

Newsletter

Jan | Feb 2023



Winter Book Sale

All books are .25¢ each or buy 3 & get one FREE! CDs & DVDs and other media items are \$1.00. Other items specially marked.

Proceeds raised benefit the library and its programs and services.

News Briefs

Vending Machines

You may have noticed a new addition to the Library: vending machines! Looking for a snack or something to drink? The Library now 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.



PROGRAMMING/ MEETING ROOM USE

Our small meeting rooms are once again 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.

We will continue to monitor local Covid rates and will re-open the rest of our meeting rooms for group use as soon as we are able. In the meantime, please ask our staff about the availability of our virtual space to host meetings via Zoom. Thank you for your patience & understanding.

Upcoming Events

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

Volunteer Recruitment Expo

Sunday, January 22 | 1:00pm - 4:30pm
at the Library

Looking for ways to (re)connect with our community and make it a better place for everyone? Stop in the Library and learn about area organizations that need our help. Bring your family, tell your friends and neighbors. Our community needs us to step up and help make it better for all of us. Earn raffle tickets for each organization you visit on the day of the event for a chance to win gift cards to local restaurant and entertainment venues.

No Registration Necessary

Snow Date: Sunday, January 29 @ 1:00p to 4:30pm

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



Community Library
of DeWitt & Jamesville

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

The Library will be closed:

Sun., Jan 1
Mon., Jan 2
Mon., Jan 16

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Annual Fund Drive Continues

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

- We serve **everybody** in DeWitt and Jamesville – young, old and in-between
- We facilitate not just “doing” but “being”; we are a beautiful place to quietly *think*. We are unique in that you can come enjoy the library with no expectations placed on you, and can stay for as long as we’re open (*62 hrs/wk)
- Free broadband internet access for all
- Technology such as printers, scanners, etc. that not all in our community have available at home

Please donate to the Library! Our donors enable the following:

- Increased outreach of library information and services outside of our building
- Free loan of library Roku boxes, Wi-Fi hot spots, and even computers
- Hoopla and Kanopy streaming video
- Increased summer learning opportunities for the community’s children

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!



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CHILDREN'S CORNER

Music & Face Painting with Donna B.
Saturday, January 14th @ 10:30am
For Ages 1 - 10.
Join Donna B for a musical storytelling song and dance event. Face painting follows!
No Registration Necessary.

Valentine's Day Party
Saturday, February 11 @ 1:00pm
For children of all ages!
Enjoy some sweet treats and make a Valentine's Day card for someone special!
Registration Encouraged.

February Break Pizza & Movie
Tuesday, February 21 @ 12:00pm
For the whole family!
Enjoy family friendly movies, snacks, and pizza. We will be showing *Spies in Disguise*.
Registration Encouraged.

February Break Craft
Thursday, February 23 @ 1:00pm to 2:00pm
For children of all ages! (Children 7 & under may need assistance from a parent or caregiver)
Use washi tape to create a variety of different creations such as bracelets and bookmarks. Try one project, or try them all.
Registration Encouraged.

Pajama Storytime
Thursdays @ 6:30-7:30pm
Jan 12 - Feb 23
In the Children's Programming Room
For Ages 0—5.
Put on your PJs, gather the family, and join us for an evening storytime. Enjoy stories, discover wonderful toys, and meet new friends.
No registration required.

Staff Favorite Reads

Here's a list of our staff's favorite reads in 2022. How many of them have you read?

Anyway the Wind Blows by Rainbow Rowell
Recommended by Abbey
In the third book of the *Carry On* series, Simon and Baz and Penelope and Agatha have to decide how to move forward.

A Dark-Adapted Eye by Barbara Vine
Recommended by Brian
In this Edgar award winning novel, written in 1986, a young woman reflects on her aunt's execution for murder and discovers some hidden truths.

The Priory of the Orange Tree by Samantha Shannon
Recommended by Briana
The author describes the novel as a "feminist retelling of Saint George and the Dragon."

These Precious Days by Ann Patchett
Recommended by Fran
In this collection of essays the award winning novelist and bookstore owner explores friendship, marriage, and mortality.

Grapes of Wrath by John Steinbeck
Recommended by Jeanie
The story of an Oklahoma farm family, the Joads, during the Dust Bowl migration of the 1930s. "I found the writing to be luscious and beautiful, the characters were real and vibrant, and the themes of equality, justice, and human dignity resonated with me. I have no doubt I will reread this book many times."

