



NEWSLETTER

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Celebrating 50 Years!

2012

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DEWITT COMMUNITY LIBRARY

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DeWitt, NY 13214-1799
(315) 446-3578
www.dewlib.org

HOURS:

Monday - Thursday
10:00 a.m. - 9:00 p.m.
Friday & Saturday
10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.
Sundays
1:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.

The Library will be closed on

Sunday, January 1, 2012
for New Year's Day
&
Monday, January 16, 2011
for
Martin Luther King, Jr. Day



CELEBRATING 50 YEARS JOIN US FOR THE NEXT CHAPTER

From the Desk of the Executive Director

April 8 is our 50th birthday! We hope you will join us to celebrate fifty years of outstanding library service to the DeWitt and Jamesville communities as we look forward to "the next chapter."

To commemorate this milestone, we are planning a black-tie silent auction for April, a fun family 'fair' with activities, music and prizes for fall, and special events and exhibits throughout the year. Watch for announcements!

Do You Remember When....?

Since opening in April of 1962, the DeWitt Community Library has seen tremendous change. Here are just a few highlights from our fifty year history.

1962: We opened in the ShoppingTown plaza with just 600 books.

1973: The Library moved to the lower level of ShoppingTown Mall.

1978-1979: The staff was busy putting barcode labels on library items to prepare for its first automated system.

1982: The Library acquired one Apple II computer - our first public access computer - with a donation from Omnifax and DeWitt Rotary.

1986: Voters in the Jamesville-DeWitt School District were able to vote on the Library budget for the first time.

1995: The Library underwent an extension renovation, adding space for the teen area and remodeling the Children's Room.

2000: The Friends of the DCL was founded.

2001: We launched our first web site and computer network.

2004: The Library added a second meeting room facility.

2008: Due to the Mall's expansion plans, the Library was moved to its current location as a temporary home while trustees search for a permanent facility.

2010: The DCL Board of Trustees initiated an extensive strategic planning process to develop a road map for the future of the Library. Over 600 people contributed feedback.

2011: The DCL is the first library in the county system to offer Nook e-readers with pre-loaded content.

- Wendy Scott
Executive Director



Images of our Library's history which have been posted online at NYHeritage.org; View these and other images of our library's past. <http://www.newyorkheritage.org/dewitt.php>

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CHILDREN'S CORNER

Saluting the Presidents!

Celebrate Presidents' Day on February 20th by checking out some books about our great leaders and their lives. Here are some wonderful books to share with your children:

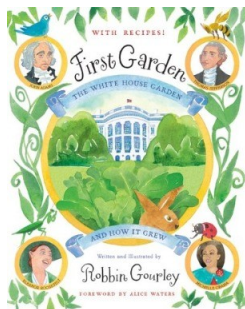
First Garden: the White House Garden and How It Grew

by Robbin Gourley

Recommended for ages 5-10

The White House kitchen garden, part of Michelle Obama's campaign to encourage healthy eating, was established in 2009.

This book tells the story of Mrs. Obama's garden, and the other gardens (including Eleanor Roosevelt's Victory Garden in World War II) that came before.

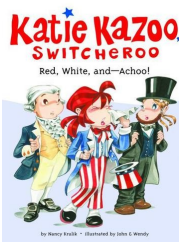


Red, White, and - Achool!

by Nancy E. Krulik

Recommended for ages 7-12

When the magic wind turns Katie into the actor playing Millard Fillmore in a Presidents' Day show, she is grateful she had to research this obscure president for an oral report at school. Includes facts about Presidential pets.



A Boy Named FDR: How Franklin D. Roosevelt Grew Up To Change America

by Kathleen Krull

Recommended for ages 6-10

This appealing picture-book biography shows how, from childhood on, FDR was compassionate, cheerful, determined, and

enormously likable. Though he had private tutors as a young boy and later attended an elite boys' school, he played pranks and had down-to-earth fun just like any boy today. And disappointments, too. Kathleen Krull's lively account focuses on his childhood years through his entry as a young man into politics and his battle with polio. It also summarizes his achievements as president and includes a chronology of his life.

Madeline at the White House

by John Bemelmans Marciano

Recommended for ages 3-6

Madeline and the other orphans of the vine-covered house in Paris spend Easter at the White House visiting with the President's daughter.

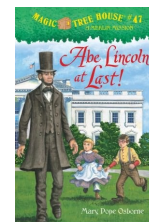


Abe Lincoln at Last!

by Mary Pope Osborne

Recommended for ages 5-10

The magic tree house whisks Jack and Annie to Washington D.C. in the 1860s where they meet Abraham Lincoln and collect a feather that will help break a magic spell.



Big George: How a Shy Boy Became President Washington

by Anne F. Rockwell

Recommended for ages 7-10

Portrays George Washington as a shy boy who wasn't afraid of anything except talking to people, but who grew up to lead an army against the British and serve as president of the new nation.

- Jenny Burke

Children's Librarian

YA CAFÉ

Sadly, we start off the year with the departure of our great coordinator of young adult activities, Rene Battelle, who has moved on to a new position at the Marcellus Free Library. We will miss her and the spirited energy she brought to all of our YA activities. Good luck Rene, "we will miss you"!

The YA Advisory Board has been meeting regularly to plan upcoming events for the new year. We will continue with our popular and lively monthly book talks, so be sure to stop by the Library and pick up the current book we are reading together. Make sure you register for our Teen Murder Mystery night on Friday, January 20th. Come in and examine the clues and solve the mystery. Join us for our Virtual Olympics and compete for a medal on Friday,

February 17th. Who will be the one to take home the gold medal? All this fun and refreshments too!

