

Carolyn J. Morris – local author / local treasure

Book review by Dr. Tim Henshaw

Merging years of memories from her formative years in agriculture, her love of animals and her decades of experience in education, Railfence Books Carolyn Morris has created a wonderful series of books for young readers. This delightful collection of stories will both educate and entertain both the young and young at heart. Each stand-alone book introduces farm animals or events such as the first day of school or the County Fair. The carefully crafted patter and pattern brings the stories to life and will foster a love of books. These are books that you can enjoy again and again. Reading to young children and with young children is one of the best things that you

can do to encourage young minds and promote a lifetime of learning.

Through her company, Railfence Books, Carolyn publishes 3 “stables” of books.

- “Railfence Bunch” is for young readers
- “Railfence Bunch Kids” is for growing readers

· “Spruce Valley Novels” are for readers of all ages

16 books and counting, Carolyn’s unique creations are available at select locations such as Murphy’s Farm Market near Alliston and Maple Grove Market near Mansfield.



Carolyn Morris as a young 4-H member.

The titles are also available at fairs and festivals around Southern Ontario, including the upcoming 100th edition of the Royal Agricultural Winter fair in Toronto November 4 – 13. The books are also available at live appearances at schools, retirement homes and

community events. And of course, online at www.railfencebooks.com where there is a full listing of stores and markets.

Perhaps one hundred years from now, people will remember Carolyn through her books and count her as an influencer like Louisa May Alcott or Laura Ingalls Wilder.