

Library Guide

Jan - Feb 2025



Community Library

of DeWitt & Jamesville

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9:00 am - 8:00 pm

Fridays
9:00 am - 5:00 pm

Saturdays
10:00 am - 5:00 pm

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Patrons are encouraged to register for library events, programs, and workshops. To sign up for Community Library programs, call 315-446-3578, visit www.CLDandJ.org, or stop by the Information Desk in our Lobby.

Sometimes events beyond our control result in date changes or event cancellations. We apologize in advance for any inconvenience. The Library will attempt to notify registered patrons who supply contact information (phone number or e-mail) of program changes as they may occur.

Age Guidelines for Children's Programs:

Our librarians plan a variety of activities for children of all ages. Each event is carefully designed with a particular age group in mind. Please observe age requirements listed.

Publicity Notice:

The CLD&J regularly submits our events and programs to online community calendars at: CNYArts.org, Syracuse.com, LocalSyr.com & [Eagle News Online](http://EagleNewsOnline.com). Listings and articles are also submitted regularly to the print edition of the *Eagle Bulletin*. These publications reserve the right to publish the information we provide.

LIBRARY ANNUAL FUND DRIVE

Start off the new year with a donation and support your Community Library of DeWitt & Jamesville. Why give to the Community Library?

Did you know...?

- We had more than 90,000 visitors walk in to our building in 2024—more than 265 people a day. We support those patrons with 62 open hours weekly, starting at 9:00 am on weekdays, and offering service 7 days a week.
- More than 350,000 items were checked out in 2024 - a new record after 60+ years! (that's more than 22 items per patron in our service area)

Patron comments in 2024!

- "This is the place to be in DeWitt!"
- "The most impressive library I've ever seen!"
- "Tell your Reference Librarian they did such a good job helping me with my research. I got home and opened the exact video I needed, I never could have found it without them!"
- "You have the best staff of any of the libraries. That's why I come over here."
- "Your printing system (from my cell phone) is so streamlined! It was very easy to use. This is a beautiful library!"
- "This is the nicest library in Onondaga County!"

Your donations help us offer:

- Increased outreach of library services and programs at community events, homebound services and in-person visits to senior living facilities, and more.
- Special collections: **Nest of Things** with items that facilitate making and crafting and other tool and recreational needs; **Memory Care** with kits for engaging loved ones with impaired memory; **Games Collection** for learning and recreational needs; and **Discovery to Go** with STEAM kits and items to foster exploration and learning.
- A fantastic Summer Learning Program with entertaining programs and pro-literacy events. (Kids love it!)

Are you one of the almost 90,000 visitors to the library in 2024? Have you or your family members checked out one or more of the 350,000+ books, DVDs, magazines, audiobooks, or eBooks we circulated in 2024? Whether you are a regular patron or just a caring community member, we thank you for your patronage!

Please donate, and **THANK YOU** in advance for your generosity!

It is easy to make a donation online at www.CLDandJ.org, use the QR code below, or mail us a check made payable to: Community Library of DeWitt & Jamesville. We appreciate donations in any amount; **THANK YOU** in advance for your generosity!



Sincerely,

Katie Centolella
Board President

Charles Diede
Executive Director

Library Loyalty Card Program

Pick up a loyalty punch card at the Library and checkout items for the chance to win a prize basket! Receive one punch per item checked out at the Library between January 2 through April 30, 2025. Completed cards with 10 punches can be returned to the Library with your name and phone number written on the back to be entered into the monthly raffle. There will be 4 prize baskets: one for each month (January, Febru-

ary, March, and April). Return your completed cards before the end of each month, to be eligible for that month's basket. Raffles are drawn on the last day of each month, and winners will be notified.

For Ages 18 & up.

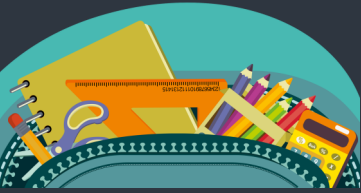
No Registration Necessary.

School Supply Exchange

Don't forget! The Library is a community space where patrons and students can donate school supplies, take supplies that they need, or both! If you are taking supplies, they are yours to keep!

We accept the following NEW items:

- Pencils (#2, regular or mechanical)
- Pens (black or blue ink)
- Erasers (wedge & pencil tip)
- Highlighters
- Expo dry erase markers
- Glue sticks
- Spiral notebooks
- Composition notebooks



We can accept the following LIGHTLY USED or new items:

- Kids' blunt tip scissors
- Index cards
- 3-ring binders
- Pocket folders
- Lined loose-leaf paper
- Graph paper
- Boxes of crayons (complete set)
- Boxes of markers (complete set)
- Boxes of colored pencils (complete set)

Please place items for donation in their designated bin in the Children's Room. Thank You!

Kid Librarians



Step into the world of libraries and become a Junior Librarian! This exciting opportunity allows you to work side by side with Miss Meghan to design and create a unique display for the Children's Discovery Room. This display will be your very own creation, showcasing a theme or topic that you choose. Whether it's your favorite books, animals, space, or even a special hobby, the possibilities are endless!

Throughout the process, you'll have the chance to exercise your creativity and organizational skills. Together, you and Miss Meghan will plan out the layout, design the display sign, and select books that align with your theme. If you don't have a specific idea in mind, don't worry! You can either come

with a theme you're passionate about or choose from a list of fun and engaging ideas provided by Miss Meghan.

