

Assiniboia Avonlea Bethune Briercrest Coronach Craik Davidson Elbow Holdfast Imperial Loreburn



Palliser
Regional Library

2017 ANNUAL REPORT



“Read- In” Supporters, April 7, 2017

Moose Jaw Mortlach Mossbank Riverhurst Rockglen Rouleau Tugaska Willow Bunch Wood Mountain

A Sampling of Branch Activates in 2017

Year Long Activities:	Adult Book Clubs @ most branches
	Pre-school and Story Hour @ Most Branches
	Kids Club, After School Craft and Story Time available at most branches
	Itsy Rhythm & Reading/Baby Lap Time/Moms & Toddlers @ Assiniboia
	Class Tours in Assiniboia, Avonlea, Imperial, Loreburn, Holdfast, Mossbank
	Library Theatre @ Avonlea, Craik, Mossbank, Willow Bunch
	Adult Social Afternoons and Craft Workshops @ many branches
	Assorted Author Readings: Heather Hobbs, Pamela Mytroen, Anne Lazaruko, Marie Powell, Alison Lohans, Thelma Poirier
STEM	LEGO, Snap Circuits, Little Bits and Playdough workshops available throughout the year
	Craft Club for Adults in Bethune, Rouleau, Willow Bunch
	Knitting / Community Craft Circles at most branches
	Special Events
Jan 21	Family Literacy Day – Assiniboia, Imperial
Jan-Apr, Dec	Adult English Classes 2 times per week offered in Mossbank to new immigrants
Feb 18	Attrell Beginner Photography classes at Mossbank
February	Aboriginal Storytelling Month at 9 branches. Storytellers: Carol Daniels, Chad Solomon of Rabbit and Bear Paws
March	Learn to read music in Tugaske
Feb 15, 22	One Book – One Province Read-In -The Education of Augie Merasty @ Assiniboia
Feb 28	Gambling Awareness Program with Holdfast School
Mar 3	Mad Hatter Tea Party in Avonlea
Mar 13	Superhero Training @ Davidson
Mar 26, Aug 23	Succulent Terrarium Classes @ Mossbank
Apr - Sep	Frequent Reader program at Loreburn
APRIL 7	DROP EVERYTHING and READ protest in Moose Jaw, Assiniboia
Jul 14, Oct 21, Nov 22	Paint night in Tugaske
May 12	Palliser Annual General Meeting – due to budget cuts, no Branch of the Year
May- June	Hunter Safety Class @ Imperial
June 8	Intro to Blogging @ Imperial
July 25	Sask Science Centre visited Riverhurst
June – August	Celebrating Canada – 2017 TD Summer Reading Club
July - August	Moose Jaw Public Library participates in Sidewalk Days & MJ Famer’s Market
July 13, 20	Summer Slide Help @ Loreburn
Aug 16	Brickz4Kids @ Mossbank
July - August	Lee and Sandy Paley perform at branches for the TD Summer Reading Club
July - August	Magician Danny Kazam performs at branches for the TD Summer Reading Club
July 26	Gabriel Chudleigh’s “Joy of Color” book launch at Assiniboia
August	Pre-Literacy Day Camp in Craik
August	Junior internship @ Wood Mountain – kids 8-13 learn how the library runs
Sept 19	Talk Like a Pirate day in Avonlea
Sept 30	Booth @ Assiniboia’s Ethnic Jubilee
Sept 13, 16	Live History with Youth, Adult at Craik and Mossbank
Sept - December	Halloween and Christmas crafts, parties and auctions aplenty
November	Armchair Traveler returns to Imperial
December	Flower Arranging in Craik

For Your Information General System Statistics for 2017

SERVICES PROVIDED

- 19,933.75** Total number of hours that branches were open to serve the public
21,107 Books, CDs, DVDs & audio books added.
12,919 SILS Active Patrons (used card in last 3 years)
16,404 people attended **1,329** rural library programs
6,062 people attended **438** programs at MJPL
1,767 total programs were attended by **22,466** across Palliser
1,760 Volunteer hours to prepare/deliver programs

Circulation

- 363,375 Books & DVD's circ'd & renewed at the local branch
 124,169 Items were checked out or renewed by Out of Region (OOR) patrons
 37,647 Overdrive E-books were borrowed by Palliser patrons
 7,600 Hoopla, e-books, e-audio and Comic books borrowed
 1,988 Online dbase searches - 639 sessions *
 43,646 Press Reader issues read by Palliser patrons
 220,559 articles in 27,179 online sessions
 2,910 Book club books checked out
 1,080 Zinio magazines downloaded

