After a very busy and productive summer, we are in full swing here at the Pawling Library! The fall months are flying by and it seems hard to believe that it’s already time to publish our winter program guide.

We’d like to highlight a few upcoming programs here at the Pawling Library. On December 4th, Elizabeth Palmer-Buchtman will return to the library to show us how to create magical felted elves, perfect items to give to someone special or brighten up your holiday table or mantel. We are also looking forward to consumer finance expert Rick Feingold’s program on December 10th about how to use the Internet to make and save money. Mr. Feingold will talk about how to best use Amazon, Craigslist and eBay to sell your unwanted items as well as how to save when making travel plans or buying a new or pre-owned car.

All of our favorite programs for children are back plus some wonderful new additions for our preschool and school age friends. There is even a special sleepover for our stuffed friends! We’ve got lots of new workshops for teens & tweens as well, so make sure you check out the program guide for some great ways to keep everyone busy during the winter months. Resident registration for teens and children’s programs will take place on Monday, Dec. 9th from 6:00 - 8:00 pm. Non-resident registration is on Dec. 13th at 10 am. Registration details are listed on the last page of the guide.

And last but certainly not least, the Pawling Library is once again holding its annual holiday book sale! The sale will take place in the community room of the Annex and will offer a special selection of gently used books and media that have either been donated to the library or pulled from the shelves. The selection includes beautiful cookbooks, fine arts, history, crafts, mysteries, and children’s books. It’s a great chance to find gifts for someone on your list or something special for yourself! The sale will open at 5:00 PM on Friday, December 6, the same night as Pawling’s annual tree lighting, and will continue during library hours throughout the weekend, ending on Sunday, December 8th. On Friday night, the library will stay open until 8:30 PM and we are planning some special offerings for the evening. Proceeds from the holiday book sale will be used to support programming for adults and children.

We look forward to seeing you at the Pawling Library this winter and wish you and your families all the best this holiday season.

The Pawling Library
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.midhudson.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 the library!

Come to the Pawling Library’s Holiday Used Book Sale
December 6th, 7th & 8th

Our holiday book sale is full of great books to surprise all the readers on your holiday gift giving list...but that’s not all!

The library will be extending our hours on Friday, Dec. 6th until 8:30 pm to join in the tree lighting festivities and support two great Girl Scout activities being held by Girl Scout Troop 10064 at the library.

♥ The girls have made lovely holiday wreaths to sell while they last, in front of the library the evening of December 6th. They will also have other holiday gift items available for sale. All proceeds will benefit the troop’s activities. The Girl Scouts will donate some of these beautiful wreaths to the Resource Center to brighten the holiday of families in need.

♥ Girl Scouts will be inside the library to entertain your children while you shop at our book sale. The troop has prepared a craft for children to stop in & enjoy and will also read holiday stories with your little ones.

Now that is stress-free shopping!
Our adult programs have opportunities for social gathering, creativity and learning.

**December**

**Intermediate Hatha Yoga, with Maria Polhemus**
Tuesday, 12/3, 12/10 and 12/17, 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

**Elves: A Felting Workshop**
Wednesday, 12/4, 6:30-8:30 pm
Make your very own magical elf! Age 9 and up. Supplies: Wool and a special felting needle. Registration & parental supervision is required.

**Evening Hatha Yoga, with Maria Polhemus**
Thursday, 12/5 and 12/19, 7:00-8:00 pm
Please wear comfortable clothing and bring a yoga mat or blanket. Registration required. Program fee: $2.50

**Use the Internet to Make and Save Money**
Tuesday, 12/10, 7:00-8:30 pm
Consumer finance expert Rick Feingold will show you the best deals on the internet, from selling items like unwanted books and cars to saving money by earning free flights for your next vacation and more! Registration is required.

**Job Ready Sessions, with Meghan Head-Amara of Dutchess OneStop**
Wednesday, 12/11, 10:00 am-12:00 pm
This free workshop will help you in your job search from writing a resume to improving interviewing skills. Registration required.

**Tuesday Afternoon Book Club**
Tuesday, 12/17, 4:00-5:00 pm
The book club will be discussing the novel *Falling Angels*, by Tracy Chevalier. Registration required.

