



North York Public Library

ANNUAL REPORT

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CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

1978 and 1979 have been years of continuing growth in the North York Public Library. One new branch was opened during this period, a storefront community branch in the Flemingdon Park Shopping Centre. Opened in April, 1978, and enthusiastically received by area residents, this branch will be replaced upon completion of the multimillion dollar Flemingdon Resource Centre. Sod-turning for this facility took place in the Fall of 1979, and library staff have been heavily involved in on-going planning activities.

Another Community Centre which will include a small branch library is in the planning stages for Avenue Road and Wilson Avenue, with construction anticipated for 1981. This should alleviate service needs of long-standing concern to both the library board and area residents.

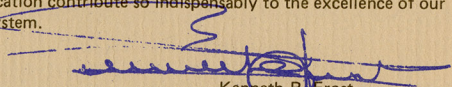
The future of the Central Branch in Willowdale continues to be a focus of planning both in terms of rehabilitating or replacing the existing building, and of restructuring the materials collection and services. North York Board of Control and Council have continued their practice of active library support by incorporating the recognized Central Branch needs into city development plans for the City Centre area.

Planning for automation of circulation control began early in 1978 in cooperation with the other public libraries in Metropolitan Toronto. This should result in the coordinated implementation of compatible automated systems in the various libraries, thereby providing enhanced Metro-wide user services.

A major reorganization of senior library staff was effected in 1978 with the abolishing of divisions and the regrouping of area and associated community branches. This has resulted in cost economies, increased organizational effectiveness, and more active participation in planning and management by operational staff.

Two members of our library board and senior administration were elected in 1979 to executive positions in the Ontario Library Association. Jean Orpwood, Deputy Chief Librarian will serve as Vice-President/President-elect, and I will have the pleasure of serving as President.

My continuing thanks go to staff at all levels whose skill, diligence and dedication contribute so indispensably to the excellence of our library system.



Kenneth R. Frost
Chairman

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Branches and Services:

Administrative Offices

35 Fairview Mall Dr., Willowdale
M2J 4S4

Amesbury Park Community Branch

1565 Lawrence Ave. W., Toronto
M6L 1A8

Audio-Visual Services

35 Fairview Mall Dr., Willowdale
M2J 4S4

Bathurst Heights Area Branch

3170 Bathurst St., Toronto
M6A 2A9

Bayview Community Branch

2901 Bayview Ave., Willowdale
M2K 1E6

Black Creek Community Branch

2141 Jane St., Downsview
M3M 1A2

Brookbanks Community Branch

210 Brookbanks Dr., Don Mills
M3A 2T8

Canadiana Collection

35 Fairview Mall Dr., Willowdale
M2J 4S4

Centennial Community Branch

578 Finch Ave. W., Willowdale
M2R 1N7

Central Area Branch

5126 Yonge St., Willowdale
M2N 5N9

Don Mills Area Branch

888 Lawrence Ave. E., Don Mills
M3C 1P6

Downsview Area Branch

2793 Keele St., Downsview
M3M 2G3

Fairview Area Branch

35 Fairview Mall Dr., Willowdale
M2J 4S4

Flemingdon Park Community Branch

747 Don Mills Rd., Don Mills
M3C 1T2

Hillcrest Community Branch

5801 Leslie St., Willowdale
M2H 1J8

Humber Summit Community Branch

2990 Islington Ave., Weston
M9L 2K9

Mobile Outreach Services

2793 Keele St., Downsview
M3M 2G3

Pleasant View Community Branch

575 Van Horne Ave., Willowdale
M2J 4S8

Sheppard Centre Community Branch

4841 Yonge St., Willowdale
M2N 5X2

Sunnybrook Hospital

2075 Bayview Ave., Toronto
M4N 3M5

Technical Services Building

120 Martin Ross Ave., Downsview
M3J 2L4

Victoria Village Community Branch

184 Sloane Ave., Toronto
M4A 2C4

Woodview Park Community Branch

16 - 18 Bradstock Rd., Weston
M9M 1M8

Yorkdale Community Branch

Yorkdale Shopping Centre, Toronto
M6A 2T9

York Woods Area Branch

1785 Finch Ave. W., Downsview
M3N 1M6



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