582,415 Total Circulation of our materials

191,649 Items circulated @ 19 rural branches

- 79,324 Holds sent Out of Region (OOR)
 46,409 Palliser holds filled by other regions
 19,038 Holds requested by us and filled by Palliser branches
 17,032 Borrowed at a local branch by OOR patrons
 12,704 Borrowed OOR by visiting Palliser patrons
 2,081 Hoopla Streaming sessions rurally
 5,522 Hoopla streaming sessions Moose Jaw
 412 MJ Mango lang. courses (4,119 minutes)
 3,792 Lynda Online Courses taken via MJPL

Library-2-Go – Provincial Statistics:

- 678,531 - E-book circulation is up 1.41%.
 25,390 - # of patrons province-wide is up by 18.92%.

Inter-Provincial Library Loans:

- 5,188 Interlibrary Loans borrowed (by province)
 2,743 Books lent to out-of-Province libraries
 152 Interlibrary loans borrowed by Palliser

Miscellaneous Statistics

- 187.25 Extra hours of rural branch programming time provided by the Joan Heaton Estate
 293 Book club kits were circulated
 25,313 Patrons used public internet stations.
 29,122 Reference + General Info questions answered
 9,781 Magazines checked out of branch
 1,858 New registered users

ACTIVE USER STATISTICS

	2017	2016	2015
Adults	9,919	9,787	9,992
Young Adults	898	973	975
Child	1,769	1,985	2,302
Senior	2,148	2,240	1,453
Total	14,734	15,305	15,321
% of Population	26.61%	28.25%	28.25%

Note: based on card renewal since January 1 2015 (3 years).
 Reflects new census.

GENERAL COLLECTION STATISTICS

COLLECTION SIZE	2017	2016	2015
Adult	152,233	159,453	160,889
Young Adult	19,314	18,144	20,415
Juvenile	84,070	78,673	88,106
Large Print	11,022	10,368	9,814
Audio & Talking Books	5,389	5,507	5,590
DVD and VHS	23,656	21,412	21,525
CD's (Music)	5,534	4,686	4,957
Miscellaneous	2,123	642	517
Magazines	11,954	13,238	9,838
Video games	1,074	538	388
Book Club Kits @ 10 each	2,430	2,210	2,340
Total	318,799	314,871	322,322

PROCESSED AT HQ	2017	2016	2015
Books Fully Processed	10,966	12,081	12,776
DVDs	2,663	2,262	2,566
Compact Discs	942	949	985
Other	8	61	N/A
Total	14,579	15,353	16,327
OTHER			
Items Repaired	66	10	65
Items Withdrawn	21,363	26,376	5,068
Items Lost in 2017	4,344	3,757	
All Items Missing in 2017	475		

* 2017 online database statistics for Ancestry.ca, TumbleBooks, Consumers Online, and the Auto Repair and Large Equipment repair manuals online were not available at the time of printing

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE ACTIVITIES



The 2017 Palliser Regional Library Executive Committee

Janice Lamb, Moose Jaw, Chair
Gayle Jones, Moose Jaw
Rae Trites, Moose Jaw
Matthew Zantingh, Moose Jaw
Patty Perry, Moose Jaw

Jim Achtymichuk, Coronach, Vice Chair
Al Birchard, RM Excel
Lionel Moffat – Wood Mountain
Linda O'Connell - Marquis
Jan Smith, Director

Board Members – January – May 2017

Janice Cavan - Mortlach
Mayor Deb Higgins – Moose Jaw

2017 ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING – May 12th 2017

Nineteen designated representatives and seven staff/observers attended the meeting. Wanda Parker, Accountant, presented the Auditor's Statement as prepared by Stark-Marsh of Swift Current and talked about the economic highlights of 2016. The audited statement was accepted as presented.

Elections were held and we have 1 new rural representative – **Al Birchard** – RM of Excel and 2 returning rural representatives: **Linda O'Connell** (Marquis) and **Jim Achtymichuk** (Coronach). Five City Representatives were appointed/re-appointed – **Janice Lamb, Matthew Zantingh, Rae Trites, Gayle Jones** and **Patty Perry**. **Janice Lamb**, of Moose Jaw was elected **Chair** (one year term).

