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DEWITT COMMUNITY LIBRARY

ShoppingTown Mall
3649 Erie Blvd. East
DeWitt, NY 13214-1799
(315) 446 – 3578
www.dewlib.org

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

Thurs., November 28,
Tues., December 24,
Wed., December 25,
& Wed., January 1, 2014.
The Library closes at
5:00pm on
Tues., December 31

Stay up to date with the DCL Facebook page!



DeWitt Community Library
<http://www.facebook.com/pages/DeWitt-Community-Library/54212363154>

2013 - 2014 ANNUAL FUND DRIVE UNDERWAY

A heartfelt thank you to all of our generous supporters to this year's fund drive! If you have not yet donated, it is not too late to make a year-end gift to help keep the Library a treasured community asset where Jamesville-DeWitt residents can meet, learn and grow.

Thanks in part to generous donations from members of the community like you, we have been able to respond to a number of patron requests, including:

- Overdrive Advantage, a new ebook/e-media service just for DCL patrons
- The 3M Cloud Library for additional access to digital downloads
- New Children's Room reference service

- A third weekly one-on-one technology help session to assist you with new technologies
- An expanded Senior Fair with almost twice as many exhibitors as last year
- An improved wireless system that is more reliable and more secure than ever
- A new public printer

You can make a donation any time at the Library or online at www.dewlib.org – or mail us a check (see address on the left-hand side of this page). Thank you in advance for your donation to this year's fund drive.

- Wendy Scott
Executive Director

TELL US HOW WE'RE DOING

DCL Asks the Community, "How Are We Doing?"

The DeWitt Community Library is thinking about the future and is asking for your help. The Library, which conducted a user survey in 2010 as part of its strategic planning process, is looking to update the results of the 2010 survey to gain a better understanding of who its patrons are, what services they use, and the quality and value of those services.

"Because the way in which people find and use information is changing so rapidly I believe it is critically important to ask our users for input on a regular basis," explains DCL Execu-

tive Director Wendy Scott. "No opinion is more valuable than that of our users. The feedback we receive from those we serve helps us to plan for the future and make the best possible use of available resources."

The DCL's 2013 User Survey, which takes only a few minutes to complete, will be available at the Library or on the Library's web site (dewlib.org) beginning October 1 through December 31. If you would like to have a copy of the survey mailed or emailed to you, please contact Wendy Scott at 446-3578 or wscott@onlib.org.

- Wendy Scott
Executive Director

DCL NEWSLETTER

CHILDREN'S CORNER

Terrific Thursdays

The DCL's program series specially designed for home-schooling families, "Terrific Thursdays", introduces homeschoolers to Dewitt Community Library's services and highlights how families can use these resources in the home classroom.

In November, "Terrific Thursdays" will feature a program about hobby beekeeping. Do you know how bees make honey in a hive? DCL's librarian beekeeper Emily W. will present a hands-on program on November 21st at 11:30 about the wonderful honeybee. Join us and try on a bee suit and taste some local honey.

- Emily Wormuth
Children's Librarian

Read You Must

On Saturday, October 5, we participated in the 2nd annual Star Wars Reads Day, a national event that celebrates reading and all things Star Wars. We had 40 children and parents attend this fun event. Many came in costume and enjoyed Star Wars-themed snacks like Yoda Soda, Wookiee Cookies, and Chocolate-Dipped Pretzel Sabers.

I manned the craft stations and helped kids make Yoda Stick Puppets from felt, Star Wars Character Masks, and Bith Band Spoon Puppets (see photo upper right). More

activities included Star Wars video games on the Wii and Playstation, Star Wars Jeopardy, and a raffle for Star Wars related prizes.

We also had our popular Photo Booth run by our Para-librarian for Technology (and our resident photographer), Scott Mosher. Standing in front of a green screen, children in their costumes "posed" for pictures, and Scott added cool Star Wars-themed backgrounds afterwards to finish the photo. Check them out on our Facebook page!

This was a popular event and I can't wait to host it again next year. May the books be with you!

- Jenny Burke
Children's Librarian



YA CAFÉ

TEENS! **LIBRARY DATABASES HELP WITH HOMEWORK**

Did you know the library has access to databases that can help you with your homework?

Aside from the great selection of non-fiction books that can support your research papers, databases provide access to thousands of newspapers, magazines, and journals around the globe. We have even sorted them by subject to make your work even easier.

The library staff are here to help you navigate and choose appropriate databases to support your research. Most databases even include cita-

tion software to help format your bibliographies in the proper format.

Our evening and weekend hours can help extend the resources that you receive from your school library. Stop in and see what we can do with your next assignment!

If you would like more information, contact Marc Wildman at 446-3578 or mwildman@onlib.org.

