Not Just A Bargain, But Also An Investment

With another successful book sale under our belt, I am reminded once again of all that makes a library, beyond its books. Thanks to the annual sale we have been able to fund several capital expenditures that would have been outside our financial reach.

Most noticeable are our AWE computers in the children’s section of the library. These touch screen computers provide multiple hours of enjoyment and learning for our younger patrons. These computers are full of interactive gaming which promotes literacy, math, and science. These items are not inexpensive, and it is thanks to our past book sales that we were able to purchase an additional system and upgrade for our existing one.

One of our most successful initiatives in the first half of this year was to restart our digital literacy classes. The first step was creating a laptop lab, made possible with funds from the last year’s book sale. These now-popular computer classes teach everything from the very basics to using word processing and Facebook. Individual tutoring sessions have helped patrons connect with far away family, take online classes, and find employment.

This year the Foundation, which runs the sale, has been gracious enough to sponsor our Battle of the Books Team (see YA Programs) and our Summer Reading Program (See “Summer Slide”). They will also be using book sale profits to pay for furniture upgrades to our recently renovated community room.

The library book sale has helped us transform the library into a 21st century community information center. Just by purchasing material at the book sale, you have invested money in the technology needs of your community. We hope you are willing to be even more involved in the future.

We could not do the sale without the help of volunteers and partnering organizations. We would like to thank the Pawling Recreation Department for being such a gracious host, and we are grateful to the volunteers who spent hours putting the sale together, especially Deb Keesler and Deb Barnett of the Pawling Library Foundation who coordinated the event.

We have begun to plan for next year, and promise to make 2013’s sale a memorable event. We take book donations year round, and they are tax deductible. If you are interested in helping out with sorting donations, transporting boxes to storage, or helping with the sale itself please contact me at Director@pawlinglibrary.org.

Yours,
Scott C. Jarzombek
Library Director

Annual User Survey

Would you like to help the library move forward on its long range plan? Please go online and answer a short user survey at pawlinglibrary.org. Physical copies will be available at the library’s service desk.

Paperback Collection

Would you like to stuff your beach bag or hiking pack full of some reading material? Did you know that you can take paperback books out and never ever have to bring them back?

Last year the library created a paperback section based on the “give one – take one” model. You still need your card, and to stop by the desk, but you never have to bring them back after check out.

We are also happy to take those old paperback books off your hands. See a staff member for more details.
**June**

**Hatha Yoga, with Maria Polhemus**  
Tuesday, 6/5, 6/12, 6/19 & 6/26, 1:00-2:00 pm  
Please wear comfortable clothing and bring a yoga mat or blanket. Registration required.  
Program fee: $2.50.

**A Flower Pressing / Greeting Card Workshop, with Carol Maguire**  
Tuesday, 6/5, 7:00-8:00 pm  
Participants learn the basics of flower pressing and then create beautiful greeting cards. Registration required.

**Intermediate Digital Photography, with Sally Delmerico**  
Thursday, 6/7, 7:00-8:30 pm  
This program expands on the introduction to digital photography. Bring your cameras with a charged battery. Registration required.

**Tuesday Afternoon Book Club, with Pat Greeley**  
Tuesday, 6/12, 4:00-5:00 pm  
Select and discuss your favorite novels at our afternoon reading club. Registration required.

**Natural Ways to Improve and Increase Sleep, with Dr. Ellie Fella**  
Wednesday, 6/13, 7:00-8:00 pm  
Learn natural solutions to your sleep problems. Registration required.

**Monday Matinee**  
Monday, 6/18, 2:00-4:00 pm  
An afternoon movie for an adult audience, popcorn provided. Please observe the film’s ratings. Registration required.

**From Memory to Family Memoir, with Robin Lester**  
Tuesday, 6/19, 7:00-8:00 pm  
Learn how to write your family and personal history. Registration required.

**The Writers Circle**  
Wednesday, 6/20, 6:30-8:00 pm  
Writers meet-up group. Share writing projects, exchange publishing resources, constructive critiques and more. Registration required.

**Conversations in French**  
Thursday, 6/21, 11:30 am-12:30 pm  
Do you speak French? If you do, then please join us for a meeting of those fluent in the beautiful language of France. Registration required.

**Meditation Workshop, with Maria Polhemus**  
Thursday, 6/21, 7:00-8:00 pm  
Soothing guided meditation, calm your mind and release tension from your body. Registration required.

**Learn Basic Firearm Safety**  
Tuesday, 6/26, 6:30-8:30 pm  
Learn from certified firearms instructors the rules of gun safety, the different types of firearms, how they work, gun storage options and where to get more information.