Originally scheduled for April 29th, the meeting date was moved to May 12th so that we could have a better handle on the implications to Palliser arising from the Provincial budget cuts of March 22nd. The Provincial Budget cut 58% from the grant that supports headquarters. Palliser participated in the "Save Our Libraries" Campaign to restore library funding.

We were pleased to announce that, thanks to massive public support, the government acknowledged its mistake and restored all library funding for one year pending an administrative audit. We received a formal apology from both the Premier and Party Whip Greg Lawrence, admitting to the government's mistake. As the administrative audit progresses, we will continue to keep all parties informed and request their help and support.

So, the fight goes on. The inter-branch courier operations were restored as of May 1st to coincide with the reactivation the SILS holds network. Borrowing from the online service of HOOPLA was also restored on that date. All other e-resources which would have been lost to the rural branches have been funded for 2017 (Press Display, Ancestry, TumbleBooks....)

Due to budget constraints, no Branch of the Year was awarded. Thanks to the budget reversal announcement, we had a low-key celebration as we opened discussions on what we needed to do to inform the organizational audit.

2016 AUDITED STATEMENT

The 2016 statement showed no measurable gains or losses for the library.

Palliser-Held Reserves: Between interest, and other income (Moose Jaw Kennel Club, Wild Cards), and monies set aside for the staff computer replacements (Evergreen – mandated by the government) and the

software replacement reserve for Public Access Computers, we saw a \$14,121 increase to the reserves. In 2016, we drew down \$13,997 from the Evergreen Reserve to replace staff computers

\$302,363 (10% of our total collection value) was amortized this year. The result shows an increase of \$76,885 to library materials. In reality, we spent \$346,285 on 21,107 new library materials, online databases and e-books. Rural branches purchased another \$30,000 in materials through local funds and the permanent materials grant.

FALL REGIONAL BOARD MEETING - November 3rd, 2017

The Palliser Fall Regional Meeting was held in the South Meeting Room of Moose Jaw Public Library on **November 3rd**. Twenty designated representatives and eight staff/observers attended the meeting. We were pleased to welcome Assistant Deputy Minister – Education, Clint Repski and Provincial Librarian Alison Hopkins, to our meeting.

The Rural Library Levy for 2018			2018	2018	2017
	Proposed	2018	PAC	Total to be	Total
	2018	SILS Levy	Public Access	billed	billed
Rural Base Levy	\$13.33	0.375	0.17	\$13.88	\$ 13.88
Towns with Library Levy rate	\$20.00	0.375	0.17	\$20.54	\$ 20.63
Assiniboia	\$26.66	0.375	0.17	\$27.21	\$ 27.80



Overall, in 2017, Palliser has lost at least \$14,250 (2.5%) this budget year due to the March 22nd Provincial Budget. We lost \$4,699 from the provincial grant in spite of an expanding population, another \$3,450 in PST for SILS, \$3,700 PST on meals, insurances and previously non PSTable items, plus \$2,400 from the bulk fuel discount. We are haemoraging badly.

Next Meetings:



Spring AGM – Friday April 27, 2018 – Moose Jaw Public Library

Fall Regional – Friday November 2, 2018 – Moose Jaw Public Library

The Eight-Year Honour Roll

We would like to recognize and congratulate the following people and thank them for serving their communities so diligently over the last 8 years as local board members:



<u>Name</u>	<u>Community</u>
Linda Cavan	Village of Mortlach
Heather Norrish	Village of Strongfield
Rose Rode	RM #224 Maple Bush
Lynn Wellings	Village of Tugaske

Branch Workshops and Training Opportunities

Big Talk for Small Libraries - Small Libraries Doing Big Things - Feb. 24, 2017 was a free virtual conference put on by Nebraska Library Commission and co-sponsored by the Association for Small and Rural Libraries. Branch Librarians were given the work time to watch it at home or in their own branch. The 12 sessions included “*Social Media for a Small Library*”, “*Cultivating an Active Learning Community at the Library*” to “*Adventures in Serving Populations of under 100*”. It was an excellent training opportunity and Palliser will be participating again in 2018.

The Spring Workshop was held on April 7th at MJPL and was attended by 28 people. The main topic of discussion was to be Maker Kits but it was changed to the Provincial Budget Cuts of March 22nd and how to address them. It also happened to coincide with the Read In and branch staff “read-in” at the 3 local MLA offices. A session was held on Facebook marketing as well as the maker kits where demonstrated.

