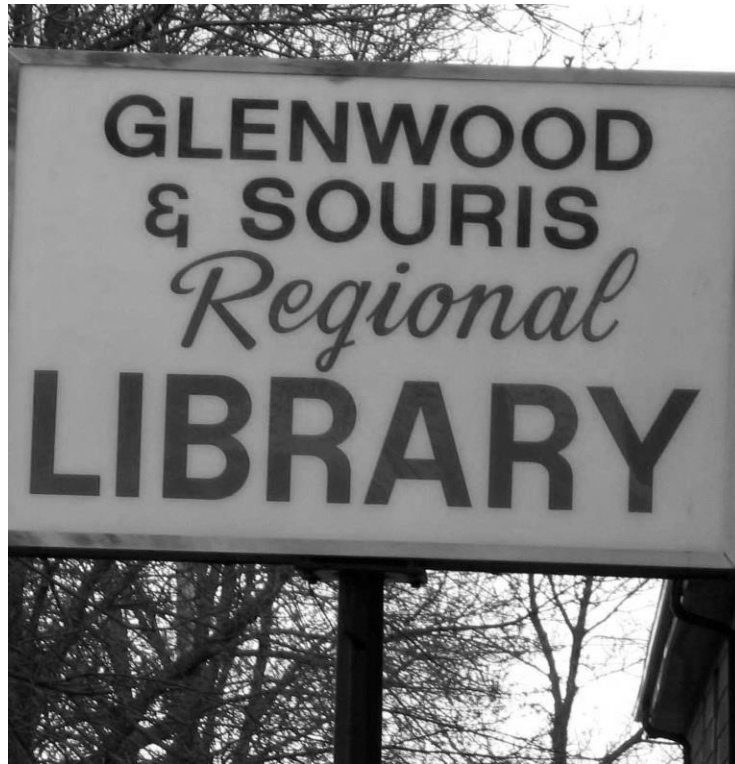


2020 Annual Report



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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

Mae Hart Chairperson
Florence Phillips Vice-Chairperson
Robin Enns
Gayle O'Greysik
Todd Walker (Council Rep.)

Chairperson's Report



The Glenwood and Souris Regional Library experienced a difficult year due to Coronavirus (COVID-19). It was a challenge to provide service due to closures and restrictions during parts of the year.

Staff members Connie Bradshaw and Debra Wright continued to do what they could with deliveries and phone contacts.

Usual visual displays were not possible during this time.

When the library was open, the Computer Drop-In access and help continued to be available. The copying service was much appreciated.

Major funding continued from the Province of Manitoba, the Municipality of Souris-Glenwood, and Donor's Choice.

Preparations are being planned toward a major overhaul, fresh paint, flooring, etc. This is possible through the rental agreement with Manitoba Housing, our own saved funds, and some generous donations.

We look forward to the new look in 2021 and the continued work of the excellent staff.

Mae Hart



2020 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

Librarian's Report

It was business as usual when the year began with great plans for our future. Then in March our library, along with most of the country, was ordered to close due to the COVID-19 pandemic. We used our mission statement as a guide to work through the challenges of these unprecedented times. We continued to provide materials and services to help community residents of all ages meet their educational, cultural, and recreational needs.

We quickly altered our services to comply with health restrictions and still be able to serve our community. We invited patrons to check-out an unlimited number of books just before the doors had to close in March, and we immediately began to offer home deliveries in a safe manner. It was not until the middle of June that we were finally able to invite patrons back inside the library; although, with reduced hours, limited occupancy with social distancing, and rigid

cleaning protocols. **To have in-person library visits again was truly a day to celebrate!** As cases of COVID-19 began to rise in November, the Province of Manitoba moved to the Critical level, and we were once again forced to close our doors. We immediately launched our curbside pick-up and resumed our delivery services.

This pandemic has been a great opportunity to reflect on our present role and consider new ways to continue being a vital hub of our community. During this pandemic, we did not have the resources to offer or promote virtual programming and connections; thus, we need to focus on this valuable means of service as we move forward.

