Our Children’s Programmer, Ms. Karen, has a slightly different take on the Three Little Pigs, which involves more than just reading the classic tale. After they’ve heard the story, kids use materials to build their own wolf-resistant houses. They experiment by building and trying to blow down a house of drinking straws, one made of Popsicle sticks, and another built with Legos. Then they record their results. Here, some of our patrons work on “houses of bricks” before testing their structures with Ms. Karen’s hair dryer as a stand-in for the Big, Bad Wolf.

Annual Report to the Community.

The year 2014 was a busy one here at the Pawling Library, and 2015 is shaping up to be big, too. As always, all of us at the library have been working hard to provide you and your neighbors with the best in library services and materials and to improve in any areas that we can.

Last year, we built a new website that makes it easier to see what is going on at your library and all the things that you can do with your library card. Recently, we made Pawling’s past more accessible by putting digital copies of our town’s historic newspapers online (pawlinglibrary.org/history). We also made the library itself more useable by adding more seating. This summer, we are excited to introduce a 3D printer to the resources available to our patrons.

As the 8,000 people who attended our programs last year can tell you, the backbone of the library is our programming and staff. Ms. Karen’s early literacy programs engage children in activities that promote a love of reading and learning beginning in infancy. Nicole’s young adult programs give kids the space to develop new skills and hone the ones they have. Donald’s programs for adults provide patrons with a sense of community and the opportunity for continuing education and personal development. Our staff at the Circulation Desk keep all your books and library materials moving.

We’re now in the process of expanding our building to accommodate our library’s tremendous use. We have completed a Pre-Design Report to assess the library’s current usage and future needs, and we’re investigating our options to find the best way to meet those needs.

We hope you will take a few minutes to read through this newsletter. Check out what we’ve been up to, and see what we’ve got for you at the library this summer!

Sincerely,

Casey Conlin,
Library Director
Do People Still Use the Library?

The answer is a resounding yes! Last year, you and your neighbors checked out almost 40,000 books and close to 18,000 DVDs. We had over 8,000 people come to our 755 programs that covered everything from early literacy sessions for infants to memoir writing classes for adults. We had close to 70,000 visits to the library last year from people seeing books, job search assistance, tech help, quiet space, and more. So, yes, as you can see, people are still using the library. Check out some of last year’s usage statistics below for more info.

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Pawling Library Usage Statistics for 2014

Your Library: A Lot of Bang for Your Buck.

Everyone loves a good deal and sharing books, DVDs, and programs with your neighbors is one of the greenest and most cost-effective choices you can make. At $24.95 per book, the 38,291 books we circulated last year would be worth $955,360. Likewise, 17,716 borrowed DVDs at $4 per DVD would be worth $70,864. Tallying just a few of the services that we offer, we can see that the library is a very good investment, returning a conservative $3.21 in services and materials for every $1 of tax money received in 2014.

Value of Library Services

$1,330,169

Tax Receipts

$390,000

Receipts

| Town of Pawling | $390,000 |

Estimated Value of Services

| Books Circulated | $955,360 |
| DVDs Circulated  | $70,864  |
| eBooks Circulated| $24,138  |
| Kids’ Programs   | $112,258 |
| Teen Programs    | $10,134  |
| Adult Programs   | $37,865  |
| Computer Use     | $98,520  |
| Reference Questions | $18,607 |
| Museum Pass Circ. | $2,420   |

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The Library as Your Third Space.

The 21st Century Library still reflects the library that we all grew up with – if you’ve been paying attention, we’re lending out a ton of books and materials, and teaching a lot of kids to love reading. But while the mission of the Public Library—to provide free access to information—remains the same, the way we carry out this mission in our communities is changing. As personal technology becomes more ubiquitous, one of the important roles of the modern library is that of a third space. This space could look like the productive office of a telecommuter on her laptop or the quiet study space of a distance learner, but it could also be the place where you kick back with a magazine or try to beat your mom’s high score on Candy Crush. To that end, we moved some of our bookshelves to bring in more sunlight and make more room for seating. We hope you stop by and enjoy the space, however you see fit!

