The Pawling Library Names Tracy Priest as Director

The Pawling Library is pleased to announce that Tracy Priest has been named Director.

“It is with great pleasure that I welcome Ms. Tracy Priest to the position of Director of the Pawling Library,” says Library Board President Brian Smith. Mr. Smith went on to say, “Speaking on behalf of the entire Board, we all agreed that Ms. Priest was the best candidate to join our Library and fill the vacant position. Her experience in the Mid-Hudson Library System as a director, her desire and enthusiasm for the job, a strong presence of dedication and professionalism as well as an infectious feeling of friendliness and goodwill all shone through during the interview process. I look forward to working with Ms. Priest and I know that our library patrons will find her a great asset to our community.”

Tracy Priest holds Masters Degree in Library Science from Pratt Institute and has seven years of experience managing and directing libraries under and through some extraordinary circumstances. Prior to her most recent position in the office of Development and Alumni Affairs at Bard College, Ms. Priest was the director of the Phoenicia Library Association in Phoenicia, New York. While at the helm of this library, Ms. Priest led her library in the recovery from a fire that rendered the library unusable. Ms Priest was also a branch manager at the Palenville Branch of the Catskill Public Library, Catskill, New York. She is an active member several organizations, including the New York Library Association, which recognized her in 2011 with a Dewey Fellowship Award for her exemplary work in her community.

Ms. Priest is “thrilled for the opportunity to serve in a community with such a vital library and dedicated staff.” She appreciates “the unique sense of place in Pawling,” noting “it is a terrific, interesting and historic town.”

Three Cheers for the Pawling Library Staff!!!

Three cheers for the entire library staff for keeping the library running smoothly through the transition and with all the great service you’ve come to expect from the Pawling Library. A special note of gratitude goes to Donald Partelow for handling so well the added responsibility of the interim director position.

Pawling Library
Annual Book Sale Coupon

Coupon good for 1 free book (value up to $2). Please clip and bring the coupon to redeem

(Read more about our sale inside!)
Did you know?

Wi Fi Access
Our Wi Fi is available to the public 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. You can access it from anywhere on the library property, so even if we’re closed, our Wi Fi never sleeps!

Reserving Books
You can search the entire Mid-Hudson collection and place holds in the convenience of your very own home. Go to www.midhudsonlibraries.org and click on the my account button. Reserve your favorite titles today!

Renewing Checked Out Items
Did you just realize your library books were due today? No problem! You can renew your items whenever you need to by visiting our web site at www.pawlinglibrary.org. Click the “Sign into my account” button, enter your library card number and pin and you can check on holds, renew items and even freeze your existing holds!

We’re on Facebook
Like the Pawling Library on Facebook for regular updates on what’s happening at your library!

Come to the Pawling Library’s Annual Used Book Sale
June 22 - 23 & June 29 - 30

The much anticipated Pawling Library Annual Book Sale has a new home—the Mizzentop Day School. Held for over 20 years, this event has become a beloved tradition in our town. Many will remember the sale’s humble beginnings when a few tables were set out within the library itself to display a year’s worth of book donations. “In those days, if we made over $500 for the library, we were elated,” recalls long-time volunteer Karen Franco. “But most important of all was the belief that we were recycling people’s well-loved books into the hands of new readers.”

The latter still holds true today, though the sale itself has expanded considerably and brings in over $10,000 to directly support library programming, collection development and additional library projects. This year—thanks to the generosity of Steve Cash and Mizzentop Day School—we will have plenty of room to display books on over sixty tables. We already have nearly a thousand cartons of books categorized, boxed up, and stored at the Wingdale’s Drop ‘n Lock Self-Storage Center (thank you, Virginia Flood, for that space!).

The book sale will be held a little later than usual this year and will take place on June 22nd and 23rd as well as June 29th and 30th. Put it on your calendar! We have received many beautiful donations and have wonderful books to put out in all the usual (over 30!) categories: Kids, Young Adults, Mystery, Romance, Cookbooks, Crafts, Gardening, Biography, Antiques, Business, etc. This year we are adding one new category—Home Schooling—as so many good home schooling materials have been donated.

As always, volunteers are much needed to help set up for the sale. If you are interested in volunteering, please contact the library at 845-855-3444 or visit the website, www.pawlinglibrary.org, for more information. The Pawling Library Annual Book Sale—it’s a great place to browse, find some good reads, and support your library!
Our adult programs have opportunities for social gathering, creativity and learning.

