





#### 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 belief that the dissemination of ideas and information is an essential service in a democratic community. Through books, films, records, programmes and services, it provides facilities for continuing education and for the recreational and cultural needs of all residents of Scarborough.

The 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, and employs a full-time staff of about 165.

#### LIBRARY BOARD FOR 1969

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#### THE LIBRARY SYSTEM AS AN INFORMATION AND RESEARCH CENTRE

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



#### SCARBOROUGH INFORMATION NETWORK (SIN)

We were the first library system in Canada to develop the use of a Teletype network to speed up the interchange of material and information between branches. In 1968 we added to the network the library of Centennial College and R. H. King Collegiate. With the assistance of the Metropolitan Toronto Library Board, we are now connected via Teletype to the central libraries of North York, Etobicoke, York, East York and the Metropolitan Central Library at College and St. George Streets.

Using SIN anyone may find the location and availability of any material in any branch while he waits, thus making all 350,000 volumes of our book collection, all records and films available at a moment's notice. Material not found among Scarborough's resources can then be located elsewhere in Metro on the Teletype network. During 1968 - 38,453 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 painters, sculptors and weavers 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 such as drugs and youth, prison reform, mental health, film making and consumer education 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. Six 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.

During the summer special children's programmes are held in the parks and near housing developments.

#### PICTURE LOAN COLLECTION (Pick-a-Pic Service)

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 room at home.



#### FILM COLLECTION

At the Cedarbrae District Library, the Audio-Visual Department provides an excellent selection of 16 mm and 8 mm 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 free service; the audio-visual staff will help choose appropriate films, and will supply a projector and an operator if they are needed. The library has access via Teletype and a daily delivery service to thousands of films from many other sources in Metro and elsewhere. Other audio-visual equipment such as slide projectors, tape recorders and opaque projectors are also available, phone 266-1260 for this service.

#### RECORD COLLECTION

More than 8,000 records are available, for a three-week lending period, free of charge from 7 branches. Selections range from classical music and Shakespearian plays through jazz, folk songs, children's records, and many non-musical records. Booths equipped with earphones are provided in our Cedarbrae Branch for listening to language records, dramatic selections, or any of the other recordings.

#### 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 District 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 enables 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. A daily educational TV programme is presented in the display kiosk on the main floor of Cedarbrae. Call 266-1260.

#### BOOKMOBILE SERVICE

Three bookmobiles operate out of our Administration Centre and call at 42 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. 462,842 books were circulated by bookmobiles in 1968. Phone 291-1991 for the location and schedule of your nearest bookmobile stop.



#### SERVICE TO THE ILL AND HANDICAPPED

We are developing a new service to hospitals, homes for the aged and other institutions. Collections of books have been placed in 10 institutions on request and library staff trained in advisory work make regular visits to assist anyone wishing to use this material to make their stay more pleasant and profitable. Phone 291-1991 for information.

#### 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. Call 291-1991.

#### NEW DISTRICT LIBRARY PLANNED FOR 1969

During the Fall of 1969 we hope to begin construction of our second district library at Birchmount and Danforth Roads. It will be larger than Cedarbrae and will be more fully developed as an information and resource centre for adults. When complete, the collection will contain 150,000 items and many auxiliary features to serve the population from Victoria Park to Brimley Road south of Lawrence.

#### A HISTORY OF SCARBOROUGH

In 1969 the Library Board published an enlarged and revised History of Scarborough edited by Mr. Robert R. Bonis with a grant in aid from the Borough Council. The new edition contains 64 additional pages and many new photographs to bring Scarborough's story up to date. Copies of this book can be obtained from all branches and our Business Office (291-1991) for \$4.50. There is a discount to the trade and educational institutions.



#### STATISTICAL SUMMARY 1968

Number of Loans (All Items)	2,530,869
Number of Items Added to Collection	97,169
Total Stock of Library Materials	337,146
Films, Filmstrips and Projectors Loaned	6,951
Research Questions Asked	69,182
Inter-Library Loans Completed	38,453
Educational Programmes Organized	1,071

#### OPERATING EXPENDITURE

Books, Periodicals, Films, Records, Etc.	\$ 263,295.00
Salaries	993,536.00
Debt Charges	183,462.00
Library Supplies, Printing, Stationery, Etc.	21,594.00
General Maintenance of Buildings & Renovations	46,984.00
Other Costs	137,977.00
	<u>\$1,646,848.00</u>

#### REVENUE

Scarborough Borough Appropriation	\$1,332,656.00
Provincial Government Grant	259,290.00
Levied Charges and Other Income	52,443.00
Deficit	<u>2,459.00</u>
	<u>\$1,646,848.00</u>

Mill Rate for Library Purposes (1968)	2.283
Per Capita Expenditure	\$5.85



ADMINISTRATION CENTRE 291-1991  
1076 Ellesmere Road (at Midland Avenue)

BRANCHES

AGINCOURT MALL BRANCH 293-7811  
3850 Sheppard Ave. East (at Kennedy Road)

BENDALE BRANCH 266-2961  
1515 Danforth Road (at McCowan Road)

CEDARBRAE DISTRICT BRANCH 266-4468  
545 Markham Road (at Greencrest Circuit)

GOLDEN MILE BRANCH 755-3986  
50 Eglinton Square (at Victoria Park Avenue)

HIGHLAND CREEK NEIGHBOURHOOD BRANCH 282-7211  
277-279 Old Kingston Road (at Morrish Road)

MCGREGOR PARK BRANCH 759-6757  
2219 Lawrence Ave. East (at Birchmount Road)

MORNINGSIDE NEIGHBOURHOOD BRANCH 282-3485  
255 Morningside Ave. (at Kingston Road)

TAYLOR BRANCH 698-3481  
1440 Kingston Road (at Warden Avenue)

BRANCH LIBRARY HOURS

Monday - Friday 9:00 a.m. - 8:30 p.m.  
Saturday 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

BOOKMOBILE SERVICE (ADMIN. CENTRE) 291-1991

FILM AND RECORDING SERVICE 266-1260  
( Located at Cedarbrae District Branch)

INSTITUTIONAL SERVICE (ADMIN. CENTRE) 291-1991