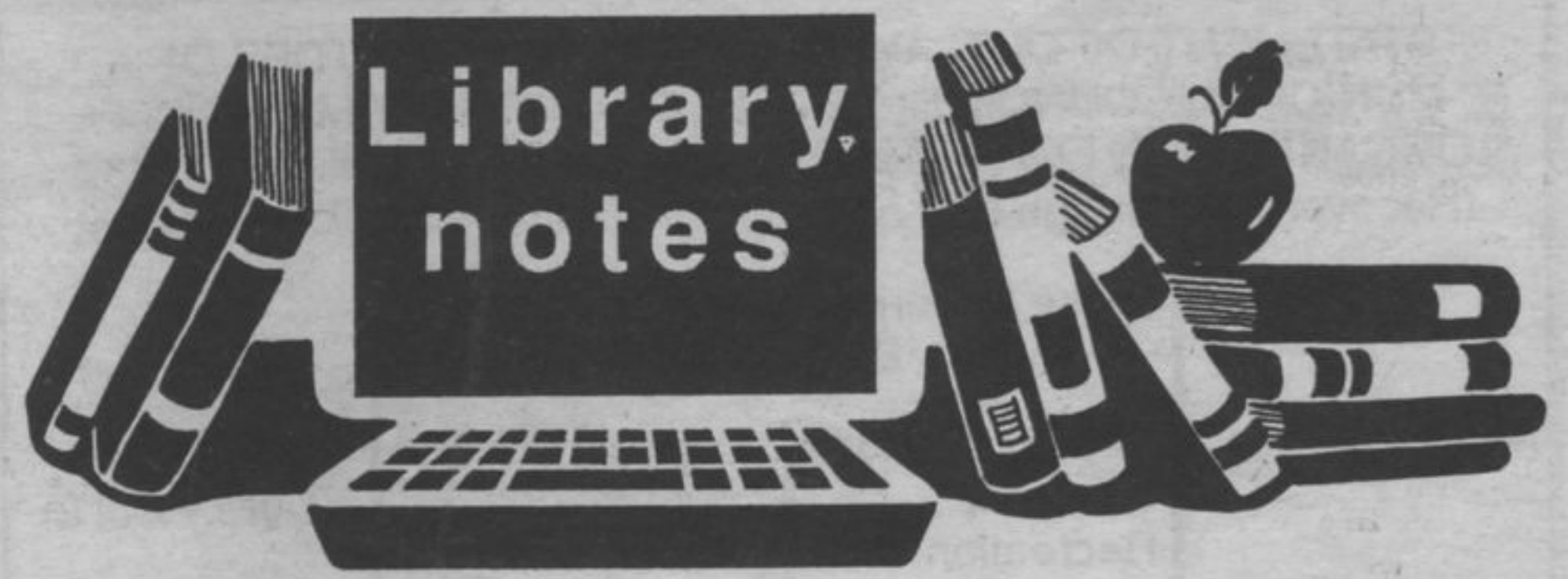


# Reading for kids not 'homework'



By Greg Huneault  
the News

Some students close up their text books on the last day of school and don't open any until the beginning of classes in September. And that's the way they want it to be.

However, for a group of enthusiastic young readers who meet regularly at the Terrace Bay Library, reading books and completing written reports throughout their summer holiday is exciting, educational and fun.

The "Dig In" Summer reading Program is in its fourth year of helping children and teenagers to improve their reading skills and to develop a love of reading and learning as well.

Hosted by Head Librarian Jeanne Marcella, an average group

of 20 children between the ages of 8 and 13 years meet every Thursday afternoon to select new books to read for the coming week and to submit reports reviewing the the books they have read during the previous week. They also participate in games dealing with book titles and literature in general.

But doesn't it seem like homework to these children? "No," they say in unison and shake their heads.

"You could enjoy the reading and discover some more books that you never read before," said 'student' Evan Rochon. This week Evan has chosen to read *The Celery Stalks at Midnight*; it appears to be a mystery book judging by the cover design.

Jeanne said the children have a wide variety of types of literature from which to chose, and their choices reflect their personal tastes.

Bronwen Gemmill, who has chosen to read *Mummy's Tomb*, confessed that her favourite book is *Garfield*. "He was funny," she critiqued.

Although the kids are required to read only one book each week, some have been reading almost one book a day.

