

TOWARD A CRITICAL OPTIMISM: ENACTING ACCESS, INCLUSION, AND DEMOCRACY IN DIFFICULT TIMES

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Group discussion

AE Google Hangout Tomorrow (Thursday)

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EDIT LEAVE A COMMENT

Hi,

Just a reminder that there is a Google Hangout tomorrow morning.

Thursday – 2/18 – 9am PST / 10am MST / 11am CST / 12pm EST

Let us know if you did not receive an invite to the event in via your Google account.

New comments



Bob Schroeder on AE has turned me into a zine...



Mita Williams on AE has turned me into a zine...



Maura Smale on AE has turned me into a zine...



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"I THINK THERE'S DEFINITELY VALUE IN THE MORE
TRADITIONAL FORMS OF LIS RESEARCH AND SCHOLARSHIP, BUT
IT IS A SOMETIMES-LIMITING BOX THAT WE'VE DRAWN
AROUND OURSELVES, AND I'M GLAD TO BE THINKING ON
OTHER WAYS TO WORK."

-- MAURA SMALE, NEW YORK CITY COLLEGE OF TECHNOLOGY --

EXAMINES CULTURE

CONSIDERS THE SELF IN SOCIAL CONTEXT

MOVES BETWEEN EXPERIENCE & THEORY

SHOWS THE MEANING ATTACHED TO EXPERIENCE

BALANCES RIGOR AND CREATIVITY

WANTS TO MAKE THE WORLD A BETTER PLACE

"I WANT TO RETAIN A DISTINCTION BETWEEN SAYING OUR WORK IS SELECTIVE, PARTIAL, AND CONTESTABLE AND SAYING THAT THE IMPOSSIBILITY OF TELLING THE WHOLE TRUTH MEANS YOU CAN LIE."

-- CAROLYN ELLIS, *COMPOSING ETHNOGRAPHY*, 1996

LEARNING IN COMMUNITY

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LEARNING FROM A LOCKOUT

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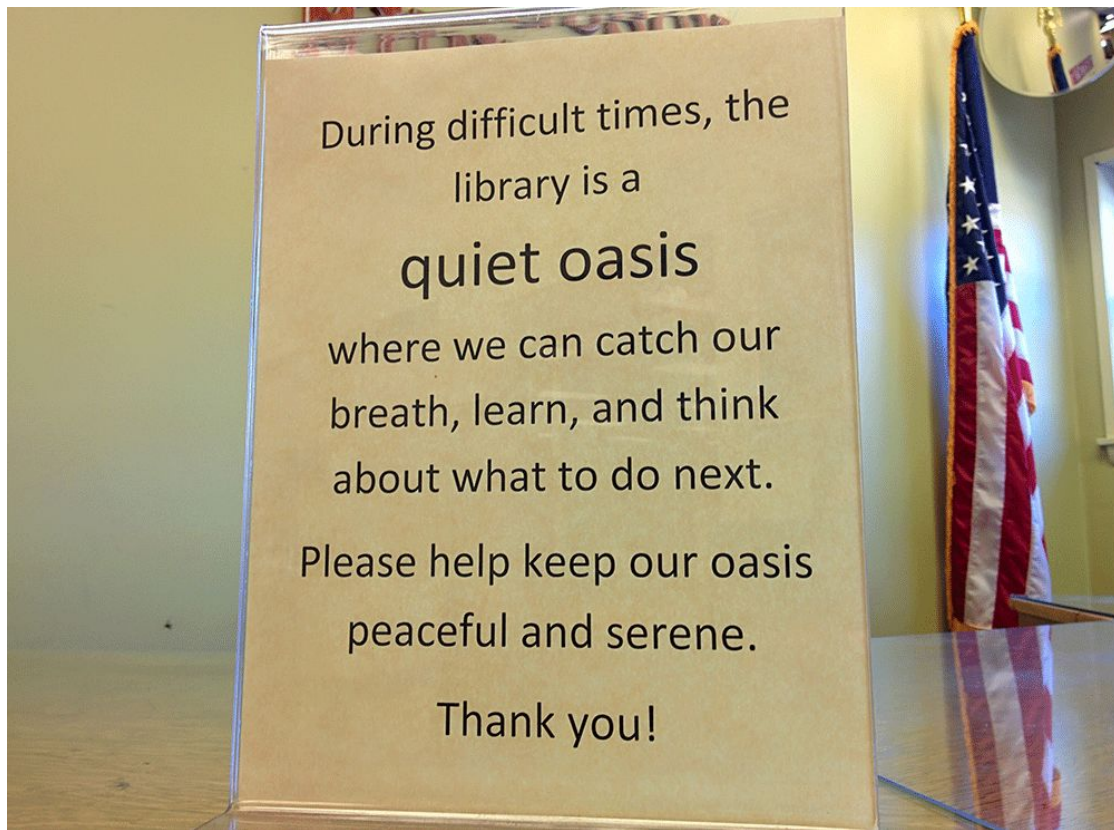
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EDUCATION AND LIFELONG LEARNING.