**The Evening Book Club**
Wednesday, 12/18, 6:30-7:30 pm
The book club will be discussing the novel *The Bungalow*, by Sarah Jio.

**January**

**Evening Hatha Yoga, with Maria Polhemus**
Thursday, 1/2, 1/16, 1/23 & 1/30, 7:00-8:00 pm
Please wear comfortable clothing and bring a yoga mat or blanket. Registration required. Program fee: $4.00

**Intermediate Hatha Yoga, with Maria Polhemus**
Tuesday, 1/7, 1/14, 1/21 and 1/28, 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: $4.00

**From Memory to Family Memoir, with Robin Lester**
Tuesday, 1/8, 6:30-8:00 pm
Learn how to write your family and personal history. Registration required.

**The Writers Circle**
Wednesday, 1/15, 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, 1/22, 6:30-7:30 pm
The book club will be discussing the novel *Snow Flower and the Secret Fan*, by Lisa See.

**Tuesday Afternoon Book Club**
Tuesday, 1/28, 4:00-5:00 pm
The book club will be discussing the novel *The Storyteller*, by Jodi Picoult.
February

Intermediate Hatha Yoga, with Maria Polhemus
Tuesday, 2/4, 2/11, 2/18 and 2/25, 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: $4.00

From Memory to Family Memoir, with Robin Lester
Tuesday, 2/5, 6:30-8:00 pm
Learn how to write your family and personal history. Registration required.

Evening Hatha Yoga, with Maria Polhemus
Thursday, 2/6, 2/20 and 2/27, 7:00-8:00 pm
Please wear comfortable clothing and bring a yoga mat or blanket. Registration required. Program fee: $4.00

The Writers Circle
Wednesday, 2/19, 7:00-8:30 pm
Writers meet-up group. Share writing projects, exchange publishing resources, constructive critiques and more. Registration required.

Tuesday Afternoon Book Club
Tuesday, 2/25, 4:00-5:00 pm
Enjoy friendly discussions about your favorite books. Book selections are made by our members. Registration required.

The Evening Book Club
Wednesday, 2/26, 6:30-7:30 pm
The book club will be discussing the novel *These is my Words: The Diary of Sarah Agnes Prine, 1881-1901*, by Nancy Turner.

A Little Space for Artists
Friday, 3/28, 6:30-7:30 pm
A once a month gathering where artists meet and talk. Registration required.

March

Intermediate Hatha Yoga, with Maria Polhemus
Tuesday, 3/4, 3/11, 3/18 and 3/25, 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: $4.00

From Memory to Family Memoir, with Robin Lester
Tuesday, 3/5, 6:30-8:00 pm
Learn how to write your family and personal history. Registration required.

Evening Hatha Yoga, with Maria Polhemus
Thursday, 3/6, 3/20 and 3/27, 7:00-8:00 pm
Please wear comfortable clothing and bring a yoga mat or blanket. Registration required. Program fee: $4.00

The Writers Circle
Wednesday, 3/19, 7:00-8:30 pm
Writers meet-up group. Share writing projects, exchange publishing resources, constructive critiques and more. Registration required.

Our guest speaker Vincent Dacquino keeps an audience in wide-eyed fascination with his detailed account of war hero Sybil Ludington. Vincent is the author of *Sybil Ludington: The Call to Arms* and heads our monthly writer’s workshop.
**Weekly Art Sessions**

**Thursdays, 1/9, 1/16, 1/23, 1/30, 2/6, 2/13, 2/20, 2/27** 4:00-5:00 pm

Come to the Pawling Library for weekly art sessions. We will draw and paint still lifes, portraits, cartoons and Manga.

**Lego Night**

**Friday, January 10th 4:00 -5:00 pm**

Come to the Pawling Library for legos and snacks!

**Make your own lava lamp!**

**Saturday, January 11th, 1:00 -1:30 pm**

Come to the Pawling Library and make your own lava lamp! Please bring a clear plastic bottle to program.

**Dancing Oobleck**

**Saturday, January 25th, 1:00 -1:30 pm**

It's a solid when you punch it, and a liquid when you don't. Come see the dancing oobleck!