**The Evening Book Club**  
Wednesday, 6/27, 6:30-7:30 pm  
Enjoy friendly discussions about your favorite books. Book selections are made by our members. Registration required.

**July**

**Hatha Yoga, with Maria Polhemus**  
Tuesday, 7/10, 7/17, 7/24 & 7/31, 1:00-2:00 pm  
Please wear comfortable clothing and bring a yoga mat or blanket. Registration required.  
Program fee: $2.50.

**Intern Event: Mockingjay Wall Plaque**  
Two Sessions: Tuesday, 7/10 and Tuesday, 7/31, 6:30-8:30 pm  
Create your own version of the famed mocking jay from the Hunger Games trilogy. Age: 13 and up. Material fee: $2.00.

**Monday Matinee**  
Monday, 7/16, 2:00-4:45 pm  
An afternoon movie for an adult audience, popcorn provided. Please observe the film’s ratings. Registration required.

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**2013 Arts and Cultural Grants: Serving Ulster and Dutchess Counties**  
Tuesday, 7/24, 7:00-8:30 pm  
Learn more about the Arts and Cultural Grants Program, its funding priorities and application process. Registration required.
The Evening Book Club  
Wednesday, 7/25, 6:30-7:30 pm  
Enjoy friendly discussions about your favorite books. Book selections are made by our members. Registration required.

Alternative Healthcare At Its Best: The Health Benefits of Massage  
Thursday, 7/26, 7:00-8:30 pm  
Massage therapy seminar. Free chair massages will be performed by licensed massage therapists. Registration required.

A Little Space for Artists  
Friday, 7/27, 6:30-7:30 pm  
A once a month gathering where artists meet and talk. Registration required.

Monday Matinee  
Monday, 7/30, 2:00-4:30 pm  
An afternoon movie for an adult audience, popcorn provided. Please observe the film's ratings. Registration required.

Computer Classes

Advanced Computer Basics Series  
Must have taken Computer Basics and Using The Internet.  
Thursday, 6/14 10 – 11:15 am  
Learn the basics of computers from turning it on to the basic parts. This is a lecture based class and a pre-requisite for part II and III.

Getting Started with Computers Part II: Getting Started  
Thursday, 6/21, 10 – 11:15 am  
Learn about the desktop, icons, opening programs and manipulating windows. This is a lab based class.

Using The Internet: A Three Part Series  
Introduction to the Internet Part I: The World Wide Web  
Thursday, 7/12, 10 – 11:15 am  
Learn how the web works and what it takes to get on it. This is a lecture based class and a pre-requisite for part II and III.

Introduction to the Internet Part II: Using E-mail  
Thursday, 7/19 10 – 11:15 am  
Learn the basics of writing and reading e-mail. This is a lecture based class that allows some hands on experience.

Introduction to the Internet Part III: Doing Web Searches  
Thursday, 7/26 10 – 11:15 am  
Learn the basics of doing research on the web using Google and Bing. This is a lab based class.

Word Processing Using Microsoft Word: A Two Part Series  
Introduction to Word Processing using Microsoft Word  
Thursday, 8/9, 10 – 11:15 am  
Learn the basics of creating documents in Microsoft Word. This is a lab based class.

Advanced Word Processing in Microsoft Word  
Thursday, 8/16, 10 – 11:15 am  
Learn how to add images, make fliers and add tables in word.

Rent a Librarian  
Call to Make Appointment  
Schedule yourself with the Library Director for a hands on hour long computer tutoring session; ask the questions you always wanted to ask. Limited availability.
Programs for grades 5 & up

Pokemon & Pizza
Wednesdays, 7/11 & 8/1 5:00-6:00 pm
Come join other Pokemon fans for a slice of pizza and some great fun with your cards.
Program Fee: $3.00

Chess
Fridays, 7/13, 7/20, 7/27 & 8/3 5:30-6:30 pm
Nations Changers, Inc will be offering free chess classes for the month of July! The classes are for beginner & intermediate players. Develop & sharpen the 3 C's of Chess. Skill development will focus on the opening, middle & end game.

