

2017 Annual Report



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The mission of the Glenwood & Souris Regional Library is to provide materials and services to help community residents of all ages meet their educational, cultural, and recreational needs. The library seeks to encourage reading and the use of current technology for life-long learning and enrichment of a citizen's quality of life.

LIBRARY BOARD
Municipality of Sours-Glenwood

Mark Gillis (Council Rep.) **Chairperson**
Gayle O'Greysik
Gloria Turner **Secretary**
Mae Hart
Robin Enns

STAFF & VOLUNTEERS

Connie Bradshaw – Head Librarian
Debra Wright – Assistant Librarian
Mark Cranwell – Assistant Librarian
& Computer Tech
Judy Suttie – Casual Librarian
Elsie Kurtenback – Caretaker
Rae Laval - Volunteer
Terrie Stelmack – Volunteer



Chairperson's Report

2017 was another busy year at the Glenwood and Souris Regional Library. Over the past year our staff and volunteers have made every effort to serve the community with a high level of customer service. Those staff members that should be recognized for their efforts are Connie Bradshaw, Debra Wright, Mark Cranwell, Elsie Kurtenbach, Judy Suttie and Noelle Adams. Board members are also an important part of ensuring library service is a part of our community. Your board members for 2017 were Gayle O'Greysik, Mae Hart, Gloria Turner, Robin Enns, and Mark Gillis. I would like to thank those staff, volunteers, and board members for the work they do in providing a positive library experience to our community.

This past year the library offered monthly art displays thanks to the Art Club. Once again the library offered a summer reading program which was well utilized. Another popular service offered at the library is the Drop-in Computer Access and help. This program is designed to give community members access and education in this area.

As is the case every year the library could not exist without the following funding partners:

Province of Manitoba

Municipality of Souris Glenwood

These partners make our library possible.

2018 has arrived and I am sure it will be another successful year. We look forward 2018 and all the opportunities it will offer.

Mark Gillis



Librarian's Report

On October 18, 1957 a by-law to establish a library was carried with a majority of votes in the Town of Souris and the Municipality of Glenwood. Although the library did not officially open its doors until May 1958, this year (2017) marks sixty years since our library became the first regional library established in Manitoba.

Prior to the inception of this library, volunteers from the Plum Creek chapter of I.O.D.E. operated a book-lending room for 34 years; thus, a library has been operating in our community for over 94 years!

Libraries have changed a great deal over these last 94 years, especially within the last few decades. Technological advancements have significantly changed the way we access, share, and consume information.

Our patrons who visit the library expect us to offer the services that we have provided since the beginning. Technology has created new reading habits for others; they are able to access our digital items from anywhere. We have evolved by changing our physical spaces to allow for both the physical and the virtual.

Thanks to our supportive Library Board and dedicated staff, Glenwood & Souris Regional Library will remain a vital community place by constantly adapting to the changing needs of the population we serve.

Connie Bradshaw

Highlights

St. Patrick's Day

We love to read about our Irish roots!



Canada Reads

The great Canadian debate!



Gardening



Gardening books are always popular in the spring.

Travelling Art Show



May 2017



Summer Days at the Library



Canada celebrates 150 years!



Computer Drop-In Evenings

Every Tuesday evening from 7 – 9 pm!



Banned or Challenged Books

October 2017



Halloween



Our own library cat!