The Fall Workshop was held on October 27th at MJPL and was attended by 21 people. Sessions included the pension plan, magazine check-in procedural review and a reconciliation blanket exercise with staff.

On December 1st Moose Jaw Public Library closed and they held their first day-long staff training workshop for Moose Jaw personnel.

TD Summer Reading Club 2017

Celebrating Canada



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This summer, to help celebrate Canada 150, kids were encouraged to escape their everyday, step outside their ordinary and voyage through the many facets of Canada through reading. All branches participated with 326 Boys and 371 girls participating in the rural branches and 462 participating at Moose Jaw. 204 programs were run across the region with 3,026 in attendance. All in all, it was a successful Canada 150 TD Summer Reading Club.

Aboriginal Services and Programming

In 2017, Palliser received **\$11,856** to help us enhance our First Nations services plus we received \$2,466.37 for Aboriginal Story Telling Month. Palliser spent \$13,305.69. Moose Jaw received an additional \$4,679.18 to host the Aboriginal Story Telling Month launch. Palliser used our money for:

- Salary
- Materials (books, online databases, DVD's)
- Supporting the WACA Round Dance
- Aboriginal Storytelling Month
- Special funding received by Moose Jaw to host the launch of Saskatchewan Aboriginal Storytelling Month
- Aboriginal programming

SASKATCHEWAN ABORIGINAL STORYTELLING 2017



For Aboriginal people, storytelling is both a gift, and a very old custom, sanctioned by the people to teach, entertain, and remember.

Throughout February First Nations & Métis storytelling events are held in schools, libraries, and community

Aboriginal Storytelling Month

On February 2nd, Moose Jaw Public Library organized and hosted the launch for the 2017 Aboriginal Storytelling Month.

Chad Solomon opened up the world of The Adventures of Rabbit and Bear Paws to students and was very well received. This year he gave a session at 2 more branches: Riverhurst (11),) and Willow Bunch (12).

Carol Daniels gave sessions at 7 more branches: Assiniboia (55); Briercrest (14), Bethune (39), Coronach School (86), Holdfast School (80), Imperial School (58), and Rouleau Library (48).

In total, 403 patrons and Staff attended the 9 sessions and approximately 100 more attended the Moose Jaw launch.

Other Aboriginal Programs Sponsored

Wakamow Aboriginal Committee Association (WACA) Round Dance – February 5th at Prince Arthur School – Moose Jaw Public Library and Palliser Headquarters were co-sponsors and assisted with preparations.

On February 16th, Moose Jaw Public Library, in conjunction with WACA and host Jeff Cappo, presented a public a **Blanket Exercise**. It was well attended by the public.

Palliser offered staff training at the Fall workshop - **Blanket/ Reconciliation** exercise with Lori Deets and Claire Kreuger and 5 Grade 8 students from Palliser Heights School.

Centralized Inter-Provincial Library Loan - 2017

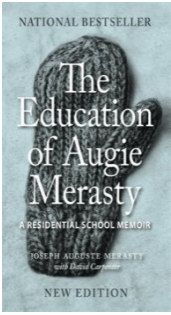
2017 was the full second year of the centralized, province-wide interlibrary loan program originating from the Palliser Headquarters. The service was renamed as a result of the confusion in the press which stated that interlibrary loans (see interagency library loans) had ceased for the month of April. This ground service to a virtual halt. Nonetheless, in 2017 we received 5,188 in-province requests and another 2,743 out-of-province requests to find materials. We managed to fill 5,495 for a fill rate of 77%. The titles cancelled were cancelled for a multitude of reasons but often it was because they were (a) non-existent, (b) an e-book (can't be loaned), (c) no longer carried by libraries, or (d) unavailable in Canada. The cost for mailing / borrowing of materials from out-of-province Canadian universities in 2017 exceeded \$20,000. Saskatchewan universities and Polytech campuses do not charge.

PROGRAMMING NEWS 2017

Palliser's new Children's card is available



The youth are very proud to carry and love our new cards. We will continue to work with every Gramma and the two school divisions to ensure that every child being home-school or entering school, has a Library card.



One Book/One Province Saskatchewan 2017

The Education Of Augie Merasty: A Residential School Memoir

Palliser participated in the Saskatchewan Library Association province-wide March Reading Project. Individual branches ran man programs and reading circles discussing the reconciliation and social themes of the book.



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Community Assessment Project

Telephone Surveys completed for 8 Branches !