Movies at The Pawling Library
Wednesdays, 7/18 & 8/8 4:30-6:00 pm
Join us for the presentation of the latest PG movies. Popcorn & beverages will be provided.
7/18 - Jack and Jill
8/8 - The Adventures of Tin Tin

Traditional Living Skills Program
Friday, 7/20 7:00-8:30 pm
Demetrios will discuss the laws of survival, and show us how to make a rope using natural materials. We will also learn how to make a fire using the bow drill.
Program Fee: $2.00

Gaming
Wednesdays, 7/25 & 8/15 4:30-6:00 pm
Team up & compete for fun! Place yourself at the center of the action & test your skills in a friendly battle with your peers. Enjoy a variety of games that include action, sports, fitness & adventure.

Jewels by Melissa
Friday, 8/3 7:00-8:30 pm
Come join Melissa & make a bracelet and matching earrings to give to someone special or for yourself!
Program Fee: $6.00

Dessert Night at the Pawling Library
Friday, 8/17 7:00-8:30 pm
Join us as we make delicious desserts!! We will enjoy preparing a variety of special treats and then we will have just as much fun tasting them!
Program Fee: $3.00

Do You Have What it Takes to take part in the BATTLE OF THE BOOKS?
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 pro-gram provided 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 competition.

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 during the summer. 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.
Pawling Library Summer Literacy Kick Off…for families with children ages 4 years & up.

Friday, 6/15 beginning at 5pm  (Rain date: Friday, 6/22)

We’ll have an evening of family fun that starts with an animal hunt. We’ll be trying to find 10 characters with secret messages hiding in store windows throughout the village. Bring your own picnic dinner and after the hunt, we’ll enjoy dinner together. Next we’ll hear the beautiful story of Lucinda Snowdrop presented by composer & story teller Marian Grudko. Her enchanting music will bring to life her story of a toy rabbit that enjoys the magic of becoming real until she has a difficult choice to make. Each family should bring a dessert to share so after the performance, we can end our evening with a tasty “dessert bar.” This promises to be a fun evening for the whole family.

Motivating children to read and helping them to find and read good books are an important part of helping them grow to be lifetime readers. These programs are designed to bring excitement to books by engaging children in theme related activities presented as a series of stations. Your child will have fun while enjoying terrific books!

Summer Core Literacy Programs
These programs focus on building a love of books & reading!

Dream Catchers…a lively first summer story hour for 3 - 5 year olds.

Mondays, 10:00 – 11:30 am

Weekly themed sessions that encourage independence will include terrific books, music, imagination, movement, flannel board and a weekly art activity. Sessions are designed to encourage language and thinking skills in a fun, natural setting. Each session will include time for a short snack break, so please send a small snack & drink each week with your child. (Parents may stay if needed.)

Narrative Skills, Print Motivation, Vocabulary, Phonological Awareness, Letter Knowledge, and Print Awareness—what do all of these terms have in common? They are the six pre-reading skills that a child can start learning from birth, identified through decades of early literacy research. As your child’s first teacher, give your child a great start with our early literacy programs that offer interactive stories, songs, learning activities and fun!

Glowworms …for toddlers 2½ - 3½ years & a caregiver.

Fridays, 11 – 11:45 am

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, nursery rhymes, flannel board activities and more.

Catnappers…for toddlers ages 18 – 36 months.

Fridays, 10 – 10:45 am

Toddlers & caregivers will participate in fun filled 45-minute sessions that include books, music, movement, lap rhymes, nursery rhymes and developmental activities. This program is designed especially for active toddlers and encourages vocabulary and language development.

Sweet Dreamers…a great start for our littlest patrons birth – 18 months.

Fridays, 9 – 9:30 am

Infants & caregivers will participate in lively 30-minute sessions that include music, movement, body rhymes, nursery rhymes, books and lots of love & hugs! This program is designed for pre-walkers & early walkers birth to 18 months.
PFL Fun Team... students in grades 4 & up can help get ready for our big end of summer event.
Tuesdays, 2:30 – 3:30 pm
The PFL Fun Team returns to help Ms. Karen create a new and exciting family event. We’ll dream up great activities for our end of summer Character Carnival. Dress for a mess and don’t miss out on the fun.

Magic Tree House Book Club... for readers in grade 1 & up.
Wednesdays, 7/11, 7/25 & 8/8, 2:00 – 3:00 pm
We’ll continue following Jack & Annie on their adventures. This summer we’ll read Mummies in the Morning, Summer of the Sea Serpent & Day of the Dragon King.

Dream Jewels... for students entering grades 4 & up.
Wednesday, 7/18, 2:00 – 3:00 pm
Join us to design your very own special seed bead bracelet. First we’ll learn the basic design, then you’ll choose your beads and get creative! Program fee: $2.00

Adventure Games... for heroes entering grade 4 & up
Wednesday, 8/1, 2:00 – 3:00 pm
Do you have what it takes to be a hero? Use skill, strategy and luck to challenge & defeat the forces of evil and win the victory! Learn to play either Hero Quest or Magic with our experienced Game Masters.