Keep an eye out for "Harry Potter Week" during the April Spring Break. Some of the activities planned include a showing of several of the series movies, a costume contest, and game night. Perhaps we can find the recipe for Butter beer! Come and dress up as your favorite character.

- Marc Wildman

Young Adult Librarian

Assistant Director of Patron Services



JOB HUNTING? WE CAN HELP!

Make Your Dream Come True

Many of us have a dream in our hearts and heads, an idea, or a thought for our futures. Yet, year after year we set the dream aside to stay at work that pays the bills, but doesn't speak to our souls. Sometimes we stay in unfulfilling work out of necessity or because we don't have time to figure out anything else.

This past year, over 50 patrons have come to our one-on-one resume review and skills assessment sessions. Many have successfully taken the next step, returning to college, updating their resumes, or simply making some phone calls. Library resources, including our in-library laptop loaner program, are offered as a way to help job hunters and career changers make their dreams come true.

Eleanor Roosevelt once said: "Believe in yourself; you gain strength, courage, and confidence by every experience in which you stop to look fear in the face... You must do that which you think you cannot do."

We're glad to help you take that first step!

Resume review, skills assessment and job hunt assistance is available Tuesdays at 1pm and Thursdays at 5:30pm, by appointment. Pick up a flyer or a program guide, check out our electronic sign and register online at www.dewlib.org, or by calling 446-3578.

- Carol Youngs
Program Coordinator

Look for our Cozy Winter Raffle! Try for your chance to win a selection of cozy and romantic books, a gift card to Panera Bread, and some chocolates! Entries are available at the Library's Front Desk.

Then look for Library Puzzler, coming in March! The OCPL libraries are once again hosting this fun contest where you guess a literary character, a well-known book, and an OCPL library. Stay tuned for more details!

DCL MUSIC SERIES REVIEW

Seventeen year-old steals the show!

From the moment I heard Christopher Demas, 17, warm up, I knew we were in for a great performance.

The Syracuse Violin Academy performed at the DCL in January for our music series. Joshua Diesti, an instructor at the Syracuse Violin Academy, played duets with Christopher and explained what they were doing throughout the performance.

The group consisted of Joshua, Christopher, and seventh grader, Arthur Germakovski, 12, who has been playing for four years on a 1750 Cremona violin. Christopher has been playing since the fourth grade. He plays on a 100 year-old full-size German violin. Both Christopher and Arthur played solos.

Our DCL Music Series is held once a month on Sunday afternoons. Our next concert is on Sunday, February 12 at 2:00 pm, featuring the Everest String Quartet. Hope to see you there.

- Linda Wozniak
Adult Services Librarian



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Look for our Library's tutorials on downloading to your Nook and Kindle; these free sessions will be held at the Library. In the meantime, check Amazon's help pages or visit the DCL website's Electronic Devices page. Happy Reading!

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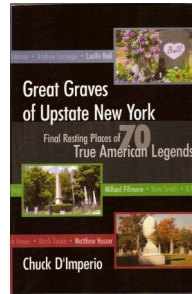
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Executive Director

DCL FRIENDS ANNUAL MEETING

The DCL Friends will host their Annual Meeting on January 18, 2012 at the DeWitt Community Library, beginning at 7:00 pm.

After a brief business session and the nomination of Friends officers, our featured speaker, local author Chuck D'Imperio, will present his latest book, "Great Graves of Upstate New York," an exciting travelogue and fun, fact-filled trivia book that focuses on the lives (and deaths) of 70 great American legends.



You will be amazed at who lies eternally in the Upstate region of the Empire State:

Susan B. Anthony, Rod Serling, Lucille Ball, Grandma Moses, Emily Post, Frederick Douglass, Andrew Carnegie, Wells and Fargo, Harriet Tubman, plus murder victims, mafia leaders, 4 U.S. presidents, 3 saints, and more!

DCL FRIENDS SAYS THANK YOU

George Abbott, Hope O'Donnell, and Nana Ross are retiring from years of service on the DCL Friends Board.

Our thanks to our DCL Friends Board members for their faithful service.

Each retiring board member received a tribute card and a commemorative book plate was placed in a new book.

Monsters in the Movies, 100 Years of Cinematic Nightmares by John Landis honors George Abbott, *Knights of the Lunch Table, The Battling Bands (#3)* by Frank Cammuso honors Hope O'Donnell, and *Gardner's Art Through the Ages: A Global History* by Helen Gardner and Fred Kleine honors Nana Ross.

Library Lingo

Do you sometimes feel as if the Library speaks a different language than the rest of the world? Learn Library language right here.

Graphic Novel-A book in which the story is conveyed through the use of a combination of text and art, often in comic-strip form. Graphic Novels can be found in the Library's Adult, Teen, and Children's sections.

SAVE THE DATE!

The DCL Friends will be hosting their Annual Tea on Saturday, May 19, 2012 from 2:00 pm to 4:00 pm, featuring a talk about the Erie Canal.

Stay tuned for more details!

LOVE AT FIRST SITE

Find 25 words that relate to love. How many can you find? See the solution online at www.dewlib.org.

- Lauri Fortino
Tech. Processing Assistant

- Affection
- Attraction
- Bow and Arrow
- Candlelit Dinner
- Cupid
- Dear
- February
- Honey
- Love Song
- Poetry
- Romance
- Tunnel of Love
- Venus

- Aphrodite
- Bouquet of Flowers
- Box of Chocolates
- Candy Hearts
- Darling
- Devotion
- Holding Hands
- Hugs and Kisses
- Passionate
- Red Roses
- Sweetheart
- Valentine Card

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