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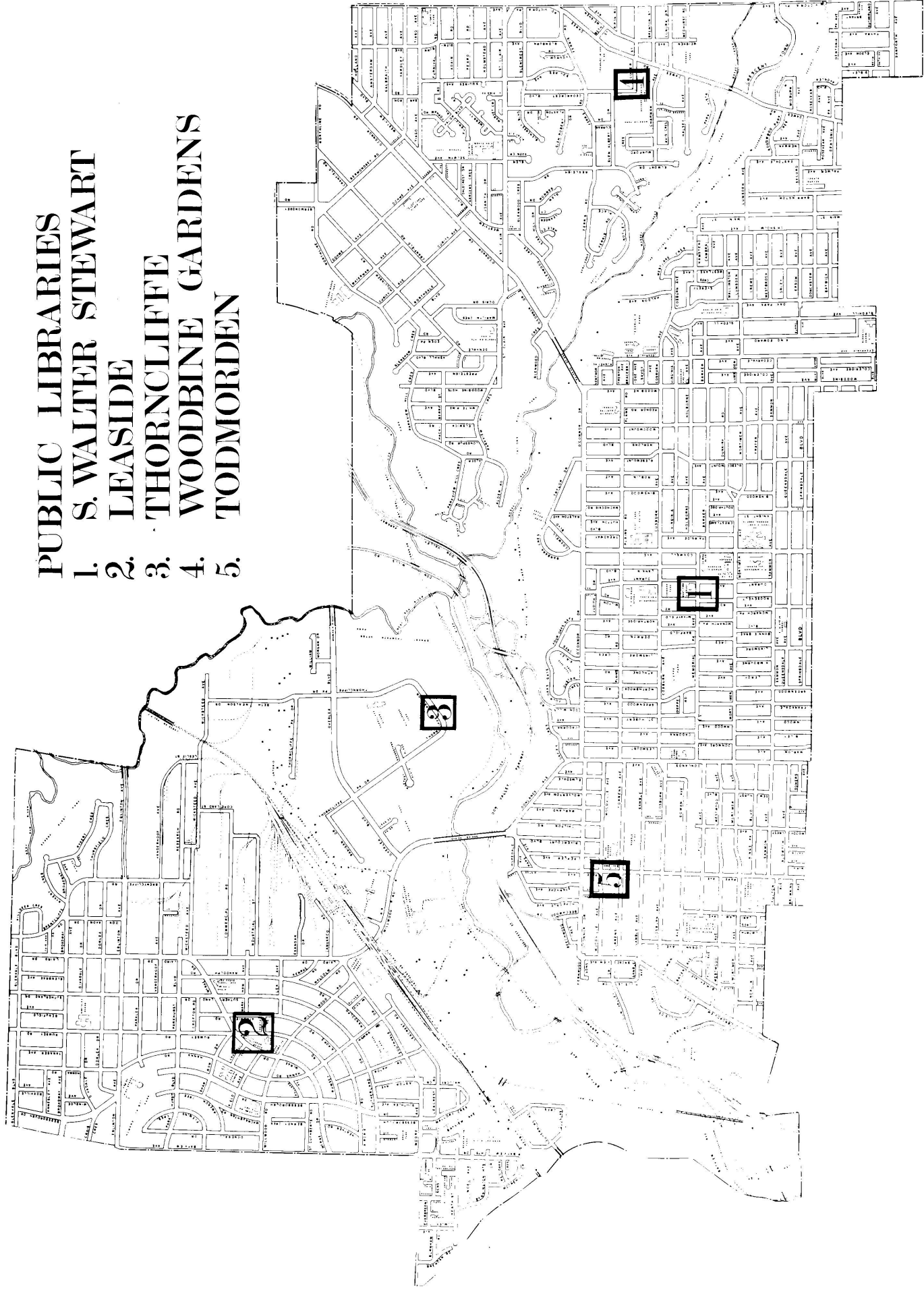
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5. TODMORDEN



S. WALTER STEWART LIBRARY 170 Memorial Park Avenue, Toronto 359 425-8222

A. REGULAR ACTIVITIES:

1. BOYS AND GIRLS SERVICES:

Children, parents, grandparents, teachers, student teachers, writers of children's books and others working with the young of East York, have visited the Boys and Girls room to find the right book for enjoyment or information.

Puppet shows, handicrafts, films and story hours attracted many children. Mr. Valliere from the Age of Aquarius Pet Shop kept approximately 175 children spellbound with a special show in which he gave a demonstration on the care and proper method of handling pets. The children were fascinated by the appearance of a baby leopard. Also, one hundred and fifty children were entertained by Barry McKay, illustrator and naturalist and by Ruth Winkler of "Let's Model a Story" teamed up for a special Christmas show.