Dream Jewels, Jr... for students entering grades 1 & up.
Wednesday, 8/15, 2:00 – 3:00 pm
We’ll be pulling out the bead box and designing our own fun bracelets using stretch magic. Program fee: $2.00

PFL Team News... for students with a “nose for news” in grade 4 & up.
Tuesdays, 4:00 – 5:00 pm
We’ll be gathering the news team to cover all the summer news at the Pawling Library. Capture the fun with photos and articles about what’s happening. This year we’ll even be adding live podcasts! Come join the team!

Books, Blocks & Brains... listen, think & build for students entering grade 3 & up.
Thursdays, 7/12, 7/26 & 8/9, 2:00 – 3:00 pm
We’ll begin with a central theme and then challenge your thinking skills to create many different kinds of structures to test strength, stability and speed. Design, test and redesign will help students refine their creations.

Each student will choose one of their successful designs to display in our Lego Museum the week of August 20th.

Books & Blocks... building fun for students entering grade K – 2.
Thursdays, 7/19, 8/2 & 8/16, 2:00 – 3:00 pm
We’ll be reading a book with a central theme and then putting our imaginations into high gear to create many different kinds of structures. Weekly challenges will guide student to think about their structures and build within a specified criteria.

American Girls Dream Big... for students entering grades 1 & up.
Fridays, 7/13, 7/27, 8/3 & 8/17, 1:00 – 2:00 pm
American Girl fans will enjoy planning one of this summer’s big events...an American Girl Tea & Fashion show! We’ll choose the historic girl we’ll represent, plan our outfits & learn to present our attire during the fashion show on Saturday, August 18th. Parents...we’ll need your help, too! We’ll be recruiting Moms, Dads and other adults to help organize the tea.

Meet Felicity... Colonial American Girl for students entering grade 1 & up.
Friday, 7/20, 1:00 – 2:00 pm
We’ll join American Girl presenter, Beverly Barker as she discusses Felicity’s life in Colonial Williamsburg 1774. Girls should read Meet Felicity prior to the session. Then we’ll learn to make a period style pincushion. Program Fee: $5.00

Meet Marie Grace & Cécile... American Girls of New Orleans for students entering grade 1 & up.
Friday, 8/10, 1:00 – 2:00 pm
We’ll meet the newest historic American Girls Marie Grace and Cécile, as Beverly Barker joins us to discuss life in New Orleans in 1853. Girls should read either Meet Marie Grace or Meet Cécile before this session. Then we’ll make our own Mardi Gras mask. Program fee: $5.00.

Book Buddies... reading practice for your young reader in grade K – 5.
Thursdays, 3:30 – 5:00 pm
Young volunteers will work 1:1 with new, struggling or reluctant readers to help encourage and support their growing reading skills. Sign your child up and we’ll arrange 30 minutes of quality reading time with a “big brother or big sister” in a supervised setting.
Wrigley’s Readers… reading practice with Wrigley, our trained therapy dog.

Friday, 7/13, 7/20, 8/3 & 8/10, 4:00 – 5:00 pm
Sign up to read to Wrigley, the newest member of our literacy team! Wrigley is 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 minutes sessions. He's the best listener in Dutchess County! Registration for each 15 minutes session is required.

Special Parent & Family Programs
for families with young children.

Free Development Check Ups… for children 2 months – 5 years.
Wednesday, 6/6, 10 am – 2 pm
Monday, 8/20, 3:30 – 6:30 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. All appointments will take place in our Annex building.

Orvis & Other Caring Canines…a workshop about service dogs for families with children ages 4 years & up
Tuesday, 7/17, 6:30 – 7:30 pm
What is a service dog? How are they trained? What do they do? How can you tell if a dog is a service dog? Come and meet Caroline Ring, volunteer Puppy Raiser with Guiding Eyes for the Blind & Orvis, GEB puppy to find out all about these important canine workers. Caroline will gladly answer all your questions about service dogs and her experience in raising them for Guiding Eyes.

End of Summer Celebration
Celebrate a summer filled with books!

American Girl Tea & Fashion Show…for participating families & their guests.
Saturday, 8/18, 2:00 – 3:30 pm  (Rain date: Sunday, 8/19)
We've worked hard all summer long to get ready for this event. Come enjoy light refreshments and then watch our American Girls present their attire. The fashion show will be accompanied by a brief narrative for each of the historical dolls represented. It will be a fun afternoon of fashion & history!