As a Junior Librarian, you'll help inspire others with your display by sharing your favorite stories and helping to spark curiosity in fellow readers. The display will remain in the Children's Discovery Room for at least two weeks, allowing visitors to enjoy and learn from your work.

This program is a great way to develop a sense of ownership in the library, meet new people, and contribute to the community. Once your display is set up, we'll take a photo to capture your hard work. You can choose whether or not you'd like to be part of the picture—it's entirely up to you! We also hope to share your creative project on social media, so others can see the fantastic work you've done.

By becoming a Junior Librarian, you will not only have fun but also make a lasting impact in the library. So bring your ideas, your enthusiasm, and your love for books, and let's create something amazing together!

1000 Books Before Kindergarten

Why 1000 Books?

It is never too early to read to your child! Research shows reading with your child is the single most important way to help them get ready to read. Not only is it a great bonding activity, reading also builds vocabulary, stimulates language development, strengthens their social, emotional, and character development, and more! The benefits are priceless and enormous. Beginning early is important because the roots of language are developing in a baby's brain even before they can talk!

How do I participate?

1. Sign up on READsquared.
2. Let the front desk know you have signed up. You will receive a tote bag with all the materials you need to get started and a free board book.
3. Read with your child and log the reading in READsquared. If you prefer, you

can fill out the paper logs instead and bring them in to the front desk.

4. When you have reached 500 books, come in to pick out another board book.

5. When you have completed 1000 books, come in for a certificate and a final board book!

SIGN UP TODAY!

Sign up at <https://cldandjny07.readsquared.com/> or scan the QR code below!



Staff Favorite Reads

Here's a list of our staff's favorite reads in 2024. How many of them have you read?

Hidden Libraries: the World's Most Unusual Book Depositories by DC Helmuth & Nancy Pearl

Recommended by Anna

Published by Lonely Planet in 2024, discover 50 unique libraries from around the world.

The Weed That Strings the Hangman's Bag by Alan Bradley

Recommended by Brian

In the 2nd Flavia de Luce mystery, a puppet show comes to town with tragic results.

An Inheritance of Magic by Benedict Jacka

Recommended by Charles

Corporations and the super-rich hoard knowledge, power, and magic in this fantasy series.

The Saint of Bright Doors

by Vajra Chandrasekera

Recommended by Eli

Divine revolutionaries and transcendent cults clash with mundane struggles of modern life in this winner of the Nebula Award for Best Novel.

Hello Beautiful by Ann Napolitano

& *Good Material* by Dolly Alderton

Recommended by Fran

In *Hello Beautiful*, a young man grapples with emotional isolation and a tumultuous family background. In *Good Material*, Andy

clings to the idea of solving his ruined relationship with a girlfriend who stopped loving him.

Empire Falls by Richard Russo

& *Clytemnestra* by Costanza Casati

Recommended by Jeanie

The story of a man running a diner in a small blue-collar town and why he stayed unfolds in *Empire Falls*. In *Clytemnestra*, the story of a queen who enacts retribution is retold.

Howl's Moving Castle by Diana Wynne Jones

Recommended by Kelly

To break a witch's enchantment, Sophie must enter an ever-moving castle.

The Women by Kristin Hannah

Recommended by Helena

In this #1 bestseller, a woman becomes a nurse during the Vietnam War and later returns to a divided country that would rather forget it.

Fourth Wing by Rebecca Yarros

& *Butcher & Blackbird* by Brynne Weaver

Recommended by Meghan

In *Fourth Wing*, a young scribe attends an elite college for dragon riders where the only rule is to graduate or perish. In *Butcher & Blackbird*, a chance encounter sparks an unlikely bond between rival murderers.

The Heaven and Earth Grocery Store by James McBride

Recommended by Sara Jo

An exploration of the bonds of community in a small town that are formed between marginalized groups in order to survive.

From the Stacks

Top 10 Most Checked-out Fiction Books Read in 2024

According to our statistics, these were the most popular fiction titles in 2024. How many did you read?

#10.
Table for Two
by Amor Towles

#9.
Inheritance
by Nora Roberts

#8.
The Murder Inn
by James Patterson

#7.
Missing Persons
by James Patterson

#6.
Holmes, Marple & Poe
by James Patterson

#5.
Crosshairs
by James Patterson

#4.
The Women
by Kristin Hannah

#3.
The Secret
by Lee Child

#2.
The Exchange
by John Grisham

#1.
The Edge
by David Baldacci

The Patterson machine lands 4 titles in the top 10 most checked out items, but of course, with so many titles coming out per year, why buy them when you can borrow them for free from the Library? However, the top spot goes to David Baldacci for the second year in a row!

AARP Tax Help

Tuesdays, Wednesdays & Thursdays
February 4 thru April 15
@ 10:00 am, 11:30 am, or 1:30 pm
In Community Room 2
For ages 18 and up.

AARP will be providing free Tax Help at the Community Library of DeWitt & Jamesville. Appointments are required, register by calling the Library at 315-446-3578 or asking at the circulation or reference desks. Appointments are available Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays at either 10:00 am, 11:30 am, or 1:30 pm. Ask Library staff for up-to-date availability.

