

CLD&J Book Sale

All Books & CDs are \$1.00 each.

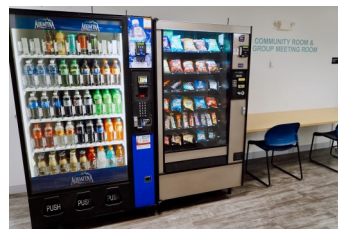
DVDs and other media items are \$2.00 each. Other items specially marked.

Proceeds raised benefit the library and its programs and services.

News Briefs

VENDING MACHINES

Looking for a snack or something to drink? The Library hosts 2 vending machines in the lower level lobby across from the elevator. Satisfy your craving or thirst from the available stock. Please note: at this time, we do not offer hot coffee or tea.



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.

PROGRAMMING/MEETING ROOM USE

All of our meeting room spaces are now available for use by the public. These meeting rooms may be booked in-person, online (www.CLDandJ.org) or by phone (315-446-3578) on a first-come, first-served basis.

HYGINE POCKET PROJECTS

Thanks to patron support, our Hygiene Pocket Project continues! In anticipation of spring, we are particularly looking for donations of sunscreen and socks. Check out the full list of what we accept for this project in the Library's Lobby.

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](https://www.facebook.com/CLDandJ).



Community Library
of DeWitt & Jamesville

Upcoming Events

The Library continues to offer events & programs virtually through online platforms.

CLD&J Music Series In the Library Afterhours

Keyna Hora Klezmer Band
Friday, March 29 @ 7:00pm

Highland Winds Clarinet Quartet
Friday, April 19 @ 7:00pm

Come enjoy a free concert of live music at the Library. Doors open at 6:30pm.
Registration Encouraged.

Great Give Back: InterFaith Works

The Library has partnered with InterFaith Works to collect items for Refugees and New Americans. InterFaith Works' Center for New Americans resettles refugees from the Middle East, Asia, and Africa. From the IFW website, "The United States has a long and proud tradition of giving families fleeing war and persecution a chance to rebuild their lives in safety." In this spirit, we are collecting spring cleaning items for InterFaith Works to share with refugees and immigrants settling in our area. Donations of new cleaning supplies, or items such as brooms, mops, dustpans, and garbage cans may be left in our donation box **during the month of March**.

Community Library HOURS

Monday - Thursday
9:00 am - 8:00 pm

Fridays
9:00 am - 5:00 pm

Saturdays
10:00 am - 5:00 pm

Sundays
1:00 pm - 5:00 pm

315-446-3578
www.CLDandJ.org

The Library will be closed:
Sun., Mar 31
The Library closes at 4:30pm on April 8.

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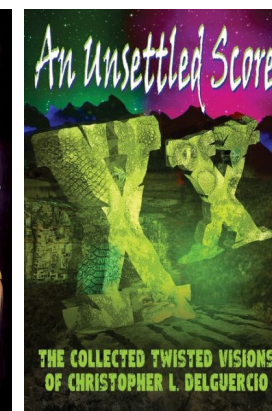
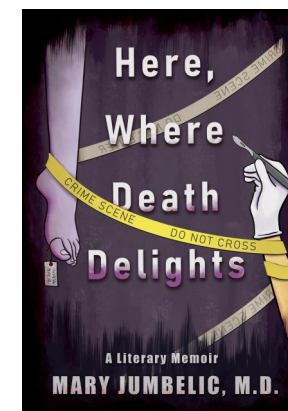
Local Authors at the Library

Join us for two author events this Spring!

Join us for **Forensic Pathology: A Local View on Tuesday, March 19 from 6:00pm to 7:00pm**. Expert forensic pathologist Mary Jumbelic, M.D gives an in-depth presentation on the life of a medical examiner and the science of forensic pathology. Mary is also a local author and will read from her newly published book *Here, Where Death Delights*, a memoir with an overarching narrative about her journey to becoming a forensic pathologist and all the true crime that goes along with it. Her goal is to demystify death for herself, and others. There will be time for Q&A following the presentation!

On **Monday, May 20 from 6:00pm to 7:00pm**, join us for **Writing Speculative Fiction**, a presentation on the genre and one author's take on it. Speculative fiction is a genre of literature that encompasses works outside the realm of realism, combining elements of science fiction, fantasy, & horror - think Stephen King mixed with Kurt Vonnegut & Ray Bradbury. Local author Chris DelGuercio presents writing "spec-fic" with examples from his book of short stories, *An Unsettled Score*. There will be time for Q&A following the presentation, and signed copies of his book will be available for purchase.

Registration is encouraged for both lectures.



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CHILDREN’S CORNER

NEW! PM Story Play
Tuesdays @ 5:00pm to 6:00pm
March 5—May 28
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!
Registration required.

Music and Movement
Thursdays @ 4:00—4:45pm
March 14th, March 28th, April 11th, April 25th, May 9th & May 23rd
In the Children’s Programming Room
For Ages 0—5.
We are going to shake our sillies out, jump our jiggles out, and wiggle our waggles away! There will be instruments, play scarves, and a parachute. Plan on a 30-minute program with time for free play and socialization afterwards.
No Registration Necessary.

Young Naturalists
Mon., March 18th from 4:00 to 5:00pm
Mon., April 1st from 4:00 to 5:00pm
Children’s Programming Room
Open to kids and families!
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.

Staff Favorite Reads

Here’s a list of our staff’s favorite reads in 2023. How many of them have you read?

The Book of Cold Cases by Simone St. James
Recommended by Brian
A true crime blogger snags an interview with a woman acquitted of two cold case murders which leads to long buried truths.

The Rachel Incident by Caroline O’Donoghue
Recommended by Briana
A debut novel about the turbulent, transitory time of one’s early twenties.