Although all elementary schools have their own libraries now, many teachers agreed that their classes should become better acquainted with the Public Library, and at our invitation, planned regular visits.

Of all the books given out in 1971, those about the moon and outer space proved most popular with pre-school to grade six children.

During 1971, the following programmes were arranged:

169 Class visits	Attendance	4,400
79 Films	"	2,657
68 Story hours	"	790
7 Puppet shows	"	401
12 Arts and crafts	"	678
8 Pre-school classes	"	180
2 Special attractions	"	323
<hr/> TOTAL 345		<hr/> 9,429

2. YOUNG ADULT SERVICES:

There is no more important part of the work in the Main Library than can be found in our contacts with students from neighbouring schools.

At regularly scheduled periods throughout the school year, Junior High School classes are given instruction in the use of the adult library and students are given adult library cards. During the months of November and December of this current year there was an acceleration of these activities.

We also had a visit by Grade 7 students from Canadian Martyr's School who came to our library to see books on Archaeology and Palaeontology. This was in preparation for a field trip to Midland and Huronia.

A class of twelve students whose parents had recently arrived in Toronto from Greece, spent the morning in the S. Walter Stewart Library. They came from Cosburn Junior High School with their teacher and after a tour they borrowed books in English and Greek.

East York students use the library services extensively for their research and study assignments. Their needs are heavy - for books, vertical file material, periodicals, etc., and therefore they require a great deal of individual assistance from the professional librarians. This demand is increased by the fact that the East York Collegiate Institute serving more than 2,000 students is within walking distance of the S. Walter Stewart Library.

3. REFERENCE AND READER'S ADVISORY SERVICES:

The provision of informational services is an integral part of this library's responsibility. It means organization of research materials for ready access, and backing this up with professional assistance to library patrons in pursuit of information. Each year a considerable expenditure is involved in the replacement of basic reference tools by new and revised editions. As new reference books come on the market, they are evaluated for purchase by using such criteria as the strengths of our Collection, the needs of the patrons and budgetary considerations.

Lists of new books were prepared regularly and made available to borrowers. Special bibliographies and reading lists were also released.

The demands on our librarians to assist students of all ages and academic accomplishments increases every day. They range from pupils in grade school through university and on to the part-time students pursuing extension and night courses.

In the opinion of some of the professional librarians, the requests for books from our borrowers have been influenced by the Communication Media, especially television, which has presented such series as: "Six Wives of Henry VIII, "Elizabeth R", "Forsyte Saga" and "Jalna". Borrowers have become stimulated to read many books of biography, history and fiction related to these series.

In 1971 there was a noticeable upswing of interest in Canadian material. Factors which may have had some influence is the increased coverage given Canadian publications by the new book reviewing journal Books in Canada, the many courses given on Canadian history and literature, and the work done by the Royal Commission on Book Publishing. To assist the public in locating Canadian publications, stickers marked with a red maple leaf have been placed on the spine of books written by Canadian authors.

Mysteries, biographies, favourite authors, craft and do it yourself books continue to be very popular with the public.

A welcome innovation helped many readers looking for light reading. A white dot with the letter 'L' on it was affixed to the spine of selected books to denote such literature.

4. GOVERNMENT DOCUMENTS:

S. Walter Stewart Library, our Main library, is a selective depository library for Government Documents. We receive documents of our choice from the Borough of East York, Metropolitan Toronto, the Province of Ontario, the Government of Canada, the Superintendent of Documents, U. S. A., and the United Nations.

The expansion of all levels of Government has brought with it a concomitant outreach into almost every area of life around us and with it a proliferation of Government Documents. This is particularly true of the Federal Government.

Information Canada came into being on April 1st, 1970. It was created to produce and disseminate information on the Federal Government. All our Federal Government Documents and printed matters come from Information Canada. Information Canada is running an information service in conjunction with its book-store here in Toronto. Citizens may go there and seek data on any aspect of Federal Government operations.

Approaches have been made to the Canadian Library Association and to individual librarians for continuing discussions to invite suggestions for collaboration between Public Libraries and Information Canada.

5. BOOKS IN OTHER LANGUAGES:

The East York Public Library Collection of books in other languages has grown progressively in this year. We also have loans from the M.C.L. Language Center in Russian, Greek and German languages.

We received many books from our borrowers as gifts for our East York holdings. Just to mention some: 20 books in German and 95 (PB) in Italian; most of these were classical translations of books much in demand. Also a donation of 15 books in Swedish was added.