- Our Yoga classes are conveniently scheduled during the day and in the evening.
- You can enjoy afternoon movies with friends.
- Read good books and meet with other book club members for discussion.
- Do you like to write? Want to meet other aspiring authors? Join our Writer’s Circle.
- If you enjoy painting, photography, drawing or other creative arts, come and talk about your work with other artists at A Little Space for Artists.
- Want to learn about something new. This season we’ll have presentations about canning & preserving, the health benefits of massage, a Walking Tour of Pawling and the Long-Term Care Insurance dilemma.

**Dates and times of all programs listed monthly below:**

### April

**Intermediate Hatha Yoga, with Maria Polhemus**  
Tuesday, 4/2, 4/9, 4/16, 4/23 and 4/30, 1:00-2:00 pm  
Please wear comfortable clothing and bring a yoga mat or blanket. Prior yoga experience and registration are required. Program fee: $2.50

**Alternative Healthcare at its Best: The Health Benefits of Massage**  
Wednesday, 4/3, 7:00-8:30 pm  
Massage therapy seminar. Free chair massages will be performed by licensed massage therapists. Registration required.

**Evening Hatha Yoga, with Maria Polhemus**  
Thursday, 4/4, 4/18 and 4/25, 7:00-8:00 pm  
Please wear comfortable clothing and bring a yoga mat or blanket. Registration required.

**Tuesday Afternoon Book Club**  
Tuesday, 4/9, 4:00-5:00 pm  
The book club will be discussing the novel "The Light between Oceans," by M.L. Stedman. Registration required.

**Canning and Freezing Vegetables**  
Wednesday, 4/10, 7:00-8:30 pm  
Learn how to preserve your home grown vegetables. Registration required.

**Monday Matinee**  
Monday, 4/15, 4/22 and 4/29, 2:00-4:30 pm  
An afternoon movie for an adult audience, popcorn provided. Please observe the film’s ratings. Registration required.

**The Writers Circle**  
Wednesday, 4/17, 7:00-8:30 pm  
Writers meet-up group. Share writing projects, exchange publishing resources, constructive critiques and more. Registration required.

**A Little Space for Artists**  
Friday, 4/26, 6:30-7:30 pm  
A once a month gathering where artists meet and talk. Registration required.

**The Evening Book Club**  
Wednesday, 4/24, 6:30-7:30 pm  
The book club will be discussing the novel “The Distant Hours,” by Kate Morton. Registration required.

### May

**Evening Hatha Yoga, with Maria Polhemus**  
Thursday, 5/2, 5/16, 5/23 and 5/30, 7:00-8:00 pm  
Please wear comfortable clothing and bring a yoga mat or blanket. Registration required.

**Walking Tour of Pawling Village: Adult Program**  
Saturday, 5/4, 10:00 am - 12:00 pm  
As you stroll through the village, learn more about our special community. Registration required.

**Monday Matinee**  
Monday, 5/6, 5/13 and 5/20, 2:00-4:30 pm  
An afternoon movie for an adult audience, popcorn provided. Please observe the film’s ratings. Registration required.

**Intermediate Hatha Yoga, with Maria Polhemus**  
Tuesday, 5/7, 5/14, 5/21 and 5/28, 1:00-2:00 pm  
Please wear comfortable clothing and bring a yoga mat or blanket. Prior yoga experience and registration are required. Program fee: $2.50
Tuesday Afternoon Book Club  
Tuesday, 5/14, 4:00-5:00 pm  
The book club will be discussing the novel "A Partial History of Lost Causes," by Jennifer DuBois. Registration required.

The Writers Circle  
Wednesday, 5/15, 7:00-8:30 pm  
Writers meet-up group. Share writing projects, exchange publishing resources, constructive critiques and more. Registration required.

The Evening Book Club  
Wednesday, 5/22, 6:30-7:30 pm  
The book club will be discussing the novel “Theodore Boone: Kid Lawyer,” by John Grisham. Registration required.

A Little Space for Artists  
Friday, 5/24, 6:30-7:30 pm  
A once a month gathering where artists meet and talk. Registration required.

June

Monday Matinee  
Monday, 6/3, 6/10, 6/17 & 6/24, 2:00-4:30 pm  
An afternoon movie for an adult audience, popcorn provided. Please observe the film’s ratings. Registration required.

Intermediate Hatha Yoga, with Maria Polhemus  
Tuesday, 6/4, 6/11, 6/18 and 6/25, 1:00-2:00 pm  
Please wear comfortable clothing and bring a yoga mat or blanket. Prior yoga experience and registration are required. Program fee: $2.50

Evening Hatha Yoga, with Maria Polhemus  
Thursday, 6/6, 6/20 and 6/27, 7:00-8:00 pm  
Please wear comfortable clothing and bring a yoga mat or blanket. Registration required.

