

Delton District Library

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October 2008 Newsletter

LIBRARY ACTIVITIES & IMPORTANT DATES

Fri	Oct 3	Storytime	10:30am
Tue	Oct 7	Kelly Smith-WMCC	6:30-8:00pm
Thu	Oct 9	Friends of the Delton Library	7-8pm
Thu	Oct 9	Rug Hookers	6-7:00pm
Fri	Oct 10	Storytime	10:30am
Mon	Oct 13	Genealogy Club	6:30pm
Fri	Oct 17	Storytime	10:30am
Fri	Oct 17	Computer Class-Internet Searches	
Fri	Oct 17	Craft Daze... <i>Shivering Shaker</i>	3:30
Sat	Oct 18	Family Game Night	7-9:00
Mon	Oct 20	Serger Class	5-8:00pm
Mon	Oct 20	Deadline for Jack-o-lantern Contest	
Tue	Oct 21	Make a Halloween card!	6:30-7:30
Wed	Oct 22	Marketing 101	6-8:00pm
Fri	Oct 24	Storytime	10:30am
Tue	Oct 28	Costume Party!	6-8:00pm

October is Breast Cancer Awareness Month!

Oct 7th at 6:30

Join Kelly Smith from the West Michigan Cancer Center as she talks about genetic types of cancer. What IS the difference between genetic and familial cancers?



Create a scary Jack-o-Lantern!

Carve a pumpkin at home, enter it in this contest to decorate the library garden! Deadline for entries is October 20th at 5:00. Check in the library for details.

Costume Party!

October 28th 6-8:00pm

Library staff and friends will have a howling good time at this annual event! FREE, but each family should bring a bag of candy to share. **GAMES & PRIZES FOR ALL.** At 7:00, storyteller, Jenifer Straus will entertain us all with some not TOO scary stories.

Do you have any *Skeletons* in your closet? Join the Delton District Library Genealogy club to find out! This month, they meet on Oct 13th at 6:30.



Bring your little goblins in to the library every Friday morning at 10:30 for a fun pre-school storytime. FREE

LIBRARY HOURS

M/W/F 10:00 am - 5:00 pm
Tues/Thur 10:00 am - 8:00 pm
Sat 9:00 am - 1:00 pm

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"Exploratory Serger" Workshop

October 20, from 5-8:30, meet with Janet Dapson from *Fabrications* in Richland to learn how to use your serger! Cost of this class is \$35.00. Bring your own machine. Please register before October 13.



NEW BOOKS @ your library

FICTION

See also those titles listed under Audiobooks on CD

Strike Dog by Joseph Heywood

Drop Shot by Harlan Coben

Now and Forever by Ray Bradbury

Death and the Devil by Frank Schatzing

The Dead Whisper On by T. L. Hines

Lord John & the Brotherhood of the Blade by Gabaldon

Dark Possession by Christine Feehan

Fire Dancer by Colleen Coble

Just Beyond the Clouds by Karen Kingsbury

The Restitution by M. L. Tyndall

A Sister's Secret by Wanda Brunstetter

Jimi Hendrix Turns Eighty by Tim Sandlin

Tom Clancy's Splinter Cell: Checkmate

Tom Clancy's Net Force: The Archimedes Effect

The Spanish Bow by Andromeda Romano-Lax

Lurker by Stefan Petrucha (YA)

Dark Harvest by Norman Partridge (YA)

Mixed Messages by Jahna Malcolm (YA)

InuYasha Volume 29 by Rumiko Takahashi (YA)

NONFICTION

Guinness World Records 2008

The Shameless Liar's Guide by Duke Christoffersen

Hog Pilots, Blue Water Grunts by Robert Kaplan

Mother Teresa: Come be my Light by Mother Teresa

My Lobotomy by Howard Dully

Well-Behaved Women Seldom Make History by Ulrich

So Help Me God by F. Forrester Church

China Road by Rob Gifford

Master the GED 2008

2008 What Color is Your Parachute? by Bolles

The Art of Political Murder by Francisco Goldman

Make Your Voice Heard by Chuck Jones

The Brain Game from La Crosse Rotary

The Baby Care Book by Jeremy Friedman

How to Build Animal Housing by Carol Ekarius

AUDIOBOOKS ON CD

Night Work by Steve Hamilton

Bones to Ashes by Kathy Reichs

Garden Spells by Sarah Addison Allen

You've Been Warned by James Patterson

Things I Overheard While Talking to Myself by Alda

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The GOOD of Libraries

As budgets get stretched tighter and tighter, libraries throughout the state are often being left out. We are left in a very unfortunate situation.

Public libraries regularly provide 8-10 times in services and economic improvement over what they cost. The Delton District Library provided \$1,703,696 in services during its 2006-2007 year. This is a return on investment of 898%, equivalent to buying GM stock at \$35 and watching it increase to \$314 in a single year! When funding for libraries is cut, everyone loses many times over – \$1 lost means \$8-10 in lost services.

School libraries, or media centers, are even more important as staffing and funding is the single factor most closely matched to improved reading skills and test scores among the students.

- Schools with full-time certified library media specialists and full-time library aides have higher performance on state tests.
- Schools where the library media specialist spends more time on instructionally-related student and teacher activities have higher state test scores.
- Schools with greater library media program resources for collections and technology have higher performance on the state test.
- Library media specialists help students acquire unique skills not taught in the classroom and information and technology skills essential for students in the 21st century.
– from State of Wisconsin study

If you have a student living with you, ask them what they like about their library. See if they want to spend more time, or less, there. Encourage everyone to support school media centers where everyone is helped and which can improve the entire districts standardized test scores.

Libraries at all levels provide much more in benefits – fiscal, educational, and emotional – than they cost to operate. The average homeowner in the Delton District Library service area pays no more for library services than they would for one month of cable or satellite TV. Such a small cost for access to a great collection, friendly help, and wonderful building definitely seems worth it.