

Locations and Hours of Operation

Headquarters:	306 N. 5th	M,T,F	8:30-5:00
	St. Marys, KS 66536	Wednesday	8:30-6:00
	(785) 437-2778	Thursday	8:30-7:00
	illpowab@oct.net cremerj@oct.net	Saturday	9:00-1:00
Branches:	Alma Branch Library	M,T,F,	9:00-12:15
	115 West 3rd, PO Box 420		12:45-5:00
	Alma, Kansas 66401	Wednesday	9:00-12:15
	(785) 765-3647		12:45-7:00
	powabalm@embarqmail.com		
Eskridge Branch Library	115 S. Main, PO Box 87	M,T,W,F	9:00-12:30
	Eskridge, KS 66423		1:00 - 5:00
	(785)449-2296	Saturday	9:30-12:00
	powabesk@embarqmail.com		
Onaga Branch Library	313 Leonard, PO Box 310	M,T,F,	8:30-12:00
	Onaga, KS 66521		12:30- 4:30
	(785) 889-4531	Wednesday	8:30-12:00
	powabona@bluevalley.net		12:30- 8:00

Mini Libraries:

This is a physical Address - Mail is not received at Mini locations.
All correspondence, both physical and electronic, should be addressed to the Headquarters Library at St. Marys.

Alta Vista Mini Library
310 Center, Alta Vista
(785) 499-5542
powabav@tctelco.net
Wednesday 10:00-11:30
12:00- 6:30

Olsburg Mini Library
318 N. 2nd, Olsburg
(785) 468-3347
powabols@twinvalley.net
Thursday 10:00-12:00
12:30- 3:30
Saturday 9:00-11:00

Harveyville Mini Library
128 West Oak, Harveyville
(785) 589-2414
powabhv@embarqmail.com
Wednesday 12:30-5:30
Saturday 9:30-12:00

Westmoreland Mini Library
315 Main, Westmoreland
(785) 457-2841
powabwst@bluevalley.net
Monday 10:00-1:00
1:30-6:00



Library Website

<http://skyways.lib.ks.us/library/pottwablib>

POTTAWATOMIE WABAUNSEE REGIONAL LIBRARY

The Pottawatomie-Wabaunsee Regional Library began as an 18 month demonstration project conducted by the State Library of Kansas. The project ended on November 6, 1962, with the voters of Pottawatomie and Wabaunsee Counties approving the establishment of the Regional Library by a 2 to 1 margin. The Pottawatomie Wabaunsee Regional Library is today the only two-county public library in Kansas.

The St. Marys Branch Library became the headquarters for the Regional Library, and the Onaga Library was established as a Branch in 1962. The Alma Branch Library was added in 1963, and the Eskridge Branch was added in 1967.

PWRL originally operated a bookmobile that stopped at many of the rural communities in both counties. Due to the cost of the service, and a reduction in use, the Bookmobile ceased operation in 1995. The Board determined at that time that a new means to provide Library service to the rural areas was needed. As a result, three Mini Libraries were established as service outlets in Harveyville, Olsburg, and Westmoreland in 1981. A fourth Mini Library was opened at Alta Vista in 1996.

Mini Libraries are access points for Library service. Their purpose is to provide residents in more remote areas of the two counties with direct, but limited, Library service. Materials at Mini locations are continually rotated from PWRL's shared collection of more than 100,000 items, and a fresh and balanced selection is maintained at each location.

Today PWRL strives to provide free and open access to information and deliver the best possible Library Services to the residents of Pottawatomie and Wabaunsee Counties. The Library serves a population of 21,819 residents in Pottawatomie and Wabaunsee counties, has a legal service area of 1612 square miles, and maintains libraries in the rural communities of Alma, Alta Vista, Eskridge, Harveyville, Olsburg, Onaga, St. Marys and Westmoreland.

CHARACTERISTICS OF PWRL LEGAL SERVICE AREA

The Pottawatomie Wabaunsee Regional Library is established under K.S.A. 12-1231 et seq. The Library is supported by a mill levy on the two counties, excluding Wamego and the part of Manhattan in Pottawatomie County. The division of the budget between the two counties is based on population and valuation in each county, per K.S.A. 12-1234(b)

Legal Service Area

Pottawatomie County	820 square miles
Wabaunsee County	792 square miles

2007 Legal Service Population – From the KS Office of the Dir. of the Budget

Pottawatomie County	
(Within Library District)	14,924
Wabaunsee County	6,895
Total in PWRL Service Area	21,819

2007 Tangible Valuation - From County Clerk

Pottawatomie County	323,104,071
(Within Library District)	
Wabaunsee County	67,273,787
Total valuation in PWRL Service Area	390,377,858

SERVICES AVAILABLE

Books

Adult and children's books are available at all locations in regular & large print.

