

SCARBOROUGH PUBLIC LIBRARY



report of 1980





1. NEW TOY LENDING SERVICE



2. 7th ANNUAL MODEL RAILROAD SHOW



3. SENIOR CITIZENS' WEEK



4. MULTICULTURAL PROGRAMMES



5. PUBLIC LIBRARY WEEK - SCARBOROUGH PUBLIC LIBRARY BOOKWORM

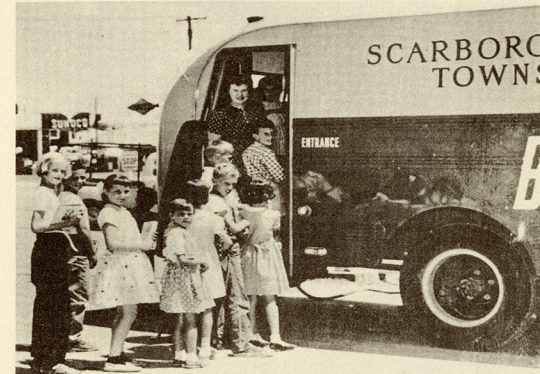
STATISTICS

	1980
ITEMS BORROWED	3,544,211
QUESTIONS	835,211
PROGRAMMES HELD	3,686
ITEMS IN COLLECTION	823,537

BUDGET

EXPENDITURES	1980
ADMINISTRATIVE SUPPORT AND BOARD SERVICES	\$ 1,923,985
PUBLIC SERVICES - SPECIAL SERVICES	491,532
PUBLIC SERVICES - CEDARBRAE DISTRICT	1,762,470
PUBLIC SERVICES - ALBERT CAMPBELL DISTRICT	1,222,725
PUBLIC SERVICES - AGINCOURT DISTRICT	715,505
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	\$ 6,116,217
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REVENUE	
BOROUGH GRANT	\$ 5,065,285
* PROVINCIAL GRANTS	785,657
LEVIED CHARGES	135,000
RECOVERABLES	90,275
SURPLUS	40,000
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	\$ 6,116,217
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* Includes conditional grants



6. 25th ANNIVERSARY OF SCARBOROUGH PUBLIC LIBRARY

REPORT FROM THE CHAIRMAN

1980 marked the Twenty-Fifth Anniversary of the Scarborough Public Library system. The system has come a long way since 1955 when it started with three libraries, one bookmobile and a collection of some 23,000 books.

We now have fourteen libraries, a bookmobile and a collection of 823,537 items, and, in addition, provide services to shut-ins and various institutions. The fact that the circulation of the Scarborough Public Library has passed the three and a half million mark indicates the progress made in meeting the needs of a growing Borough.

There was no official celebration of our Twenty-Fifth Anniversary. However, in September articles about the history of Scarborough Public Library appeared in daily and local newspapers, and there was particular interest shown in a 1955 photograph of a bookmobile and its young users. Readers were asked to identify themselves and on identification, the people were interviewed and found to still be keen library users.

In May, all public libraries in Metropolitan Toronto joined in a Public Library Week, and the Honourable Pauline McGibbon, Lieutenant Governor of Ontario, officiated at the Opening Ceremony in Nathan Phillips Square. Many of our Board members and staff were in attendance to celebrate the event, along with an estimated 8,000 supporters. The week was very successful in focusing attention on public libraries.

Towards the end of May, I participated in the selection of an architect for the Malvern Recreation Complex. This was the culmination of a seven year project planning process and we are looking forward to the opening of a community library in the Malvern area in 1982.

There has been an enthusiastic public response to the toy lending service opened at the Albert Campbell District Library in June. The toys for the collection were purchased from the donations of community service clubs and local businesses and matching Wintario funds. Our thanks are extended to Alderman Florence Cruickshank for her untiring efforts in initiating and bringing this project to fruition.

In October, the Board chose the architects, Moffat, Moffat and Kinoshita, to design the long-awaited addition to the Cedarbrae District Library. It is expected that construction will be under way by the middle of 1981 and that this facility will be in use by early 1982. To ensure that the needs of all public service areas are considered, a co-ordinating committee of staff members are involved in the ongoing planning of this programme. Additional space to house the collection and larger meeting facilities for public programmes will be welcomed by patrons of this district library.

Our Twenty-Fifth Year was a time to look back with pride on our accomplishments in the development of library services in the Borough of Scarborough. Difficulties and serious financial restraints have sometimes hampered us, but the contribution of the Board and staff throughout the years has been more than equal to the challenge. Viewing our success in the past can but give us confidence as we move into the future.