*Bring a photo ID and Social Security card for each individual on the return.
If the tax payers are filing JOINT, both spouses must come.

Bring all your tax information including: Tax Return from last year, Income information, Expenses, Property owners should bring their property tax bills and the amounts of any refund checks received.*

Registration Required.
Call 315-446-3578 for appointments
or ask Library staff.



Featured Programs

Local Author Talk: A Transplant Tale

Thursday, January 9

@ 6:00 pm - 7:00 pm

In the Community Room 2

Ages 13 and up.

Dave Murray, 68, has cystic fibrosis and recently celebrated the 20th anniversary of his double-lung transplant. He recounts his fictionalized story in the new novel, *A Breath of Fresh Air (A Transplant Tale)*.

Dave will talk about his life with CF and his transplant, read a short excerpt from the book, and answer questions. Anyone who has CF, has had or is contemplating any transplant, or has struggled with any medical issue will enjoy this book and Dave's appearance.

Registration Encouraged.

Hot Drink Tasting & Recipe Swap

Thursday, February 6

6:00 pm - 7:00 pm

In the Community Room 1

Ages 13 and up.

Warm yourself up by tasting several hot drinks at the Library! Join Adult Services Librarian Kelly in tasting a variety of prepackaged hot drinks- cider, hot chocolate, and spiced tea. Paper cups and drink mixes will be provided, but patrons are encouraged to bring their own microwave-safe mugs if they wish! Drink recipe books and handouts will be available to make your own drinks at home- feel free to bring a favorite recipe if you have one to share! There will be no alcohol in the provided drinks, but there will be alcoholic options in the recipes.

Registration Required.

Craft Programs

PLEASE NOTE:

Registration is Required for these classes unless otherwise noted. Registration opens up one month prior to the program date.

Quilling Crafts

Thursdays @ 6:00 pm—7:00 pm

In the Hive Makerspace

For ages 13 & up!

Learn how to quill and create a quilled card. Quilling is an art form that involves using a small tool to roll paper strips into intricate designs. Materials and instruction will be provided. *Please note the quilling tool is quite small, the action is comparable to threading a needle.

Jan 16

Earrings

Feb 20

Owls

Register for Each Class Separately.

Learn to Use Cricut

Thursdays @ 5:30 pm—7:30pm

In the Hive Makerspace

For ages 14 & up!

Learn to use the Cricut machine in our Hive makerspace to make Iron On Vinyl projects. Cricut is a computer controlled cutting machine, participants will be creating designs in the Cricut design space software for the machine to print. In this class participants will create a drink koozie to take home. Participants can choose from one of the premade designs, or create their own design if time allows. Materials and instruction will be provided.

Jan 23

Make a Koozie

Feb 13

Make a Card

Register for Each Class Separately.

Adult Origami Workshop

Tuesday, February 18

@ 6:00 pm - 7:00 pm

In the Hive Makerspace

Ages 18 and up.

Transform simple sheets of paper into a beautiful origami treat box. Origami, the art of paper folding, originated in Japan in the 7th century, and today is firmly established as an international art form. Join us to learn the basics of modular and geometric origami in this program. All are welcome, from the humblest of beginners to longtime origami practitioners. All materials will be provided for free to participants.

Registration Required.

Craft Book Club

Tuesdays,

January 7, February 4, March 4, April 1

@ 2:00 pm - 3:00 pm

In the Hive Makerspace

Ages 13 and up.

A social book club for crafters! Each month choose a craft project from the designated book and bring your project to the Library on the 1st Tuesday each month to share with the group. Discuss how you found the crafting process, whether the instructions were clear, and how your projects turned out! Share crafting tips and ideas with your fellow patrons. In-progress projects are welcome too for peer feedback or advice. Patrons are welcome to use any materials and tools they find in the Hive Makerspace but specific materials/tools won't be provided as everyone will choose their own craft. The designated craft book will be provided at each meeting to choose a project from.

Registration Required.

Book Discussions

Mystery Book Club

Explore the rich diversity of the mystery genre from the earliest examples and Golden Age authors to today's contemporary sleuths and cozy tales.

Monday, January 13 @ 2:00 pm

Mystery Potpourri!

Read any mystery! Read your favorite or try a new author you've always wanted to and share with the group.

Monday, February 3 @ 2:00 pm

Read any Archy McNally book by Lawrence Sanders

As the "son" in the law firm *McNally and Son, Attorney*, Archy works as a private in-

vestigator for the firm's clients.

Monday, March 3 @ 2:00 pm

Read any George Smiley novel by John LeCarré

Smiley is a British career officer with "The Circus", and a central character in several spy novels by LeCarré.



Page Turners Book Club

Page Turners Book Club meets on the 3rd Wednesday of each month at 6:30pm. This book club reads primarily contemporary adult fiction books.

New members are always welcome!

Sign up via our Event Calendar at www.CLDandJ.org.

We have a number of physical copies of the book available to check out at the reference desk.

Registration Required.

Wednesday, January 15 @ 6:30 pm

Swift River

by Essie Chambers

A story of first friendships, family secrets, and finding the courage to let go.