Tuesday Afternoon Book Club  
Tuesday, 6/11, 4:00-5:00 pm  
The book club will be discussing the novel "The Greater Journey," by David McCullough. Registration required.

Long-Term Care, with James Farnham  
Tuesday, 6/11, 6:00-7:30 pm  
Find out if long-term care insurance is right for you. Registration required.

The Writers Circle  
Wednesday, 6/19, 7:00-8:30 pm  
Writers meet-up group. Share writing projects, exchange publishing resources, constructive critiques and more. Registration required.

The Evening Book Club  
Wednesday, 6/26, 6:30-7:30 pm  
The book club will be discussing the novel “Every Last One,” by Anna Quindlen. Registration required.

A Little Space for Artists  
Friday, 6/28, 6:30-7:30 pm  
A once a month gathering where artists meet and talk. Registration required.

Washing Away Library Fines

For every personal care item brought in, we will remove one dollar from your Pawling Library overdue fines. All items collected will be donated to the Pawling Resource Center. The Center is in need of the following items: soap, shampoo, toothbrushes, toothpaste, deodorant, feminine products and diapers.
**PROBLEMS FOR GRADE 5 & UP**

**Movies at The PFL**  
**Wednesdays, 4/3/13, 5/1/13 & 6/5/13**  
4:30-6:00 pm  
Join us for the presentation of the latest PG movies. Popcorn & beverages will be provided.  
4/3/13 – Hotel Transylvania  
5/1/13 – Here Comes the Boom  
6/5/13 – Rise of the Guardians

**Gaming Club**  
**Wednesdays, 4/10/13, 5/8/13 & 6/12/13**  
4:30-6:00 pm  
Team up & compete for fun! Place your self at the center of the action & test your skills in a friendly battle with your peers. Enjoy a variety of games that include ac- tion, sports, fitness & adventure.

**Lego Club**  
**Wednesdays, 3/27/13, 4/24/13 & 5/29/13**  
4:30-5:30 pm  
Let your imagination soar as we put our skills to work in creating a unique design. We will also be exploring new “Lego Games.”

*A special thank you to Mrs. Gamaliy for donating several Lego Playsets to the library.

**Pokémon & Pizza**  
**Wednesdays, 4/17/13 & 5/22/13**  
4:30-5:30 pm  
Come join other Pokémon fans for a slice of pizza and some great fun with your cards.  
Program Fee: $3.00

**Flower Felting Workshop**  
**Friday, 5/3/13, 7:00 – 8:30 pm**  
Come make a flower magnet for a cool mother’s day gift. Supplies provided include a felting needle and hand dyed wool shorn from sheep raised in Pawling.  
Program Fee: $3.00

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**BATTLE OF THE BOOKS**

Do You Have What it Takes to take part in the Battle of the Books?  
Are you ready for the 2013 Battle of the books?  
The date is set.  
The titles are picked.  
Join us as we read and discuss the books for the upcoming battle.

The Battle of The Books gives students going into grades 6-9 a chance to read great books & meet for trivia coaching. They will participate in local mini Battles & then in the regional “Battle of the Books.” This program provides an opportunity for teens to maintain their literacy skills while working together with other young people on a common goal in a spirit of friendly competi- tion.

PLEASE JOIN US FOR AN INFORMATIONAL BATTLE OF THE BOOKS MEETING ON WEDNESDAY, 6/19/13 @ 5:00 pm, in our Library Annex Building.

**Grade Savers**  
... weekly math or science support for students in grades 6 - 12

Meet with certified teacher, Alexander Liao and keep your math and science skills sharp for those end of year finals. Organizational skills and study tips for math and science success will be included. Registration is required. **Convenient individual appointments** will be scheduled for your child.
CHILDREN’S PROGRAMS

EARLY LITERACY PROGRAMS & MORE

Wiggle, Giggle & Bump... for infants & young toddlers ages birth - 18 months
Mondays, 10:45 - 11:15 am
Infants & parents will participate in lively 30 minute sessions that include music, movement, body rhymes, nursery rhymes and listening to books all designed to encourage language.

Read, Rhyme & Romp... for toddlers ages 18 - 30 months
Mondays, 9:45 - 10:30 am OR Fridays, 10:00 - 10:45 am
Toddlers & parents will participate in fun filled 45 minute sessions that include listening to books, music, movement and nursery rhymes that will develop your child’s understanding of language and increase vocabulary. Each session is followed by an open exploration time for children so parents can socialize.

