

THRALL PUBLIC LIBRARY DISTRICT  
OF MIDDLETOWN AND WALLKILL  
PRESENTS THE  
**REPORT**  
TO OUR  
COMMUNITY  
FOR  
YEAR 2004



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OF MIDDLETOWN AND WALLKILL  
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# FAST FACTS ABOUT THRALL

- ♦ 2004 Circulation: 331,317 (Highest in library's history.)
- ♦ Reference questions answered: 32,393 (includes questions submitted via Internet)
- ♦ Interlibrary loans filled: 30,306
- ♦ Programs for children or adults: 263 (Total attendance: 2,563)
- ♦ Times meeting room used by community groups: 356
- ♦ Total access to library web site ([www.thrall.org](http://www.thrall.org)): 1,087,805 (highest in library's history)
- ♦ Library card holders: 23,041
- ♦ 2004 Operating Budget: \$2,381,500

# THRALL HIGHLIGHTS FOR 2004

- ♦ Library district assumed ownership of Middletown Thrall Library from Middletown School District.
- ♦ Expanded collection of DVDs for public borrowing.
- ♦ Thrall invited to present its web site development philosophy at the Westchester Library Association.
- ♦ Four new dedicated word processing and research workstations.
- ♦ Thrall begins upgrading its Gates grant PCs with new computers.
- ♦ New genealogy databases available
- ♦ Public large print/touch screen catalog access developed at Thrall
- ♦ Library catalog browse feature developed at Thrall
- ♦ Replaced lounge chairs in Reading Room and magazine area.
- ♦ Replaced entryway carpet with non-skid tiles.
- ♦ Added insulation to walls in original train station to help with heating and cooling costs.
- ♦ Continued independent and foreign films program.
- ♦ Expanded hours at Summitfield Children's Resource Center
- ♦ Reorganized staffing for Youth Services.
- ♦ Received a \$5000 member item grant from Sen. John J. Bonacic.
- ♦ Received more than \$25,000 in support from the Friends of Middletown Thrall Library for programs, materials, and equipment.

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

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

**CONTACT INFORMATION:**

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| 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