

# New books offer a view of Islam, terrorism

**From the Reference Desk**

Since the events of September 11, the Cobourg Public Library has acquired a number of new titles to assist in a better understanding of Islamic fundamentalism, Muslim politics, terrorism and Osama Bin Laden.

Titles to consider include:

- *Bin Laden, Islam, and America's New "War on Terrorism"*, by Is'ad Abukhalil
- *Islam: a short history*, by Karen Armstrong
- *War at the Top of the World*, by Eric Margolis
- *The Pillars of Islam*, by Frances Gumley
- *Bin Laden: The Man Who Declared War on America*, by Josef Bodansky
- *Nine Parts of Desire: The Hidden World of Islamic Women*, by Geraldine Brooks
- *A Just Response: The Nation on Terrorism, Democracy, and September 11*, by Katrina Vandenberg
- *Report From Ground Zero*, by Dennis Smith.

**Two new titles by local authors**

*One Hook One Fish: A Memoir*  
By Dr. Granville H. Nickerson  
Dr. Nickerson will be reading from his work, in which he recalls his father and his brothers and their fishing enterprise in Liverpool, Nova Scotia, on Sunday, May 19 from 2 to 3 p.m. at the library. In this memoir he discusses the contribution of the Nickerson Bros. business to the

Canadian fishing industry at the end of the 19th and most of the 20th Century.

*Buffer, Boundaries & Barricades: Country Fences*

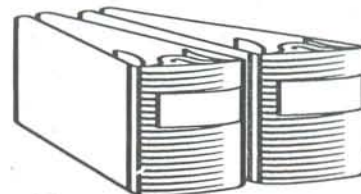
Photos and text by Ruth Clarke  
Ms. Clarke will be reading from her work, and displaying her photos on Saturday morning September 14 from 11 a.m. to noon.

**Calling all readers**

On Canada Book Day, April 23,

the battle for the book that all Canadians should read together was announced, and the winner was *In the Skin of a Lion*, by Michael Ondaatje.

The Friends of Canadian Libraries has issued a challenge to all libraries in Canada to see how many people



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in each town will have read *In the Skin of a Lion* by August 31, 2002. The final tally will be calculated as a percentage of the population and the winner will be announced on the CBC radio on Labour Day.

The Cobourg Public Library is

registered, so now we need you, the reader, to add your name to the 'Cobourg Challenge — Yes!!! I've read *In the Skin of a Lion*' sheet in the library or by sending an e-mail to info@cobourg.library.on.ca. Canada Reads put Cobourg on the map, now we have to tell them 'how many'.

**Bonnie Symons, manager of public services**  
/ Cobourg Public Library



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