Thanks to Matt Gibney, our fantastic summer student, he completed calls to over 150 people in Avonlea, Bethune, Briercrest, Craik, Tugaske, Davidson, Mossbank, and Rouleau. Questions asked included:

1. What makes this community a great place to live?
2. If you met someone who was new to town and they asked you what is there to do around here, what would you say? (What are the activities that are of the most interest to people in this community?)
3. If you could change one thing about this community what would it be?
4. What kind of Community do you want to live in and why is that important to you?)
5. What are some of the things that need to happen to create that kind of change?
6. Do you see yourself leaving in this community long term? Why? What would make you stay?

Statistics Canada is still releasing key statistics from the 2016 census. When completed we will send each branch and municipality a copy of what we found out. We have applied for further grants in 2018 to complete the study.

Working With Prairie South School Division # 210:

Palliser was asked to give a presentation to the school librarians at the September 18th professional development day. Arwen Rudolph of Headquarters plus Jessie Marchinko and Tina Dolcetti from Moose Jaw presented on topics as varied as weeding to dealing with challenged students/patrons. It was very well received.

Coronach Branch Move

The Coronach Branch library moved into new, albeit smaller, facilities in the same complex. Congratulations to the board and staff for the successful move and major collection weed.

Grants Received in 2016- 2018



Community Initiatives Fund - \$3,000
Provincial Library Grant - \$5000

Makerspaces

Palliser received a **Community Initiatives Fund Grant** plus some extra funding from Provincial

Library and Literacy Office to assist us with the purchase of “Maker” kits to assist with the development of science, technology, art, engineering and math literacies. We have purchased Lego kits, MakeDo kits, play dough kits, LittleBits and Snap Circuits kits that branches can borrow to run local programs.

Additional Funding of \$5000 was received from Provincial Library in the Fall of 2017 and will be shared between Moose Jaw and HQ will system-wide access to all kits.

MJPL Archivist Project



The Moose Jaw Public Library applied for and was successful in receiving a Young Canada Works- Heritage grant which afforded the hiring of an Archives Intern. Sean Astle joined the Library in 2017 in this role and was able to process a backlog of donated materials to the archive, offered recommendations for improving the way items are stored for better preservation and began the digitization of more photos and textual documents. The result is a well preserved, accessible collection of heritage items that celebrate the history of Moose Jaw and surrounding area.



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Student Summer Work Experience

Moose Jaw Public Library received \$7,648 in federal funding to help hire Katelyn Morgan and Tallissa Edwards to assist with the very successful summer reading program.

Palliser Headquarters received \$3,812 in federal funding to help hire summer student Matt Gibney as telephone surveyor for the Community Initiatives grant

Staff Changes - Notes from 2017

Appointments:

- **Arwen Rudolph** was appointed **Assistant Director**, Palliser Regional Library

Retirements:

- **Barb Silvester**, Library Technician II – **Moose Jaw**
- **Debbie Shearwood**, Assistant Branch Librarian - **Davidson**
- **Dee Colibaba** – Branch Librarian – **Rouleau**
- **Donna Miner** – Branch Librarian – **Riverhurst**

Rural Branches – It’s been another busy year!

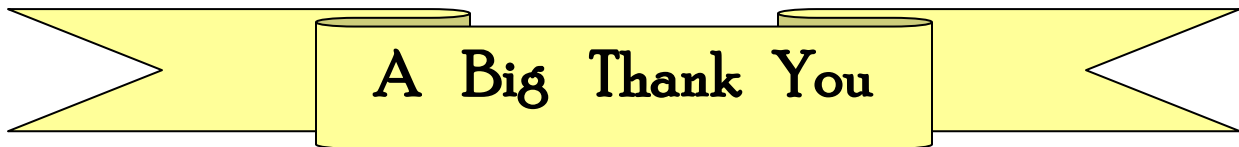
- **Briercrest: Krista Wallace** left and was replaced as Branch Librarian by **Christine Wood**
- **Davidson: Adrienne van der Veen** went on maternity leave and **Victoria Martin** stepped in as the Davidson librarian. **Debbie Shearwood** retired and **Heather Puckett** was hired as the new Assistant Branch Librarian.
- **Imperial: Denise Leduc** left to continue her studies and was replaced by **Marlene Gallagher**.
- **Mortlach: Karri Gottselig** left and **Anita Stettner** joined the team
- **Riverhurst: Donna Miner** retired and **Brittany Bennett** was hired as the new Branch Librarian.
- **Rouleau: Dee Colibaba** retired and **Marla Gellvear** took over.

