


SaskPower Northern Reading Program 2021



Reading : Oral to Written to Digital

	Community	% per Capita- One point = 15 minutes of reading
"Readingest Community" Award	This will be shared by all of our schools	Overall Points 1,426, 696 341.5 %

Award Winners

La Loche - Ducharme Building (PreK - 6)	We have had 15 different occasions that points have been submitted.
Buffalo Narrows - Twin Lakes School & Wisewood Library (K - 12)	As we all know, all of our schools have been open, closed or on remote learning throughout the months of January and February.
Uranium City - Ben McIntyre School	We appreciate the effort that the communities have done in promoting reading in their communities.
Timber Bay School	
Senator Myles Venne School - Air Ronge (5 - 12)	
Ile a la Crosse - Rossignol Elementary School (PreK - 6)	Each week, the communities who submitted points for their community was awarded with a package of books to be used for their prizes to the students and parents or to keep in the library for the schools reading.
Stanley Mission - Keethanow Public & Elementary School (1 - 12)	We had six bulletin boards submitted - each received a gift package for their hard work.
Hall Lake - Sally Ross School (K - 12)	
Bulletin Board - 6 entries	
Ile a la Crosse Rossignol Elementary (3 entries)	
Timber Bay Uranium City	
La Loche - Ducharme Elementary	
Volunteer Appreciation - total entries	We had one community send in names and gifts were sent to those people.
Writing contest - 8 entries	Grade 1-2, Grade 3-5, Grade 6-8 (2), Grade 9-12 (Poetry, Play, Story), Adult Story
	Big Thank You to All - who shared the LOVE of reading in their communities. Loved listening to stories being READ out-loud.

The Award Winners list for the **SaskPower Northern Reading Program 2021**.

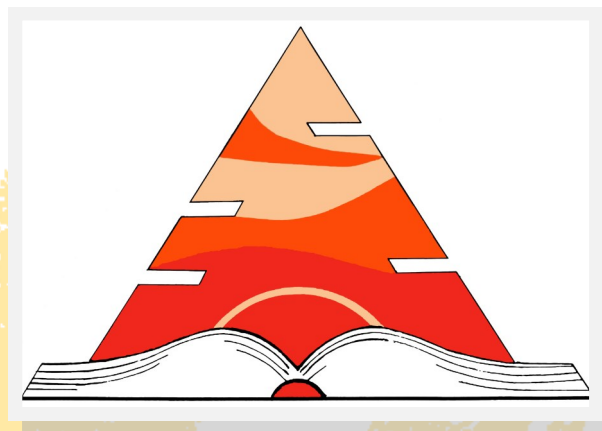
The Program theme for 2021 was
"Reading: Oral to Written to Digital".

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Chairperson's Report

First and foremost, on behalf of all library staff and board trustees across the Pahkisimon Nuyeháh Library System, we send our deepest sympathies and condolences to all northerners who have lost family, friends, and loved ones to COVID-19. The continuing pandemic has been an incredibly stressful and challenging time for everyone across the North, and our hearts go out to all who have felt its impact.

2021 was the first full calendar year of COVID-19 and its wide-ranging impacts on society, and the strange and unusual circumstances of the worsening pandemic created many disruptions for our library system, for our region, and all across the province.

Our Northern Reading Program, which normally runs in all northern schools and communities through the months of January and February, had to be altered to reflect the chaotic nature of the pandemic in 2021 as member schools and school libraries all across the North navigated reopening, closing, or moving to remote learning depending on their local conditions.

The 2021 Northern Saskatchewan Archives Open House and 2021 Annual General Meeting were both unable to take place as scheduled, and the 2021 TD Summer Reading Club moved to a hybrid model to reflect the wide differences in service availability from community to community. PNLS Headquarters was also closed for two weeks, September 13 through 24, due to a positive COVID-19 case within the office. (The staff member, thankfully, recovered.)

We send our thanks to the Saskatchewan Ministry of Education for their internet connection upgrades to the provincial CommunityNet (CNet) system, which were completed partway through the year and which allowed us to host our first-ever all-online PNLS Northern Library Conference in October of 2021. The 2021 NLC was an outstanding success, and we thank all contributors and partners who made this event and all other programming throughout the year possible.

All libraries large and small are powered by the caring, hardworking people who make their services and supports possible, and we extend our endless thanks and appreciation to all member library and member school staff across the North. I also want to thank the excellent staff of PNLS Headquarters in Air Ronge for their service and diligence over this past year, and to send very special congratulations to PNLS Assistant Director Harriet Roy on her upcoming retirement later in this year. Please join me in thanking Harriet Roy for her incredible work across her amazing career.