Although 2020 is gone, the pandemic remains, and our doors are still closed in January. For now, we will continue to adapt and shift our services in response to present needs. As we move through 2021, we will use our new insights and experiences to initiate valuable new ways to better serve our patrons in the years to come.

Connie Bradshaw

2020 At the Library

Souris Art Club February



We love to display the talents of our local artists.

Paint me Paint Me a Story

The library joined with Fun Time Pottery to offer a Valentine's Day story and paint program for preschool and school age children.



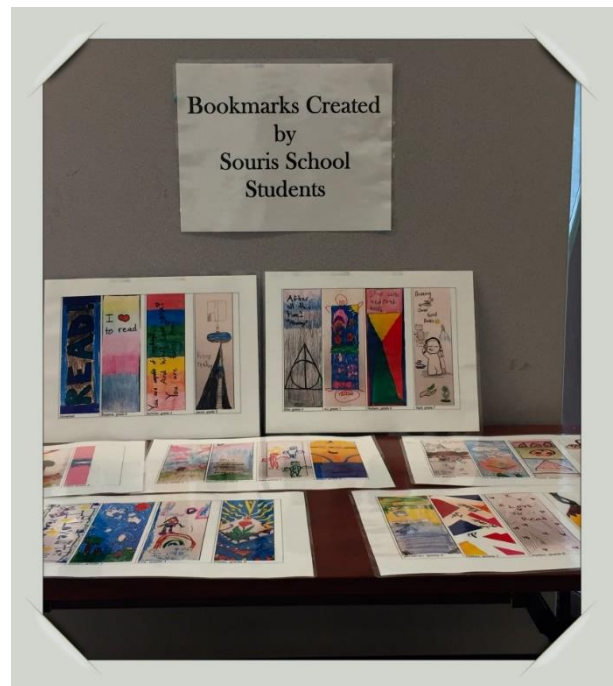
February – I Love to Read Month

The Glenwood & Souris Regional Library celebrated the month with the Souris School by co-hosting a Bookmark Art Contest.



Connie Bradshaw with
School Librarian Andreia
Gordon.

Our patrons were amazed
at the talent shown in the
students' bookmarks!



Happenings During COVID-19



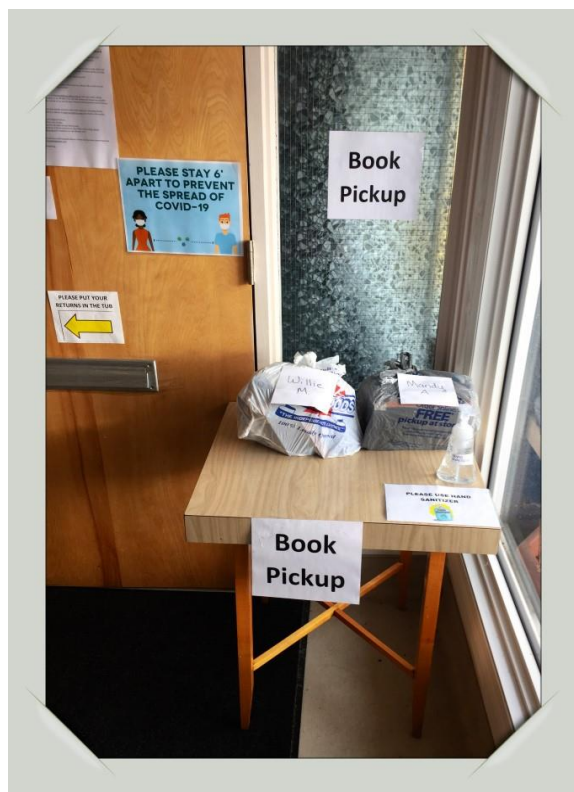
The library participated in the teddy bear hunt aimed at spreading cheer during the pandemic



Library board meetings looked a little different during the pandemic.



We were finally allowed in-person visits to the library in June. We adapted ourselves to the new health protocols.



When we were forced to close again in November, we immediately set up an indoor pickup area.