**Melted Crayon Paintings!**

**Sunday, January 26, 1:00-2:00 pm**

We will be making crayon paintings with a hair dryer! Be sure to bring some extra crayons!

**Catapult Wars**

**Saturday, February 1, 2:30-3:30 pm**

Come to the Pawling Library and make a catapult. A prize will be given out to the builder with the the longest catapult distance.

**Secret Message Writing**

**Sunday, February 2, 1:00 -1:30 pm**

Learn how to write secret messages with your friends at the Pawling library!

**Make your own Earrings!**

**Saturday, February 8, 1:00 -2:00 pm**

On sign up, please specify if ears are pierced or not (we will have clip-ons and French-backs).

**TED Talks**

**Saturday, February 22 1:00 -2:00 pm**

Come to the Pawling library and listen to science talks about the universe, physics, hacking, and anything else imaginable! We will also be creating our own galaxies. Be sure to bring a mason jar!

**Diet Coke and Mentos Eruption**

**Sunday, March 23, 1:00 -1:30 pm**

We will be talking about why exactly mentos and diet coke react the way they do and will experiment with the reactions out in the library courtyard. We will meet in the library YA section before heading out for our experiment.

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**TORNADO IN A BOTTLE**

**Sunday March 30, 1:00 -1:30 pm**

Learn how to make a tornado in a bottle at the Pawling Library! Please bring a plastic bottle to the program.

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**Programs for Grade 9 & up**

**Perks of Being a Wallflower Movie Night, Grades 9 and up**

**Friday, January 17th 7:00 -9:00 pm**

Like popcorn? Like Perks of Being a Wallflower? Come to the Pawling Library movie night.

**Dr. Who Night, Grades 9 and up**

**Friday, February 7th 8:00 -9:00 pm**

Come celebrate the new incarnation of Dr. Who at the Pawling Library. Please bring a Dr. Who inspired dish and come watch an episode of the show.

**SAT Prep for Grades 9-12**

**Saturday March 1st, starting at 3:00 pm**

Worried about the SATs? Take a practice test at the Pawling library and see where you stand.

**GRAD 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.
Wiggle, Giggle & Bounce... *birth - 18 months*

**Thursdays, 10:00 - 10:30 am**

Infants & caregivers will participate in lively 30 minute sessions that include music, movement, body rhymes, nursery rhymes, listening to books and lots of hugs!

Read, Rhyme & Romp... *toddlers 18 - 30 months.*

**Tuesdays, 10:00 - 10:45 am OR Thursdays, 11:00 - 11:45 am**

Toddlers and caregivers 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... *for 2½ - 3½ year olds.*

**Tuesdays, 11:00 - 11:45 am**

A weekly program for children and caregivers to enjoy together that introduces children to group literacy programs. Our 45 minute sessions include listening to books, music, movement, finger plays, nursery rhymes, development activities & more.

Read with Me, Grow with Me... *for our special patrons 1st & 3rd Saturdays of the month, 10:00 - 10:45 am*

Young children and their parents will enjoy relaxed 45 minute sessions that include listening to books, music and interactive activities especially planned for children with developmental differences and special needs. Each session will be followed by an activity time for children so parents can socialize.

Playspace... *play group fun for toddlers & caregivers 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! 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, February 24th, 11:00 am—3:00 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 to schedule an appointment. All appointments will take place in the Community Room of our Annex building.

Just for Me... *literacy fun for 3 - 4 year olds.*

**Thursdays, 12:30 - 1:30 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 literacy 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.

Leapin’ Letters... *an early literacy program for 4 & 5 year olds*

**Thursdays, 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.

Midnight Mischief... *sleepover fun for your stuffed friend!*

**Friday, January 24th 5:30 - 6:00 pm & Saturday, January 25th 11:00 - 11:45 am**

Last time our stuffed friends slept over they got into all sorts of mischief. This time Ms. Karen is planning to leave lots of activities for them. What do you think your stuffed friends will do all night while you are tucked in bed? Want to find out? Ms. Karen is inviting your stuffed friends to the Pawling Library for another sleepover. Bring one of your favorite friends to the Pawling Library for another sleepover. Bring one of your favorite friends to library and we’ll see what happens. We’ll start with a bedtime story for everyone and sing our friends a song. Then you’ll read them one more book and it’s off to bed! Ms. Karen will keep an eye on them and take lots of pictures all night long. Come back Saturday to hear and see all about their adventures while we enjoy a muffin snack! *(Our DVD of last year’s Midnight Magic is available for check out at the library if your child would like to see what might happen!)*