All of our libraries, schools and communities have dealt admirably with the great strain of the pandemic's ongoing challenges and dangers, and have done remarkable work to keep services running and morale as high as possible. I know that everyone across our region will continue to do everything we can to keep each other safe and secure through this challenging time, and I know that all of us look forward to a day when the pandemic is no longer a factor in our daily lives. Until then, and as always, ***The Pahkisimon Nuyeháh Library System will lead the North to information.***

Delilah Aubichon, Interim Board Chairperson, Pahkisimon Nuyeháh Library System

PNLS in 2021



11,326 Patron Records
774 New Patrons

173,935 Titles Held
9,099 New Titles

359,128 Items Held
13,061 New Items

13,682 Website Sessions
54,737 Website Pageviews

36,921 Item Checkouts
46,596 Total Circulations



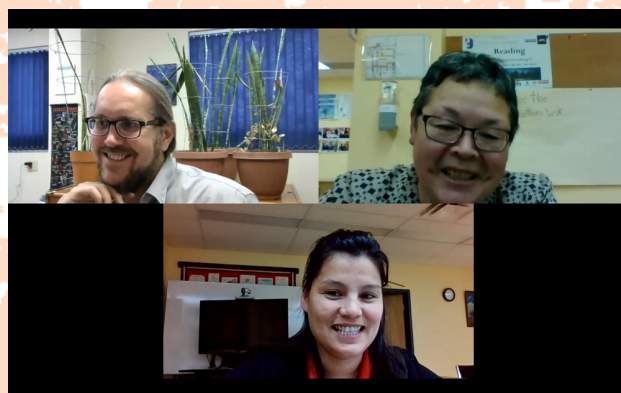
PNLS Headquarters temporarily took on a department-store look for the **2021 Archives Fundraiser Sale**, which ran October 20 through 29. The fundraiser was a great success, with all proceeds going to the continued operation of the **Northern Saskatchewan Archives**, located within the Headquarters building.



Pahkismen Nye?th Library System 2021 Northern Library Conference Virtual Event, October 12-13, 2021		
	Tuesday, October 12	Wednesday, October 13
9:45 AM - 10:00 AM	Welcome & Housekeeping	Welcome & Housekeeping
10:00 AM - 11:00 AM	Northern Library Programming Harriet Roy	Clear Language and Design (Int'l Plain Language Day) Phaedra Hitchings
11:00 AM - 12:00 PM	Niche Academy Tracy Furgason	Emerald 120 Databases + AtoZ World Databases James Hope Howard
12:00 PM - 12:30 PM	Lunch Break	Lunch Break
12:30 PM - 1:00 PM	Multitype Library Board Indigenous Subject Headings + 4 Seasons of Reconciliation James Hope Howard	Pandemic Entry Protocol and Materials Handling Open Q&A Session James Hope Howard & Harriet Roy
1:00 PM - 2:00 PM	The Saskatchewan Literacy Network Phaedra Hitchings	JerBear Books Wayne Nickel
2:00 PM - 3:30 PM	Follett Destiny Basics [Northern School Libraries] James Hope Howard	Year-End Documents and Other Information [Northern Public Libraries] James Hope Howard & Harriet Roy

Please visit <https://pahkismen.ca> or the Pahkismen Nye?th Library System Facebook page for Zoom registration information, or email director@pnls.lib.sk.ca to register directly.

The programming schedule for the two-day **2021 Northern Library Conference**, the first all-virtual Conference held in PNLS history.



PNLS Director **James Hope Howard**, Assistant Director **Harriet Roy**, and Circulation Customer Service Consultant (CCSC) **Lisa Ulriksen** present a session to attendees of the 2021 Northern Library Conference.

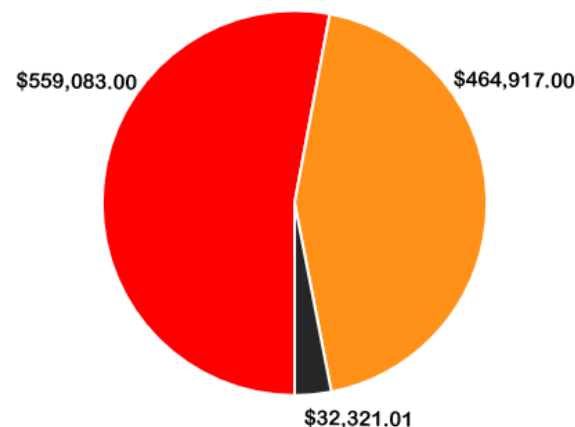


In lieu of a standard year-end group holiday photo, and to carry on the new tradition that was established in 2020, the **PNLS Headquarters Staff** posed for a series of socially-distanced 2021 holiday trading cards. Collect all eight!



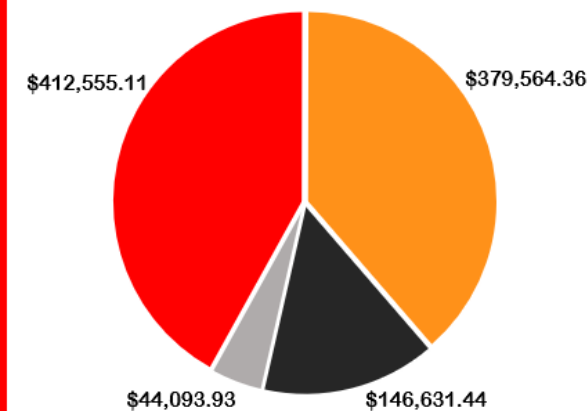
Director **James Hope Howard** and the 2019-2020 **PNLS Board of Trustees**, which carried forward through to 2020-2021 and 2021-2022 due to the COVID-19 cancellations of both the 2020 and 2021 PNLS Annual General Meetings (AGMs).

PNLS 2021 Revenues



- Base Provincial Funding
- Provincial & Federal Grants
- Donations / Fundraising / Other

PNLS 2021 Expenditures



- Services to Member Libraries
- Administration
- Direct Library Services
- Governance