Wednesday, February 19 @ 6:30 pm

Real Americans

by Rachel Khong

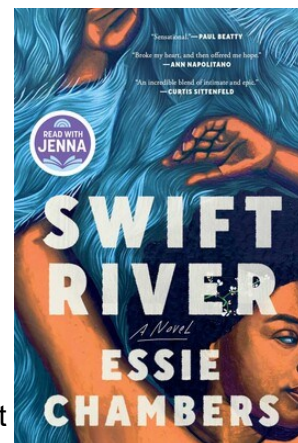
Lily is the single mother of a 15-year-old trying to learn about his father.

Wednesday, March 19 @ 6:30 pm

Redwood Court

by DeLana R. A. Dameron

In a working-class suburb, neighbors support the community they've built, fostering joy and love in an America so insistent on seeing Black people stumble and fall.



CLD&J Music Series

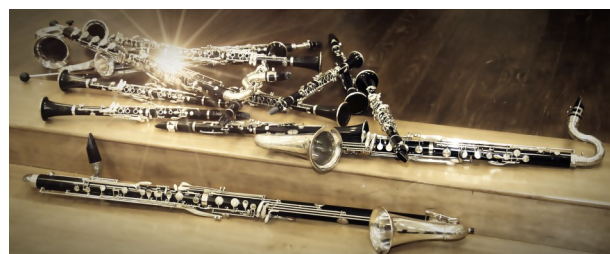


Join us in the Library afterhours for the CLD&J Music Series. Arrive between 6:30pm and 7:00pm to mix and mingle, and then settle in for our monthly concert scheduled to start at 7:00pm. **Registration is strongly encouraged for each LIVE performance.**

Friday, February 7 @ 7:00 pm

The Silverwood Clarinet Choir is celebrating their 18th season and is an exciting professional clarinet group that encompasses all the voices of a true choir. The creative group performs original compositions as well as arrangements of well-known pieces in all styles—from classical to swing and jazz! Dr. Ronald L. Caravan will perform

his arrangement of the Stamitz "Concerto No. 3 in Bb" on C Clarinet. Dr. Caravan will conduct this concert and has arranged "Irish Tune from County Derry" and Bach's "Prelude and Fugue XXII" for this concert. "Romeo & Juliet," Holst's "Second Suite in F," "Blue Sweet and Swing," "Bubble and Squeak," and "Happijazz" will fill the program guaranteed to have music for every taste.



Wellness & Mindfulness

Adult Yoga

Fridays @ 10:00 am—11:00 am
January 3 thru April 25
In the Community Room
For ages 18 & up.

Yoga is a balance between mind, body, and spiritual energy. Join yoga instructor Tommy for a demonstration and hands-on practice with breathing exercises and gentle poses that will allow you to improve your balance and turn stiffness into flexibility. This is a beginning yoga class; expect a relaxed, friendly environment with laughing, fun, and learning. Wear comfortable clothing and bring your yoga mat!

Registration Required.



will learn 4 foundational exercises to complete during the class and at home.

Registration Encouraged.

Board Game Social

Thursday January 30
6:00 pm - 7:30 pm
Community Room 1 & 2
Ages 18 and up.

Join us at the library for an evening of board games, socializing, and hot chocolate. Library owned board games will be provided to play, or patrons are welcome to bring their own games to teach others. Paper cups and hot chocolate will be provided, but patrons are encouraged to bring their own microwave-safe mugs if they wish!

Registration Encouraged.

Qigong at the Library

Saturdays @ 10:30 am—11:30am
January 4 thru April 26
In the Community Room
For ages 18 & up.

Qigong exercise has psychological and physical components and involves the regulation of the mind, breath, and body's movement and posture. Put on your comfortable clothes and sneakers, and come out to our weekly Qigong practice.



Qigong has been practiced for hundreds of years and is particularly helpful for dealing with stress, limited ability to move, those wishing to develop better balance and flexibility and can be practiced by nearly everyone young and old. Qigong can be modified to allow participants to be seated.

Anna Wong, our Assistant Director who has been a practitioner of Qigong, Tai Chi, Tai Chi Fan and mindful movement for decades will be our guide in this ancient Asian practice that teaches breathing, mindfulness and movement.

Registration Encouraged.

Fall Prevention Program

Wednesday, January 22
10:00 am - 12:00 pm
Community Room 1 & 2
Ages 18 and up.

Do you fear falling down, or care for a loved one at risk for suffering a fall? Adults with or without a history of falls are invited to attend this free fall prevention program run by Lemoyne College's Center for Aging Resources and Enrichment. The program is designed to educate participants on biological, behavioral, and environmental risk factors that contribute to one suffering a fall in various locations around the home and community. Participants

Medicare 101

Wednesday, February 26
6:00 pm - 7:30 pm
Community Room 2
Ages 18 and up.

Join Barbara Ackerman, Senior Solutions Specialist from Senior Benefits NY for a FREE presentation of practical information about the ins and outs of Medicare. Medicare is the federal health insurance program for people who are 65 or older, as well as certain younger people with disabilities. There will be ample time for questions following the presentation. You may attend this program in-person or virtually, if you would like to attend online make sure to register so that you have the virtual link information.

Registration Encouraged.

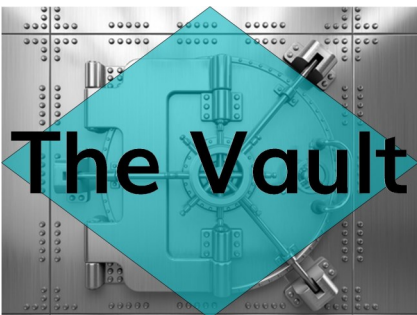


Sleep Apnea Seminar

Thursday, February 27
6:00 pm- 7:00 pm
Community Room 2
Ages 18 and up.