INTELLECTUAL FREEDOM. PRESERVATION.

THE PUBLIC GOOD. PROFESSIONALISM. SERVICE.

SOCIAL RESPONSIBILITY.



FERGUSON PUBLIC LIBRARY, AUGUST 2014

Auto Club '6' Prepares To Use Negro Forward

Boomer Harding, Hamilton, Ont., may score International Amateur

Boomer will be playing champions. Right now a fair sort of a forward to Adam Brown of the who saw Harding play Canadian army.

Hockey has never been a line. Three of the players in the Quebec League are the Carnegie and McIntyre, who play forward line for Shaw. . . . There just isn't in Georgia or we have more colored hockey.

When Boomer makes the International League living up to its name chin, Chinese forward Goodfellows' Windsor was the first in the score the hat trick the



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Boomer
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WILFRED "BOOMER" HARDING 1915-1991



BREAKING THE
COLOUR BARRIER

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The Stars staged their mass at-
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National League to take the Stars

SIX RUNS

rell's single. Hits by Hardin
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Wilfred "Boomer" Harding & the Chatham Coloured All-Stars (1932-1939)

Breaking the Colour Barrier: Wilfred "Boomer" Harding & the Chatham Coloured All-Stars is one of several projects related to the Boomer Harding (1915-1991) scrapbooks donated to the University of Windsor. This website tells the story of the Chatham, Ontario baseball team who became the first black team to win a provincial Ontario Baseball Amateur Association championship in 1934. In collecting oral histories from family and friends of these players, newspaper documentation of the 1934 season, artifacts about the team, and developing curricular resources for K-12 teachers and a traveling storyboard exhibit, this project conveys a rich and vital story about race, courage, and community in Southwestern Ontario in the early 20th century.

"Breaking the Colour Barrier" is a partnership between the Harding family, the University of Windsor's Department of History, the Leddy Library's Centre for Digital Scholarship, and the Chatham Sports Hall of Fame. It was generously funded by an Ontario Trillium Foundation grant in 2016-2017.

[Read more...](#)

Updates

We're thrilled to announce that *Breaking the Colour Barrier* was awarded a [Lieutenant Governor's Ontario Heritage Award](#) for Excellence in Conservation through the Ontario Heritage Trust! (February 15, 2018)



THE CHATHAM COLOURED
ALL-STARS: A COMIC IN 4 PANELS.
BY SCOTT CHANTLER (2016)



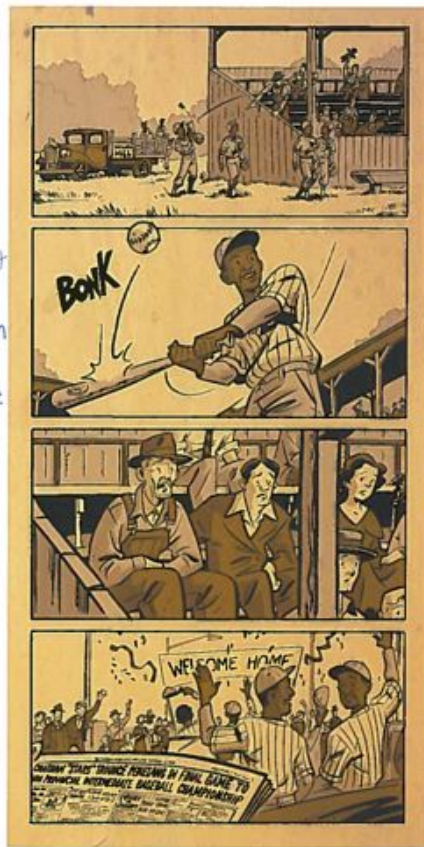
Photograph of the 1934 Chatham Coloured All-Stars

Analysing a Primary Source

1. What are your first impressions?	Even though it is a coloured team, it does not look like its separating any of them.
2. What type of photo is it?	A photo that makes history as the first integrated team.
3. Who do you see?	I see men of all sorts of colour, together as one.
4. What objects do you see?	Bats Balls Gloves
5. What is going on?	They're taking a team picture.
6. In one sentence, summarize the photo.	After a long time, men can finally come together to end the barrier + stereotypes in sports.
7. Who do you think took this photo? Why?	The coach, to emphasize the efforts of team work and integration.
8. Why do you think this photo was taken? Use evidence to explain.	I think this photo was taken to show others everyone is equal.
9. When do you think it was taken?	Taken in 1934.
10. What did you find out from this photo that you did not know before?	I did not know before that they were the first integrated baseball team.
11. What questions do you have?	How long until other teams started to integrate?
12. Give this photograph a caption.	"A Team United, Players as one"

The All-Stars did not let the hating white fans bring them down. They used it as fuel to play the best game they could.

