



# WALWORTH-SEELY PUBLIC LIBRARY 2018 REPORT TO THE COMMUNITY

*WHERE THE COMMUNITY CAN...*



*CONNECT...*



*CREATE...*



*...AND DISCOVER!*



# A LETTER FROM THE DIRECTOR

Hello! My name is Anne Brown and I started as the new Walworth-Seely Public Library Director in October 2018. I have enjoyed getting to know the Walworth community so far, and look forward to continuing to work hard to provide what this community wants and needs. I am extremely grateful for Bernie and all of the WSPL staff who kept the library running smoothly during the months without a director. With the help of such a dedicated staff, supportive WSPL Friends group, and hardworking library board trustees, I know that this library will continue to offer a high level of customer service as well as a wide variety of programs and materials.

Coming in as a new director, it has been great to see how many people are using our resources and attending programs. Our program attendance increased by 20% this year, and our website and Facebook page have had more visits and interaction than ever before. We started an Instagram account this year to continue to grow our online presence, and we received a technology grant to upgrade our public computers to the Linux operating system. To help provide equitable access to technology, we continue to offer free wifi, public computer access, one-on-one technology assistance, and wireless hotspots that patrons may check out to use at home.

For a long time, one of the biggest needs this library has had was the issue of space. Our collection has reached a capacity that makes it difficult to order new materials without weeding out older items. We hate to turn people away for programs or having waiting lists, but our small meeting room means that we must limit the number of participants we can accommodate. Fortunately, previous directors and our library board members have laid the groundwork to turn the dream of improving our library space into a reality. Pending approval from the town board, we are ready to move forward with a library expansion project, beginning with applying for a New York State Construction Aid grant. This grant and other matching funds will allow us to complete the expansion with ***no additional cost to the taxpayers***. With funding provided by Senator Pamela Helming in 2018, we were able to install a handicap accessible door in the library's entrance this year. We plan to continue making our library more accessible through this building project, as well as increase space for an additional meeting room, larger children's and teen areas, and improving our staff work spaces. With input from our patrons and the needs of the community in mind, we hope to create an improved library that Walworth both needs and deserves.

Lastly, I wanted to thank you all for the warm welcome I have received. If we haven't met yet or you haven't visited the library in a while, I encourage you to stop by to say hello, grab a cup of coffee, and see what the library has to offer. I appreciate the amount of support our library has and I look forward to serving this community.

Sincerely,

*Anne Brown*

Anne Brown, Library Director

# LIBRARY INFORMATION

## Library Staff

### Library Director

Anne Brown

### Library Assistant & Bookkeeper

Bernie Maurer

### Holdings Clerk

Judy Quinn

### Library Clerk & Resident Artist

Mandy Papineau

### Library Clerks

Adrienne Compton

Kim Harding

Lexy Johnson

Kate Karnisky

Shannon Thurston

### Library Page

Savannah Rose

### Library Substitutes

Jennifer Cantwell

Carole Drake

Victoria Reid

Kelly Valone

## 2018 Board of Trustees

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## Services Provided

- 3D Printing
- Ancestry.com Library Edition
- AWE Children's Computer
- Complimentary Café (coffee/tea/cocoa)
- Cricut
- Faxes, Copies & Printing
- Heritage Quest Online
- iPad for Kids
- iPad Catalog Kiosks
- Meeting Room Use
- Online Databases access including Novelist, Mango Languages, NovelNY and jobNOW
- Owwl2go app – Digital Content for eReaders, tablets, and phones
- Programs & Events
- Public Computers with Internet
- Reader's Advisory & Research Assistance
- Self-checkout Station with Touchscreen
- STEAM Lab
- Summer Reading Program for all ages
- Tax Forms
- Technology Assistance
- Volunteer Opportunities
- Free WiFi

## Materials Available for Check Out

- Audiobooks
- Biographies
- DVDs and Blu-Ray
- Experience Kits (drawing, adult coloring, binoculars, yoga, ukulele)
- Fiction and Non-Fiction for all ages
- Job Information
- Large Print Books
- Libby/OWWL2Go app
- Local History
- Local Authors
- Magazines
- Music CDs
- Newspapers
- nook eReaders (loaded with materials)
- Picture Books
- Storytime Kits
- Video Games
- Wireless Hot Spots

# LIBRARY PROGRAMS

## Weekly & Monthly Programs

### For Kids:

Mondays 10:30 AM – *Toddler Story Time (ages 0-3)*

Wednesdays 10:30 AM – *Preschool Story Time (ages 3-6)*

1<sup>st</sup> Wednesday 10:30 AM – *Preschool Story Time with a Craft*

Thursdays 10:30 AM – *Fun with Mother Goose (ages 0-36 months)*

Fridays 10:30 AM – *Music & Movement (ages 2-7)*

### For Adults:

Mondays 12:00-8:00 PM – *Tech Monday Appointments*

1<sup>st</sup> Tuesday 6:00-8:00 PM – *Adult DIY Craft Night*

2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday 6:30-8:00 PM – *Paper Craft Workshop (Ages 12+)*

3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday 6:30-8:00 PM – *Walworth Library Book Club*

4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday 6:00-8:00 PM – *Knitting Workshop (Ages 15+)*

Wednesdays 2:00-4:00 PM – *Genealogy Workshop*

3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday 12:00-2:00 PM – *Genealogy & Family History Group*

2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday 6:30 PM – *Library Board Meetings (open to the public)*

3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday 12:00-1:00 PM – *Friends of WSPL Monthly Meeting*

3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday 6:30-8:00 PM – *Get Crafty With Jen (Ages 12+)*

## Other Programs:

- Adult Coloring at The Gardens Senior Living Community
- Antiques Roadshow
- Book Sales
- Brick Masters
- Charlie Brown Thanksgiving
- Checkers the Inventor
- Crafts at The Gardens Senior Living Community
- Doughnuts with Dad
- Drop-in Children's Crafts
- Farmer's Market
- Festival in the Park and Parade
- Frozen Movie Party
- Harvest Moon Festival
- Holiday Crafts for Kids
- Holiday Party with Santa
- Ice Cream Social
- Light the Night
- Master Gardener Workshops
- Muffins with Mom
- Outreach Events
- Resume Writing
- Scavenger Hunts
- Science Fun for Kids
- Snack & a Movie programs
- Summer Reading Program for all ages
- Tie-Dye Friday
- Wild Wings Birds of Prey





# 2018 BY THE NUMBERS

41,936 Visitors

**64,731 materials circulated**



Walworth-Seely  
PUBLIC LIBRARY

**12,196 website hits**

**13 staff members** 243 New Cards Issued

**3,420 registered patrons**

**31,102**

**Materials owned**

**390**



Walworth-Seely  
Public Library

**Summer  
Readers**

**2,250 WiFi Sessions**

**194 Story Times**

835 Facebook Likes

**3,000 square feet**

**1 meeting room**



**Owwl.org**

**3,848 Reference  
questions answered**

**Open 2,704 hours**

435 programs



**7,463 program attendees**

**102 Digital Literacy Programs**

**37 Community Meetings** **9,449 Walworth community residents**

**10,952 computer uses** **11,763 materials sent out to PLS libraries**

**1 of 42 members of the Pioneer Library System**

## Hours of Operation

Monday 10AM – 8PM  
Tuesday 10AM – 8PM  
Wednesday 10AM – 8PM  
Thursday 10AM – 8PM  
Friday 10AM – 6PM  
Saturday 10AM – 2PM  
Sundays - Closed

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