Oral Sleep Apnea (OSA) is a serious medical condition that occurs when someone stops breathing while they sleep. Continuous Positive Air Pressure (CPAP) machines have been the treatment option of choice for many people, but CPAP machines can be uncomfortable, noisy, and difficult to keep clean. Come hear Dr. Alfonso Merola and Pamela Hartsell, RDH talk about how Oral Sleep Apnea Appliances (OSA's) can treat sleep disordered breathing and help you get a better night's rest!

Registration Encouraged.



Teen Events & Activities

**For Grades
6 to 12**

Updates from The Vault!

Book Displays

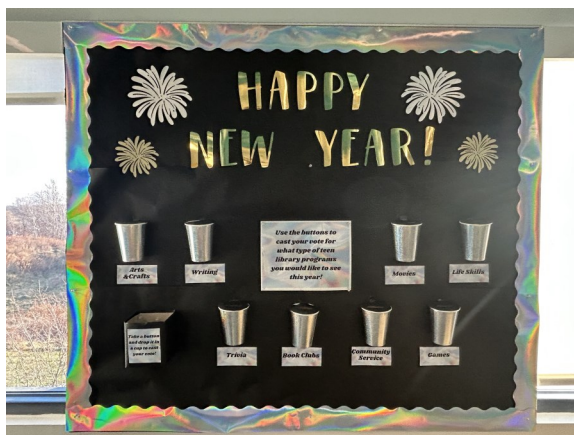
Checkout the new book display for January. "New Year, New Series" features a selection of popular YA series spanning across different genres.

Interactive Bulletin Board

Vote on the types of teen programs you want to see in 2025.

Tiny Art Gallery

Stop into the YA room any time in January or February and contribute to our "Tiny Art Gallery!" Supplies are provided for you to create miniature artwork on a tiny canvas, then "frame" your work in the gallery for all to enjoy.



Teen Ambassadors Volunteer Group

For teens in grades 6—12.

Application required.

Meetings are every 3rd Thursday
from 6:30 pm—7:30 pm

Interested in volunteering at the library? Join our Teen Ambassadors group by submitting an application through the provided QR code. Our Teen Ambassadors help plan programs, make displays, make book recommendations, participate in library-led community service opportunities, and more. Once your application is submitted, our teen librarian will provide more information including meeting details. For questions, email Liz at lallen@cldandj.org.



Programs for Teens

Registration is Required for these programs, unless otherwise noted. Sign up on our Calendar of Events at: www.CLDandJ.org

Teen Winter Candle Making

Thursday, January 9 @ 5:30 pm - 7:00 pm
In the Children's Programming Room
For ages 12—18.

Light up the dark winter days with a handmade candle! Choose the color and scent, decorate your container, and bring it home to use, display, or gift. Note that there will be hot wax, strong fragrance oil smells, and other potentially hazardous materials present. **Registration required.**

Bad Art Challenge Night for Teens

Thursday, January 23 @ 6:00 pm - 7:00 pm
In the Children's Programming Room
For ages 11—18.

They say art is in the eye of the beholder - let's compete to see who can make the objectively "worst" artistic creation! What makes art beautiful or ugly, good or bad? Get silly with arts & craft supplies and try to take home the highly coveted "Baddest Art" trophy. **Registration encouraged.**

Teen Writer's Workshop

Thursdays @ 6:30 pm - 7:30 pm
February 6, March 6 & April 3
In the Children's Programming Room
For ages 12—18.

Do you LOVE to write? Meet up at the library to explore poetry, prose, fan fiction and more. Bring your favorite writing journal, share your own work, and participate in fun writing challenges and collaborations! **Registration encouraged.**



Teen Valentine's Chocolate Night

Thursday, February 13
@ 6:30 pm - 7:30 pm
In the Children's Programming Room
For ages 11—18.

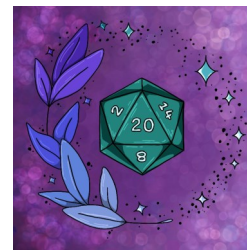
Is chocolate your one true love? Join us on Valentine's Eve for chocolate making and a chocolate olympics! Try your hand at making chocolate-covered pretzels to eat or give as a gift. While you're waiting for your chocolate to set, compete in chocolate-themed challenges! Note that there will be various types of chocolate and candy both handled and consumed. **Registration required.**



Teen-Led Dungeons & Dragons

Thursdays at 5:00 pm - 7:30 pm
February 27, March 27 & April 10
In Meeting Room C
For ages 12—18.

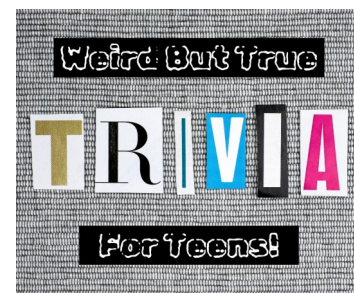
Dungeons and Dragons by teens, for teens! Join our wonderful teen DM, Ev, on an adventure to a new world at the library. Supplies will be provided, but feel free to bring your own character and lucky dice if you have them. Please note the first session will end at 7:30pm, adding an extra half hour for Ev to help set up your characters. Beginners are welcome, and there will be snacks! **Registration encouraged.**



Teen Trivia Throwdown: Weird But True Edition

Thursday, March 20 @ 5:00 pm - 6:00 pm
In the Children's Programming Room
For ages 11—18.

