Cabin Fever

This past fall was one of the busiest in the library’s history. Not only did we see an increase in circulation, but also in computer usage and program attendance. More of our friends and neighbors were coming in the door than ever before. In part this was due to the weather, and the damage it did to our local infrastructure. We had several first-time patrons, as well as some returning patrons, who were surprised and relieved about the services we provided during the power outage.

My hope is that these new and old friends take full advantage of the library. We are more than just books and wires; we are a community center and the caretakers of life-long education. As you can see in this newsletter we provide programming for all ages, and for all interests.

We hope that as the cold weather sets in you will seek out the library as the cure for cabin fever. Many of our programs are free or come with a minimal fee. But you don’t have to come to a program to take advantage of our services. We more than welcome the public to come just to relax, to make use of our wifi, or to sit and read the paper. We would like to be the third place that you know you can come to when you need to be out of the house or office.

Included in this newsletter are our new hours of operation. We will be open a little later on Fridays to accommodate those working families who can’t make it by 4pm. We are also doing our best to be open on the days when the kids are out of school, and plan larger program blocks during vacation.

This is your library; my door is always open to hear your questions and concerns. Our trustee meetings are open to the public as well. We want your input in how we serve you and are ready to answer questions about some of the changes we have made and plan to make in the future.

Yours,
Scott C. Jarzombek
Library Director

Annual Holiday Book Sale

@ The Pawling Free Library

Gently Used Books and Media!

Delicious Treats at the Kick Off!

Friday December 2nd 5pm-8pm
(Come Before or After the Tree Lighting!)
Saturday December 3rd 10am – 2pm
Friday December 9th 5pm – 8pm
Saturday December 10th 2:30-5:30pm
Friday December 16th 5pm-9pm
Saturday December 17th 10am-5pm

Help Support Adult and Children’s Programming
The Book Sale Takes Place in the Library Annex

Pawling Free Library
11 Broad Street
Phone #: 845-855-3444 Fax #: 845-855-8138
NEW HOURS (Starting January 2012)
Monday 12:00 PM - 5 PM
Tuesday - Thursday 10:00 AM - 8 PM
Friday 12:00 PM - 5 PM
Saturday 10:00 AM - 4 PM
Sunday 12:00 PM - 4 PM
Closed Sundays 7/1 - 9/3

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ADULT PROGRAMS

January

Hatha Yoga, with Maria Polhemus
Tuesday, 1/3, 1/10, 1/17, 1/24 & 1/31, 1:00-2:00 pm
Please wear comfortable clothing and bring a yoga mat or blanket. Registration required.
Program fee: $2.50

Magical Wishing Wands: A Family Craft Workshop
Two Sessions: Wednesday, 1/4, 7:00-8:00 pm & Wednesday, 1/18, 7:00-8:30 pm
Please bring a crystal or small stone. Age: 7 and up. Registration and parental supervision required.

Tuesday Afternoon Book Club, with Pat Greeley
Tuesday, 1/10, 4:00-5:00 pm
Select and discuss your favorite novels at our afternoon reading club. Registration required.

Everything You Need to Know About College Admissions in 2012
Wednesday, 1/11, 6:30-8:00 pm
Seminar with Alan J. Sheptin. Registration required.

Conversations in French
Thursday, 1/19, 11:30 am-12:30 pm
Please join us for a meeting of those fluent in the beautiful language of France. Registration required.

Meditation Workshop, with Maria Polhemus
Thursday, 1/19, 7:00-8:00 pm
Soothing guided meditation, calm your mind and release tension from your body. Registration required.

A Beatrix Potter Afternoon, with Marian Grudko at the John Kane House
Sunday, 1/22, 2:00-3:30 pm
Marian's one-woman show is an enchanting theatrical experience! Join us for refreshments after the show. Registration required.

The Evening Book Club
Wednesday, 1/25, 6:30-7:30 pm
Enjoy friendly discussions about your favorite books. Book selections are made by our members. Registration required.

A Little Space for Artists
Friday, 1/27, 6:30-7:30 pm
A once a month gathering where artists meet and talk. Registration required.

February

Hatha Yoga, with Maria Polhemus
Tuesday, 2/7, 2/14, 2/21 & 2/28, 1:00-2:00 pm
Please wear comfortable clothing and bring a yoga mat or blanket. Registration required.
Program fee: $2.50

Suffering from the Sugar Blues?
Thursday, 2/9, 7:00-8:00 pm
Understand the causes of your sugar cravings and learn practical tools to control them, with Beata Gajdzik, Holistic Health Coach, AADP. Registration required.

