MIDDLETOWN THRALL LIBRARY
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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

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THE THRALL PUBLIC LIBRARY DISTRICT
OF MIDDLETOWN AND WALLKILL
PRESENTS OUR ANNUAL
REPORT TO OUR COMMUNITY
FOR YEAR 2012

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Fast Facts for 2012

- Reference Questions Answered: 31,085 (~85 a day; up 5.2% from 2012)
- New Library Acquisitions (all media): 49,348 (nearly 4,111 a month)
- Interlibrary Loans – Received: 31,043 (up 19.5% from 24,981 in 2010)
- Interlibrary Loans – Provided: 39,723 (up 29.7% from 27,907 in 2010)
- Adult Fiction Books Borrowed: 70,688
- Adult Nonfiction Books Borrowed: 43,891
- Other Adult Materials Borrowed: 70,533
- Total Adult Items Borrowed: 185,112
- Children’s Fiction Books Borrowed: 57,991
- Children’s Nonfiction Books Borrowed: 18,240
- Other Children’s Materials Borrowed: 16,420
- Total Children’s Items Borrowed: 92,651 (up 11.4% from 82,042 in 2010)
- Total Items Borrowed: 277,763 (up 6% from 261,819 in 2010)
- Total Items in Library’s Collection: 356,666 (up 9.9% from 321,042 in 2010)
- Electronic Books Available: 12,395 (up 58.5% from 7,818 in 2011)
- Library Programs (adult, YA, kids): 218 (36 adult; 192 YA / kids)
- Current Print Serial Subscriptions: 572
- Registered Borrowers: 19,111 (up 8.49% from 17,488 in 2010)
- Library Visits: 538,204 (approx. 1474.5 persons per day over 365 days)
- Computer Uses in the Library: 81,985 (approx. 224 per day)
- Thrall.org Website Visits: 2,937,162 (up 10.9% from 2,615,829 in 2010)
- Library Operating Budget: $3,134,963.00
- Service Population: 54,179 people (as per the 2010 Census)

Some Notable Developments...

- Our Children’s Department assembled its first “Battle of the Books” team (comprised of students in grades 6 through 12) to compete in a friendly and educational fashion with students from other local libraries.
- We hosted “Help for You” job consultations and resume workshops for local jobseekers. A teen employment workshop was also provided.
- We updated 100s of records in our Community Organizations Database.
- We partnered with Orange Library Association / OrangeREADS 2012 to host a keynote speech and events relating to the book Forever by Pete Hamill.
- We published an Election Year Survival Guide along with an Election 2012 guide online to encourage critical thinking and to enable patrons to learn more about voter registration, the voting process, candidates, and all related topics.
- We offered informational assistance concerning Hurricane Sandy to our community as well as NYS libraries via our Special Coverage Center.
- Our online Virtual Reference Library has a new Travel Guides collection.
- We created a new Poetry guide to encourage awareness and enjoyment of poetic works. We also completed our online literary reference collections (e.g. Novels for Students) so patrons can enjoy complete access to them.
- We developed an online Language Materials Browser so patrons can explore bilingual, multilingual, and learning resources in our library system.

- Voter registration, the online