Audio Books

Books on cassette, both fiction and non-fiction, are available at all locations.

Magazines and Newspapers

Approximately 150 different titles are received.

Videos

The library has a small collection of educational videos available for check-out.

Reference.

A qualified staff is ready to help. If the answer to a reference question is not readily available Library staff will assist patron's with research and refer them to expert resources to find an answer.

Interlibrary Loan

PWRL can borrow library materials from other libraries through a statewide borrowing network to satisfy patrons need for items or information that is not owned by PWRL.

Story Time

A story time for toddlers and pre-schoolers is held at Branch locations Tuesday mornings from September through April.

Summer Reading Program

During the summer months, varied programs for younger readers are held to encourage and sustain lifelong reading habits.

Newspaper Collection On Microfilm / Local History

PWRL owns a microfilm copy of all newspapers printed within the Library's direct service area. Patrons at branch locations may use the Library's equipment to view and print articles. Birth, Death, and Marriage Indexes for some newspapers are available to aid researchers.

Copier & Fax Machine

Each PWRL location has a copier and a fax machine for the public's use.

Public Computers, Internet, & Wireless Internet Access

Each PWRL location has at least one computer with Internet access, software, and printing capabilities available for the public's use. All locations now offer wireless Internet access during Library business hours for patrons who have their own equipment and wish to use PWRL's high speed Internet connection.

NCKL - North Central Kansas Library System

PWRL contracts with NCKL to provide better library services to the residents of the two counties. PWRL contracts for: Mail-A-Book, Interlibrary Loan, Rotating Books, and Talking Books services. In addition any resident of PT or WB Counties may receive library service at Manhattan Public Library under the terms of the Library's contract.

**2007 STAFF AS OF
DECEMBER 31, 2007**

Director	Judith Cremer
Assistant Director	Maribeth Turner
Secretary/Bookkeeper - Temp	Julie Homan
Processing & Consultant	Deborah Eichem
Special Projects - Temp	Sharon Durkes
Special Projects - Temp	Debbie Hewes
Special Projects - Temp	Freda J. Dobbins
St. Marys Librarian	Kathryn Barnes
St. Marys Assistant	Peggy Verschelden
St. Marys Substitute	Brenda Reynolds
Alma Librarian	Iris Joyce Mathies
Alma Assistant	Julia Anderson
Alma Substitute	Carole Moege
Alma Substitute	Debra Jo Thierer
Alma Substitute	Vicki Jones
Eskridge Librarian	Norma Riepma-Langley
Eskridge Assistant	Jeannie Bennett
Eskridge Substitute	Vicki Jones
Eskridge Substitute	Teri Durkes
Onaga Librarian	Patsy Mayginnes
Onaga Assistant	Natalie Holcomb
Onaga Substitute	Nellie Sumner
Onaga Substitute	Diane Owens
Mini Librarian	Karen Newman
Harveyville Substitute	Ella Lee Crumb
Mini Librarian	Elizabeth Feiden
Alta Vista Substitute	Doris McDiffett
Alta Vista Substitute	Marilyn Ziegenhirt
Olsburg Substitute	Jeannie Johnson
Westmoreland Substitute	Patricia A. Krause
Westmoreland Substitute	Mary Rosell

BOARD MEMBERS AS OF DECEMBER 31, 2007

Position 1	Becky Avery Olsburg, 66520	May 1, 2006 - April 30, 2010 Co-Secretary
Position 2	Susan Bozarth Eskridge, 66423	Aug. 1, 2006 - April 30, 2010 Co-Secretary
Position 3	Sheryl Crooks Alta Vista, 66834	May 1, 2000 - April 30, 2008 Vice-Chairman
Position 4	Melanie Abitz Onaga, 66521	May 1, 2003 - April 30, 2011 Chairman
Position 5	Kim Wild Maple Hill, 66507	May 1, 2005 - April 30, 2009 Treasurer
Position 6	Michael L. Piper St. Marys, 66536	May 1, 2000 - April 30, 2008

Ex-Officio Members

Rodney Allen, Chairman Wabaunsee County Commission Alma, 66401	Tom Doperalski, Chairman Pottawatomie County Commission Westmoreland, 66549
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PWRL's Board of Trustees is composed of eight members. The Pottawatomie & Wabaunsee County Commissions each appoint three members to serve on the Library Board, and the County Commission Chairman from each county is also an ex-officio voting member of the Board.

