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DEWITT COMMUNITY LIBRARY

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HOURS:

Monday - Thursday

10:00 am - 9:00 pm

Friday & Saturday

10:00 am - 5:00 pm

Sundays

1:00 pm - 5:00 pm

The Library will be closed on

Monday, May 27
For Memorial Day.

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**IT'S YOUR LIBRARY—IT'S YOUR VOTE!
DON'T FORGET TO VOTE ON THE LIBRARY
PROPOSITION ON MAY 21ST**

From the Desk of the Executive Director

The primary source of the Library's funding is voted on by you, Jamesville-DeWitt School District residents. Taxpayers' contributions constitute more than 93% of our annual income.

This year, the DCL proposition on the May 21st ballot is for an additional \$25,133. This equals an increase over the 2012 budget proposition of just 2% (within the mandated NYS tax levy limit.) If approved, the increase would mean that the family with a home valued at \$100,000 would pay a library tax rate of approximately \$80.04, which equals an increase of only \$.83!

The increase in tax revenue requested in the 2013 budget proposition will support library services, collections, and increasing operating expenses. In addition, the DeWitt Community Library Board of Trustees will continue to set aside funding to ensure that the

A FOND FAREWELL

After two decades of service, Claudia Conostas is bidding a fond farewell to the DCL, and we wish her all the best in her retirement.

Claudia will be missed by staff and patrons alike, having been the 'face' at the Library's front desk (7 hours a day, 5 days a week) for more than 20 years. She's seen a generation of kids visit the Library from attending story times to sending out college applications.

A Rome, NY native, Claudia started at the Library before the age of computers and when "due date" cards had to be stamped each night for the next day's circulation.

Library will have the necessary resources for a new facility.

Please take the time to vote on the Library Budget Proposition on Tuesday, May 21st, 2013. To make it easier for you to vote, the Library's budget proposition vote is held at the Jamesville-DeWitt High School Main Gym Foyer from 7am to 9pm, the same day and place where you vote for the Jamesville-DeWitt School District budget.

Thank you.

- Wendy Scott
Executive Director

For information about voting requirements, please contact us at (315) 446-3578 or call the Jamesville-DeWitt School District Office at (315) 445-8300.

"I walked into the Library on the day of the interview loaded down with a book bag," Claudia said of the day she met with former director, Nancy Baker. "Nancy took one look at me and said, 'you must be a reader.' I'm not sure, but that might have influenced her decision to hire me."



It'll be hard to imagine the Library without her, but we wish her all the best!

DCL NEWSLETTER

CHILDREN'S CORNER

By Jenny Burke, Children's Librarian

Did you know Children's Book Week is May 13 – 19, 2013? An annual celebration of books for young people and the joy of reading, one aspect is the Children's Choice Book Award, the only national book award where the winners are chosen by children. Here are some of the finalists available at the DCL!

See the entire list at www.bookweekonline.com/2013Finalists

Grades K-2:

Big Mean Mike

by Michelle Knudsen;
illustrated by Scott Magoon
(J E KNUDSEN)

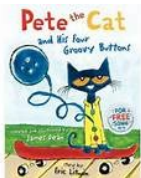
Mike is proud to be the biggest, toughest dog in the neighborhood, so when tiny, fuzzy bunnies start showing up in his big, mean car he sees them only as a threat to his reputation, no matter how adorable they are.



Pete the Cat and His Four Groovy Buttons

By Eric Litwin; illustrated by James Dean
(J E LITWIN)

Pete the cat loves the buttons on his shirt so much that he makes up a song about them, and even as the buttons pop off, one by one, he still finds a reason to sing.



I'll Save You Bobo!

By Eileen Rosenthal; illustrated by Marc Rosenthal
(J E ROSENTHAL)

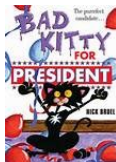
Willy writes a storybook starring Bobo in order to act out his revenge fantasies on Earl, who retaliates by continually wrecking Willy's stories until the duo realizes that they both have something in common.

Grades 3-4:

Bad Kitty for President

By Nick Bruel
(J FIC BRUEL)

Kitty decides to run for President of the Neighborhood Cat Association.



