



### CLD&J Book Sale

All books and CDs are .25¢ each. DVDs and other media items are \$1.00. Other items specially marked.

Proceeds raised benefit the library and its programs and services.

## Upcoming Events

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



Community Library of DeWitt & Jamesville

### Irish Language Classes

Learn Irish (Foghlaim Gaeilge) from the Central New York Irish Cultural Society! 8 beginner level classes will be held at the CLD&J on Wednesdays at 6:30pm to 7:30pm on June 7, 14, 21 and 28 and July 5, 12, 19 & 26. Pre-registration is not required. Walk-ins are welcome. Each class costs \$5.00 (only pay for the classes you attend.) Refreshments will be provided at each class.

Registration is encouraged for all Library programs. Visit: [www.CLDandJ.org](http://www.CLDandJ.org), and click on **Events** to sign up or view other upcoming programs.

## 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. The Library is looking into the possibility of offering these in the future.



### 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](http://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](http://www.CLDandJ.org)) or by phone (315-446-3578) on a first-come, first-served basis.

### QUESTIONS?

Please e-mail our staff at: [reference@CLDandJ.org](mailto:reference@CLDandJ.org)

We will provide updated information as it becomes available on our website: [www.CLDandJ.org](http://www.CLDandJ.org) and [Facebook](https://www.facebook.com/CLDandJ).

### Community Library HOURS

Monday - Thursday  
10:00 am - 9:00 pm

Fridays & Saturdays  
10:00 am - 5:00 pm

Sundays  
1:00 pm - 5:00 pm

315-446-3578  
[www.CLDandJ.org](http://www.CLDandJ.org)

The Library will be closed:

Mon., May 29  
Mon., Jun 19  
Tues., Jul 4

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# Newsletter

## May | Jun 2023

## A Change in Library Hours for Summer

Every summer we change to a reduced set of open hours, recognizing that our patrons spend more time outdoors, especially on the weekends.

This year, our summer hours begin the weekend of June 24 and 25<sup>th</sup>. On Saturdays, we will be open from 10:00 am to 2:00 pm and we will be closed on Sundays, per our usual practice. However, we will also be experimenting with an adjustment in our weekday hours.

We've observed that only 1% of our total daily average number of patrons are in the building during the last hour we are open (i.e. 8:00 - 9:00 pm) and over 10% of our average foot traffic takes place in the first hour we are open (i.e. 10:00 - 11:00 am). Additionally, we've observed about 4% of our total number of visitors for the day are waiting for us to open at 10:00 am.

Therefore, we are going to experiment with opening the Library at 9:00 am, Monday through Friday, and closing at 8:00 pm, Monday through Thursday. (We'll still close at 5:00 pm on Fridays, as we currently do all year.)

If you've been waiting for us to open earlier on weekdays, please come by at 9:00 am this summer! Also, please let us know what you think of this experiment. We'll be making many counts and observations this summer to see how it goes, and we really want to hear from you! THANK YOU!

-Charles Diede  
Executive Director

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## CHILDREN'S CORNER

### Get motivated to read

this summer by participating in our Summer Reading Program! Track time spent reading and enter to win prizes using the READsquared website or app. PreK kids, children, teens, and adults can register for their own program through READsquared directly on a personal device.

#### Pre-K Program

This program is designed for kids ages birth to 5 years old. Kids will earn one raffle ticket for every 30 minutes of reading during the program. Reading includes being read to by family members, friends, or the narrator of audiobooks! Additional raffle entries can be earned for completing activities and attending online programs. Participants can earn weekly prizes by spending at least 30 minutes with a book and stopping into the library.

#### Children's Program

This program is designed for kids ages birth to 6 to 11 years old. Kids will earn one raffle ticket for every 30 minutes of reading during the program. Reading includes being read to by family members, friends, or the narrator of audiobooks!

### No Ordinary Book Club

Take a moment...