Moose Jaw:

- The following Library Technician II's have moved on: **Ken Dalgarno**, and **Barb Sylvester**, retired.
- The following have joined MJPL in 2017: **Glenda Lambert** (formerly at HQ), **Christina Ritchie**
- **Sean Astle**, archivist, was hired for the Moose Jaw Archives Project.

Headquarter's

- **Glenda Lambert** moved to Moose Jaw Public Library due to restructuring.
- **Irene Zadnik** and **Rhea Sleaman** left due to restructuring caused by the budget difficulties.
- **Alla Axmad Djan** is now splitting her time between paging at Moose Jaw and Clerk 1 duties at HQ.



- ❖ To Rabbit Lake (pop 113) visionary **Christine Freethy and friends who** created and moderated the **Save Sask Libraries** Facebook page. It attracted 500 members within the first 8 hours, 1,500 in 24 hours, and over 7,000 within a month. **You were instrumental in making the repeal happen!**
- ❖ The **Vote Petition** – a joint venture of the Saskatchewan Library Association, concerned librarians, and trustees who created the petition which would require that a referendum be held on the question, “Should the Government of Saskatchewan maintain provincial funding for public libraries in Saskatchewan at least at 2016 levels, indexed for inflation?” The petition in two months secured over 22,000 signatures. The SLTA, by contrast, (Saskatchewan Library Trustees’ Association) was mostly silent on the issue.
- ❖ **DEAR (Drop Everything and Read)** protests was spear-headed by Leslie Richards, the wife of James Richards, Southeast Regional Library’s equivalent to our Rural Branch Supervisor. Over 5,000 participated across the province – the largest protest in recent memory. 3 MLA’s offices were picketed in Moose Jaw and well as David Marit’s office in Assiniboia. The day of the protest coincided with our branch workshop so all the staff was out to peacefully protest.
- ❖ **To All Palliser Staff - you helped save our library system!** We know the staff was busy and into many campaigns but we would like to acknowledge the following work: **Jordan Bosch** (MJPL) for the unscripted, on camera TV performance re how holds were filled. **Mel Frank** (HQ) talked with **Carol Off** on **As It Happens**. **Jan Smith** has never done so many briefing papers, TV and radio interviews. **Arwen Rudolph** (HQ) wrote a great letter to the Editor which was published in the **Moose Jaw Express** and **Tina Dolcetti’s** (MJPL) poignant letter to her MLA talking about working with disadvantaged children is a must read.
- ❖ **To all concerned citizens, patrons, library boards, towns, villages and RMs who heard our pleas** for help, provided us with information on the latest political shenanigans (e.g.: letters riddled with errors from the MLA’s to their constituents who were complaining) and who then took the information provided to them to the government and wrote letters to and argued on our behalf with their local MLA’s and government officials. **You made the repeal happen!**
- ❖ **To Gwen Fisher, Tina Dolcetti and Arwen Rudolph**, for their exhaustive work on Provincial and SILS committees, preparing manuals and getting the staff ready to undertake our various new adventures while enabling Palliser to help set the goals of, to function within and to contribute to the Provincial Library System.

- ❖ To the **Branch staff and their boards** for all the extras that you have put into making the library services in your community the best service possible.
- ❖ To the **staff of the Provincial Library** for the vital services provided.
- ❖ To **Rob Zylstra**, SILS Executive Director and to **Dale Storie, Andrew McDonald** and **Scott Murray** our intrepid SILS systems administrators and to our Executive Assistant, **Veronica Geminder** who kept SILS moving along
- ❖ To **our SILS Executive Committee: Jeff Barber** - Chair, Regina Public Library; **Tony Murphy** - Vice chair - Wapiti, **Helen McCutcheon** –Treasurer, Parkland.
- ❖ To the Palliser **Executive Committee** for all their tireless work and a special thanks to **Linda O’Connell** (Marquis) for coming in when we need her to sign the piles of cheques.
- ❖ To the **Coronach Board and staff** who worked diligently in preparing for the Coronach move (we had to reduce the collection size by 3,500 titles).
- ❖ And finally, to all the 52 **staff members** and even more **substitutes** who kept Palliser ticking and who keep smiling under the increasingly technical and heavy workload.