Come enjoy snacks and fun company while you try to answer trivia questions about weird but true facts! Which country chose the unicorn as its national animal? Which iconic movie character's breathing sound was recorded using scuba gear? Bring a wifi enabled device (like a phone or tablet) as we will use the Kahoot platform to see who holds the most weird but true knowledge! **Registration required.**



Storytimes & More

Children's Programs

**For Ages
Birth to 12.**

STORYTIMES in the Children's Programming Room

Babies and Books

Mondays @ 10:30 am—11:30 am

Jan 6 - Mar 28

For birth to 18 months

This lively story time helps babies experience sounds and the structure of language through rhythm, rhyme and repetition. Enjoy lap and bouncing rhymes, short books and songs. Plan on a 20 minute program with time for baby and caregiver socialization afterwards.

No Registration Necessary.

Story Play

Tuesdays, Wednesdays

& Thursdays

@ 10:30am—11:30 am

Jan 7 - May 1

For Ages 0—5.

Enjoy a structured 20 to 30 minute story time that combines books, songs, and games, followed by playtime for kids and their caregivers. The perfect place to meet new friends!

No Registration Necessary.

Music & Movement

Tuesdays @ 5:30 pm t- 6:00 pm

Jan 7 - Apr 29

In the Children's Programming Room

For ages Birth & up.

This evening story time will also incorporate music and movement to get the wiggles out before it is time to settle down for the night. The program will last 15-20 minutes, followed by a short open play time.

No Registration Necessary.

Authors & More

Registration is Required for these programs, unless otherwise noted. Sign up on our Calendar of Events at: www.CLDandJ.org

Storytime with an Author: Elizabeth De La Roca

Saturday, January 11 @ 2:00 - 3:00 pm

Children's Programming Room

Ages 0 and up.

We're excited to invite you to a storytime with author and elementary teacher Elizabeth De La Roca, reading her book "Sal the Snowball"!

There will be a craft to follow, along with hot chocolate and treats to enjoy. Copies of "Sal the Snowball" will be available for purchase.

No Registration Necessary.

Storytime with an Author: Tina Shepardson

Saturday, January 25 @ 2:00pm - 3:00pm

Children's Programming Room

Ages 0 and up.

We're excited to invite you to a storytime with Tina

Shepardson, an award winning teacher for 33 years who writes children's books drawing from her love of teaching and kids. She will be reading her book, "The Sorry Seeds."

"When first-grader Courtney is caught taking an apple from her neighbor's tree without permission, she wonders how she can make things right again and apologize in a way that shows how she feels in her heart."

No Registration Necessary.

Spring Fling with Donna B.

Sat., March 1 @ 10:30 am—12:00 pm

Community Room 1 & 2

For ages 1—10.

Come join Miss Donna for a fun-filled musical storytelling and movement program. There will be plenty of shakers for all, along with bubble dancing and take-home tattoos! Bring the babies and come start the day the musical way!

Registration Encouraged.



Programs for Children

Registration is Required for these programs, unless otherwise noted. Sign up on our Calendar of Events at: www.CLDandJ.org

Family Movie & Pizza:

Ice Age (2002)

Friday, January 24 at 1:00 pm

In the Children's Programming Room

For kids of all ages. Film rated PG.

Let's cozy up and watch a movie! Pizza, juice, and water will be provided.

Registration Encouraged.

Arctic Animal Bingo

Wednesday, January 29 @ 1:00 pm - 2:00 pm

In the Children's Programming Room

For ages 7 & up.

A day off from school means a day to play! Spend the afternoon at the library playing arctic animal bingo. Snacks will be provided and prizes will be awarded!

Registration Required.

Robot Petting Zoo

Saturday, February 1 @ 3:00 pm

In Community Room 1 & 2

Ages 4 to 12, but any age is welcome!

Play with, program, and even *build* some robots! Vari-

ous robots will be on hand. This program is presented by the Fayetteville Manlius Robotics Club.

No Registration Necessary.

Perler Beads

Monday, February 17 @ 1:30 pm - 3:00 pm

In the Children's Programming Room

For ages 6 and up.

Let's make something cool with Perler beads! Perler Beads are small beads that are placed on a pegboard to create a design or shape. The beads are fused together using an iron, allowing the design to be turned into a decoration or keepsake. Kids make the design but the librarian will operate the iron.

Registration Required.

February Break Movie & Pizza:

The Wild Robot (2024)

Friday, February 21 @ 2:00 pm - 4:00 pm

In the Children's Programming Room

For kids of all ages! Film rated PG.

Looking for something to do during your February break? Come get cozy in the Children's Programming Room with a family friendly movie and pizza.

No Registration Necessary.

Children's Program Series

LEGO Club

Jan 7 - Mar 25

Tuesdays from 4:00 pm - 4:45 pm

Ages 5 - 12.

Let's build! Join us for LEGO challenges and building themes. Each week, we will display your LEGO creations in the Children's Discovery Room.

No Registration Necessary.