New Tech at Your Library.

We’re excited to introduce our 3D printer, a Printrbot Metal Plus, for our patrons to use this summer. While 3D production and design are not new technologies, the recent advent of affordable 3D printers now makes it possible for hobbyists and consumers, old and young, to begin experimenting with designing and creating their own 3D objects. Today, reliable inkjet and laser printers, combined with software like Microsoft Office and Adobe Photoshop, have brought us to a place where desktop publishing and the skills necessary to do it are commonplace. In the future, designing a pair of shoes or a phone, and printing your design at your house might become the norm. We’re excited to make this technology available to the members of our community, from grown-up experimenters to young tinkerers. The kid 3D printing a toy today might be the technician 3D printing your new heart or liver in 20 years.

This summer, we’re offering the Z Axis Program for kids grades 6 and up. This program will teach kids the basics of 3D design and printing using our Printrbot Metal Plus 3D printer.

The 3D printer will also be available for use by the general public by appointment.

Contact Library Director Casey Conlin for more info (director@pawlinglibrary.org).
June is here and that means summer is on the 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 fragile skills or limited access to books, the loss can be even more devastating. Summer reading loss is also cumulative. By the end of 6th grade, children who do not read over the summer can be up to two years behind their peers!

One of the best ways to help your child navigate the summer successfully is right in our community...the Pawling Library! Our 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’s what the Pawling Library Summer Core Literacy 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 projects, arts & crafts, and other special workshops designed to enhance and encourage reading. We also offer paper and on-line reading logs to inspire your child to read and watch their progress grow!

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 web site, 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.”

The program staff at the Pawling Library is hard at work creating summer programs to engage, excite, and motivate your young reader. This summer we’ll explore the theme Every Hero has a Story...start your story this summer! We’ve got programs for every students to find the hero within. From Engineering Heroes to Creative Design Heroes, we’ve got something to tap into your child’s interests and talents that will help keep them reading and cultivate the hero they hope to be! Look at our program line-up on our website at www.pawlinglibrary.org, email Ms. Karen at children@pawlinglibrary.org or ask for a program mini-guide that outlines program offerings. We are sure you’ll find programs that are perfect for your child.

Our lottery registration for all children’s summer programs will open on Monday, June 8th at 12:00 pm and run through Sunday, June 21st at 4:00 pm. So pick up a lottery registration form at our circulation desk! 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 start their hero story this summer!

Reading Practice Programs
For students entering grades K - 4

Book Buddies: One-on-one reading practice for kids entering grades 1 - 4. Thursdays 4:00, 4:45, or 5:30 pm

PARENT TIP: Letting your child choose the books they read and log them is a great motivator! We have new electronic logs and paper logs to help them track their reading this summer!

New Summer Reading E-logs
For students 3 years to entering grade 5

Superhero Reader Game: Our new summer reading log will excite your young reader to become a reading hero this summer. Just like past summers, they’ll be reading to earn certificates called “Superhero PowerPoints” to spend in our summer store, but they’ll also be earning game credits to buy parts to create some awesome Superheroes! There are challenges to help your child explore new ways to practice reading, too. As always, there are logs for students reading books, reading pages, and reading by minutes. Ms. Karen would be happy to help you choose the best log for your child.
Every Hero Has a Story…

Start your story this summer at the Pawling Library! There are many ways to be a hero and this summer the Pawling Library is ready to help you explore how you can start your own personal hero story. We have morning Core Literacy programs for children ages 3 – 10 years that will keep kids reading about heroes from all areas of life to inspire them to think about the kind of hero they might want to become. We also have afternoon workshops with hero specialties. Want to be an engineer hero? Try our Brilliant Brains & Blocks program and tackle some tough building challenges. Want to help others? Join our Heroes in Training program and be a Sunshine Hero! Are you worried about the Earth? You might just have what it takes to be an Earth Hero! We look forward to seeing you this summer as you explore where your hero story might lead you!