Sheila Churchmich,
Chairman,
Scarborough Public Library Board.

REPORT FROM THE DIRECTOR

The cost of providing public library service to the residents of the Borough during 1980 was \$6,116,217, or approximately \$14.31 per person living in Scarborough. The money for the budget is obtained from three sources: 83 per cent from the Council of the Borough of Scarborough, 13 per cent from the Provincial Government and the remainder from general income. In viewing the basic price of \$14.31 per resident for public library service, it is worth noting that this was the approximate price of a hard cover novel, or half the price of an average reference book, or about a third of the hourly charge for supplying information by the private sector during 1980.

In taking advantage of the services of the public library system, the users of the fourteen branches and one bookmobile borrowed 3,544,211 items and requested answers to 835,211 questions. The residents of the Borough made approximately 2.5 million visits to the public libraries in the search for relaxation, knowledge, information and general assistance in their daily life. To support the activity from the branches and bookmobile, the staff behind the scenes added 132,657 new items to the collection, located and obtained 4,163 different books and periodical articles from libraries across Canada, and informed 43,738 people that their specially reserved books were available at their nearest branch library. The resources of the public library include 652,339 hardcover books, 119,225 paperbacks, 2,559 films and videotapes, 44,926 records and cassettes, 466 framed prints, 931 periodical titles, 60 machine-readable data bases and tens of thousands of reports and pamphlets from government, corporate and private sources.

The specialist services of the public library dealing with senior citizens, children and teenagers, multilingual materials and films all experienced a record year. Staff delivered books and talking books to 190 senior citizens and handicapped adults, visited fourteen senior citizen nursing homes and apartments giving library service, and maintained five deposit collections in other senior citizen nursing homes. The pleasure of reading was emphasized by the children's service, and popular paperback collections were placed in many branch libraries for the teenage population. The multicultural services now acquire books and cassettes in over twenty languages, and during 1980 particular emphasis was placed on developing collections in the Asian languages and in German, Italian and Greek. The films from the public library were viewed for information and recreation by 360,653 people of the Borough.

Special programmes were held for 57,927 children and included film shows, puppet shows, story hours and book clubs. For the adults 977 programmes were held and 25,758 people attended lectures and workshops on a multitude of subjects. As has been indicated, 1980 was another record year and it is expected that use of the public library system will continue to grow as residents new and established discover the value of the public library system.

Peter J. Bassnett,
Director,
Scarborough Public Library Board.

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SCARBOROUGH PUBLIC LIBRARIES



ALBERT CAMPBELL DISTRICT BRANCH 698-1194
496 Birchmount Rd. (at Danforth Rd.)

Film Services 698-1191

CEDARBRAE DISTRICT BRANCH 431-2222
545 Markham Rd. (S. of Lawrence Ave. E.)

AGINCOURT BRANCH 293-7811
Agincourt Mall, Sheppard Ave. E. (at Kennedy Rd.)

BENDALE BRANCH 431-9141
1515 Danforth Rd. (at McCowan Rd.)

BRIDLEWOOD BRANCH 499-4284
Bridlewood Mall, Warden Ave. (at Finch Ave.)

CLIFFCREST BRANCH 266-5697
Cliffcrest Plaza, Kingston Rd. (at McCowan Rd.)

EGLINTON SQUARE BRANCH 755-3986
Eglinton Square Mall, Eglinton Ave. E.
(at Victoria Pk. Ave.)

GUILDWOOD BRANCH 266-4787
Guildwood Plaza, Guildwood Pkwy.
(at Livingston Rd.)

HIGHLAND CREEK BRANCH 282-7211
277 Old Kingston Rd. (at Morrish Rd.)

McGREGOR PARK BRANCH 759-6757
2219 Lawrence Ave. E. (at Birchmount Rd.)

MORNINGSIDE BRANCH 282-3485
Morningside Mall (at Kingston Rd.)

PORT UNION BRANCH 282-7428
5530 Lawrence Ave. E. (at Port Union Rd.)

TAYLOR MEMORIAL BRANCH 698-3481
1440 Kingston Rd. (at Warden Ave.)

WOODSIDE SQUARE BRANCH 291-9437
Woodside Square Mall, Finch Ave.
(at McCowan Rd.)

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Publicity Dept. Ext. 30
1076 Ellesmere Rd. (at Midland Ave.)