NEW!
SCHOOL AGE PROGRAMS

Home School Connection...for home schooling families
1st & 3rd Fridays of the month, 2:00 - 3:00 pm
Projects and activities inspired by the families and children who participate in the program. This program provides a time for creativity, imagination and socialization for the students while offering home schooling parents an opportunity to meet with each other.

Books & Blocks...listen & build for grades K - 2!
1st & 3rd Wednesday 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 lots of different structures. Weekly challenges will guide students to think about their structures and build within a specified criteria.

Books, Blocks & Brains...listen, think, build for grades 3 & 4!
2nd & 4th Wednesday of the month, 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.

Magic Tree House Club...for students in grade 1 & up.
2nd Tuesday of the month, 4:00 - 5:00 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 season we’ll read Dolphins at Daybreak and Twister on Tuesday.

In Stitches...a sewing program for grades 3 & up
1st & 3rd Friday of the month, 4:00 - 5:00 pm
If sewing sounds like fun, join us two Fridays each month to learn a little more about sewing. This session we’ll sew a Valentine heart sachet, make our own pin box and jazz up a headband! We’ll be learning some new stitches and perfecting those needle threading skills!

Pencil Wizards...a fun beginning drawing & writing program for students in grades K - 2
4th Tuesday of the month, 4:00 - 5:00 pm
We’ll start with a short story and then sharpen our pencils and learn to draw using easy shapes. When we’re done we’ll write a simple sentence under it using familiar sight words and easily decodable words. We’ll finish by coloring and adding scenery to make our work “picture perfect!”

Kinderlit Stories...weekend literacy for 4½ - 6 year olds.
1st & 3rd Saturdays of the month, 11:00 am - 12:00 pm
A new Saturday morning literacy program for older preschoolers & Kindergartners! Children will participate in sessions that include listening to books, music, movement, story re-telling, phonological awareness games and thinking activities designed to make learning literacy skills fun & engaging.

Saturday Cinema Stories...a story-to-movie discussion book club for grades 3 & up
3rd Saturday of the month, 2:30 - 5:00 pm
Ever hear someone say, “The book was better than the movie?” The Common Core requires our children to be critical thinkers, comparing and contrasting information in order to draw their own conclusions. Who says that can’t be fun? Let’s read some great books and then envision how that book would look as a movie. What would it include? What could be left out? Read the book before the session, bring a snack and we’ll gather for a lively book discussion. Next, we’ll watch the movie and compare it to the book to discuss which did best! Is there a clear winner? Let’s find out! Please read the following books before each session:
Saturday, Jan. 18th - How to Train Your Dragon
Saturday, Feb. 15th - The Little White Horse
Saturday, March 15th - Guardians of Ga’hoole: The Capture

READING PRACTICE PROGRAMS

Book Buddies...reading practice for children in grades K - 2.
1st & 3rd Saturdays of the month, 1:00 - 2:00 pm
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. Spaces are limited to available volunteers and 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.
Wrigley’s Readers...relaxed reading with a therapy dog.
2nd & 4th Fridays of the month, 3:45 – 4:45 pm.
Sign up to read to Wrigley, the only 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 two Fridays a month to work with children in 15 minute sessions. He’s one of the best listener in Dutchess County! Registration for each 15 minutes session is required.

REGISTRATION

Due to space limitations registration is required for all programs.

Resident registration will take place on
Monday, Dec. 9th
at the following times:
6:00 pm Preschool Literacy & Early Literacy Family Programs
6:45 pm All School age programs, after-school reading practice, Book Clubs, tween & teen programs.

Non-resident registration opens on Friday, 12/13 at 10:00 am

All programs will take place between Saturday, January 18th and Saturday, March 15th. Please see our calendar link at 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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