**Early Literacy Programs**
For children birth to 30 months old & a caregiver

We can help you give your child a great start with our early literacy programs that offer interactive stories, music, learning activities, and fun!

**Super Babies** (birth - 18 months & a caregiver) *Thursdays, 10 am*

**Tireless Toddlers** (18 - 30 months & a caregiver) *Thursdays, 11 am*

**Dynamic Duos** (2½ - 3½ years & a caregiver) *Fridays, 11 am*

**PFL Heroes Training School**
For students entering grades K - 2

We want your young child to learn about how libraries can help them grow and learn. We have stories about their favorite heroes and information to help them learn new skills that will sustain and nurture your developing hero.

**Books & Blocks**: Listen, think, & build. *Fridays, 7/10, 7/24, & 8/7 4:00 - 5:00 pm*

**Helping Heroes**: Helping those in need in our community. *Wednesday, 7/15 1:30 - 2:30 pm*

**Sunshine Heroes**: Lonely neighbors will know someone cares. *Wednesday, 7/22 1:30 - 2:30 pm*

**Earth Heroes**: Protect our planet! *Wednesday, 8/12 1:30 - 2:30 pm*

**Destination: Imagination**: Book club fun for kids entering grades K - 1. *July 8th & 29th 4:00 - 5:00 pm*

**Magic Tree House**: Reading adventures for kids entering grades 2 - 4. *Wednesdays, 7/15 & 8/5 4:00 - 5:00 pm*

**Pokémon Training Camp**: Learn to play the Pokémon card game. *Fridays, 7/17, 7/31, & 8/14 1:00 - 2:00 pm*

**Brilliant Beads**: Bracelet design for kids entering grades K - 2. *Friday, 7/10 or 8/7 1:00 - 2:00 pm*

**Core Literacy Programs**
For children 3 years to entering grade 5

Our core literacy programs are designed to build a love of books and reading. These weekly themed sessions are filled with books, music, imagination, outdoor games & creative activities. Each session includes time for a short snack break, so families should send a small snack & drink each week with their children. Programs run from July 6 to August 14.

**Mighty Tykes** (3 - 5 year olds) *Mondays, 10 am*

**Super Sidekicks** (entering grades K - 2) *Tuesdays, 10 am*

**Spectacular Super Heroes** (entering grades 3 - 5) *Wednesdays, 10 am*

**PFL Heroes Club**
We’re here to help your young student understand all that libraries have to offer. From heroic stories to information about how to develop their interests, skills and talents, the library can help your child develop the hero within.

**Brilliant Brains & Blocks**: Creative problem solving with Legos. *Fridays, 7/17, 7/31, & 8/14, 4:00 – 5:00 pm*

**Helping Heroes**: Helping those in need in our community. *Wednesday, 7/8, 1:30 – 2:30 pm*

**Sunshine Heroes**: Lonely neighbors will know someone cares. *Wednesday, 7/29, 1:30 – 2:30 pm*

**Earth Heroes**: Protect our planet! *Wednesday, 8/5 1:30 pm – 2:30 pm*

**Magic Tree House Book Club**: For kids entering grades 2 - 4. *Wednesdays, 7/15 & 8/5 4:00 - 5:00 pm*

**Operation: TEAMWORK**: Book club adventures & cooperation. *Wednesdays, 7/22 & 8/12 4:00 - 5:00 pm*

**Designed by Me**: Bracelet design for kids entering grades 3 - 5. *Friday, 7/24 4:00 - 5:00 pm*

**PFL Fun Team**: Carnival heroes entering grade 4 & up. *Tuesdays, July 7th – August 11th 4:00 – 5:30 pm.*
We are gaming, exploring, and creating at the library this summer. We have a summer reading game to keep young adults’ reading skills sharp over the summer, and a Battle of the Books team for teens that want to read competitively. We’ve also got fun programs like Delicious Tastings, Book Swap, and Movies and Munchies where kids can explore new experiences. We’ll be gaming with Minecraft, Battle of the Books, and two different Trivia nights. For the creative types, we have programs featuring poetry, photography, blogging, and 3D printing, where you can polish your craft or learn a new one.

