

Library Cards

A free card is given to all residents and people employed or attending school in the Borough of Woodland Park. Individuals residing in a reciprocal borrowing area must use their **HOME** Library Card.

New patrons must present acceptable proof of residency such as, a driver's license, rental lease, utility bill, etc.

You can apply for a library card at the library or on-line @ wpatlibrary.org



The Alfred H. Baumann Library is a member of Pals Plus.

PALS PLUS is a cooperative effort of all of the Passaic County libraries to share resources to better serve all the citizens of the County. PALS offers an array of services, designed to increase the information finding options of Passaic County residents. Inter-local cooperation is our hallmark."

Borrowing books from the library saves us a lot of money! And it's an interesting way to spend an afternoon...

~ Eileen Werner

Alfred H. Baumann Free Public Library 2008

Library Update



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The Library—A Solution to the Needs of Our Community

Message from Our Board President

We have had another tremendously successful year at the Alfred Baumann Library. Customer visits and circulation of materials have reached new highs. Computer usage has dramatically increased. There has been incredible demand for library services, a demand that is not diminishing, but continuing to grow. Because of this growth the Library Board has begun to plan for the increased demand and to expand services to our residents. During 2008 the Board met with Library consultants and reached out to many residents for their input. The Library's collection, programs and facilities were evaluated. A plan is being formulated to meet our current requirements, but also our future needs.

Many thanks are in order. On behalf of the Board of Trustees, I would like to thank our customers. Your patronage and continued support have made our successes possible. We are most appreciative. It is with great pleasure we serve you.

To the taxpayers, local government officials, and the Friends of the Library - all of whom have provided us with funding and support so that we can continue to serve our customers at a high level - we extend our sincere thanks. We thank you for believing in the value of public libraries, for supporting our programming, and enabling us to purchase new materials and technologies for our customers.

We would be remiss not to acknowledge our library director and staff. Their hard work, dedication, and imagination have helped the Alfred Baumann Public Library become what it is today. Thank you for making our Library a favorite destination for so many individuals and families.

The success of our local library is our community's success. An outstanding library gives a community identity. We will continue to provide our town the best possible service now and in the future.

Maureen Mingione

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President

The mission of the Alfred H. Baumann Public Library is to provide a wide range of materials, services and programs for people of all ages to meet the ever changing educational, recreational, and informational needs of the residents of Woodland Park. To support this task, the library is dedicated to providing access to information using current and emerging technologies with the best possible staff and facility.

The library is committed to being the learning and activities center for residents of all ages.



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...the library is a wondrous place! Innovative ideas, creative projects, timely lectures...books, DVD's. What's not to love!
~ R. Garafalo



Ask 100 people to define "library" and a least 99 of them will probably say "a place with books." It's not that they're wrong...it's just that their answer is far from complete. In the most basic sense, a library is so much more than books today, libraries offer CD's, DVD's computer access, electronic research resources, audiobooks and programs.

More children participate in summer reading programs at libraries than play Little League baseball.



For people without Internet access at home or work, public libraries are the number one point of access.

Our local public library cost about \$44.58 per person or about .12 per day, less than a \$1.00 per week
So if a person borrows 2 books and one video per year he far exceeds the cost of having our library.





Many library services are available online. With your library card you can search the catalog, request and renew items, access databases, find magazine articles, conduct business research, download movies and books, and even chat with a librarian 24/7. If you have questions or need assistance call or visit the library.

On-line Card Catalog

You can access our card catalog & other libraries of Passaic County via our website to see if we have a book in our collection with just a few simple steps:

- * Go to www.wpatlibrary.org
- * Click on the "Search Our Catalog" link
- * Click on the Pals Plus "Search Our Catalog" link
- * Click on the drop down menu and select our town as your home library

What do I do if my library does not have the book? Choose ALL. The program will now search every library in PalsPlus. Place a hold. We will call you when your materials are delivered.

Hours

Monday - Thursday
10:00 am - 9:00 pm
Friday
10:00 am - 5:00 pm
Saturday
10:00 am - 3:00 pm
(Mid-June to Sept. 10:00 - 1:00)
Sunday
12:00 pm - 3:00 pm
(October - May)

Downloading Video & Audiobooks

The Alfred Baumann Library provides two unique services which are available 24/7 from any computer with a high-speed internet connection.

MyLibraryDV is a video-on-demand service providing access to hundreds of DVDs-quality videos covering a wide range of interests. You will find movies, foreign and independent films and lifestyle programming such as *Antiques Roadshow*, *America's Test Kitchen*, *Rick Steves' Europe*, *Today's Homeowner* and more!

ListenNJnw provides best sellers and classic audiobooks which can be used with your PC, laptop, PDA or MP3 and now **APPLE DEVICES**.

Sunshine Library Delivery Service

A program co-sponsored by the Alfred H. Baumann Free Public Library and the Borough of Woodland Park, the Sunshine Delivery Service will deliver and pick up library materials free of charge for residents living in Woodland Park who are unable to visit the library due to physical limitations. Please call the library for additional information.

Computer Class

Instruction is often given on an one-to-one basis by appointment. We offer many classes for beginners and people wishing to improve their skills. Call the library for further information & to register.



JerseyCat

If you can't find a book in the PALS PLUS system, you can use JerseyCat to check many libraries in the New Jersey to see if the materials you are looking for are available. If they are, they will be delivered to our library. This system can be accessed through our website either in the library or at home. Just call us if you need help!

Library Usage 2008

4,372 people have library cards representing 39.8%

⇒ 1 out of every 3 people has a library card

Items Loaned 47,747 - Increase of 43.4% over 2007

⇒ More books, DVDs, and Audiobooks borrowed

The number of Library Programming increased 20% with attendance increasing 50%

⇒ More programs held with many more people attending

Computer Usage rose 57% on the 8 public use terminals

Photocopy Service for Seniors

In an effort to assist Senior Residents the Public Library will allow **up to 15 copies free of charge per visit** for items of a **medical or legal** matter. Library staff will assist in the photocopying. Individuals wishing to use this service must request assistance before beginning.

I love my library because there are so many great books and awesome movies to watch. The people working here are really nice and helpful...

~ Lisa Cianci

"The three most important documents a free society gives are a birth certificate, passport, and a library card."

~ E. L. Doctorow, author

....great selection of DVDs, books, and newspapers. I love the activities for children and adults. The hours are very convenient...

~ Dora Schupp

Children's Programming

The Children's Library is designed to serve young patrons and their families. We offer a variety of story time sessions for many different age groups. Throughout the year, children can participate in special programs that are interactive, educational, and fun. In addition to these special events, we have many ongoing arts & crafts projects that are available for children to work on independently in the library or at home. During the summer months, the library sponsors a Summer Reading program that includes many special events and activities for children and families. The library also offers a Winter Reading Program to encourage children and their families to continue reading for fun throughout the year. All of our programs are free and everyone is welcome!