Janice Lamb, Chair



Jan Smith, Director

Palliser Regional Library Staff – 2017

Headquarters

Director	Jan Smith
Rural Branch Super. / Asst. Director	Arwen Rudolph
Office Manager	Wanda Parker
Library Clerks	Jody Arnold Jacqueline Bocek Melissa Silzer-Frank Linda Peters Wendy Robbins Alla Axmad Djan
Clerk Driver(s)	Dale Maier/ Hugh Armstrong
Caretaker	Dale Maier

Rural Branch Librarians and Staff

Assiniboia Asst. Librarians	Lori Crighton Lois Seeley, Holly Hordenchuk
Avonlea	Randi Edmonds
Bethune	Robbie Curtis
Briercrest	Krista Wallace*/Christine Wood
Coronach Asst. Librarian	Marlene McBurney Giselle Wilson
Craik Davidson	Jo McAlpine Adrienne van der Veen/ Victoria Martin
Asst. Librarian Elbow	Debbie Shearwood* /Heather Puckett Lori Ann Bandura
Holdfast	Katherine Middleton
Imperial	Denise Leduc*/Marlene Gallagher
Loreburn	Sue Ann Abbott
Mortlach	Kari Gottselig*/Anita Stettner
Mossbank	Kimberly Miller
Riverhurst	Donna Miner*/Brittany Bennett
Rockglen	Angela Stewart
Rouleau	Dee Colibaba*/Marla Gellvear
Tugaske	Violet Beaudry
Willow Bunch	Barb Gibbons
Wood Mountain	Jocelyn Todd

Moose Jaw Public Library Staff

Head Librarian	Gwen Fisher
Asst. Head Librarian	Jessica Marchinko
Children's Librarian	Cristina Dolcetti
Library Technicians	Pam Albert Ken Dalgarno* Wendy Drake Stephanie Jeanes-Issel Donna Kostal Barb Silvester * Katrina Howick
Library Clerks	Hamida Ahadi Debbie Alix Jordan Bosch Kathy MacKenzie Karen Newton Steve Nicholl Lori Vansickle
Pages	Christine Ritchie Suzanne Kristoff Alla Axmad Djan Shirley Forrester
Archivist	Sean Astle
Summer Student	Matt Gibney - HQ Katelyn Morgan (MJ) Tallissa Edwards (MJ)

Staff Departures

Retirements	Barb Silvester – Moose Jaw Donna Miner - Riverhurst Dee Colibaba – Rouleau Debbie Shearwood - Davidson
On Leave	Adrienne van der Veen - Davidson
Note: *	As of Dec 31, no longer with Palliser

Municipalities Served by Palliser Regional Library System – 2017

Municipality	2016 Census	Representative(s)
City of Moose Jaw	33,890	Janice Lamb Fraser Tolmie
		Gayle Jones Patty Perry Rae Trites Matthew Zantingh
Towns with a Library		
Assiniboia	2,389	Glen Hall
Avonlea	393	Jenny Arnold
Bethune	399	Mildred Kistner
Briercrest	159	Eileen Jeffery
Coronach	643	Jim Achtymichuk
Craik	392	Pearl Unger
Davidson	1,048	Audrey Hamm
Elbow	337	Colleen Hoppenreys
Holdfast	247	Diana Maerz
Imperial	360	Pat Joa
Loreburn	107	Vanessa Tastad
Mortlach	261	Linda Cavan
Mossbank	360	Gregg Nagel
Riverhurst	130	Patty Micheal
Rockglen	441	Karla Hawkness
Rouleau	540	Ashley Horan
Tugaske	75	Lynn Wellings
Willow Bunch	272	Jeanette Mondor
Wood Mountain	20	Lionel Moffat
Other Towns & Villages		
Alice Beach	51	
Aylesbury	40	Devon Fingland
Belle Plaine	85	
Brownlee	55	
Caronport	994	Cheryl Reynolds
Chamberlain	90	
Coderre	30	Sierra LeBrun
Dilke	98	
Drinkwater	70	
Etters Beach	30	
Eyebrow	119	Elizabeth Norris
Findlater	45	
Grandview Beach	35	
Hawarden	52	Barb Martin