Library Board members serve a maximum of two consecutive, four year, terms. The regular monthly meeting of the Library Board is held on the last Wednesday of each month at 5:30 at the St. Marys Library, unless otherwise ordered by the Board.



Note: The pictures throughout this annual report are READ Posters created for the purpose of promoting the Library and literacy. These posters feature our Library Board and Staff Members.

FINANCIAL REPORT

Revenues 2007

PT Co. Ad Valorem Taxes	\$ 296,096.00
WB Co. Ad Valorem Taxes	\$ 96,051.00
Gifts and Memorials	\$ 4,718.00
Grants	\$ 25,506.00
Miscellaneous Revenues	\$ 11,121.00

Total Revenue \$ 433,492.00

Expenditures 2007

Personnel (Salaries & Benefits)	\$ 235,301.00
Capital Improvements	\$ 30,959.00
Library Materials (Books, Audios, Magazines, etc.) (\$35,000 budgeted, additional spent from grants, gifts & donations)	\$ 56,750.00
Operations (Building, Utilities, Supplies, Equipment, etc.)	\$ 122,077.00
Total Expenditures	<u><u>\$ 445,088.00</u></u>

LIBRARY RESOURCES IN 2007 - ALL LOCATIONS



Adult Books	48,387
Large Print	6,725
Children's Books	44,430
Books on Cassettes	2,740
Microfilm	443
Videos	236
Newspaper Subscriptions	24
Magazine Subscriptions	127
NCKL rotating book materials:	5,820
NCKL Mail A Book Materials	3,432
Total Collection Inventory	<u><u>112,364</u></u>



NUMBER OF ITEMS CHECKED OUT - ALL LOCATIONS



Adult Books	31,028
Children's Books	33,098
Audio Books	2,081
Periodicals	2,241
Total Circulation	<u><u>68,448</u></u>



OTHER STATISTICS - ALL LOCATIONS

Total Registered Borrowers	6,313
Individual Public Computer Sessions	9,399
Reference Questions Answered	15,756
Interlibrary Loan Materials Handled	1,622


TOTAL PATRON VISITS TO EACH LOCATION IN 2007

Location	Total Service Hours	Patron Visits
Alma	1,664	8,684
Eskridge	1,690	7,280
Onaga	1,742	7,072
St. Marys	2,574	21,892
Alta Vista	416	676
Harveyville	390	1,768
Olsburg	364	1,196
Westmoreland	390	780
Total	<u><u>9,230</u></u>	<u><u>49,348</u></u>



2480 children were served at all locations through 245 special programs in 2007. The weekly storytime for preschoolers and the annual summer reading program formed the heart of our children's programming schedule. A total of 429 children participated in the "Get a Clue @ Your Library summer reading session, reading 5,562 books during the six week program.



 POTTAWATOMIE WABAUNSEE REGIONAL LIBRARY (EIGHT LOCATIONS IN POTTAWATOMIE & WABAUNSEE COUNTIES)	
Pay to the	\$2,336,337.00
ORDER of Pottawatomie Wabaunsee Regional Library Patrons	
Two million, three hundred thirty six thousand, three hundred thirty seven DOLLARS	
In 2007 PWRL patrons used31,028 adult books that would have cost \$992,896 to purchase33,098 children's books that would have cost \$926,744 to purchase2,081 audio books on cassette that would have cost \$ 83,240 to purchase1622 interlibrary loan items that would have cost \$51,904 to purchase2,241 periodicals that would have cost \$11,205 to purchase9,399 hours of computer time that would have cost \$112,788 to purchase Patrons Asked.....15,756 reference questions that would have cost \$157,560 to purchase	
PAID IN FULL	
For Materials and Services Provided - 2007	<i>[Signature]</i> , Director
Total Expenditures 2007 = \$445,088 Materials & Computer Service Value 2007 = \$2,336,337	
Based on Average Costs: Adult Book = \$32.00 Periodical = \$5.00 Junior Book = \$28.00 Interlibrary Loan = \$40.00 Audio Book = \$40.00 Computer Use = \$12.00 Reference ? = \$10.00	