The Peripheral by William Gibson
Recommended by Charles
In the future, technology has altered society and a woman discovers an alternate reality of a darker future. The basis for the Amazon Prime series, *The Peripheral*.

Carrie Soto is Back by Taylor Jenkins Reid
Recommended by Diane
A woman is determined to be the best tennis player in the world, no matter the cost.

Fairy Tale by Stephen King
Recommended by Denise
A boy and his dog find a portal to another world where good and evil are at war.

The Lies of Ajungo by Moses Ose Utomi
Recommended by Eli
A debut novella about a boy’s epic quest to bring water back to his city and save his mother’s life.

Fire and Blood by George RR Martin
Recommended by Jeanie
Set before the events of *A Game of Thrones*, this novel recounts the exploits of the Targaryen family.

The Ballad of Songbirds and Snakes by Suzanne Collins
Recommended by Kelly
The prequel novel about 18-year-old Coriolanus Snow and his first time mentoring a tribute in the Hunger Games.

Daisy Jones and the Six by Taylor Jenkins Reid
Recommended by Meghan
Daisy is an up and coming singer. The Six is a band starting to make their mark. Together, they will become the stuff of legends.

The Princess and the Grilled Cheese Sandwich by Deye Muniz
Recommended by MJ
A graphic novel about a nobleman, a princess, and grilled cheese.

Astrid Parker Doesn’t Fail by Ashley Herring Blake
Recommended by MJ
An interior designer sets about to renovate her love life.

Sir Callie and the Champions of Helston by Esme Symes-Smith
Recommended by Melissa
In this graphic novel, a nonbinary teen hopes to become a knight and defeat threats to the kingdom.

Earth’s the Right Place for Love by Elizabeth Berg
Recommended by Nancy
A story about kindness, character, and family, and how love can grow when least expected.

Friends Speaker Series


Waterway of Change

Join us for a women’s history presentation on **Thursday, March 14 at 6:00pm**. Our speaker will be Elizabeth Farrell, Research & Education Assistant for the Erie Canal Museum.

The Erie Canal revolutionized Upstate New York bringing new ideas, people, and industries to the region, sparking a firestorm of

chance. The fight for women’s rights grew out of these changes and the Canal’s enabling of communication and networking.

Presented by the Friends of the Community Library of DeWitt & Jamesville.



Be sure to check out the CLD&J Friends Spa Day Gift Basket Raffle! Tickets are \$1 each or 6 for \$5.00. Tickets available at the Library and the basket is on display in the Lobby.

Solar Eclipse Related Programs

Beeline Activity
For two weeks, leading up to the eclipse, there will be a “Phases of the Moon” paper garland craft in the Hive Makerspace. Drop in, check it out, and make your own craft from the provided supplies.

Total Eclipse Presentation from the MOST
Thursday, March 28th from 6:00 to 6:30 PM
Community Room 1 & 2
All Ages!
Join the MOST as we review what happens during a solar eclipse, how to view safely, and what you can do to prepare for this once-in-a-lifetime experience! From basic terms to safety tips, the MOST will review everything you need to know for April 8th!
Attendance is first-come, first-served.

Total Solar Eclipse Community Viewing
Monday, April 8th starting at 1:00 PM
Outside the Library!
For All Ages!

The library will hand out free eclipse glasses to all patrons starting at 1:00 PM while supplies last. One per person. Patrons are welcome to join us in viewing a once in a lifetime event in DeWitt, New York – a total solar eclipse! Bring a lawn chair, picnic blanket, and snacks!
Attendance is first-come, first-served.

*Please note: the inside of the library will be closed from 2:30 PM to 3:30 PM so that the staff has an opportunity to view the solar eclipse. Bathrooms in the lobby will still be accessible.

Solar Eclipse Painting Party
Monday, April 15th 2024
5:30-7:30
Children’s Programming Room
Ages 11—17
The full solar eclipse on April 8th was a once in a lifetime opportunity to see this amazing natural phenomenon. What better way to remember this moment than to paint it? Come to the library and paint your solar eclipse interpretation and memory on canvas with acrylic paints. Canvases, easels and paint will be provided.
Registration Required.

Art in the Library

For the months of March & April, the Community Library is featuring local artist Lydia Benscher.

Artist’s Statement:
Encaustic painting has been used by artists for thousands of years; the Fayum portraits from Coptic Egypt still exist today. It was at an exhibit of these paintings at the Royal Ontario Museum that I fell in love with this medium, and have worked with it ever since.

Encaustic paint is made of pigment, beeswax, and resin. Traditionally, encaustic paint is heated to apply it to a surface. It is rich in color and texture.

Artist’s Bio:
Lydia Benscher studied at the Art Student’s League of New York, Syracuse University, and received a Dual BA in History and Studio Art frominghamton University. She has a studio at

the Delavan Center in Syracuse, New York, and continues working as an encaustic painter.



From the Stacks

NEW! ESOL Book-pack Collection
Thanks to an Adult Literacy and Workforce Development Mini-Grant, the Community Library of DeWitt & Jamesville has added materials to our collection for English Speakers of Other Languages.

Known as Bookpacks, these items consist of a book by a popular adult author such as James Patterson, Nora Roberts, and Suzanne Collins, and an audio recording of the book. They require use of headphones, but do not need a CD player. The Bookpacks augment the packs already in the collection, children’s chapter books. Adding age appropriate materials helps affirm the dignity of our adult English Learners.

These items help the Library provide quality service to area residents, meeting their educational and cultural needs. Listening to a text while reading along aids in the comprehension and acquisition of any new language. When the texts are interesting and read by area natives, this leads to discussion opportunities and a greater sense of community. The CLD&J is glad to support our English learners in their transition to live in Central New York.