Get the Scoop on Animal Poop

By Dawn Cusick
(J 590 CUS)

Discusses animal droppings and their uses, importance, and meaning.

Homer

By Diane DeGroat and Shelley Rotner
(J E DEGROAT)

While Alex sleeps, his dog Homer dreams about the game that will determine whether his team, the Doggers, or their opponents, the Hounds, will be champions of the world of dog baseball.



Grades 5-6:

Pickle

By Kimberly Baker
(J FIC BAKER)

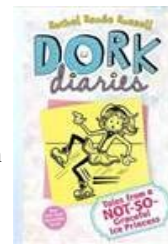
Using a bogus name, the League of Picklemakers, sixth-grader Ben and three recruits start a prank-pulling club and receive funding from their middle school's PTA.



Tales From a Not-So-Graceful Ice Princess

By Rachel Renee Russell
(J FIC RUSSELL)

Nikki Maxwell is determined to help out her crush Brandon save an animal shelter. So Nikki and her friends Chloe and Zoey enter an ice skating competition to help raise money for the shelter, but (big surprise) Mackenzie has to stick her nose in and cause trouble.



Liar & Spy

By Rebecca Stead
(J FIC STEAD)

Seventh-grader Georges adjusts to moving from a house to an apartment, his father's efforts to start a new business, his mother's extra shifts as a nurse, being picked on at school, and Safer, a boy who wants his help spying on another resident of their building.

These are also great titles to add to your list of summer reading! Don't forget the DCL's 2013 Summer Reading Program "Dig Into Reading" begins June 24th. Look for more details at the Library!

YA CAFÉ

NEW TEEN SUMMER READING

Teen librarians have been meeting to revise the Summer Teen Reading Program to be more activity based in addition to a literacy component. Teens will have the opportunity to earn "badges" by completing task such as creating a meal, writing a poem, compose a song, attend a library program, and many more. DCL will award prizes for the most badges earned as well as the most creative project.

The Library is also planning an Oral Heritage project and is looking for teens to participate. The Library will provide video and lighting equipment—and the training to use them—for teens to interview subjects on the many aspects of living in Jamesville and DeWitt. Edited interviews will then be posted on the DCL website for all to enjoy. If you are interested in this project, please call the Library and talk with Marc or Scott.

- Marc Wildman
Young Adult Librarian

MAY - JUNE 2013

LEARN HOW TO SUCCEED...

If you're looking for a new job, career change or want to improve your job search skills, look no further. Getting past the dreaded job interview, fielding questions from prospective employers and learning how to ask for information can all be learned at the DCL's free interactive workshop, **The Art of Interviewing**, on Wed., May 8 from 7:00 pm to 8:30 pm.



The program facilitators have many years of business and/or human resource experience.

Business consultant Steven Brennaman, is a leader of *40 Above: Workers in Transition* which assists people over 40 with their job search efforts and finding their next career.

Celia Beaucage is a Human Resources Professional providing Talent Acquisition and Career Counseling Services. She uses her passions for effective communication and relationship building to creatively engage participation in her Educational Presentations and Workshops.

Reservations are encouraged; we want to be sure and have enough hand out materials at the ready. Reserve by calling the Library at 446-3578 or going to our website www.dewlib.org and clicking on Program Registration at the top of our home page.

The Art of Interviewing is part of the DeWitt Community Library's ongoing focus in helping people succeed in identifying career goals and finding employment. The DCL offers one-on-one resume reviews in addition to job and business related programming. Stop in the Library or visit our website for details.

- Carol Youngs
Adult Programming

Connectology Playaway Views

They're handy if you're traveling, waiting in line or for an appointment, or just looking for something for the kids to do. What are they? They're Playaway Views!

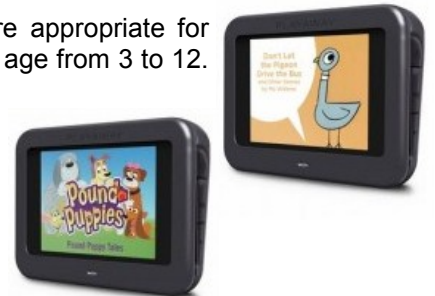
A built-in movie player, Playaway Views are pre-loaded with content for your children to watch and enjoy. And the Library is getting more of them! Just in time for summer adventures, check out these great travel items for listening to or watching on those long car rides.