Crafternoon

First and Third Wednesdays from 4:00 to 4:45 pm

January 15; February 5 & 19

Children's Programming Room

Ages 0 - 12. (Children 7 and under may need assistance from a parent or caregiver)

Children and families can stop in for some crafting fun, together. Each week, we will create something new and the final product can be taken home to show off and enjoy.

Registration Required.

Homeschool Art & Science Club

Tuesdays @ 1:00 pm - 2:00 pm

January 14, February 11, March 11 & April 8

In the Community Room

For Homeschool Students K - 6.

Each month, the group will focus on a science and/or art topic. There will be exploration, examination, team work, and creativity, all while making learning together a fun and exciting endeavor. And yes, socialization.

Registration Required.

Parents are invited to join in the activities or to drop children and visit other areas of the library. Please be sure your child is prepared to go without your presence.

Young Naturalists

Fridays @ 3:30 pm - 4:30 pm

February 7, March 21 & April 18

Children's Programming Room

Ages 5 - 12.

Young Naturalists is a monthly program ran through the CNY Izaak Walton League and staffed by SUNY ESF students with passion and experience in environmental education. Young Naturalists host hour-long lessons for preschool and elementary aged children about fungi, winter hibernation, bugs, paleontology, and more, with cool crafts or games!

Registration Encouraged.

Informative Programs for Seniors

Social Security: Your Questions Answered

Monday, January 27
10:00 am - 11:30 am
Community Room 2
Ages 55 and up.

Join Financial Advisor Brian Stinson from Edward Jones for an educational program for people who are nearing retirement, ages 55 and up who have questions about social security. During this seminar we'll help answer these questions: How does Social Security fit into my retirement income plan? When should I start taking benefits? What about taxes?

Registration Encouraged.

Retirement: Making Your Money Last

Monday, April 21
10:00 am - 11:30 am
Community Room 2
Ages 18 and up.

Join Financial Advisor Brian Stinson from Edward Jones for a seminar designed to prepare you to live the retirement you have envisioned. Attendees will learn investment strategies to help build a strategy to last throughout one's retirement years. In addition, you'll explore how to address key concerns such as inflation, health care expenses and market volatility as well as ways to prepare in advance for things that may not go as expected.

Registration Encouraged.



Collections

DIGITAL COLLECTIONS & SERVICES

Libby/Overdrive

Checkout ebooks, digital audios, and stream movies with the library's digital catalog available 24/7 with your library card and pin number.

onondaga.overdrive.com/onondaga-dewitt/content



Hoopla

Featuring movies, music, and digital audios to stream or download.

www.hoopladigital.com/



Guides to Digital Services

Explore our digital collections with guides to using Libby/Overdrive & Hoopla with your devices.

www.cldandj.org/collections.html#Streaming

4K Movies

The Community Library has more 4K films than any library in the county! Checkout a 4K UHD Blu-ray to play on your home theatre/video system for the highest quality/definition available.

WIFI HOTSPOTS

The Library also circulates hotspot devices that can be checked out to library patrons for individual Wi-Fi access at home. Reserves on hotspots can be placed by calling the Library at 315-446-3578 or through the Library's online catalog at:

catalog.onlib.org by searching for "T10 Franklin Mobile Hotspot". These hotspots are available for a three-week loan with an option to renew for an additional three weeks.

The Library offers free wifi throughout our building and in our parking lot. Just search for **CLD&J Wifi** to log on.

CLD&J SIGNATURE & SPECIAL COLLECTIONS

Discovery to Go (DTG) Collection

A kid-friendly special collection of STEAM kits and more to foster children's interests in science, technology, engineering, art, and math. Additional print materials are located in the Children's Room.

CLD&J Games Collection

A collection of board games, card games, and more that foster learning, social engagement, entertainment, and fun. Games in the collection are available for ages 2 & up and feature a variety of themes and genres.

Memory Care Collection

A collection of kits and other engaging materials meant to spark memories, stimulate the sense, and provide positive interactions between individuals with Alzheimer's and/or dementia and their caregivers.

Nest of Things

An eclectic collection of items to help you create and more. Featured bundles include: Cricut, jewelry making, streaming, and podcasting.

Local Interest

A special collection for DeWitt, CNY, and New York State history, including a section for local CNY authors. Located on the main level in the far corner of



SPACES

Art in the Library

Located in the hallway outside The Vault teen space, our Wendy Scott Art Gallery is dedicated to enriching the experience of our library patrons by providing a space for high-quality art from local working artists in a diverse range of styles, themes, and media.



Our upcoming exhibits feature:

Mar—Apr Recreation Generation

Meeting Rooms

The library offers meeting room spaces for tutors, community organizations, and nonprofit groups. Please contact our staff about details and booking. Rooms may be reserved online (www.CLDandJ.org) up to 60 days in advance on a first-come, first-served basis.

Vending Machines

Snacks and beverages are available in the Library's lower level lobby across from the elevator.

Outdoor Reading Patio

Accessible from the lower level reading area, this scenic outdoor space is open to the public from Spring to Fall.



PROGRAM COLLABORATIONS & OUTREACH

Senior Visits

The Community Library of DeWitt & Jamesville provides outreach to local senior living facilities and library services to homebound patrons. We conduct monthly visits to both the independent living and assisted living programs at the Nottingham and Menorah Park. Our outreach librarians bring library materials, offer technological assistance, and provide entertaining programs such as book clubs and travel talks. For more information on our outreach services and homebound delivery program, please call the Library at 315-446-3578.