The Two of Us... early literacy for children 2½ - 3½ years.
Thursdays, 10:00 - 11:00 am OR Fridays, 11:00 - 12:00 pm
A weekly parent and child program that introduces children to group story programs with 45 minute sessions that include listening to books, music, movement, finger plays and more all designed to develop early literacy and language skills.

Saturday Stomp... for toddlers ages 18 - 30 months
1st & 3rd Saturdays of the month, 10:00 - 10:45 am
Just like our weekday program Read, Rhyme & Romp, but offered on Saturdays for working parents and their toddlers.

Playspace... play group fun for toddlers & a parent
Wednesdays, 10:00 - 11:00 am
Helping young children learn to share and play together is a challenge! Bring a toy and your little one for an hour of group playtime for the children and parent time for you! Children will play together in our community room while parents enjoy a little time chatting with other adults. Parents must stay with children in the community room. Playgroup is open to children ages 18 months & up. Younger children are welcome, but must be directly supervised by a parent.

Free Development Check Ups for Your Young Child
Monday, 4/8 10:00 am - 2:00 pm OR
Wednesday, 6/26 3:00 - 6:00 pm
The Pawling Library continues to partner with Astor Head Start & United Way to provide free development check ups for children ages 2 months - 5 years. Interested caregivers can call 2-1-1 or 1-800-899-1479 for an appointment. Check ups take place in our Annex Community Room.

PRE-SCHOOL LITERACY PROGRAMS

Just for Me...a program for 3 - 4 year olds.
Thursdays, 11:00 am - 12:00 pm OR Fridays, 12:30 -1:30 pm
Our first independent program includes listening to books, games, music, rhythm, movement, and felt board activities. Sessions are designed to encourage language, thinking skills, imagination and early literacy skills in a fun, natural setting. Parents are welcome to stay with their child if needed.

Just for Me Weekend edition...a program for 3 - 4 year olds.
1st & 3rd Saturdays of the month, 11:00 am - 12:00 pm
Can’t make our weekday program? Try our Saturday edition created with our busy families in mind!

Reading & Rhythm...a program for 4 - 5 year olds
Wednesdays, 12:30 -1:30 pm OR Thursdays, 12:30 -1:30 pm
Children will participate in sessions that include listening to books, music, movement story re-telling, games and thinking activities designed to make early literacy skills fun and engaging.

Leapin’ Letters... for children entering kindergarten in the fall
Tuesdays, 2:00 - 3:00 pm
Immerse your child in early literacy skills in our special literacy program that focuses on those important pre-reading skills. We’ll play with sounds, rhyming and syllables in a fun and natural atmosphere.

SCHOOL AGE PROGRAMS

Amazing Authors...an early writing program for 5 - 6 yr olds.
Mondays, 12:00 - 1:00 pm (No session 4/8, 5/13 or 5/20)
Graduates of Leapin’ Letters will use their letter knowledge to begin reading and writing! Children will collaborate with Ms. Karen to write and illustrate our own books! We’ll enjoy shared reading & writing and even do some writing of our own using “kidprint.” This is a pilot program with limited enrollment.

More Exciting Writing...for writers in grades 4 - 6.
2nd & 4th Tuesdays, 4:00 - 5:00 pm
Students have learned to use graphic organizers and identify important facts...now it’s time to really get writing! In these sessions students will work in small groups to explore a topic of their own. They’ll learn how to identify good resources, compare facts in those resources and write to inform, persuade or promote their topic. Students should have a topic in mind at registration.
1st Thursday of the month, 4:00 - 5:00 pm
Come listen to a story and imagine what the building possibilities are! Then put your imagination in high gear and get ready to create many different kinds of structures. Weekly challenges will guide students to think about their construction and build within a specified criterion.

Books, Blocks & Brains...listen, think, build for grades 3 - 5.
Thursdays 4/18 & 5/9, 4:00 - 5:00 pm
Ms. Karen will begin with a central theme and then put your thinking skills to the test to create many different kinds of structures to test strength, stability and speed. Design, test and redesign will help students refine their creations.

