROGRAMMES FOR ADULTS

During the year a wide range of events of interest were developed. The works of leading Canadian artists were shown, education film shows for the whole family were popular, play-reading groups were active and many informative evening events drew capacity crowds. Planning Investments, Interior Decorating, Pioneer Arts and Crafts, talks on vital local issues and many other programmes drew adult participation from all parts of Scarborough.

CHILDREN'S ACTIVITIES

Each branch has a well-chosen collection of children's books, most have a staff member especially trained to help the child or parents. Five of the branches conduct regular story hours. Other activities for children such as puppet shows and creative drama are also popular with the younger set,

PICTURE LOAN COLLECTION

Unique in Scarborough is a collection of framed reproductions of modern paintings ready for hanging that can be borrowed free of charge by children. Hundreds of children have visited Cedarbrae where our collection is housed to borrow for 4 weeks a famous painting for their own room at home.

FILM COLLECTION

At the Cedarbrae Regional Library, the Audio-Visual Department provides an excellent selection of 16mm and 8mm films both entertaining and educational, for all ages. Any group or club wishing to include films in its programme to highlight or to precede a discussion of any topic may take advantage of this service; the audio-visual staff will help choose appropriate films, and will supply a projector and an operator if they are needed. As a member of the Audio-Visual Services of Metropolitan Toronto, Inc., the library has access to thousands of films from many other sources that may be borrowed through us. Other audio-visual equipment such as slide projectors, tape recorders and overhead projectors are also available, phone 266-1260.

RECORD COLLECTION

More than 2,000 records are available, for a three-week lending period, free of charge. Selections range from classical music and Shakespearian plays through jazz, folk songs and children's records. Booths equipped with earphones are provided for listening to language records, dramatic selections, or any of the other recordings. Non-musical records are also available in our Golden Mile Branch or on inter-library loan through any branch or bookmobile.

TELEVISION ON TAPE

Videotape facilities, able to record both picture and sound track of television programmes, have been added to the services provided at Cedarbrae Regional Library. The videotape recorder is used to tape programmes of significant content for immediate playback or for use at a later date. A supply of such videotape has been built up which can be used to enable the public to study and discuss television as a means of communication, and to make the best possible use of its potential for educational purposes. Our staff can suggest ways in which you might use our videotape collection. No other library in Canada provides such a service. Call 266-1260.

BOOKMOBILE SERVICE

Three bookmobiles operate out of our Administration Centre and call at 41 locations on a weekly schedule. Each vehicle carries a selection of about 3,800 books. Requests for books or other material not found on board are accepted and obtained as quickly as possible. Phone 291–1991 for the location and schedule of your nearest bookmobile stop.

GIFTS TO THE LIBRARY

Interested residents of Scarborough have donated hundreds of books as gifts. Although we can accommodate only a limited number on our shelves, we are always pleased to receive gifts of value and add them to the collection.



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STATISTICAL SUMMARY 1967

Number of Loans (All Items)	2,239,784
Number of Books Added to Collections	59,826
Total Book Stock	315,447
Films and Projectors Loaned	4,916
Research Questions Asked	52,825
Inter-Library Loans Completed	28,619
Phonograph Recordings Loaned	33,305
Educational Programmes Organized	1,035
Videotape Programmes Used	120
OPERATING EXPENDITURE	
Books, Periodicals, Films, Records, Etc.	\$ 201,841.00
Salaries	784,512.00
Debt Charges	180,677.00
Library Supplies, Printing, Stationery, Etc.	53,373.00
General Maintenance of Buildings & Renovations	61,408.00
Other Costs	104,252.00
	\$1,386,063.00
REVENUE	
Scarborough Borough Appropriation	\$1,096,657.00
Provincial Government Grant	230,362.00
Levied Charges and Other Income	57,266.00
Deficit	1,778.00
	\$1,386,063.00
Mill Rate for Library Purposes (1967)	2.02
Per Capita Expenditure	\$4.11

ADMINISTRATION CENTRE 1076 Ellesmere Road (at Midland Avenue)	291-1991
BRANCHES	
AGINCOURT MALL BRANCH Sheppard Ave . & Kennedy Road Agincourt Mall Shopping Plaza	293-7811
BENDALE BRANCH 1515 Danforth Road (at McCowan Road)	266-2961
CEDARBRAE REGIONAL BRANCH 545 Markham Road (at Greencrest Circuit)	266-4468
FILMS AND RECORDINGS Located at Cedarbrae Regional Branch	266-1260
HIGHLAND CREEK NEIGHBOURHOOD BRANCH 277-279 Old Kingston Road (at Morrish Road)	282-7211
MORNINGSIDE NEIGHBOURHOOD BRANCH 255 Morningside Ave. (at Kingston Road) Morningside Shopping Plaza	282-3485
GOLDEN MILE BRANCH 50 Eglinton Square (at Victoria Park Ave.) Eglinton Square Shopping Plaza	755-3986
MCGREGOR PARK BRANCH 2219 Lawrence Ave. East (at Birchmount Road)	759-6757
TAYLOR BRANCH 1440 Kingston Road (at Warden Avenue)	698-3481
BOOKMOBILE SERVICE (ADMINISTRATION CENTRE)	291-1991

9:00 a.m. - 8:30 p.m. 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

BRANCH LIBRARY HOURS Monday - Friday Saturday