

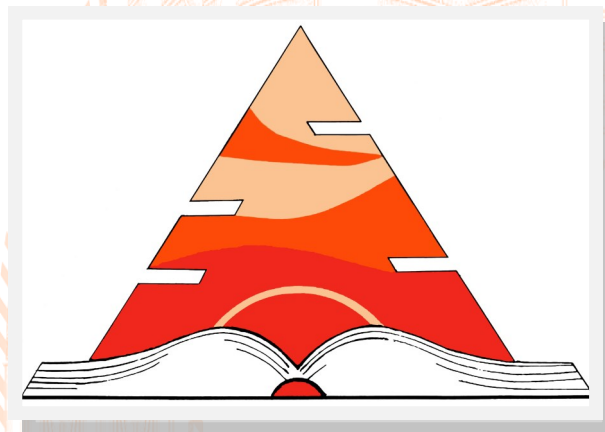
Congratulations to the **La Loche Community School / Dave O'Hara Public Library**,
2017's NRP "Readingest Community" Winner!

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Ready and Set for Success

ANNUAL REPORT 2017

Chairperson's Report

The staff and the trustees of the Pahkisimon Nuye?áh Library System have put in another year of hard work, and their contributions have been invaluable to the success of our region. Despite the unanticipated challenges of this past whirlwind year, 2017 has proven to be another successful year of excellent library and information service here in the North.

The library funding crisis of this past March and April took everybody in the Saskatchewan libraries community quite by surprise, and the subsequent "Drop Everything and Read" campaign all across the province—including a demonstration in downtown La Ronge—was greatly appreciated and ultimately successful in restoring provincial library funding. We have been very thankful for everyone that has shown their support for public libraries in Saskatchewan, and we consider ourselves fortunate to serve communities with such passion and dedication.

I am very proud of the work that the PNLS Headquarters staff, and Assistant Director Harriet Roy in particular, put in each and every year to ensure that our regional programming initiatives are a continued success. Both the Northern Reading Program Tour, with performer Judith Silverthorne, and the Summer Reading Program Tour, with performer Sylvia Chave, were very well received, and I wish to send my congratulations to La Loche on their 2017 victory in the annual Northern Reading Program "Readingest Community" competition. The Northern Saskatchewan Archives Open House was an overwhelming success as well this year, with well over a hundred attendees, and the Northern Library Conference held at PNLS Headquarters was an excellent professional development opportunity, this year featuring a special focus on family literacy in cooperation with our friends at the Saskatchewan Literacy Network. The PNLS website has been revamped in 2017.

In the uncertain financial climate of the years to come, it is important that we explore all available options for preserving our current levels of service – and particularly so for the Northern Saskatchewan Archives, an irreplaceable resource for the peoples of the North and of Saskatchewan as a whole. PNLS will be investigating the possibility of a special fundraising drive in 2018 to ensure that the Northern Saskatchewan Archives remain a strong and proud northern cultural touchstone for many years to come.

I wish to thank all of the PNLS staff, member library staff, and PNLS board members for their hard work all throughout the year. I want to send special recognition and congratulations to Graham Guest, Archival Historian of the Northern Saskatchewan Archives, for receiving the prestigious Everett Baker Award from the Saskatchewan History & Folklore Society for his contributions to preserving and promoting the history of Northern Saskatchewan.

With the consistently excellent work of our staff and our communities, our Vision is as true and clear as ever: ***The Pahkisimon Nuye?áh Library System will lead the North to information.***

Lorna Black

PNLS in 2017

10,667 Patron Records

882 New Patrons

165,541 Titles Held

6,055 New Titles

329,591 Items Held

22,371 New Items

17,132 Website Sessions

61,561 Website Pageviews

77,661 Item Checkouts

96,435 Total Circulations



The 2017 Northern Saskatchewan Archives Open House, held on the second floor of PNLS Headquarters.



Judith Silverthorne was the performer for our 2017 Northern Reading Program Tour. The 2017 NRP theme was "On Your Mark... Get Set... Read!"



The Saskatchewan Literacy Network provided two Family Literacy training sessions as part of the 2017 PNLS Northern Library Conference.



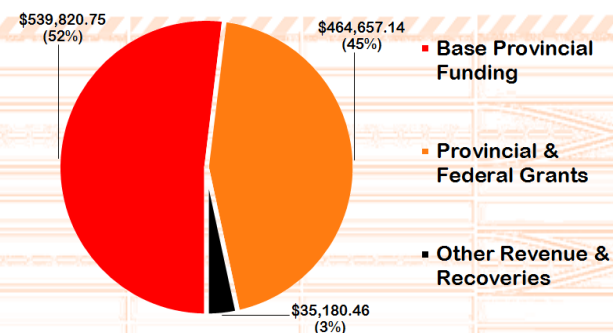
SUMMER READING PROGRAM TOUR 2017- July 24-28	
Our 2017 Summer Reading Program Tour will be with Sylvia Chave. This is the third time Sylvia has toured with our reading program. Sylvia is a musician who 'charms' children and their adults into giggling together through her lively music and stage shows. Sylvia's original song hooks stick in your head like bubble gum in your hair. Her lyrics offer an enlightening kid's-eye view on significant issues of this day and age such as blankie blues, napophobia, snoring fathers and cookie-cutting techniques. She begins to answer age-old questions like: Why do bees go buzz? Is it possible to be quiet while your baby brother naps? How is it that Mama always knows best? To learn more about Sylvia, go to http://www.singingwithsylvia.com .	
Monday, July 24th, 2017 11:00am	Dave O' Hare Community Library - La Loche
Monday, July 24th, 2017 3:00pm	Wisewood Library - Buffalo Narrows
Tuesday, July 25th, 2017 10:00am	Ile a la Crosse Public Library - Ile a la Crosse
Tuesday, July 25th, 2017 2:30pm	Valley View School - Beauval
Wednesday, July 26th, 2017 10:00am	Keethanow Public Library - Stanely Mission
Wednesday, July 26th, 2017 2:30pm	Sen. Myles Venn Community Library - Air Ronge
Wednesday, July 26th, 2017 - TBD	La Ronge Public Library - La Ronge
Thursday, July 27th, 2017 11:00	Tawowikamik Public Library - Pelican Narrows
Friday, July 28th, 2017 10:30am	Peayamichikee Public Library - Pinehouse Lake
Friday, July 28th, 2017 3:00pm	Montreal Lake Public Library - Montreal Lake

PNLS Summer Reading Program Tour 2017 Schedule Poster



Director James Hope Howard and the 2017-18 Pakkisimon Nuye?ah Library System Board of Trustees.

PNLS 2017 Revenue



PNLS 2017 Expenditures