Keeler	15	Rosemarie Caplette
Liberty	78	
Limerick	115	Lorelei Rogers
Marquis	97	Linda O'Connell
Mistusinne	77	Linda Reiss
North Grove	132	
Pense	587	
South Lake	169	
Strongfield	40	Ron Colton
Sun Valley	118	
Tuxford	113	
Wee Too Beach	79	
Rural Municipalities		
11 Hart Butte	252	Pamela Krusky
12 Poplar Valley	195	Kendra Louks
42 Willow Bunch	306	Tracey Lemieux
43 Old Post	377	Warren Spagrud
71 Excel	391	Al Birchard
72 Lake of the Rivers	279	Jean Woolhouse
73 Stonehenge	319	Lorelei Rogers
100 Elmsthorpe	226	Brenda Lalonde
101 Terrell	241	Rob Finlay
102 Lake Johnston	170	Denise Stark
103 Sutton	240	Natalie Nagel
130 Redburn	250	Randy Haig
131 Baidon	620	Jerry Stock
132 Hillsborough	101	Janice Stevens
133 Rodgers	90	Dianne Tremblay
160 Pense	508	
161 Moose Jaw	1,163	Kim Dalgarno
162 Caron	576	Leah Erickson
163 Wheatlands	149	Tyler Hall
190 Dufferin	559	Helen Barss
191 Marquis	297	Linda O'Connell
193 Eyebrow	195	Marion Bueckert
221 Sarnia	322	Jaret Ehman
222 Craik	259	Jenna Ehrhardt
223 Huron	198	Karin Griffin
224 Maple Bush	192	Betty Michaels
251 Big Arm	191	Gaylene Parry
252 Arm River	250	Gloria Gregor
253 Willner	255	Mary Ann Chromyshen
254 Loreburn	327	Vanessa Tastad
Total Population:	55,375	

2017 Palliser Collection and Patron Statistics

	Collection Size in 2017	Open Hours / week	Active (non-expired) Patron	Local Circ. + renewals	e-resources + OOR checked out/ renewed	Total Circ	Holdings request by branch OOR	Holdings sent by branch OOR	Ref. and general info	Computer & Wi-Fi Users	Programs / Attendance
Assiniboia	22,357	47	980	29,707	17,803	47,510	6,665	5,443	4,321	4,383	78 / 1,913
Avonlea	8,005	16	243	4,179	2,504	6,683	1,178	1,957	477	340	85 / 1,125
Bethune	8,257	17.25	174	3,223	1,932	5,155	800	2,438	195	610	151 / 875
Briercrest	6,229	10.75	107	2,024	1,213	3,237	480	1,483	35	n/a	30 / 332
Coronach	7,919	30.5	248	4,053	2,429	6,482	974	2,766	69	87	68 / 1,109
Craik	7,973	18	251	7,269	4,356	11,625	2,541	1,745	623	361	78 / 763
Davidson	10,010	28	419	13,999	8,389	22,388	4,003	1,677	3,083	1,181	47 / 1,016
Elbow	9,283	15	175	5,409	3,242	8,651	1,026	1,894	467	123	39 / 270
Holdfast	5,786	10	135	1,754	1,051	2,805	601	1,610	228	44	17 / 496
Headquarters	7,750	0	280	6,510	3,901	10,411	601	6,110	0	0	
Imperial	9,794	19.5	192	8,794	5,270	14,064	2,497	2,479	230	326	105 / 1,898
Loreburn	4,759	10.5	99	1,942	1,164	3,106	492	745	388	71	52 / 183
Moose Jaw**	160,784	67	3,580	243,489	147,216	390,705	33,481	58,555	11,991	14,622	438 / 6,062
Mortlach	4,744	11.5	139	1,953	1,170	3,123	723	1,150	170	90	100 / 390
Mossbank	9,519	17.5	261	7,111	4,262	11,373	2,586	1,487	923	456	91 / 1,506
Riverhurst	5,831	11.5	104	2,753	1,650	4,403	401	1,378	533	144	3 / 282
Rockglen	6,018	16.5	282	6,341	3,800	10,141	778	852	120	248	86 / 1,190
Rouleau	7,206	13.75	441	2,988	1,791	4,779	596	901	868	597	64 / 966
Tugaske	4,252	12	89	4,373	2,621	6,994	1,408	1,100	2,686	801	49 / 544
Willow Bunch	6,101	14.5	148	2,234	1,339	3,573	551	1,526	3,188	140	168 / 1,430
Wood Mountain	4,407	5.5	56	3,232	1,937	5,169	937	955	279	689	19 / 96
Total	317,054	393.5	13,403	363,375	219,040	582,415	63,319	98,251	29,122	25,313	1,767 / 22,466