Volunteer - Rae Laval



Christmas

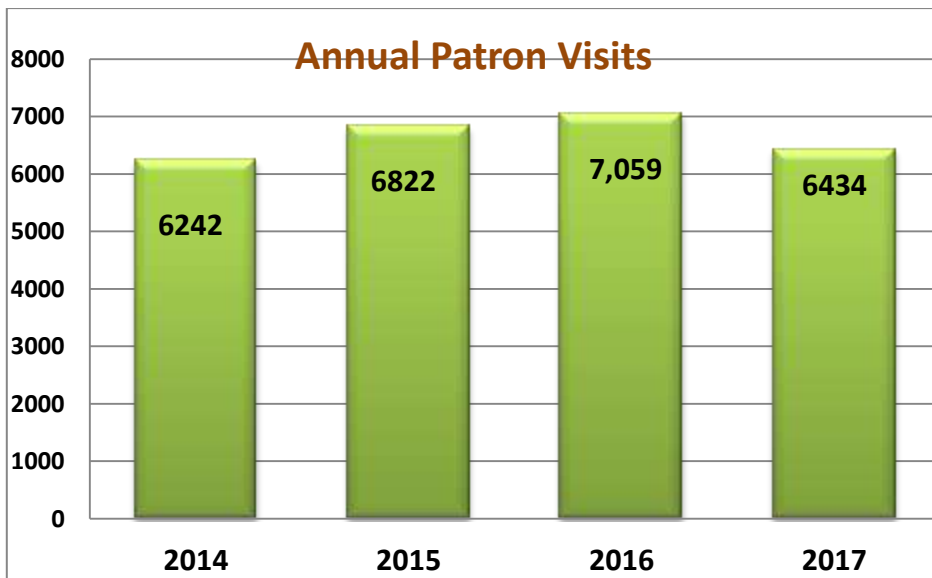


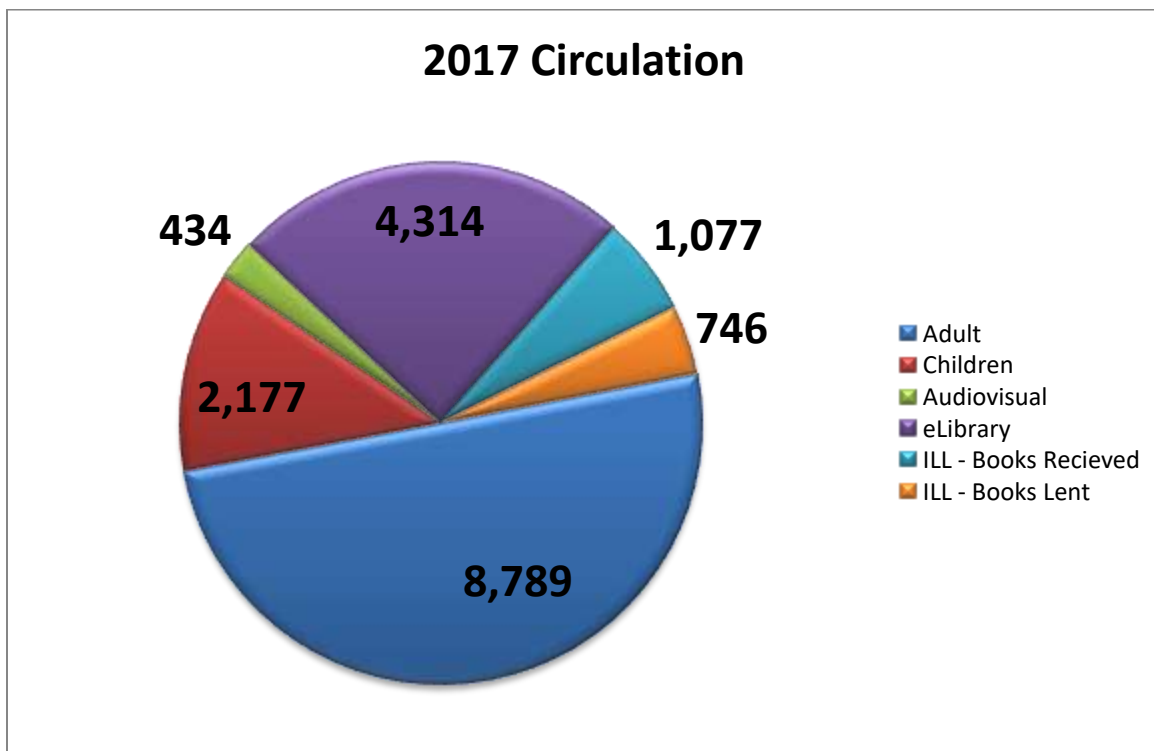
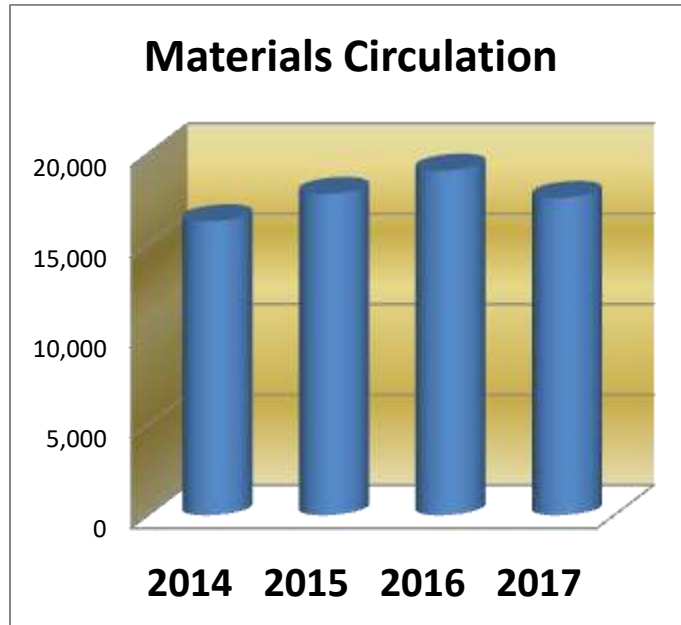
We love our volunteers!



Terrie Stelmack and her son Joel cover our new books before they are put on the shelf!

Statistics







GLENWOOD & SOURIS REGIONAL LIBRARY
STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS
For the year ended December 31, 2017

	2017 Budget (Note 10)	2017 Actual	2016 Actual
REVENUE			
Grants - Municipality of Souris-Glenwood	\$ 32,157	\$ 30,000	\$ 30,000
- Province of Manitoba	26,232	28,355	28,388
- Government of Canada		2,640	
- Rural Library Cooperative Technology			7,434
- Other			500
Donor's Choice	5,776	2,353	1,776
Donations	200	523	328
Membership fees	500	519	435
Printing/copying	500	480	531
Interest	250	374	382
Miscellaneous	100	120	
	65,715	65,364	69,774
EXPENSES			
Books and subscriptions	9,815	8,738	10,553
Cooperative Tech Project			6,000
Furnishings	4,000		
Insurance	1,635	1,673	1,623
Miscellaneous	300	133	217
Office	2,385	2,237	2,490
Postage	675	746	671
Professional development	600	44	601
Professional fees	2,155	2,465	2,167
Rent	9,000	9,000	9,000
Repairs and maintenance	1,000	937	1,175
Salaries and benefits	32,991	32,881	32,158
Supplies	1,100	1,101	1,056
Technology upgrade	700	723	1,570
Telephone	675	532	621
	67,031	61,210	69,902
ANNUAL SURPLUS (DEFICIT)	\$ (1,316)	4,154	(128)
ACCUMULATED SURPLUS, BEGINNING OF YEAR		39,912	40,040
ACCUMULATED SURPLUS, END OF YEAR		\$ 44,066	\$ 39,912

