

THRALL PUBLIC LIBRARY DISTRICT  
OF MIDDLETOWN AND WALLKILL  
PRESENTS THE  
**REPORT**  
TO OUR  
COMMUNITY  
FOR  
YEAR 2001



THRALL PUBLIC LIBRARY DISTRICT  
OF MIDDLETOWN AND WALLKILL  
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THE LIBRARY DIRECTOR

KEVIN J. GALLAGHER

# FAST FACTS

- ♦ 2001 Circulation: 306,372 (an all-time high)
- ♦ Reference Questions Answered: 50,891
- ♦ Interlibrary Loans Filled: 21,303 (up by over 33% from 2000)
- ♦ Registered Borrowers: 25,575
- ♦ Number of Times Meeting Room Used by Community Groups: 470
- ♦ Attendance at Library Programs: 3740
- ♦ Average Weekly Users of Internet Computers: 464 (an increase of over 25% from 2000)
- ♦ Our web site, [www.thrall.org](http://www.thrall.org) averaged over 60,000 hits per month.
- ♦ Operating Budget: \$1,966,138

## HIGHLIGHTS FOR 2001

- ♦ Successful referendum was held to expand chartered service outside of the Middletown School District to include previously unserved areas in the Towns of Walkkill and Mount Hope. Our thanks to everyone who supported this. Special thanks to Senator William J. Larkin, Jr., and Assemblyman Jacob E. Gunther III, for their work in securing passage of the bill in Albany.
- ♦ Year-long celebration of the library's Centennial featured many events; unveiling of artwork commissioned by the Friends of Middletown Thrall Library.
- ♦ Added over 25,000 new items (books, CDs, tapes, etc.f) to the collection.
- ♦ The Friends of Middletown Thrall Library provided funding for programs, equipment, and a wide variety of materials. Some examples include: furnishings for new Internet computers; bookcases for David Moore Heights; public computer for Government Documents area; digital camera; gift certificates for Teen Read Week; numerous books, such as: *Larousse Encyclopedia of Wine*; *Grandma Moses in the 21st Century*; *Encyclopedia of Human Emotions*; *Diaries of Samuel Pepys*.

**MIDDLETOWN THRALL LIBRARY**  
**11-19 DEPOT STREET**  
**MIDDLETOWN, NY 10940**

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at [www.thrall.org](http://www.thrall.org)

**CONTACT INFORMATION:**

Main Desk/Circulation:	341-5454
Reference Department:	341-5461
Children's Department:	341-5470
Government Information:	341-5465
Local History Department:	341-5483
Library Director:	341-5485

**LIBRARY HOURS:**

Monday - Thursday 9 AM - 8 PM  
Friday 9 AM - 6 PM  
Saturday 10 AM - 5 PM  
Sunday 1 PM - 5 PM

**SUMMER SCHEDULE:**

The same except for the following:  
Saturday 10 AM - 2 PM  
Sunday - Closed



Summitfield Children's Learning Center  
6 Sweezy Avenue  
Middletown, New York 10940  
Telephone: (845) 341-5496

Hours: Monday - Thursday 12:30 - 5 PM  
Call for Summer Hours