Tuesday Afternoon Book Club, with Pat Greeley
Tuesday, 2/14, 4:00-5:00 pm
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Conversations in French
Thursday, 2/16, 11:30 am-12:30 pm
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Meditation Workshop, with Maria Polhemus
Thursday, 2/16, 7:00-8:00 pm
Soothing guided meditation, calm your mind and release tension from your body. Registration required.

House Amulets: A Family Craft Workshop
Two sessions: Tuesday, 2/21 and Tuesday, 3/13, 6:30-8:30 pm
Make your own protective magic amulet. Age: 7 and up. Registration and parental supervision required.
Material Fee: $2.00

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A Little Space for Artists
Friday, 2/24, 6:30-7:30 pm
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The ABC's of Writing for Children
Tuesday, 3/6, 3/13, 3/20 & 3/27, 1:00-2:00 pm
Please wear comfortable clothing and bring a yoga mat or blanket. Registration required.
Program fee: $2.50

March

Radio Tracking the Wood Turtle, with Michael Musnick
Thursday, 3/1, 7:00-8:00 pm
An introduction to the life history of the North American Wood Turtle. Registration required.

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The Evening Book Club  
Wednesday, 3/28, 6:30-7:30 pm  
Enjoy friendly discussions about your favorite books. Book selections are made by our members. Registration required.

Tiny Kingdoms: A Family Craft Workshop  
Two Sessions: Thursday, 3/29 and Thursday, 4/26, 6:30-8:30 pm  
Build your own castle. Age: 7 and up. Registration and parental supervision required.  
Material Fee: $2.00.

April  

A Night of Authors  
Wednesday, 4/4, 6:00-8:00 pm  
Authors discuss their careers and the books they’ve written. Find out about the publishing industry and self-publishing. Registration required.

The Writers Circle  
Wednesday, 4/18, 6:30 -8:00 pm  
Meet with other writers to share your writing projects and knowledge. Author Vincent Daquino is host. Registration required.

More Information can be found at  
WWW.PAWLINGLIBRARY.ORG  
Or By Phone  
845.855.3444

Computer Classes

Thanks to a generous donation from the Pawling Library Foundation we now have a new portable laptop lab. This lab gives us the flexibility to have classes in in the Main Building and Annex. We will also be providing computer tutoring.

Classes are broken down into 2 formats. Lab based classes are hands on. We ask that students are proficient with a mouse and keyboard. Lecture based classes will feature limited hands on experience that is optional. Those without computer experience are welcomed.

Intro to Computers & Purchasing a Computer  
Monday, 1/9, 6-7:15 pm or Thursday, 1/12, 10-11:15 am  
This lecture based class will address: basic parts of a computer, different devices and what to look for in a new computer. This includes basic mouse and keyboard skills.

Intro to the Internet: Using a Web Browser  
Monday, 1/23, 6-7:15 pm or Thursday, 1/19, 10-11:15 am  
This lab based class will address: How the web works, how to use a web browser and the basics of navigating a website.

Intro To E-Mail  
Monday, 2/6, 6-7:15 pm or Thursday, 2/9, 10-11:15 am  
This lecture based class will address: How to address an E-mail, BCC and CC, downloading attachments and how to avoid SPAM.

Facebook for Beginners (and Novices)  
Monday, 2/20 6 -7:15 pm  
This lecture based class will address: What Social Media is, security, site features and how to sign up for an account.

Word Processing (Using Microsoft Word)  
Monday, 3/5 6 -7:15 pm or Thursday, 3/8, 10 - 11:15am  
This lab based class will address: formatting text, using spell check and other tricks.

IRS.GOV- How to find the form you are looking for!  
Thursday, 3/19 6 -7:15 pm  
This lecture based class will show you how to get on the IRS website and find the forms you are looking for. We will also show you how to fill out PDF’s. NO TAX ADVICE WILL BE GIVEN.

Rent a Librarian  
Call to Make Appointment  
Schedule yourself with the Library Director for a hands-on hour long computer tutoring sessions; ask the questions you always wanted to ask. Limited availability.
Chess Club
Wednesday, 1/4 & 2/1 4:30 - 5:30 pm
Come test your skills as you play a friendly game of chess against your peers.

