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FOR THE RECORD

News & Trustee Report

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FALL GENERAL MEETING

The Palliser Regional Library Fall General Meeting was held in person & via Zoom on November 2. 11 Members and 6 Staff/Observers attended.

Members voted in favour of a 3% increase to the rural base levy in 2025, as well as an increase to the SILS Levy. The 2025 budget was approved.

Base Levy	2024	2025
Towns, Villages, & RMs without a branch	\$15.00	\$15.45
Towns, Villages & RMs with a Branch	\$22.65	\$23.18
Towns, Villages, & RMs with a population > 2000	\$30.20	\$30.90
SILS Levy	2024	2025
All municipalities	\$0.425	\$0.44



In Summer 2024, Palliser joined the Collaborative Summer Library Program. The theme was "Adventure Begins at Your Library." We had a total of 3,664 participants in summer programming across the region.

We once again used both the Reader Zone app and paper sheets to track minutes read, and 1,053 readers recorded 617,192 minutes read.

INDIGENOUS STORYTELLING MONTH

February is Indigenous Storytelling Month in Saskatchewan. We applied for and received a grant from Library Services for Saskatchewan Aboriginal Peoples. In 2025, we will be hosting Carol Rose GoldenEagle at the following branches:

- Tuesday, February 4: Coronach & Willow Bunch
- Wednesday, February 5: Moose Jaw & Avonlea
- Thursday, February 6: Craik & Loreburn
- Friday, February 7: Bethune



STAFF UPDATE

Headquarters:

- We welcomed the following new staff members this year:
 - Eve Nott - Caretaker
 - Kurt Reimer - Courier Driver

Moose Jaw Public Library:

- Assistant Head Librarian Shevaun Ruby is now on leave as she welcomes another addition to her family. Stephanie Jeanes is now acting Assistant Head.
- We welcomed the following new staff members this year:
 - Stephanie Huel - Library Technician 2
 - Ayushi Suthar - Library Clerk 1
- Suzanne Kristoff returned from retirement to temporarily reprise her Clerk 1 role.
- Eve Nott also took on a Clerk 1 role in addition to her duties at Headquarters.
- Sara Mokonen returned from leave.

Rural Branches:

- Lois Seeley & Gus Gere, Assiniboia Assistant Branch Librarians, retired earlier this year.
- Barb Gibbons, Willow Bunch Branch Librarian, will be retiring at the end of the year. Best Wishes Barb! Tess Giraudier has been hired as the new Branch Librarian. Welcome Tess!
- We welcomed the following new staff members:
 - Giselle Wilson - Coronach Branch Librarian
 - Kalee Villeneuve - Davidson Assistant Branch Librarian
 - Laurie Smith - Assiniboia Assistant Branch Librarian