Our Present Holdings:

<u>Lanaguage</u>	<u>1970</u>	<u>1971</u>
Estonian	105	117
French	126	130
German	31	61
Greek	63	170
Italian	846	1,151
Swedish	-	15
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TOTALS	1,171	1,644

Secord Public School has classes in English for New Canadians and asked for a deposit of books in the following languages:

Greek
German
Italian
Serbian

We have supplied all but the Serbian books which came to us from MCL on loan for the school.

6. INTERLOAN SERVICES

The public libraries of Metropolitan Toronto are linked by an inter-loan agreement which allows each library to draw on the resources of the others. Requests for materials are sent by teletype to Bibliographic Centre in Metropolitan Central Library where the locations are checked and the holding library notified. A daily book delivery assists in the speedy filling of requests. If the materials are not available in the Metropolitan Toronto Library system, the Bibliographic Centre is able to notify us of other locations and special interlibrary loan forms are mailed to the holding library. The interloan service is particularly helpful in filling requests for foreign language material, detailed research projects and complete works of an author.

In 1971 -

Teleprinter Information Requests sent	2,499
Books received from other libraries	1,852
Books loaned between branches of East York (through SWS only)	1,840
East York books loaned to other libraries	1,135

7. ACQUISITION AND PROCESSING SERVICES;

Book orders for the East York Public Libraries are co-ordinated through the order department at the S. Walter Stewart Library. The majority of the orders are placed with the Co-Operative Book Centre, but there are some publishers who will not deal with agents, and orders for these have to be placed direct. While this central ordering leads to greater efficiency by avoiding unnecessary duplication and often obtaining for us a greater discount it does place a great load on the work space at the S. Walter Stewart Library.

Processing, like acquisition, handles the receiving of orders for the whole system. This means checking the books against the invoices, checking for catalogue cards, cataloguing and processing direct orders, and allocating the books to the branches. All this requires a large amount of work space which is not available.

Space is thus urgently needed at the S. Walter Stewart Library to handle the increasing work load.

8. PERIODICALS

Our periodical subscriptions were efficiently handled in the past year by the Davis Circulation Agency, and the 1972 orders will again be placed by Davis. The subscription lists for the entire East York Public Library system are co-ordinated through the S. Walter Stewart Library order department, before being passed on to the Davis Agency.

9. AUDIO-VISUAL SERVICES

a) 16mm Films:

<u>Borrowers Use</u>	<u>No. of Showings</u>	<u>No. of Titles</u>	<u>Attendance</u>
1970	1152	1716	55,958
1971	1023	1700	62,683

<u>Library Use</u>	<u>No. of Showings</u>	<u>No. of Titles</u>	<u>Attendance</u>
1970	209	519	6372
1971	208	502	6730
	<u>GRAND TOTAL</u>	<u>1970</u>	<u>1971</u>
	Showings	1361	1231
	Films	2235	2202
	Attendance	62,330	69,413

It has become increasingly difficult to obtain the films from the other A-V libraries to fill our borrowers demands. Our own collection NFB permanent loan (58 films) and old pool films (64) has had no additions since the day we first received them during 1967. Several have been recalled over the years because they have become out-dated. East York serves merely as a booking agency for the films of the other Metro Libraries.

Since September 1971 we have been using the services of the Audio-Visual Department of Metropolitan Toronto Public Library, in planning programmes for children and adults.

b) 8mm Films:

One hundred new 8mm films were put in circulation during February 1971 at the S. Walter Stewart Library. Circulation of these films has been very good and comments favourable.

c) Cassettes:

December 1st, 1971, was the introductory date for cassettes in the East York Public Library system. The nucleus of this venture is approximately 150 cassettes which includes pop, instrumental, jazz and vocal selections.

The growing acceptance of cassettes will be reflected in increased demand by our patrons and from this modest beginning, larger collections will be built up.

d) Records:

Listening facilities at S. Walter Stewart receive heavy usage from noon until closing on most days. Records listened to range from the latest Pop, through classical music, operas, plays, etc., and even encompassing Plato's Death of Socrates in translation.

Much favourable comment has been received on the new emphasis given to popular music and the fact that it is really "funky" a la Rolling Stone. We have been complimented on the excellent selection of records in the classical and spoken word areas. The installation of a large sign near the control desk indicating the location of the record section has been a great help to borrowers.

The circulation of the records has been increasing by an average of over one thousand annually.