Book Bites...a recipe program for students in grades 3 - 5.
1st Tuesday of the month, 4:00 - 5:15 pm
A special after-school program that combines recipes and reading to add up to a fun afternoon program for students. We’ll read and follow recipes, while learning about specific cooking tools & techniques, to make some very tasty snacks. Program fee: $5.00

Super Snacktivities...a simple snack club for K - 2 students.
3rd Tuesday of the month, 4:00 - 5:00 pm
A “cooking” program that combines great books with simple directions for making great after school snacks. We’ll start with a story and then follow simple rebus or illustrated recipes to make fun edible art. Program fee: $2.00

Magic Tree House Club...for students in grade 1 & up.
1st Saturday of the month, 1:00 - 2:00 pm
Join us as we continue to read Jack and Annie adventures together! Read the book at home and then come for interactive story discussion and fun activities. This spring we’ll read *Eve of the Emperor Penguin, Earthquake in the Early Morning & Sunset of the Sabertooth*

Reading Connections...reading support for K - 3 reader
3rd Saturday of the month, 12:00 - 1:00 pm
2nd Tuesday of the month, 6:00 - 7:30 pm
1st, 3rd & 4th Fridays, 3:45 - 4:45 pm
Struggling & reluctant readers can get extra encouragement to support their reading needs with 15 minutes of individualized quality reading time with Ms. Karen. Follow up with 15 minutes of reading time with one of our trained therapy dogs & your child will get 30 minutes of reading practice that could make all the difference.

Reading with Miss Veronica...reading practice for grades K - 1.
1st, 3rd & 4th Fridays, 3:45 - 4:45 pm
If your child is a growing reader and just needs extra practice time, sign up for 15 minutes of reading with Miss Veronica. Veronica is an avid young reader and an experienced Book Buddy. She’ll encourage your young reader and build a love of books and reading!

Wrigley’s Readers...relaxed reading with our first therapy dog.
1st, 3rd, & 4th Fridays of the month, 3:45 – 4:45 pm
Sign up to read to Wrigley, the first four-legged member of our literacy team! Wrigley is a boxer and a trained therapy dog who loves to have children read to him. He and his owner Ms. Caroline will be here on Fridays to work with children in 15 minute sessions. He’s one of the best listeners in Dutchess County! Registration for each 15 minute session is required.

Team Hogan...relaxed reading with our evening therapy dog.
2nd Tuesday of the month, 6:00 - 7:30 pm
Sign up to read to Hogan, our evening literacy canine. Hogan is a chocolate lab and a trained therapy dog who loves to have children read to him. He and his owner Ms. Vicki will be here one Tuesday evening each month to work with children in 15 minute sessions. Hogan loves to sit with you and listen to you read! Registration for each 15 minute session is required.

Achilles Readers...relax & read with our weekend therapy dog.
3rd Saturday of the month, 12:30 - 1:30 pm
Weekdays can get busy, so Achilles and trainer Ms. Carisa will make time on Saturdays to come and listen to you read. Achilles is a golden retriever and a trained therapy dog who is happy to meet children and listen to them read. Registration for each 15 minute session is required.

WORKSHOP FUN

Morgan’s Magic...Magic Tree House fun for grades 2 & up
Tuesday, April 30th 4:00 - 5:00 pm
Thanks to Heidi Bekkelund, Ms. Karen will transform herself into Magic Tree House’s very own Morgan and teach everyone to become a Master Librarian. Hunt for facts, find clues & make your very own official Master Librarian club card.

CLUE In!...a live clue game for students in grades 4 & up.
Friday, May 10th, 7:00 - 9:00 pm
Join Ms. Karen at the scene of a murder! Students will be assigned the role of one of the famous Clue characters. Dress the part and come for an evening
of intrigue and fun. Who did it? It could be you! Don’t miss this exciting live version of the classic game!

**REGISTRATION**

Resident registration will take place by phone at 855-3444 on

**Monday, March 18th**

at the following times:

- **6:00 pm** Preschool Literacy & Early Literacy Family Programs
- **7:00 pm** All School age programs, workshops, after-school reading practice & Book Clubs

*Non-resident registration opens on Friday, March 22nd at 10:00 am*

Registration is required for all Children’s Programs! All programs will take place Monday, March 25th through Saturday, June 1st.

*Children’s programs are not in session May 15th - 20th.*

Please see our calendar at [www.pawlinglibrary.org](http://www.pawlinglibrary.org) for specific program dates and times and to send email reminders for programs to your computer every week!

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**JOIN OUR E-LIST!**

- Receive our Newsletter & Program Guide.
- Monthly program Listings.
- Receive our Annual Report electronically.
- Receive basic text e-mails about emergency closings

Go to [pawlinglibrary.org](http://www.pawlinglibrary.org) & sign up today!

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Literacy programs for children birth & up take place throughout the day in our children’s room.

Parents can enjoy a little reading time while their child participates in our independent literacy programs.

Elisabeth Clemmons introduces families to the GuZheng during our Chinese New Year celebration.