The All-Stars shocked the crowd as they were the first black team to win the provincial Championships.



The Chatham Col All-Stars confidently walked into their provincial finals. As the white baseball fans threw various objects at the team, the Chatham Coloured All-Stars persisted through the disrespect.

As the All-Stars obtained more and more points, the crowd was awestruck.

The 1934 Chatham Coloured All-Stars: A Story in Four Panels
© Scott Chantler (2016)



First Nations hockey team subjected to racist taunts, slurs at Quebec City tournament

Players ages 13 and 14 were called savages, told to go home

Susan Bell, Betsy Longchap, Corinne Smith · CBC News ·
Posted: May 31, 2018 2:58 PM CT | Last Updated: May 31



The First Nation Elites Bantam AAA team was subjected to racist taunts and slurs at a Quebec City tournament.
(Submitted by Tommy H. J. Neeposh)

A team of First Nations hockey players say they were subjected to racist taunts and treated unfairly by referees at a recent spring hockey tournament in Quebec City.

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LEARNING FROM AN ELECTION

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EXHAUSTED. ANGRY. SAD. BEWILDERED.

- MESSAGE TO A FRIEND, NIGHT OF OCTOBER 16, 2017



Second Edition

COUNTDOWN TO A **New Library**

MANAGING THE BUILDING PROJECT



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DIALOG

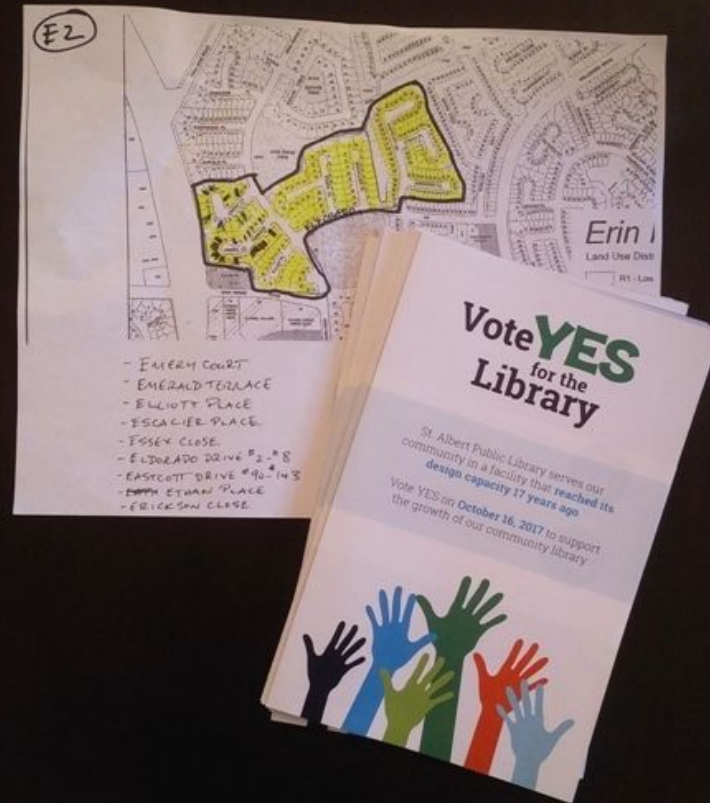
The book cover features a blue background with a pattern of small white stars. At the top, there is a horizontal band with alternating red and white stripes. The title is written in large, bold, white capital letters.

WINNING ELECTIONS AND INFLUENCING POLITICIANS

FOR **LIBRARY FUNDING**



PATRICK "PC" SWEENEY and JOHN CHRASTKA





Libraries are sacred places: they contain the hard-earned lessons of the past and the seeds of a better future.

~ **Lois Hole**



St. Albert Public Library
Cultivating Community



WHAT WOULD LOIS DO?



Vote YES
for the
Library

www.yesforthelibrary.ca



A conversation with **Kate Pearce** - Lois Hole's granddaughter.