For more info, contact our Teen Programming Coordinator, Nicole Curcio at teen@pawlinglibrary.org.

**Escape the Ordinary Summer Reading:** Summer reading simplified. Sign up at the library and get your log forms and book bag. For every 5 books you read you get to pick a prize from the prize box.

**Food Junkies:** Food junkies are those who love to play and make a mess in the kitchen! We will be making different types of food each week (please come hungry). *Fridays July 10 - August 21 12:00-2:00 pm*

**Teen Book Swap:** Great place to get free books for summer reading or your own library. Bring in your lightly used chapter books and exchange them. *Saturday July 11th 10:00-4:00*

**Delicious Tastings:** A series of tasting events where you will get to experience and explore different types of food (basically you get to eat). Check online for the menu. *Mondays, July 7 - August 17 6:30 pm.*

**Movies and Munchies:** Kids entering grades 8 - 12.
- Guardians of the Galaxy - *July 14 at 6 pm*
- The Hobbit: Battle of the Five Armies - *August 4 at 6 pm*

Kids under 13 will need a permission slip for PG-13 movies.

**Escape the Ordinary Summer Library Club:** Special activities combining reading, computers, crafts, and games to spice up your summer. *Thursdays July 9th-August 13th 2:00-5:00 pm*

**Minecraft Lock In:** We will be doing a rotational playing schedule along with a Minecraft Trivia game, Minecraft Crafts, and more. *Friday, August 7th 5:30 pm*

**Hunger Games Trivia Night:** Come and strut your knowledge. Trivia is based off the books, so if you have not read them all yet, get to it! *Saturday, July 18th 5:00-6:00 pm*

**Dr. Who Party & Trivia Night:** Love Dr. Who? We will be showing Dr. Who on the big screen while playing Dr. Who trivia games. *Friday, July 24th 5:30-7:30 pm*

**Battle of the Books:** We have turned reading into a sport. We read 8 books throughout the summer and in September we battle against 26 other Hudson Valley libraries for the championship. *Team Meetings Monday 5:00-6:00 pm.*

**Poetry Lock In:** Get locked into the library and make different types of poetic art. Collage poetry, book spine poetry, or write your own poetry. *Friday, July 31 5 pm*

**Teens Take Over the News Room:** Teens become reporters, investigators, photographers, website designers, and editors for the summer. *Tuesdays, July 7 - August 18 3:00-4:00 pm*

**Photo Class:** Learn how to use your digital camera with a professional photographer in this two part class. *Wednesdays, July 8 & 15 5:30-7:30 pm*

**Blogging Class:** This 8 week course will get you from nothing to a blogging guru. Even if you already have a blog, you can come blog with us! *Tuesdays 7/7 - 8/25 4:30 pm*

**Z Axis 3D Printing Program:** Introduction to 3D printing and design class where kids grades 6 and up create and print 3D objects using our 3D printer. (participants should have basic computer skills). *Time & Dates TBA*
We welcome the warmth and togetherness of summer. Our Monday Matinee that was placed on hold due to repeated snowstorms is thriving again with more people than ever attending and enjoying the shows. On the schedule for our afternoon screenings of newly released films onto DVD is *The Second Best Exotic Marigold Hotel*, starring Judi Dench and Maggie Smith.

In addition to this weekly program we have afternoon and evening yoga classes and book clubs, two writing groups, a free job assistance program that meets twice a month and an artist’s meet-up group. We’re adding a new monthly jewelry making class, presented by the talented jewelry designer, Pat Martin. The program will make its debut on Friday, July 10th at 6 pm.

Regular yearly programs range from free computer classes, informative college aid seminars, sculpting workshops for families, qigong classes and musical performances.