- Marc Wildman
Young Adult Librarian
Assistant Director
of Patron Services



Introducing eCommerce:

Pay Library Fines From Home

It happens to everyone. Even when you try to get your books back on time, life reaches in to rearrange your schedule and you forget to return your library items. It may be shocking but it happens to librarians too. Inevitably, you don't have any cash on you when you go to check out a book so that fine sits like a tearstain on your account for years.

Luckily, we don't have to deal with the angst anymore. eCommerce is a new feature of Onondaga County library accounts which allows us to pay our fines online from home with a credit card or Paypal account. Many people have already taken advantage of this convenient service. At the moment, we can pay only fines exceeding \$3.00 with eCommerce.

If you would like to pay your fines online or see your estimated fines, first log in to your library account. Enter the DCL's homepage address -<http://www.dewlib.org>- into your web browser of choice, you can use Internet Explorer, Firefox, or Chrome. Then put your mouse over Catalogs in the menu bar and click on My Account/Renewals when the submenu pops up.

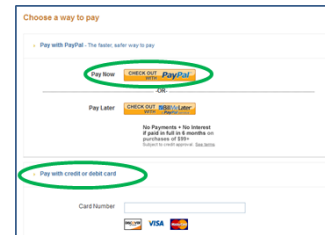


Enter your library card barcode with no spaces into the box on the OCPL catalog screen. Enter your four-digit PIN. If you do not remember your PIN a library staff member can reset it for you. Click "Log In." Your library account will load and in the upper-left under the My Account heading, you will see how much fines are owed.

Click on the fine amount to proceed to the Fines & Fees page. Click the checkboxes for the fines you wish to pay online and then click the red "Pay online with a credit card" link. Review the summary of charges and click Continue>>.

Fines & Fees						
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Charges: \$100.00 Deposits: \$0.00 Credits: \$0.00					Pay online with a credit card! Check one or more items above (total at least \$3.00), then click here	

If you have a Paypal account you can choose to check out that way, or fill out your credit card information below that and click the Pay Now button. It's simple and painless.



- Erin Cassidy
Assistant Director
for Technology and Digital Services

CHANGES COMING TO OCPL LIBRARY CARD POLICY IN 2014

Over the past two years, boards of trustees of public libraries in the Onondaga County Public Library System (OCPL) have examined library funding and use of system library resources by people who live and pay taxes outside the OCPL area.

Starting in January, 2014, a new OCPL Library Card Policy will require a \$35 annual fee for library cardholders who do not support an Onondaga County public library through their property or school taxes. Payment of the fee will allow these patrons continued use of the full resources of the OCPL system.

The DeWitt Community Library will also offer a free 'local card' option for people who live and pay taxes

outside of the OCPL area which will allow these patrons to use the DCL's collections and resources only.

DCL Library Card holders affected by the new policy will receive a letter in the coming weeks with additional details.

We hope all of our patrons will continue to be part of the DCL family! Please contact Executive Director Wendy Scott at 446-3578 (wscott@onlib.org) if you have questions or would like to learn more.

- Wendy Scott
Executive Director

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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 Meeting (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 MEETING

The DCL Friends will host their **Annual Meeting on January 16, 2014** 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, "Unknown Museums of Upstate New York,"** an exciting travelogue with a fascinating look at 50 little known museums around Upstate New York. D'Imperio explored the region and visited its many museums to create this unique guide to Upstate's hidden treasures.

Library Lingo

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

Withdrawn- Damaged or outdated items are often Withdrawn or removed from the Library's collection and from the Library's catalog.

NEWS BRIEFS

RESCUE MISSION CLOTHING DRIVE AT THE DCL

For the third year, the Library will be hosting a Syracuse Rescue Mission collection barrel from November until the end of January. Please consider donating **new or gently used clothing** to help those in need in our community. For more information about the Rescue Mission, check their website: www.rmlifechanging.org



THE DCL STAFF IN THE NEWS

The DCL staff is appearing in print! Assistant Director Erin Cassidy and Paralibrarian Scott Mosher have been alternating contributions to their biweekly "Technically Speaking" column in the *Eagle Bulletin*. Paralibrarian Brian Abbott has also been featured in the *Eagle Bulletin* with his monthly "Have You Read...?" column. He also interviewed Children's Librarian Emily Wormuth for "The Beekeeping Librarian", an *Eagle Bulletin* exclusive. Then in an upcoming issue of the *Jamesville & DeWitt Life* magazine, Paralibrarian Kelly Sickler talks about "Living with Celiac" and offers a few resources along with her article.

THE HAUDENOSAUNEE

Discover 25 words related to the Haudenosaunee (or Iroquois). See the solution online at www.dewlib.org.

- Lauri Fortino
Tech. Processing Assistant

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