Blood Drives

The Community Library of DeWitt & Jamesville will host the Red Cross on **January 6, 2025**.

Help the Red Cross avoid blood shortages this summer and donate blood to ensure cancer, surgical, trauma and so many other types of patient needs are met. Come to give blood on **Monday, 1/6 from 1-6 pm** at the Community Library of DeWitt & Jamesville. Make an appointment by calling 1800RedCross or visit: RedCrossBlood.org.

SERVICES AT THE LIBRARY

Notary Services

Free notary services are available at the Library!

Tuesdays | 6:00 pm - 7:30 pm

Wednesdays | 9:30 am - 10:30 am

Thursdays | 10:00 am - 12:00 pm

Fridays | 2:00 pm - 4:00 pm

Please call ahead (315-446-3578) to make sure the Notary Services are available on the date in question. No Registration Necessary. First come, first served basis.

A notary public is not an attorney and cannot make something legal or ensure its truthfulness. If you need legal advice, please consult a certified attorney. We are unable to notarize wills or certify official copies of Birth, Marriage, and Death Certificates.

In order to have a document notarized, please bring the following to your appointment:

- All the people who will sign the document (involved parties). If your document requires witnesses in addition to the notary, please bring additional witnesses with you. Non-notary staff and other patrons cannot serve as additional witnesses.
- A valid, government issued photo ID for each person.
- The document without any signatures.

The notary will verify your identities, witness the signing of the document, and notarize it when complete.

Accessibility Services

The Community Library of DeWitt & Jamesville is committed to providing equal access to all patrons, including those with disabilities. Services include, but are not limited to: home delivery and outreach for homebound patrons; assistive technologies such as ZoomText and open captioning; large print and audio materials; and library social stories for children ages 3 & up. For more information, pick up our Accessibility Services Guide in the Library's lobby.

Home Delivery for Homebound Patrons

The CLD&J offers free Home Delivery Service for eligible individuals residing in the CLD&J's service area, which encompasses the Jamesville-DeWitt school district. Deliveries are made on a monthly basis. The program is for individuals with a valid Onondaga County Public Library Card who meet the following criteria: senior citizen non-drivers; those with long term illnesses or disabilities unable to travel to the library; those with short term illnesses or disabilities unable to travel to the library; and/or new parents for the first six months after childbirth. If you are interested in the Library's Home Delivery Service please contact Sara Jo Brandt for an application at 315-446-3578 or sbrandt@onlib.org.



At the Library

The Library offers a variety of programs and events. Checkout our online calendar at: www.CLDandJ.org.



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Displays...

Community Vision Board

Share your goals for 2025! We've set out some stars in our Library's Lobby for the community to write down their goals and resolutions for the new year. Jot down your plans on the provided stars and post them to our vision board to share your plans for 2025!

Library Trivia

Checkout our glass display case for some fun trivia questions and see how many you can guess correctly.

Tax Forms

The Library will once again offer the most common State and Federal Tax Forms and Instruction Booklets. These will be on display in the Library's Lobby. If there's an additional form you need, please check with our staff to print out up to 2 free copies of the form you need whether it be state or federal. Please note: While we've already received federal forms, the NY state forms will be arriving later.

See Page 6 for info about Tax Appts.

CLD&J Winter Book Sale

All Books & CDs are \$0.25 each.

DVDs and other media items are \$2.00 each. Other items specially marked.

Proceeds raised benefit the library and its programs and services.

Watch for special sales and deals on gently used books & media.

Language & Tech Help

One-on-One Tech Help

Wednesdays @ 2:00 pm

Fridays @ 2:30 pm

In the HIVE Makerspace

Get in-person help with your laptop, tablet, smartphone, or eReader. Make an appointment with one of our tech staff to help you troubleshoot device problems or to learn more about how to get the most out of your devices. Be sure to tell us what kind of device you need help with in advance and what kind of issues you're having. **Registration Required.**

Sign-up on our Calendar of Events (www.CLDandJ.org) or call the Library at 315-446-3578 to make an appointment. While our library staff are not IT professionals, we have a wealth of practical IT skills and are happy to provide computer training and advice within the scope of our knowledge.

English Conversation Group

Tuesdays | 11:00 am - 12:30 pm via Zoom

The Library hosts informal English Conversation Classes for those who wish to practice their English speaking and listening skills every Tuesday on Zoom. Each session is centered around a specific topic question that is emailed out the day before the class. Afterward, practice and discuss some key vocabulary and/or English idioms. Let's practice together!

Registration Required.

To sign up, email: sjbrandt@cldandj.org

News Briefs

LARGE PRINT EXPANDED

A new year brings a few changes to the Library's Browsing Room!

We've expanded our collection of Large Print material and organized the shelves for easier access. As a result, our magazines have moved access the room to be adjacent to the New Nonfiction collection, which has also been re-organized for easier navigation. We hope these changes help make finding the materials you want easier and provide a better browsing experience.

QUESTIONS?

Please e-mail our staff at: reference@CLDandJ.org
We will provide updated information as it becomes available on our website: www.CLDandJ.org and [Facebook](#).