



PENN YAN PUBLIC LIBRARY  
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# 2024-2025 ANNUAL REPORT

## Spring 2026

Dear Penn Yan Community,

Currently, Penn Yan Public Library (PYPL) leadership is planning for the future. Multi-year phased building upgrades will begin in the coming months, all in anticipation of offering a more welcoming, modernized, and accessible facility to the public. The main entrance and restrooms will be updated first and future phases will include a new overall layout with refreshed interior design finishes, furnishings, and an additional small public meeting room. All improvements are possible with significant New York State Library Construction Grants.

Coming soon, the public is invited to check [pypl.stls.org](http://pypl.stls.org) for contribution opportunities, including participation in an accessibility focus group, room and furnishing naming donation possibilities, and a special round of commemorative brick sales. Schematics and concept drawings are

available for viewing at the PYPL.

On a daily basis, the PYPL staff and Board of Trustees endeavor to meet our mission, which is to awaken and

satisfy curiosity in the individual, thus enriching the community. We are grateful for the Friends of PYPL group, active volunteers, donors, collaborative agencies, the Southern Tier Library System, local government representatives, and, most especially, patrons for their continued support.

Stop by or visit us online today.

**-Angela Gonzalez, Executive Director**



## July 2024 through June 2025

### By the Numbers

***The PYPL collection offers something for everyone:***

Adult books:	18,001
Children's books:	10,617
Electronic materials:	more than 45,000
Audio, video and other:	5,117
Magazines and newspapers:	602
WIFI hotspots to borrow:	19
Physical materials added to the collection:	1,634

### ***Statistics:***

Grand Total of all items borrowed:	82,103
Electronic materials borrowed*	20,156
* e-books, audio books, magazines, videos	

Registered borrowers:	10,505
Population Chartered to Serve:	15,194
Library visits:	58,202
Public access computer sessions:	2,968
Wireless sessions:	5,330
Items borrowed from other libraries:	6,291
Items loaned to other libraries:	5,295
Adult and Children's Programs sessions:	467
Program Attendance:	7692
Summer Reading program attendance:	801
WIFI Hotspot loans (new 04/24):	168
Website visits:	14,932
Reference questions answered:	3,912
Local collaborative entities	19
Annual open hours	3,094
Public Reservations of Meeting room	123

## Current Adult and Youth Programs

Youth Services at the Library include so much more than just great reading material! Last year we offered 293 programs for youth and families, which were attended by 5,791 people. Every summer we run a reading program where kids can earn two free books a week to take home and keep forever, just by meeting their reading goals, and we kick everything off with our annual **Books & Bikes Festival**—save the date for June 27, 2026 for this year's event!

Adult Services at PYPL seek to educate, engage, and entertain – not necessarily in that order! Through partnerships with many great community organizations and individuals, we're able to offer fun and meaningful activities like Knit Together, Gentle Chair Yoga, two separate programs from the Alzheimer's Association, a grief group, and much more. Ongoing programs include Potluck Club, Family Research Support Group, and Arts & Drafts and a variety of activities touching on American civics, personal and community resilience, and even French language practice.



The **Friends of Penn Yan Public Library** advocates, fundraises, and provides programming. Anyone can join the Friends. Ask at the front desk for a membership form and learn about Friends volunteer opportunities.

**Coming soon:** The 2026 Friends of PYPL Book Sale will take place on Friday June 5th, Saturday June 6th, Friday June 12th and Saturday June 13th.



2026 Friends of PYPL Annual Meeting



2025 Books and Bikes Festival prizes



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2025 Friends of PYPL

Annual Book Sale

**PYPL Services:** WIFI, mobile WIFI hotspots, projectors and screens, public access computers and laptops, community room, wireless printing, copies, fax, and scanning, interlibrary loans, video games, DVDs, CDs, Family museum, zoo, and Empire Passes, all types of printed items, Yates County Law Library, 6 electric car charging stations, horse and buggy parking, bicycle repair station, and programming for all ages on and offsite. Visit [pypl.stls.org](http://pypl.stls.org) for more information on programming and access to *StarCat*, the Southern Tier Library System online public access catalog.

### DIGITAL RESOURCES



Use your Library card to access: The Libby App (e-books, e-magazines, and e-audiobooks), the Kanopy App (movie streaming), the Mango App (language learning), Ground News, JobNow, Peterson's Test and Career Prep, and NOVEL databases. *All can be found on [pypl.stls.org](http://pypl.stls.org).*



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