10. DISPLAYS:

- JANUARY: "CLOCKS" - Variety of old clocks from the collection of Mr. Walter Deer, Resident of East York
- FEBRUARY: "FIRST DAY COVERS - CANADA POSTAGE STAMPS" Private collection of Miss L. Stalmach
- MARCH: "POLLUTION" - A THREATENING NEIGHBOUR" - by the Central Workshop Class of Plains Road School, Grade 6.
- APRIL: "MINIATURES" - by Miss Kitty Gafney
- MAY: "INTERIOR DECORATING" and "GARDENS" - Posters and books on the subjects
- JUNE: "STRATFORD FESTIVAL" and "SHAW FESTIVAL" - Posters, plays, records of plays from EYPL.
- JULY: "CANADIANA" for the Anniversary of CANADA - Books by Canadian authors, books about Canada.
- AUGUST: "TIN-CAN ART" - Miniature furniture, flowers, candle-holders, frames, coasters - all created from tins, by Mr. E. Higgin, a senior citizen of East York.

- SEPTEMBER - "CANADIAN OPERA COMPANY" -
Literature on five operas presented by the
Canadian Opera Company - Records and libretti.
- OCTOBER - "INDIAN LORE" and "INDIANS OF CANADA".
Royal Ontario Museum posters - Wood Cree Indians,
Assiniboinne, and Indian musical instruments.
Collection of hand-crafts - courtesy of
Mrs. Anthony Hill.
- NOVEMBER - "IN SOUND," "IN STYLE", "IN WORDS".
50th Anniversary season of Toronto Symphony -
Collection of Costume sketches from Stratford -
Plays and Spoken words records - EYPL.
- DECEMBER - "CHILDREN'S ART".
Art, drawings, collages by children from the
East York Schools.

B. COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES

1. MOVIES FOR THE FAMILY:

On Tuesday evenings in January and succeeding months, films were shown for family audiences. Travelogues, documentaries, comedies and other films were selected for this particular group. We had an unusual opportunity for a form of experimentation when the widely acclaimed "CIVILISATION" series with Sir Kenneth Clark became available to us. On Tuesday, October 19th, the first in the 13-part series gave us an auspicious start for the new season. After seven successive Tuesday evenings, we interrupted the series in order to give top priority to our Christmas programming. This film series resumed with the showing of Part 8 on Tuesday January 11th, 1972.

2. CHRISTMAS CAROLS:

The Christmas Season at the S. Walter Stewart Library would not be complete without the appearances of neighbourhood school choirs. They bring their talents and their youthful vitality.

The following Christmas Carols were held on:-

Tuesday	December 7	St. Clair Jr. High School Choir
Thursday	December 16	Oak Park Jr. High School Choir
Tuesday	December 21	East York Collegiate Institute, Girls' Choir and Glee Club.

3. ADULT EDUCATION PROGRAMMES:

January 14 GHANA - by Mr. Reginald L. Martin
January 18 JAPAN - by Klaus Brauch
February 4 POLLUTION PROBE - by Mr. Edward Thompson
March 4 IMMIGRANTS. Discussion Group - by Tine Stewart,
executive director of The International
Institute of Metropolitan Toronto.
March 25 BELLA COOLA INDIANS - by Canon Trevor Jones
April 15 DRUGS AND ADDICTION, Panel Discussion, led by
Miss Vere Pasupuletti, social worker, and
other members of the Addiction Research
Foundation.
October 17 WINE-MAKING DEMONSTRATION - by Mr. Buzz Arthurs
of Wine Arts Ltd.
November 4 BATIKS - by Mrs. Caroline Wickham Hughes
November 24 CANADIAN MUSIC WEEK - by the Joan Taylor Singers.

4. EAST YORK ARTS BOARD CONCERTS:

January 17 Palmer Singers - mixed choir, led by Catherine Palmer.
February 14 Recorder Music - by the Renaissance Ensemble.
March 14 String Ensemble from the East York Symphony Orchestra,
featuring Harpist, Jean Malyon.
November 28 Chamber Ensemble of the East York Symphony Orchestra,
directed by Orval Ries.

Under the sponsorship of the East York Arts Board, the facilities
of the library auditorium were used by the East York Junior String
Group, and on May 15th, this group presented a Musicale.

C. SPECIAL ACTIVITIES

1. ART EXHIBITS:

April 27 - May 18:

Citizens of East York Art Show -
East York Artists and Collectors.

October 6 - 27:

Water Colours from the Art Gallery of Ontario.

October 30 - November 15:

Paintings and monotonies - by Mrs. Tosca Lerch.

November 17 - December 9:

Paintings - by Lawrence Nickle.

January 4 - 23:

Photographic studies - by Joseph Schmid.

