### LOCATIONS AND HOURS OF OPERATION

HEAD	
QUARTERS	



306 N. 5th St. Marys, KS 66536 (785) 437-2778 illpowab@oct.net cremerj@oct.net

M,T,F8:30-5:00 Wednesday 8:30-6:00 Thursday 8:30-7:00 Saturday 9:00-1:00

BRANCHES: Alma Branch Library



115 West 3rd, PO Box 420 Alma, Kansas 66401 (785) 765-3647 powabalm@embarqmail.com M,T,F,9:00-12:15 12:45-5:00 Wednesday 9:00-12:15 12:45-7:00

M,T,W,F

Eskridge Branch Library 115 S. Main, PO Box 87 Eskridge, KS 66423

9:00-12:30 1:00-5:00

Saturday 9:30-12:00

(785)449-2296

powabesk@embargmail.com



Onaga Branch Library	Monday	9:00-12:30
313 Leonard, PO Box 310	·	1:00-7:00
Onaga, KS 66521	T,W,F	9:00-12:30
(785) 889-4531		1:00-5:00
powabona@bluevalley.net	Saturday	9:00-10:30

#### MINITIBRARIES:

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

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

9:30-12:00

Saturday



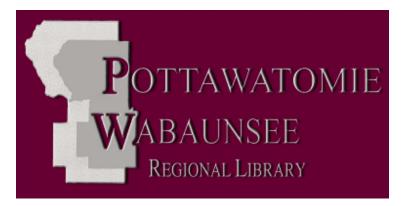
Olsburg Mini Library 318 N. 2nd, Olsburg (785) 468-3347 powabols@twinvalley.net Thursday 10:00-12:00

12:30-3:30

Saturday 9:00-11:00

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

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LIBRARY WEBSITE HTTP://WWW.POTTWAB.ORG

#### 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 1,612 square miles, and maintains libraries in the rural communities of Alma, Alta Vista, Eskridge, Harveyville, Olsburg, Onaga, St. Marys and Westmoreland.

#### CHARACTERISTICS OF 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

**2008 Legal Service Population** – From the KS Office of the Dir. of the Budget

Pottawatomie County

(Within Library District) 15,090 Wabaunsee County 6,870

Total in PWRL Service Area 21,960

2008 Tangible Valuation - From County Clerk

Pottawatomie County 318,878,158

(Within Library District)

Wabaunsee County 67,378,494

Total valuation in PWRL Service Area

386,256,652

#### 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 patron's needs 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 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.

# Computer, Internet, & Wireless 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 residents additional services. NCKL provides mail-a-book, rotating books, and talking books. Consulting and training for library staff is also offered. PT & WB County residents, under PWRL's contract, may use Manhattan Public Library, or any other NCKL library.

# 2008 STAFF AS OF **DECEMBER 31, 2008**

Director Assistant Director Secretary/Bookkeeper Processing & Consultant Processing Clerk Special Projects - Temp Special Projects - Temp Special Projects - Temp Special Projects - Temp

Maribeth Turner Iulie Homan Deborah Eichem Vicky Jones Sharon Durkes Debbie Hewes Freda J. Dobbins Marilyn Hund

**Judith Cremer** 



St. Marys Librarian St. Marys Assistant St. Marys Substitute St. Marys Substitute St. Marys Substitute Kathryn Barnes Allison Bordelon Theresa Heath Peggy Verschelden Sally Sharp



Alma Librarian Alma Assistant Alma Substitute Alma Substitute Iris Joyce Mathies Julia Anderson Carole Moege Debra Jo Thierer

Jeannie Bennett



Eskridge Librarian Eskridge Assistant Eskridge Substitute Eskridge Substitute

Teri Durkes Mai Hannagan Deborah Stallard-Parry



Onaga Librarian Onaga Assistant Onaga Substitute Onaga Substitute

Emma Gilsdorf Nellie Sumner Joye Platt

Mini Librarian Harveyville Substitute Harveyville Substitute

> Elizabeth Feiden Doris McDiffett Marilyn Ziegenhirt Tammy Force Patricia A. Krause Mary Rosell

Sally Sharp

Vicky Jones



Mini Librarian Alta Vista Substitute Alta Vista Substitute Olsburg Substitute Westmoreland Substitute Westmoreland Substitute



# **BOARD MEMBERS AS OF DECEMBER 31, 2008**

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	Ruth Messer Alma, 66401	May 1, 2008 - April 30, 2012 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	Maris "Tippi" Flerlage St. Marys, 66536	May 1, 2008 - April 30, 2012 Co-Secretary

#### **EX-OFFICIO MEMBERS**

Ervan Stuewe, Chairman Wabaunsee County Commission Alma, 66401

Corwin Seamans, Chairman Pottawatomie County Commission Westmoreland, 66549

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 exofficio voting member of the Board.