Our favorite programs are those presented by people from our community. Two in particular take place at the beginning and end of Summer. On Tuesday, June 30th our kind neighbors from *The Blue Olive* will appear at our library. Participants will enjoy salad greens with an array of distinctive dressings made with exceptional olive oils. And on Tuesday, September 8th Chef Lucas Muehlenweg invites us back to his restaurant, *Petite*, and will get us ready for Fall by preparing three of his classic soup recipes to savor.

### Special Workshops and Events

**Finding your Balance to Achieve your Life Goals:** Discover how to gain more time, more rewarding experiences and more success! *Tuesday, June 9 at 7 pm*

**A Historic Tour of Pawling with John Brockway:** Take a trip into Pawling’s past. *Thursday, June 25 2:30-5:00 pm*

**Admissions and Financial Aid: What It Takes To Get Into College Today:** Free College planning class. *Wednesday, June 10 at 7 pm*

**An Olive Oil and Vinegar Tasting Seminar:** *The Blue Olive* of Pawling will offer a tasting seminar to introduce you to the ease and benefits of working with olive oil to enhance your cooking. *Tuesday, June 30 at 7 pm* (Material fee: $10.00)

**Beadin; Inc. A Really Wonderful Jewelry Club with Pat Martin:** DIY jewelry class. *Friday, August 10 at 6:30 pm* (Material fee: $22.00.)

**Learn about a Whole Food Plant Based Lifestyle:** At this program we’ll be watching the documentary *Forks Over Knives*, followed by a Q & A. *Tuesday, August 11 at 7 pm*

**What is a Whole Food Plant Based Lifestyle?** Discover how to heal your body and take control of your health destiny! *Friday, August 14 at 7 pm*

**How to Begin a Whole Food Plant Based Lifestyle:** Lose weight, reverse diabetes, heart disease, hypertension & more! *Friday, August 21 at 7 pm*

**Superhero Logo Family Craft Workshop:** Create your own distinctive superhero logo. Ages 7 & up. *Two Sessions: Sculpting - Wednesday, August 12; & Painting - Wednesday, August 26 6:30 pm.* (Program fee: $5.00)

### Weekly Programs

**Monday Matinee:** An afternoon movie for an adult audience, popcorn provided. *Mondays at 2 pm*

**Intermedi;e Hatha Yoga:** Improve your flexibility and strength while relieving stress. *Tuesdays at 1 pm*

**Evening Hatha Yoga:** Hatha Yoga for the beginner. *Thursdays at 6:30 pm*

### Monthly Programs

**From Memory to Family Memoir:** Learn to write your family and personal history. *Wednesdays, 6/3, 7/1, & 8/5 at 6:30 pm*

**The Writers Circle:** Share writing projects, publishing resources, constructive critiques, & more. *Wednesdays, 7/15 & 8/19 at 7 pm*

**A Little Space for Artists:** Monthly gathering where artists meet and talk. *Fridays, 6/26, 7/24, & 8/28 at 6:30 pm*

**The Evening Book Club:** Share your passion for reading, & discuss your favorite books. *Wednesdays, 6/24, 7/22, & 8/26 at 6:30 pm*

For more info or to register for any adult programs, contact Donald, our Adult Programming Coordinator, at Adult@pawlinglibrary.org.
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Homebound Services
The Pawling Library now offers free delivery of materials to patrons who are physically unable to visit the library, including the elderly, the disabled, and those who are temporarily incapacitated.

For more information or if you have any questions regarding home delivery, contact Evelina Simoes at 855-3444 or email her at circ@pawlinglibrary.org.

Don’t Miss The Pawling Library
Annual Book Sale
June 20 & 21 and June 27 & 28
At The Mizzentop Day School
64 East Main Street, Pawling
Hours & more info at our website:
pawlinglibrary.org/booksale

Museum Passes
The library provides passes to the following museums to encourage the education and personal development of our patrons.
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