2. STUDENT NURSES' VISIT:

On Tuesday, September 21st, ninety-five student nurses and their teachers from the Toronto East General Hospital enjoyed a conducted library tour. We had a chance to get acquainted when refreshments were served and questions were answered.

3. DOMINION DAY PARADE:

According to our custom, The East York Public Library was once again represented by a float in the Dominion Day Parade on July 1st. The theme - "Bridging the Gap", was directed primarily at children to promote the Boys and Girls Services.

4. RED CROSS BLOOD DONOR CLINIC:

On February 3rd, 1971, 203 donors gave blood at a clinic in the auditorium.

On July 15th, 1971, 185 donors gave blood at a second clinic in the auditorium.

5. TPL LIBRARIANS' VISIT:

On May 5th, ten librarians from Danforth, Parliament and Gerrard Branches of the Toronto Public Libraries toured the S. Walter Stewart Library and went from there to Thorncliffe and Leaside Libraries. This was arranged in order to acquaint them with our library services.

6. MOTION PICTURE FILMING:

On October 26th, a crew from Moreland Latchford Productions used our library for the locale of a film entitled:

"Tommy, Susie and The Cardboard Box"

This is an educational film and we await release of the film for showing.

D. STAFF

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Mrs. Aileen DeSomogyi
Mrs. Martha Hodgson
Mrs. Alice Lorrigan
Mr. John McCart
Mrs. Alberta Pielsticker, Librarian in charge
Mrs. Myrna Stein
Miss Sheila Teerkott

CLERICALS

Mrs. Esther Burns
Mrs. Muriel Freeman
Miss Karen Lawrence
Mrs. Dolly Pelovas
Mrs. Vera Petkovsky
Miss Cheryl Britton
Mrs. Ruby Woodward, Clerical Supervisor

Mr. George Kendall, Buildings Superintendent, retired from the staff of the S. Walter Stewart Library after more than ten years of devoted service. Mr. Kendall endeared himself to all members of the staff by his willingness to repair or build any type of equipment needed and by being a sympathetic listener and advisor to all young members of the staff.

A surprise reception was given to Mr. and Mrs. Kendall prior to leaving for their small farm near Minden, Ontario.

Mrs. Alexis Donohue - Secretary
Mrs. Alice Marsh - Bookkeeper
Mr. William Ryan - Buildings Superintendent

E. HOURS

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

1. BOYS AND GIRLS SERVICES:

Six puppet shows were presented to audiences of pre-school and primary grade children:

Rapunzel
Hansel and Gretel
The Well of the World's End
Tom Tit Tot
The Ogre Who Built the Bridge
The Three Little Pigs
Rumpelstilskin

The last puppet show was enjoyed by students from The Crippled Children's School and Hospital.

The summer programme was enjoyed by many children. It included story hours, art classes and films. The art classes were given to separate groups of pre-school and school age children. For many pre-schoolers, these classes proved to be their first opportunity to paint pictures.

We were fortunate in having Mrs. Colette Whiten, the Art Supervisor, give art lessons to the children. She planned to teach one series of three classes but these proved to be so popular that the series was repeated.

Pre-School library classes were held from January 7th to May 21st, and from October 21st to December 17th. Two classes were held each week, one in the morning and one in the afternoon so that children and parents with differing schedules could be accommodated.

During the East York Public Library Week, the Boys and Girls department presented a special programme for children every day. The programme was highlighted by a very interesting talk about pets and how to care for them, by Mr. Valliere of the Age of Aquarius Pet Shop. Two puppet shows were also thoroughly enjoyed.

One school sent classes for regular monthly visits. The kindergarten of this school entertained some of the library staff and a few chance borrowers with fine productions of two plays which they performed on unscheduled but welcome visits. A few classes from three other schools came to the library and were shown how to use the catalogue files, etc., and were given library cards.

IN 1971

61	School classes	Attendance	1588
6	Puppet shows	"	419
51	Films	"	1153
45	Story hours	"	609
54	Pre-school classes	"	615
6	Art classes	"	181
6	Handicraft programmes	"	310
1	Pet talk	"	40

2. ART PRINTS:

A small collection of art prints was made available to the public for a 6-week loan period. The response was very gratifying and many requests were received for an increase in the size of the collection. Judging from the comments of the public, their use ranged from brightening up a room to "covering up a hole my husband made in the wall before visitors come tonight". (This latter request was for a print at least 26 inches by 20 inches).

3. CASSETTES:

Another new service offered this year is a small collection of cassettes ranging over the more popular trends in music. While it is too early to assess the final demand, it is obvious they will be well used.