"I don't know if the parents realize just how much reading their children do," noted Jeanne. "It's not competitive, but the older kids like to compete with each other (and see who can read more)," she added.

Thirty-two children have registered for the program, which began July 7 and runs for eight weeks.

If the reward of reading enjoyment isn't enough, the kids have a year-end party planned. Awards, certificates and goodies will be handed out to those who have completed the program.

Although the party is something to look forward to, these children seem genuinely satisfied with the pleasure they receive from reading.

For young participants like Evan Rochon, this seems to be the best reward of all.

## Terrace Bay

Video cassettes will now be available to the residents of Terrace Bay through their public library, in addition to books tapes, and magazines.

This new service is being made available through a pilot project of the Ontario Ministry of Culture and Communications. The pilot, called the Northern Video resource, is designed to help public libraries in northern Ontario to broaden the range of services they offer to their communities by lending video cassettes in addition to books and tapes.

The program is not intended to compete with commercial video distribution in the community, and for this reason the collection will not contain many 'popular' or current films.

The main emphasis is on educational, cultural, quality children's

programming and french language programming as these are not economically viable for commercial rental. This is particularly true in smaller communities.

The initial collection at the Terrace Bay Public Library consists of 50 videocassettes in English (VHS) and 25 in French (beta). The tapes will be available without charge in a manner similar to books.

The collection will be exchanged on a regular basis to ensure that a continuing supply of new, quality video programs are available to library patrons.

This program is funded through the Ontario Library Service - James Bay, which operates the Northern Video resource Pilot Project on behalf of the Ministry of Culture and Communications. The program is coordinated locally by Jeanne Marcella, chief librarian of the Terrace Bay Public Library.

Call the library at 825-3819.



'Students' take their pick at the Terrace Bay Library.

**DIG IN!**

STORIES  
SONGS  
GAMES  
CRAFTS  
FINGERPLAYS  
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The summer story hour is here at your library!  
This year the theme is DINOSAURS.  
Every Thursday from 2 to 3 for children 3 to 10 years old.  
Starting July 21 to September 1. Limited to 15 children  
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**BILL 113 - RETAIL BUSINESS HOLIDAYS ACT, 1988  
AND  
BILL 114 - EMPLOYMENT STANDARDS AMENDMENT ACT, 1988**

The Standing Committee on Administration of Justice will meet to consider Bills 113 and 114 commencing Wednesday, August 3, 1988 in the Legislative Building, Queen's Park, Toronto, Ontario and other locations throughout the province as may be required.

The Committee invites written submissions from individuals, groups or organizations wishing to comment on the above-mentioned Bills. All briefs should be deposited with the Clerk of the Committee no later than Wednesday, September 14, 1988. Requests for appointments to appear before the Committee to make an oral presentation should be directed to the Clerk of the Committee not later than Friday, August 5, 1988 for consideration of the Committee.

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Collect calls will be accepted.

## Schreiber

At present the Schreiber Public Library has a No Fines policy. many of our books and toys signed to our patrons are overdue. Please return overdue materials at your earliest convenience.

The Book Awards to graduates were presented to the following:

- Schreiber Public School - Sheryl O'Reilly
- Holy Angel's Separate School - Denise Labbe
- Lake Superior High School - Susan Boucher

The July 1 program held in conjunction with the Schreiber Recreation was well attended by children and their parents. Approximately 15 tricycles and bicycles were attended. There were no skateboard entries. Winners in the tricycle category were:

- 1st: Renee Gameau, Jenna Bottomley
  - 2nd: Jesse Bedard
  - 3rd: Robynn Pellegrino
- Winners in the bicycle category were:
- 1st: Kimara Morrill
  - 2nd: Andy McLeod
  - 3rd: Kyle and Daryl Kay

Coffee was served in the library where scrap books and photo albums from Schreiber's past were displayed. Books on summer sports were also on display. Photos of this event are on the bulletin board in the library. The following services are available at the Schreiber Public Library: photocopies, Polaroid Sun Camera, telephone directories, large print books, foreign language books, 16 mm projector, inter-library loans, literacy program, story hour, toy lending library, reading for children, teens and adults.

Summer hours are:  
Monday - Saturday 2.00 - 5.00 p.m.  
Tuesday evening 7.00 - 9.00 p.m.

There's something for everyone at the library. Call us at 824-2477

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