Library Board members can 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.









The READ Posters displayed throughout the annual report were created for the purpose of promoting the Library and literacy. These posters feature volunteers, staff, and board members.

#### FINANCIAL REPORT

REVENUES 2008	
PT Co. Ad Valorem Taxes	\$ 329,858.00
WB Co. Ad Valorem Taxes	\$ 105,283.00
Grants	\$ 35,050.00
Donations and Memorials	\$ 8,278.00
CIF Income	\$ 5, 627.00
SMSB CD (vehicle replacement)	\$ 371.00



#### TOTAL REVENUE

Miscellaneous Revenues

\$ 489,356.00

4.889.00

#### EXPENDITURES 2008

Personnel (Salaries & Benefits)	\$ 263,951.00
Capital Improvements	\$ 650.00
Library Materials	\$ 48,290.00

(Books, Audios, Magazines, etc.)

(\$19,372 budgeted, additional expenditure from GF, State Aid, ILDP Grant, donations, misc. rev.)

**Operations** \$ 170,478.00

(Rent, utilities, supplies, equipment, etc.)

#### TOTAL EXPENDITURES

\$ 483,369.00

\$2,121,989.00

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#### POTTAWATOMIE WABAUNSEE REGIONAL LIBRARY

Providing Library Services to the Residents of Pottawatomie & Wabaunsee Counties Since 1962

ORDER of Residents of Pottawatomie and Wabaunsee Counties

Two million, one hundred twenty one thousand, nine hundred eighty nine no/100 DOLLARS

Patrons used ...... 33,052 adult books - estimated consumer cost if individually purchased \$826,300

......2,279 audio books - estimated consumer cost if individually purchased \$56,975 

For Return on Investment - Materials & Services - 2008

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Library Expenditures in 2008 = \$483,369 Value of Materials & Services to Community = \$2,121,989

Based on Estimated Retail Costs: Materials Borrowed (Books, Audios, ILL) = \$25.00 Magazines Borrowed = \$5.00 Hours of Computer Time Used = \$12.00 Reference Questions Asked = \$10.00

#### PWRL LIBRARY MATERIALS



	2007	2008
Adult Books	48,387	49,539
Large Print	6,725	7,651
Mail A Book (NCKL)	3,432	3,325
Children's Books	44,430	46,044
Rotating Books (NCKL)	5,820	5,680
Audio Books	2,740	2,740
Videos	236	237
Newspaper Subscriptions	24	23
Magazine Subscriptions	127	106
Microfilm	443	443
Total Library Materials	112,151	115,788

#### TOTAL NUMBER OF ITEMS BORROWED

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	2007	2008
Adult Books	31,028	33,052
Children's Books	33,098	37,816
Audio Books	2,081	2,279
Periodicals	2,241	1,980
Total Borrowed	68,448	75,127

#### OTHER STATISTICS



Total Registered Borrowers	6,847
Individual Public Computer Sessions	9,412
Reference Questions Answered	13,302
Patron Requests Handled	4,259
Patron Requests filled by other PWRL location	1,364
Interlibrary Loan Materials Loaned	636
Interlibrary Loan Materials Borrowed	862

#### TOTAL PATRON VISITS IN 2008

<b>Location</b>	Total Hours Open	Patron Vis
Alma	1,664	9,672
Eskridge	1,690	7,041
Onaga	1,742	5,918
St. Marys	2,574	22,776
Alta Vista	416	406
Harveyville	390	905
Olsburg	364	1,040
Westmoreland	390	811
Total	9,230	48,473





6510 children attended 266 special programs at all locations of the library in 2008. 503 children read 8,655 books during the eight week "Catch the Reading Bug" summer reading program. 376 adults attended 17 special programs at the library.