4. ART GALLERY:

This year has seen a slight change in direction from the Art Gallery of Ontario style exhibitions, to more one-man shows and group shows of young art students. While the latter have often been controversial in the nature of their art, the public response and attendance has been much greater than for the more conventional theme and exhibitions.

5. STAFF:

LIBRARIANS

Mr. William R. Chamberlain, Librarian in charge
Mrs. Patricia Goodfellow
Mrs. Mary McRae

CLERICALS

Mrs. Jessie Carson
Mrs. Jean Forsyth
Miss Ann Gilmour
Mrs. Dell Humphreys
Miss Olivia Reymond

A great loss to all members of the library staff and our regular public, was the death of our caretaker, Mr. Robert Gadsden, after a long illness. His cheerful face, wry Scottish humour, and willingness to do anything asked of him during his ten years service to the Leaside Library, all leave a gap that will be hard to fill.

6. HOURS:

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

THORNCLIFFE BRANCH LIBRARY, 48 Thorncliffe Park Drive, Toronto 354 421-4791

This is the first full year of operation for Thorncliffe Branch Library in the new building. It was a successful one. The borrowers frequently mention how delightful the library is with its spaciousness, a feeling added to by the view of the park from the picture windows. The new drapes give it a finished look and blend perfectly with the colour scheme.

The Boys and Girls section has been very busy all year. All regular activities, such as movies, story hours, arts and crafts have been well attended. During the summer, the Saturday programmes were switched to Wednesdays and on one day, more than one hundred children attended. Puppet shows are always the favourite and create the most interest. On three separate occasions, groups of local children put on their own puppet show and play. The children loved them. In the spring we had several class visits from the public schools in the area, which were enjoyed by all. However, many teachers feel that the school library is sufficient for their needs and are not interested in introducing their pupils to the Public Library.

There is a marked increase in the use of the library by the older students. As yet it is mostly the junior high school group which is studying and using the material. As our collection grows in scope, the high school students are discovering and using it.

The borrowers at Thorncliffe are becoming more aware of the extent of our subject coverage and the services offered, and are making full use of them. The questions range from the simple - "Do you have a criticism of Shaw's Play" to "What firms manufacture or export yellow phosphorus?" This last question was interesting - it came from a Japanese, new to Canada, who wished to purchase some for his firm in Japan. The business library was telephoned and we were told that the information was available only from Ottawa and we were given the name of the department to contact. The borrower then wished help in composing a letter as his English was not adequate.

Our Interloan Service is widely used. While some of it is due to gaps in our collection, which are gradually being filled, most of it is for material of specific interest not to be found in general libraries. The periodicals are very popular and always in use. Duplicate service was started the first of December and seems to be filling a need. The record collection moves so rapidly that it is difficult to keep up the maintenance.

The adult programmes which were held during the year were poorly attended, primarily because there are too many other activities in the area - (Recreation Department, night classes by the Board of Education and Centennial College, Don View Club, etc.) In September, Centennial College opened a Thorncliffe Campus. We were asked to act as their local library. The books on crafts and hobbies were sufficient in quantity and quality to fill their requirements, and in other subjects they deposit books from their main library to be interfiled with the existing collection. They also commented on the depth of our periodical collection and books in the investment section.

There have been several displays at Thorncliffe Branch Library. The outside case featured Winter Sports, Continuing Education, Christmas, Summer Activities and Gardening. Inside the library, the displays of the Time-Life Series, Teach Yourself books, Christmas books, and Easter and Spring collections, have all created real interest.

The art exhibits assembled by the Don Valley Art Club are excellent, and a great deal of praise and interest has been shown by the many people who have viewed them. The paintings are changed regularly by the Club members.

BOYS AND GIRLS SERVICES:

47 Story hours	Attendance	360
52 Films	"	1260
38 Arts and crafts	"	313
11 School classes	"	455
7 Puppet shows	"	309

ADULT SERVICES:

11 Films	Attendance	169
4 Programmes	"	56
1 Open House	"	28

STAFF

Mrs. Helen Scott	Librarian in charge
Miss June Dawson	Sub-Professional
Mr. Graeme Ellis	Clerical
Mr. Arthur D. Lakeman	Clerical

HOURS

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

WOODBINE GARDENS BRANCH, 2 Gower Street, Toronto 374

757-8649

Woodbine Gardens Branch has had a successful year with an increase in circulation and an extension of services to more varied age groups. Toward the end of the year there has been a marked increase in the teenage patrons of the library who particularly use the library for study and reference purposes. Both their increased attendance and comments made by the general public indicate a demand for the Wednesday night opening of the library.