Lego Club
Wednesday, 1/11 4:30- 5:30 pm
Wednesday, 2/22, 1:00 – 2:00 pm
Let your imagination soar as we put our skills to work in creating a unique design. We will also be exploring different “LEGO GAMES”!

Culinary Adventure
Wednesdays, 1/25, 2/15 & 3/7 4:30 - 6:00 pm
Join Girl Scout leader Tina & Evelina as we explore the culinary cuisine of different countries. We will be learning an interesting fact about the country as well as preparing several “Local” dishes.
Program Fee: $12.00

Friday Gaming Night at the Library
Fridays, 1/6, 1/27, 2/17, & 3/2 7:00 - 8:30 pm
Team up and compete for an hour of fun!! Place yourself at the center of the action and test your skills in a friendly battle with your peers. Enjoy a variety of games that include action, sports, fitness & adventure.

Friday Night Movies at PFL
Fridays, 1/13, 2/10, 2/24 & 3/9 7:00 - 9:00 pm
Join us for the presentation of the latest movies. Popcorn & beverages will be provided.
1/13-Beethovens Xmas Adventure
2/10-Spy Kids 4- All the time in the world
2/24-The Smurfs
3/9-Mr. Poppers Penguins

“What it takes to get into COLLEGE today”
Saturday, 1/7 11:00 am - 12:00 pm
This is a valuable seminar for high school students in grades 9 to 11. Join Stephanie as she helps you prepare for the “College Process.” She will guide you through all the stressful questions such as: ACT and SAT scores, your college entrance essay and so much more.

Chinese New Year Celebration
Wednesday, 1/18 4:30 - 6:30 pm
Come join the fun as we ring in the Chinese New Year, the year of the dragon! Our very own Madeline and her family will enlighten us by explaining all about the different traditions, foods and music. It will be a night filled with good food, origami decorations and calligraphy!
Program Fee: $2.00

Monster Felting Workshop
Friday, 1/20 7:00- 8:30 pm
Do you like your monsters cute & cuddly or a little spooky? Join Elizabeth and make your very own monster out of wool & a special felting needle. Supplies provided include a felting needle & hand dyed wool shorn from sheep raised in Pawling.
Program Fee: $3.00

PFL @ Stone Soup Community fest
Friday, 2/3 Starting at 6:15 pm
Join Ms. Evelina at the Pawling Middle School for some exciting new “Wii Dance” moves. Then stay and have some soup and listen to the “Stone Soup Legend!”

Turtles in Pawling
Saturday, 2/4 12:30 - 2:00 pm
Join Cheri from The Chuckie Goodnight Foundation as we discuss our environment and the many animals that share it with us. She will show us how to make a TURTLE out of clay!!
Program Fee: $3.00

Jewels by Melissa
Wednesday, 2/8 5:00 - 6:00 pm
Melissa joins us just in time for Valentine's Day. Come and make a bracelet and matching earrings to give to someone special or for yourself!
Program Fee: $7.00
### Cookie Workshop
**Wednesday, 2/29 4:30- 5:30 pm**
How would you like to bake cookies with a pro? Christina from McKinney & Doyle will teach you how to make cookies from scratch and then give them some pizzazz by decorating them with some frosting techniques.

Program Fee: $3.00

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### Vacation Week Programs!

**Pizza Making @ PFL**
Monday, 2/20 1:00 - 2:00
Did you ever want to make your very own pizza? Well then join Ms. Evelina in an hour of pizza making fun. You will learn how to make delicious pizza for your friends and family to enjoy.

Program Fee: $2.00

**Fluorescent Rocks Workshop**
Tuesday, 2/21 1:00-2:00 pm
Our friends from The Mid-Hudson Valley Gem & Mineral Society will join us again for an awesome fluorescent rock presentation!! Please join us as the society demonstrates their earth science techniques.

**Lego Club**
Wednesday, 2/22 1:00-2:00 pm

**Gaming Club**
Thursday, 2/23 1:00-2:00 pm

**Movie Night**
Friday, 2/24 7:00-9:00 pm
The Smurfs

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### Battle of the Books!
**The date is set.**
**The titles are picked.**
Are you ready for the 2012 Battle of the Books???
Join us as we read and discuss the books for the upcoming battle.
Call For More Information

### Grade Savers...
**weekly homework support for students in grades 6 - 12**
Meet with certified teacher, Alexander Liao and get help with your math and science questions and homework. 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.