Children's Librarian Jenny Burke recently signed up for a special deal from the makers of Playaway Views, allowing us to expanded on these popular devices.

"By signing up for the deal, we could purchase twelve playaway views for the price of four," Jenny said. The Library will then purchases four additional playaways each month.

Titles include episodes of *Arthur*, *Between the Lions*, and *Pound Puppies*, *Don't Let the Pigeon Drive the Bus*, Shirley Temple in *The Little Princess*, and more. Look for them in our Children's Room on the green shelving coming in May.

Playaway Views are appropriate for children, ranging in age from 3 to 12. Check individual titles for recommended ages.



SUMMER READING FOR ADULTS

It's coming!

The DeWitt Community Library is proud to present the second annual Summer Reading Program for adults. The theme for this year's program is "Groundbreaking Reads", and it will run from June 25 – August 13.

Adults are encouraged to keep track of books they read on a reading log and submit a review for a chance to win an e-reader. Each participant will receive a coupon for one free book from our ongoing book sale. Be rewarded for your reading, join in the fun and prove that libraries rock!

For questions or more information, please contact Linda Wozniak, Adult Services Librarian, at the Library or call (315) 446-3578.

COMING SOON: OVERDRIVE ADVANTAGE

Coming soon to the DCL!



As a preferred DeWitt Community Library patron, you will soon have priority access to an extra collection of popular e-book titles when you login to your Overdrive Digital Library account. This means shorter waiting lists and a wider array of titles available just for you. Ask a librarian for more information about this new service or how you can be a registered DeWitt Community Library patron.

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ARE YOU A FRIEND?

Become a Friend of the DeWitt Community Library!

The Friends of the DCL began their mission in 2001 to help support, promote, and advocate for the DeWitt Community Library. Since then the organization has sponsored numerous programs, bought furnishings, and hosted events, such as the Annual Friends Tea (see right).

Help support your local library and join the Friends of the DCL! Membership brochures are available at the library and on the DCL's website: www.dewlib.org

Friends Annual Tea: Hometown Brewing

The DCL Friends will host their Annual Tea on Saturday, May 18, from 2:00 pm to 4:00 pm, with a special feature presentation:

Jason Newton, a Syracuse University doctoral student in American History and a brewer, will talk about the history of brewing in CNY and America, the brewing process, the types of beer, and the return to hometown brewing.

Join us for old-fashioned American refreshments, prepared and served by the DCL Friends. The Friends' major fundraiser of the year, the Annual Tea encourages you to meet new friends and support your Library. **Donations Appreciated.**

NEW BRIEFS

FUNDRAISING SUCCESSES!

The DeWitt Community Library Spring Book & Bake Sale was a smashing success. The Library made more than \$1800. Look for our next big sale in late Fall. In the meantime, check out our regular ongoing book sale for a variety of books and more.

The Friends of the DeWitt Community Library raised more than \$350 with their bake sale efforts. The Library and the Friends wish to thank everyone who participated (from donors to bakers and buyers) and made the event such a success.

CONGRATULATIONS!

Congratulations to Marcia James, the winner of a DVD copy of the film, *Cold Mountain*, given out at the recent performance of Syracuse Sacred Harp at the library on April 14.

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.

Juvenile - A term that designates an item as being intended for children. If you see a book in the Library's Children's Room with a red "J" spine label, remember that the "J" stands for Juvenile.

FOR THE BIRDS

Can you spot these 25 birds in our word search puzzle? See the solution online at www.dewlib.org.

- Lauri Fortino
Tech. Processing Assistant

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CARDINAL
CHICKADEE
EASTERN BLUEBIRD
GREAT BLUE HERON
HORNED LARK
MOURNING DOVE
NUTHATCH
PHEASANT
ROBIN
SPARROW
WILD TURKEY
WOODPECKER

CANADA GOOSE
CERULEAN WARBLER
CROW
GOLD FINCH
HERRING GULL
HUMMINGBIRD
MUTE SWAN
PEREGRINE FALCON
REDDTAILED HAWK
SCREECH OWL
STARLING
WOOD DUCK