PROGRAMMES

28	Story hours	Attendance	383
14	Films	"	456
13	Arts and crafts	"	273
3	Puppet shows	"	235
9	Pre-School classes	"	143
4	Pre-school and mothers' crafts	"	43 children 28 mothers
8	After school classes	"	76
2	Special Events (Pet talk and Hallowe'en Party)	"	144

Programmes have been primarily directed at pre-school and elementary school children. The location of the library across from the George Webster Elementary School has been responsible in some measure for the attendance figures at the after-school special events. Saturday story hours, films, puppet shows, arts and crafts and holiday parties, have been very successful.

Adult evening programmes do not seem suitable for the size and location of the library. However, the mother and pre-school morning programmes have gone very well. In the past the mothers groups have been limited to craft programmes but the response to these indicates that further activities such as book discussion groups would be well received.

Woodbine Gardens Branch has a very good book collection for its size, and the Interloan Service fills any gaps. The patrons have made extensive use of this service for specific titles, subject requests and foreign language materials.

Cassettes have been received well by the patrons and it is suggested that records be introduced into the collection in 1972.

STAFF

Mrs. Katherine Gardiner - Librarian-in-charge
Miss Rosemary Keelan - Sub-Professional

HOURS

Tuesday 1:00 - 5:00 pm & 6:00 - 8:30 pm
Wednesday 9:00 - 12:00 noon & 1:00 - 5:00 pm & 6:00 - 8:30 pm
Thursday 1:00 - 5:00 pm & 6:00 - 8:30 pm
Friday 9:00 - 12:00 noon & 1:00 - 5:00 pm
Saturday 9:00 - 12:00 noon & 1:00 - 5:00 pm

TODMORDEN BRANCH

1081½ Pape Avenue, Toronto 357

425-9977

A Senior Citizen's group meets regularly on Thursday afternoons in the East York Community Centre. During the course of their visit, many members make use of the library facilities. As a further service to the community, library hours were extended by opening Todmorden Branch on Wednesdays.

The leasing of the Todmorden Room for a branch library in the East York Community Centre is the closest approach we have in the East York Public Library System to a library in a shopping centre. Bringing library services right into the market place where the traffic is and where people are shopping is a certain way to increase circulation. The opening of a new Dominion Store in 1971 across the street from Todmorden Branch has already meant that more people are visiting the library with a corresponding increase in circulation.

The book stock is part of the S. Walter Stewart Library.

Mrs. Mabel Hergott is in charge of the branch.

HOURS

Tuesday 1:00 - 5:00 pm & 6:00 - 8:30 pm
Wednesday 9:00 - 12:00 noon & 1:00 - 5:00 pm
Thursday 1:00 - 5:00 pm & 6:00 - 8:30 pm
Saturday 9:00 - 12:00 noon & 1:00 - 5:00 pm

BOOK DEPOSITS

Library administrators are keenly aware of the need to bring special services of the library directly to those who are precluded for one reason or another from coming to the library in person. Central Park Lodge and East York Acres are specific manifestations in East York of the outreach of our Special Services. Large print books and aid in book selections by helpful librarians are two important features of this work.

Mrs. Mabel Hergott looks after East York Acres.

The books are from the S. Walter Stewart Library.

HOURS	Mondays	3:00 - 5:00 pm
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During 1971 responsibility for supervision of Central Park Lodge in Thorncliffe, has been transferred to Thorncliffe Branch Library, under the direction of Mrs. Helen Scott.

The books are now from Thorncliffe Branch.

HOURS	Fridays	1:30 - 3:30 pm
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STATISTICS

S. WALTER STEWART LIBRARY	<u>1 9 7 0</u>	<u>1 9 7 1</u>
Book circulation	312,406	305,381
Records circulation	3,820	5,004
Film circulation 16 mm	2,103	2,232
8 mm	-	890
Interloan	-	1,770
Number of hours open per week	65½	65½
Total number of hours open	3,274½	3,287½
Average circulation per hour	95.4	95.9

LEASIDE LIBRARY

	<u>1 9 7 0</u>	<u>1 9 7 1</u>
Book circulation	197,615	206,814
Records circulation	4,441	4,175
Interloan	-	959
Number of hours open per week	65½	65½
Total number of hours open	3,274	3,264½
Average circulation per hour	60.3	64.9

THORNCLIFFE BRANCH LIBRARY

Book circulation	82,997	124,731
Records circulation	1,265	3,186
Interloan	-	875
Number of hours open per week	54	54
Total number of hours open	1,973	2,727
Average circulation per hour	42.1	47.2

WOODBINE GARDENS BRANCH

Book circulation	47,522	55,491
Interloan	-	348
Number of hours open per week	34	34.0
Total number of hours open	1,712½	1,707½
Average circulation per hour	27.8	32.7

TODMORDEN BRANCH

Book circulation	23,997	34,692
Number of hours open per week	20	20
Total number of hours open	1,028	1,064
Average circulation per hour	23.3	32.6

CENTRAL PARK LODGE

Book circulation	1,399	1,352
Number of hours open per week	2	2
Total number of hours open	84	96
Average circulation per hour	16.7	14.