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### FOOD FOR FINES
In the month of December
For every non-perishable food item brought in, you will get one dollar off your fines for overdue books. Food will be donated to the Pawling Resource Center Food Pantry.
PARENT AND CHILD EARLY LITERACY PROGRAMS

Wiggle, Giggle & Bump...infants and young toddlers ages birth - 18 months
Fridays, 10 - 10:30 am
Infants and parents will participate in lively 30 minute sessions that include music, movement, body rhymes, nursery rhymes, listening to books and other developmentally appropriate activities.

Read, Rhyme & Romp...for toddlers ages 18 - 30 months.
Mondays, 10 - 10:45 am OR Fridays, 11 - 11:45 am
Toddlers and parents will participate in fun filled 45 minute sessions that include listening to books, music, movement, finger plays, nursery rhymes and other related activities designed especially for toddlers. Each session is followed by an open exploration time for children so parents can socialize.

The Two of Us...a parent and child program for ages 2½ - 3½ years.
Tuesdays, 11:00 - 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.

Saturday Stomp...for toddlers ages 18 - 30 months
Alternate Saturdays: 1/7, 1/21, 2/4, 2/18 and 3/3, 10:00 - 10:45 am
Working parents can enjoy our toddlers programs, too. You'll participate in fun filled 45 minute sessions that include listening to books, music, movement, finger plays, nursery rhymes and other related activities designed especially for toddlers. Each session is followed by an open exploration time for children so parents can socialize.

LITERACY STORY HOUR PROGRAMS

Just for Me...a program for 3 - 4 year olds.
Wednesdays, 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 flannel 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.

Reading & Rhythm...a program for 4 - 5 year olds
Tuesdays, 12:30 - 1:30 pm OR Wednesdays, 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.

The Story Connection...a story comprehension program for children 4 years & up
Thursdays, 12:30 - 1:30 pm
This program is the perfect time of day for home school families and half-day kindergartners to participate in. We'll begin with an interactive reading of a story and then follow up with a related activity for children to enjoy together

Leapin' Letters...an early literacy program for children ages 4 years & up.
Wednesdays, 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.

Leapin' Letters Weekend Edition...for children 4 & up who can't make our weekday program.
Alternate Saturdays: 1/7, 1/21, 2/4, 2/18 and 3/3, 11:00 am - 12:00 pm

AFTER SCHOOL LITERACY

Super Snacktivities...a simple snack club for students in K - 2
1st & 3rd Tuesdays, 4:00 - 5:00
A new "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. This group will meet twice a month. Program fee: $6.00
**Book Bites International**...a recipe program for students in grades 2 - 4
2nd & 4th Tuesdays, 4:00 - 5:00 pm
A special after-school program that combines reading and cooking to add up to a fun afternoon program for students in grades 3 - 4. Children will read and follow recipes and learn about specific cooking tools & techniques to make a weekly snack from another country. Meets twice monthly. Program fee: $6.00

**Young Builder's Club**...for builders in grades K - 2
2nd & 4th Thursdays, 4:00 - 5:00 pm
Join Mrs. Simoes as she sets off on new building adventures for 2012.

**Builder's Club**...building fun for grades 3 & 4!
1st & 3rd Thursdays, 4:00 - 5:00 pm
Mrs. Simoes will start off the New Year with great new building ideas.

**Book Buddies**...reading support for your young reader
Wednesdays, 4:00 - 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.

### SATURDAY BOOK CLUBS

**Magic Tree House Club**...for students in grade 1 & up.
1st Saturday of the month: 1/7, 2/4 & 3/3, 12:30 - 1:30 pm
During our winter session, Jack and Annie are off on new and exciting adventures! We’ll read *Polar Bears Past Bedtime, Abe Lincoln at Last* and *Leprechauns in Late Winter.*

**Story Stitchers**...for students in grade 2 & up.
1st Saturday of the month: 1/7, 2/4 & 3/3, 2:00 – 3:00 pm
We’ll choose a different historic fiction book each month and then gather to discuss the book while we work on a variety of sewing projects. Our first book will be *Sarah Plain and Tall* by Patricia MacLaughlin. We’ll start by finishing some of those unfinished American Girl crafts, and then we’ll get creative!