WHEN? Tuesday, October 3 at 7:00 pm

WHERE? The Enjoy Centre in St. Albert

Free and open to all! Contact the Yes team for more info:
yesforthelibrary@gmail.com or on Facebook.

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"Our libraries require all the love and care we can give them, for libraries don't just preserve the wisdom of the past; they contain the seeds of a better future."
- LOIS HOLE





WHAT YOU SHOULD KNOW THIS ELECTION ABOUT THE BRANCH LIBRARY

NO There are affordable solutions to space needs that do not require a branch. For example, there was a motion to repurpose library space for other uses. It is unlikely to happen.

DEMOCRATIC RIGHTS PROTECTION

“Voters should decide if we build a 2nd library”

VOTE
Cam MACKAY
FOR MAYOR

RESPONSIBLE LEADERSHIP

For the branch to avoid a tax increase?

Over the branch operating costs, which are a higher tax increase than the construction costs. You should expect tax increases for the library branch.

Council put a non-binding question on the ballot this election, asking the public if they support constructing in the next 4 years a branch library, an additional ice sheet and/or a Servus Place pool expansion, with the costs and tax increases fully disclosed.

BUT JUST A FEW WEEKS LATER...

Without waiting for the plebiscite results, Councillors Heron, Brodhead, Osborne and Mayor Crouse approved a \$21.9 million dollar borrowing bylaw to finance and construct the branch library.

Only Councillors MacKay, Hughes and Russell voted against the borrowing bylaw prior to the plebiscite results.

St. Albert Library Petition

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St. Albert Library Petition

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Mark Cassidy shared a link.
October 11, 2017

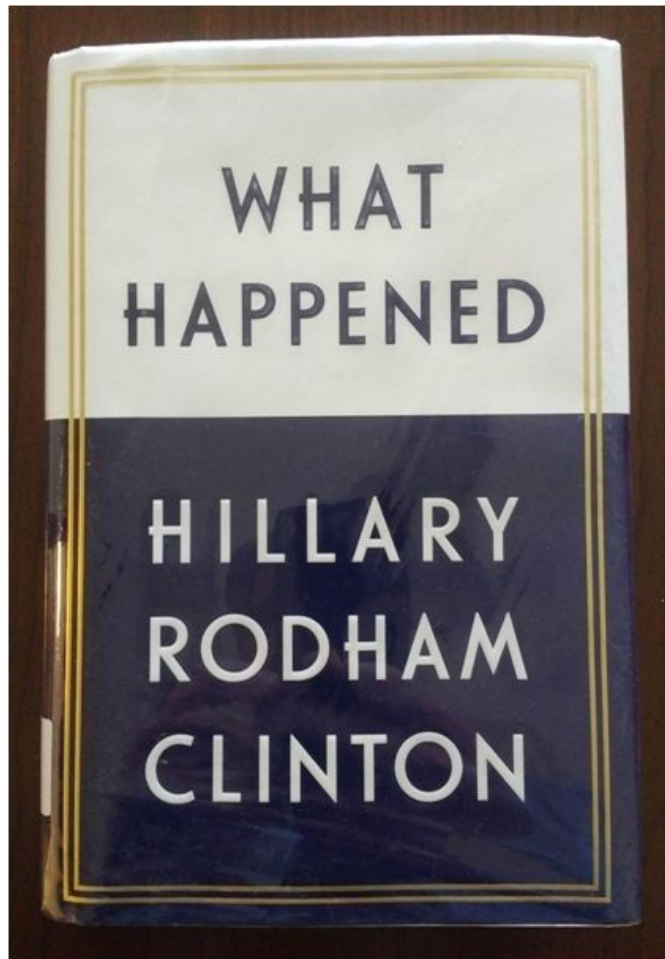
Scathing engineers report by Frank Vagi against the prolibrary crowd shows there is no need for a new stand alone library which confirms my advocacy of a "NO" vote!

[A cold Eyes Review of the library utilization information.pdf](#)
Shared with Jumpshare

What happened since the petition with ~6,700 resident names requesting a plebiscite was delivered to Council?

WAIT

There's more...



Are you in favour of the City proceeding with further planning of a branch library?

YES: 36.8%

NO: 63.2%



OPTION B

FACING ADVERSITY,
BUILDING RESILIENCE,
AND FINDING JOY

#1 NEW YORK TIMES BEST-SELLING AUTHORS

SHERYL SANDBERG

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ORIGINALS





AND IF THEY TRY TO SLOW YOU DOWN
TELL EM ALL TO GO TO HELL

THE HOUSE THAT HEAVEN BUILT
JAPANDROIDS

OCTOBER 2017, EDMONTON

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THANK YOU AND HVALA!