No organization stands alone when serving the community.

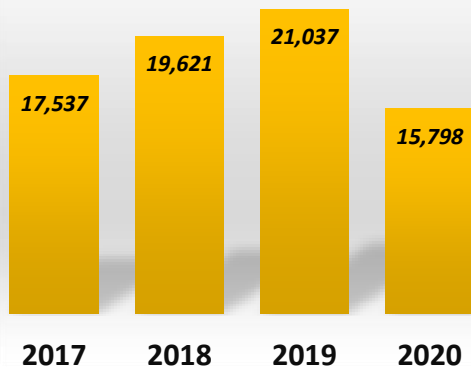


The Souris Glenwood Foundation awarded us a \$1200 grant from the Emergency Community Support Fund to assist us with the costs of maintaining library services during a pandemic.

Patron Visits



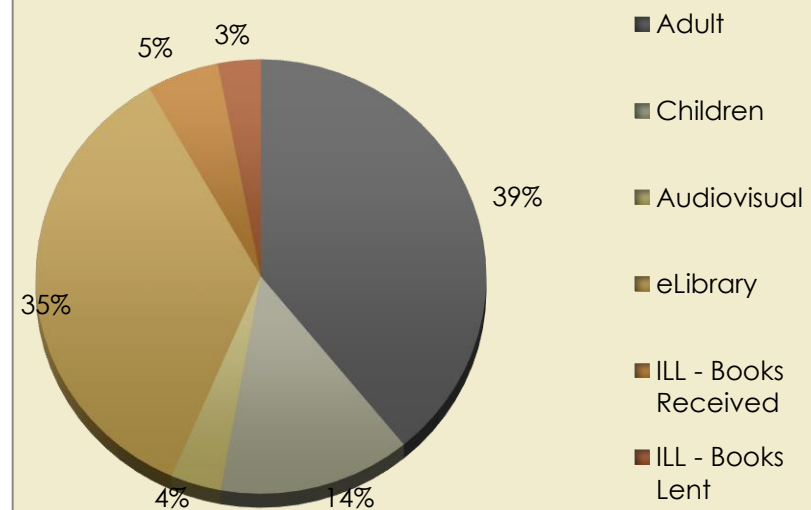
Yearly Circulation of Items



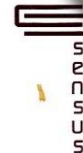
Statistics



2020 Circulation



2020 Financial Statement



GLENWOOD & SOURIS REGIONAL LIBRARY STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS For the year ended December 31, 2020

	2020 Budget Unaudited (Note 9)	2020 Actual	2019 Actual
REVENUE			
Grants - Municipality of Souris-Glenwood	\$ 30,000	\$ 35,000	\$ 30,000
- Province of Manitoba - Operating	29,327	29,329	29,333
- Province of Manitoba - Manitoba Bridge Grant (Note 13)		5,000	
- Souris Glenwood Foundation	750	1,200	400
Donor's Choice	2,307	2,030	3,457
Membership fees	700	714	901
Interest	400	332	650
Printing/copying	500	192	496
Donations	200	169	217
Miscellaneous	110	110	
	64,294	74,076	65,454
EXPENSES			
Books and subscriptions	10,465	9,615	12,099
Insurance	1,711	2,005	1,675
Miscellaneous	300	443	253
Office	1,560	2,334	2,807
Postage	600	415	580
Professional development	600		
Professional fees	2,648	2,648	2,788
Rent	9,000	9,000	9,000
Repairs and maintenance	2,260	788	1,288
Salaries and benefits	37,045	35,251	35,112
Signage	750		
Supplies	1,100	1,057	1,249
Technology upgrade	700	483	485
Telephone	600	586	588
	69,339	64,625	67,924
ANNUAL SURPLUS (DEFICIT)	\$ (5,045)	9,451	(2,470)
ACCUMULATED SURPLUS, BEGINNING OF YEAR		42,655	45,125
ACCUMULATED SURPLUS, END OF YEAR		\$ 52,106	\$ 42,655