I'm Glad My Mom Died by Jeannette McCurdy
Recommended by Karen
A heartbreaking and hilarious memoir by iCarly and Sam & Cat star Jennette McCurdy about her struggles as a former child actor—including eating disorders, addiction, and a complicated relationship with her overbearing mother—and how she retook control of her life.

West with Giraffes by Lynda Rutledge
Recommended by Laura
An emotional, rousing novel inspired by the incredible true story of two giraffes who made headlines and won the hearts of Depression-era America.

The Deeper the Water the Uglier the Fish by Katya Apekina
Recommended by Maggie
A debut novel examines the ripple effects of mental illness and betrayal on a broken family.

House of Sky and Breath by Sarah J. Maas
Recommended by Meghan
Sarah J. Maas's sexy, groundbreaking Crescent City series continues with the second installment.

Paradise Falls: The True Story of an Environmental Catastrophe by Keith O'Brien
Recommended by Melissa
"It's incredible, and incredibly sad, but extremely important. It's definitely the one that stands out to me the most." The staggering story of an unlikely band of mothers in the 1970s who discovered Hooker Chemical's deadly secret of Love Canal—exposing one of America's most devastating toxic waste disasters and sparking the modern environmental movement as we know it today.

Hell Followed with Us by Andrew Joseph White
Recommended by Paige
A furious, queer debut novel about embracing the monster within and unleashing its power against your oppressors. Paige also recommends *On the Farm* by Stevie Cameron.

Rocket Men by Robert Kurson
Recommended by Rebecca
A nonfiction book recounting NASA's 1968 Apollo 8 mission, which was the first crewed spacecraft to reach the Moon and return safely to Earth.

When Women Were Dragons by Kelly Barnhill
Recommended by Sara
Kirkus Reviews named *When Women Were Dragons* one of the best science fiction and fantasy books of 2022. Sara also recommends *Tender is the Flesh* by Agustina Bazterrica & *What If? 2: Additional Serious Scientific Answers to Absurd Hypothetical Questions* by Randall Munroe.

The Dictionary of Lost Words by Pip Williams
Recommended by Sara Jo
Inspired by actual events, author Pip Williams has delved into the archives of the Oxford English Dictionary to tell this highly original story.

Featured Programs

CLD&J Music Series

Join us for our CLD&J Music Series as we present a convivial and musical experience in the Library afterhours on Friday evenings. Arrive between 6:30pm and 7:00pm to mix and mingle, and then settle in for our monthly concert schedule to start at 7:00pm.



Friday, January 20 @ 7:00pm

The **Brass Act Ensemble** will entertain you with a range of brass tunes.

Friday, February 10 @ 7:00pm

The **Silverwood Clarinet Choir** returns to the Community Library with a performance that crosses many genres. Enjoy classical, contemporary, jazz, show tunes and more!

Friday, March 10 @ 7:00pm

The **Keyna Hora Klezmer Band** returns to the Community Library with a lively performance.

Registration is Encouraged for each event.

More upcoming programs listed on Page 4.

Art in the Library

For the months of Jan & Feb the Community Library is featuring the work of Louise Woodard.

Artist Statement:

In my watercolor paintings I attempt to paint a path through gardens and woods, past wildlife and flowers into a world of colorful design and impressions. My love of painting and the outdoors is apparent in a broad choice of images, which I combine with a touch of illusion to make the ordinary - unique.

I use transparent watercolors and an abundance of water to create one layer atop the other. This can be achieved with patience, as each layer must be completely dry before a second layer is added. In some paintings, seven or more layers are implemented, each with the preceding colors showing through. One can never be bored when painting with watercolors because just applying one color on another invents a surprising 'new tone'.



From the Stacks

Top 10 Most Checked-out Fiction Books Read in 2022

According to our statistics, these were the most popular fiction titles in 2022. How many did you read?

#10. **22 Seconds** by James Patterson

#9. **Steal** by James Patterson

#8. **The Judge's List** by John Grisham

#7. **Apples Never Fall** by Liane Moriarty

#6. **The Match** by Harlan Coben

#5. **Run, Rose Run** by Dolly Parton & James Patterson

#4. **The Horsewoman** by James Patterson

#3. **Fear No Evil** by James Patterson

#2. **The Last Thing He told Me** by Laura Dave

#1. **The Four Winds** by Kristin Hannah

The Patterson machine continues to dominate 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 Kristin Hannah's epic novel set in Texas during the Great Depression.