Imagine a group of Syracuse children, gathered on Saturday afternoon from 1:00pm to 3:00pm, staring up at big screen for a Zoom meeting; they're smiling, curious, and eager to read. Now, imagine another group of children joining in on the same Zoom call on Saturdays from 5:00pm-7:00pm at the library in Worawora, Ghana; they're excited and listening so attentively as they stare on the screen.



What happens next?

It's 12:00pm in Tennessee, and a storyteller and children's author sits in front of her screen with a big smile, as she flips page after page of children's books with beautiful illustrations. She engages with the children, both on the East Coast of the United States and across the ocean on the West Coast of Africa.



What you are imagining is the Virtual Book Club started in February 2023 at the Community Library of DeWitt & Jamesville and the Okyeame Dankwa Memorial Community Library in Worawora, Ghana through a partnership between PACE-Ghana (PG), Poised

Gifted and Ready (PGR), and the CLD&J. There were several aspects to consider when initiating a cross/cultural book club such as time zones, books appropriate for understanding by both cultures, and Internet connectivity to name a few. While there were a few challenges like snowstorms in Syracuse and power outages in Ghana, the children and the leaders adapted and learned patience, flexibility, creativity, kindness, and gratitude.



The children read and discussed 5 books under the leadership of Jacquelyn Grace (Storyteller, Author). At each book club the girls and boys recited a pledge to always do their best, actively participate by answering and asking questions and declaring "I Love Books! I Love to Read".

There were lots of discussions about the books, journaling, craft projects, Ghanaian songs, quilting, and the making of a Peace Chain. The Virtual Book Club concluded with treats, certificates and, of course, lots of singing! Most of all, they had a good time learning about each other.

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### Get motivated to read (con't from Page 2)

Additional raffle entries can be earned for completing activities and attending online programs.

#### Teen Program

This program is designed for kids ages 12 to 17 years old. Teens will earn one raffle ticket for every 30 minutes of reading during the program. Reading includes listening to audiobooks! Additional raffle entries can be earned for completing activities and attending online programs.

#### Adult Program

This program is designed for adults ages 18 and up. Participants earn a raffle ticket for every book read for a chance to win one of three themed baskets.

Participants will also get a stamp on a special punch card for every book they check out. Completed cards earn a raffle ticket for a chance to win our CLD&J themed basket.

# READ

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Habit Forming

**Join us at Summer Events!** We will be hosting performers and holding events for the whole family! Our event calendar can be found at <https://onlibdewitt.evanced.info/signup/Calendar>



## Featured Programs

### Classes for Well-Being

**Adult Yoga Thursdays @ 11:00am**  
**May 25, June 8, & June 22**

Yoga is a balance between mind, body and spiritual energy. Come join instructor Suzanne Masters 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. Wear comfortable clothing. **Registration Encouraged.**

**Taoist Tai Chi Sundays @ 1:30pm**  
**May 7 & 28**

Tai Chi is a meditative, relaxing art that cultivates the body and improves balance and core strength. These classes are offered for all levels (beginner, intermediate, advanced, etc) by the Taoist Tai Chi Society. Wear comfortable clothing. **Registration Encouraged.**

## Art in the Library

**For the months of May & June the Community Library is featuring the work of local artist Lisa Carlyon.**

Lisa's art career began as a hair stylist and lasted for over 38 years. After retiring, she wanted to keep creating, but this time with oil paint. She enrolled in the community college near her home in Geneva and earned her associates degree in fine art in 2019. From there, she went on to an atelier in Tarrytown, NY, where she learned the classical way of drawing and painting. She was there for two and half years before coming back to the Finger Lakes to open her own studio. The beauty of the Finger Lakes draws her to paint landscape. Also called to figure painting, she endeavors to combine the two as narrative subject with figure in the landscape. Telling a story is the motivating force behind her intention with paint. She is delighted to bring her interpretation of imagined stories.