PFL Lego Museum…the best of our summer building!
Friday, 8/17 – Friday, 8/24
Our builders have spent a productive summer thinking and building and they’re proud of their creations. Come enjoy our display of Lego creations and read about what made them the best in their class!

Character Carnival
…for families with children of all ages.
Friday, 8/24, 1:00 – 3:00 pm  (Rain date: Saturday, 8/25)
What an exciting way to end our summer of reading! Families with children of all ages are welcome to join us at our end of summer Character Carnival. PFL Fun Team worked hard all summer making piñatas and preparing games based on the stories and characters we all know and love. Join us for a fun afternoon that will culminate in an ice cream party and raffle drawings. Everyone will be a winner!

Keep on reading this summer with our
Dream Big READ!

Summer Challenge:
Help us read 1,000 books!
Last year we read 835 books. This year Ms. Karen is challenging you to beat that number! Can you help us read 1,000 books this summer? Let’s Dream Big & READ! Choose either our paper book log OR our on-line electronic book log and start tracking your books beginning June 22nd! If you need help to get started, check in with Ms. Karen and she’ll help you choose the log that works best for you, or visit our web site at www.pawlinglibrary.org.

- Pre-readers earn library certificates by listening to an adult or older family reader read to them.
- Beginning readers may read to an adult & earn certificates for each book read.
- Developing readers may read books independently & earn certificates for each book read.
- Older participants reading longer junior fiction or young adult literature will receive one library certificate for every 75 pages read.

Books must be at an appropriate reading level.
Everyone may redeem up to 20 certificates at
Pawling Library’s September Store
Thursday, September 6th
Friday, September 7th
4:00 – 6:00 pm
Saturday, September 8th
10:00 am - 2:00 pm

Did you earn more than 20 certificates?  
Don’t worry!
All other earned certificates may be used to purchase books from our book cart or raffle tickets*!
*Raffle tickets must be purchased by August 24th!

You may earn additional certificates to purchase books from our Summer Book Cart or to purchase raffle tickets for a chance to win prizes of your choice like:
- Gift certificates to area stores**
- Dress Director J or Ms. Karen as your favorite book character for a fun spotlight program**
- Create a Library Birthday Party**

**You must be present to win these prizes!!**

Book Buddies ...paired reading practice for readers.
Teen volunteers will work 1:1 with new, reluctant or struggling readers to help encourage and support their growing reading skills. Students will:
- Listen to your child read.
- Encourage and support their reading strategies.
- Read to your child to support comprehension.
- Ask your child important questions to increase understanding of the story as he or she reads.

Sign your child up and we’ll arrange 30 minutes of quality reading time with a “big brother or big sister” in a supervised setting.
Registration is required, so don’t miss out on an opportunity for your child to receive individualized attention and reading practice all at the same time.

Thursdays, 7/12 – 8/16
3:30 - 5:00 pm

Remember to read & log your books to help us reach our goal!

STOP THE SUMMER SLIDE
It’s almost June and that means summer is on way! For your children, that signals many things...warmer weather, the end of the school year, no more homework and lots of time to do the things that they want to do.

Unfortunately for many children, it is also the beginning of the “summer slide.”  It is estimated that during the summer break from school the average student will lose up to one month of instruction.  For many students with limited access to books or fragile skills, the loss can be even more devastating.  Do you know one of the best ways to help your child navigate the summer successfully?  The library! Public library summer reading programs are one solution to the "summer slide."  Studies have found that children can benefit from programs that combine developmentally appropriate practices with academic enrichment. That is what the Pawling Library Summer Reading Program is all about.  In Pawling, as in many other communities, librarians are working hard to create programs that look and feel different from the classroom, but still offer opportunities for reading.  In addition to literacy related activities, children in library programs benefit from related arts and crafts and other special events designed to enhance and encourage reading.

Study after study has shown the advantage of Public Library Summer Reading Programs for your child.  You can read more about these studies at the New York State Education Department’s website, but it is best summarized by State Education Commissioner David Steiner, who says, "Summer Reading at New York Libraries gives teachers and parents a proven learning tool that engages and excites youngsters as it raises literacy levels. This is a critically important experience that keeps children learning -- and engaged in the wonderful act of reading -- even when the school year is over."

Don’t miss this opportunity to keep your child reading this summer and loving every minute of it.  All free, and all waiting for you at the Pawling Library, where we invite everyone to come grow with us!