EAST YORK ACRES	<u>1 9 7 0</u>	<u>1 9 7 1</u>
Book Circulation	3,834	3,825
Number of hours open per week	2	2
Total number of hours open	90	92
Average circulation per hour	42.6	41.6
TOTAL BOOK CIRCULATION	669,770	732,286
TOTAL INTERLOAN	-	3,952
TOTAL RECORDS CIRCULATION	9,526	12,365

S T O C K

S. WALTER STEWART LIBRARY	<u>1 9 7 0</u>	<u>1 9 7 1</u>
BOOKS		
Adult	63,134	67,502
Juvenile	26,414	27,274
RECORDS	2,338	2,752
LEASIDE LIBRARY		
BOOKS		
Adult	26,775	28,654
Juvenile	13,714	13,825
RECORDS	1,637	1,806
THORNCLIFFE BRANCH		
BOOKS		
Adult	7,021	11,645
Juvenile	4,161	5,144
RECORDS	224	393
WOODBINE GARDENS BRANCH		
BOOKS		
Adult	7,186	9,735
Juvenile	5,771	6,120
EAST YORK PUBLIC LIBRARY SYSTEM		
Total holdings of books	154,176	169,899
Total holdings of records	4,199	4,951

LIBRARY WEEK, OCTOBER 12 - 16

Mayor Davidson declared the week of October 12th - 16th as Library Week in order to celebrate the 21st anniversary of library services in East York.

Amnesty from fines was in effect for the entire week. Newspapers, especially the East End Express, gave excellent coverage of our programmes. A literary contest was announced for children attending East York schools. The judging was done by Miss Dorothy Tock and Miss Josephine Phelan. Prizes were awarded to the winners at Open House of each of the libraries.

The Open House at S. Walter Stewart Library included as guests local authors, with a display of their books; residents who had helped develop the library throughout the years; librarians from other libraries, etc. Bookmarks listing the events of Library Week were given to each borrower during the three preceding weeks. Mayor Davidson accepted a donation of books for the library (valued at \$150.00) given by the Boy Scouts of the 160th Group in East York. Mrs. Vera Morgan, Vice-Chairman of the Library Board, acted as Master of Ceremonies and presented books to the winners of the literary contest. Mr. Frank Comper, Chairman of the Library Board, acted as Master of Ceremonies and presented prizes at the Leaside Library Open House and Thorncliffe Branch Open House. Mr. Denis Brough was Master of Ceremonies and presented the prize at Woodbine Gardens Branch Open House.

The Canadian Broadcasting Corporation film - "A History of the Hudson Bay Company" narrated by Chief Dan Curgi, was shown at Leaside, Thorncliffe and Woodbine Gardens Libraries.

For the children, there were programmes every afternoon. Each branch had two puppet shows and a special programme of children's films, a craft class and a demonstration on the care of domestic pets. All these programmes were well attended and thoroughly enjoyed by the children.

RECOMMENDATIONS

- A. The S. Walter Stewart Library, as the Main Library in the East York Public Library System, continues to offer full library services to the community and to look after technical services, purchasing, teletype, overdue, publicity and many other requirements of the branches.

Unfortunately, the present building does not have sufficient work area as it was not designed to fulfill these functions. With the rapid growth of the East York Public Library System it is becoming imperative that the situation be rectified.

Besides the work area, the public also needs:

Study areas
Carrels for listening to records
More widely separated shelving
Special display cases

It is recommended that the extension of the S. Walter Stewart Building be given top priority during 1972.


- B. During 1972, a more intensive Public Relations Programme should be initiated in East York so as to reach tenants in the new high-rise apartment buildings and other newcomers to the area.

In order that such a programme be carried out effectively it is suggested that an experienced Public Relations person be employed. As well as dealing with the publicity for the library, this person would also be responsible for channelling community information into the library system.

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My sincere thanks to the East York Public Library
Board members for their guidance and keen interest.
Their considerable effort has helped to support the
library in its endeavours to serve the community of
East York.

Respectfully submitted,


Bohus Derer
Chief Librarian

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