**Oh, My...Sci Fi**...for students in grade 3 & up.
3rd Saturday of the month: 1/21 & 2/18 - 1:30 - 3:00 pm
We’ll be reading & discussing a new science fiction book each session. We’ll start with a fun Sci Fi read...*Spaceheadz* by Jon Scieszka. Then we’ll exercise our imaginations and our thinking skills to build ingenious gadgets and cool contraptions...& best of all, we’ll learn the science behind why they work.

### WORKSHOP FUN FOR SCHOOL AGE CHILDREN

**Nancy Drew Day**...an afternoon of mystery & intrigue
Friday, 1/13, 4:00 - 5:00 pm
Thanks to Catherine Robohn we have an exciting program for you! Ms. Karen a.k.a. Nancy Drew is calling all detectives to the library on Friday the 13th for some mysterious fun! Grade 2 & up.

**Twice Upon a Time**...fractured fairy tale fun for school age children
Friday, 2/10. 5:00 - 6:30 pm
Maybe those fairy tale characters had a very good reason for the way they behaved...or misbehaved! Thanks to Susannah Smith we’ll dress up as a famous fairy tale character and come to the library with a list of excuses for our behavior. Can we guess who you are? We’ll have a fun evening that’s filled with twists and turns. Join us as we read some of the funniest fractured fairy tales, make magical minis and even create a crazy fairy tale of our own. Grade 2 & up.

**Scooby Doo: Case of the Missing Character**...character fun for grades K & up.
Friday, 3/9, 4:00 – 5:00 pm
Thanks to Jocelyn Edleman, Director J will dress as Scooby Doo and fill the library with Scooby snacks & fun!
**SPECIAL FAMILY PROGRAMS**

**Free Development Check Ups** for Your Young Child  
Monday, 1/23, 10 am - 2 pm  
Wednesday, 2/7, 10 am - 2 pm  
The Pawling Free 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 the library Annex building.

**Parent's Night Out** ...a monthly discussion group  
First Tuesday of the month, 7:00 - 8:30 pm  
Come join a supportive group designed to help juggle all the challenges of modern day parenting. Each month we'll focus on a topic and together we’ll learn, grow and share about the parenting adventure.

**Speaking of Children** ... a development discussion for parents of young children.  
Wednesday, 2/8, 7:00 – 8:00 pm (snow date: 2/16, 7:00 – 8:00 pm)  
Development specialist Maureen Shilkunas will join us at the Pawling Free Library to present an overview of the Development Check Up program, a tool with which parents can measure their child’s growth. The presentation will be followed by an open question and answer period where parents may ask questions specific to their child's development.

**Parent & Me Yoga**... a parent and child program for 2½ - 3 year olds.  
Fridays, 9:30 - 10:30 am  
Join us to develop body awareness through imaginative play activities and group yoga games, as well as teaching “take-home” skills for calming and focusing even the most active of our little ones...all through the practice of yoga! Program fee: $25.00 for 10 week session.

**Whipping Up a Week of Fun**...a K - 4 vacation activity program  
Monday, 2/20 - Friday, 2/24, 10:00 am - 12:00 pm  
We’ll start with a story and then Ms. Karen will whip up a fun game and art activity to enjoy. Each session will include a 30 minute quiet activity time to learn a new board game, work on a puzzle or read a great book. Each day will feature a different theme, so join us as many days as you’d like to have some great vacation fun.

**Fun Zone**... grade 2 & up afternoon vacation fun  
Monday, 2/20 - Friday, 2/24, 2:15 - 3:15 pm  
Join Ms. Karen for a relaxing afternoon of fun activities. Meet friends and play strategy games, card games, games of chance, word games and more! Don't like board games, work on a puzzle, read a great book, enjoy a comic or build with Legos. A great way to enjoy some down time with friends for an afternoon or every day of vacation.

**REGISTRATION INFORMATION**

Registration will take place on Monday, December 12th at the following times:  
7:00 am Preschool & Family Programs  
8:00 am All School age programs & vacation programming  
Non-resident registration will open on Friday, December 16th at 9:00 am  
Please do not call during these times to register for Adult and Tween programs. These programs have ongoing registration and you can sign up at any time during our normal operating hours.

All programs will take place between Monday, January 2nd and Friday, March 9th. All regular programming will be suspended from Monday, 2/20 - Friday, 2/24 in order to provide Vacation Programming for school age children. Please see our calendar at [www.pawlinglibrary.org](http://www.pawlinglibrary.org) for specific program dates and to send email reminders about programs to your home.