



DANBY AREA NEWS

WEST DANBY WATER UPDATE

Submitted by Tod Sukontarak, Water Commissioner

Installing new water meters in the District's households is now underway. As of January 14, 34 of the total of 112 meters have been installed.

You will have received a note with your most recent bill to contact Tod to coordinate replacing your meter. Please respond, as scheduling a time to replace meters is the most difficult part of the job. If you didn't get the notice and would like to contact Tod to coordinate replacing your meter, try 607.564.0469 or [todsukontarak@gmail.com].

The bid proposal for our new water tank will be going out during the week of January 19, with ground-breaking scheduled to begin sometime in late February or early March. There are two types of tanks included in the proposal, one a glass-fused-to-steel and the other

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INFORMATION MEETING: DANBY'S COMPREHENSIVE PLAN

During March, the Town of Danby will host an information session to discuss the Town of Danby's Comprehensive Plan.

What is a Comprehensive Plan and why is it so important? The Comprehensive Plan states our vision for the Town. The Plan defines the communities' goals and objectives for the future of Danby and strategies how to implement them. It lays the path that drives decision-makers toward policy for topics such as land use, recreation, transportation, housing, etc.

This will be the first public meeting in the process, and an important one. Please come and share your vision for Danby's bright future.

We do not yet have a date, so please check the Town of Danby's web site, [town.danby.ny.us] for meeting information. You'll also find links to online information about the Comprehensive Plan. ❁

DCC OFFERS

CLAYMATION/STOP ACTION WORKSHOP

Submitted by Ted Crane, Community Council

Stop the presses! Stop and look! Stop action!

You've all seen wonderful animations, like the Wallace and Gromit (or Gumby) cartoons, with animated clay figurines? Now you can learn to make your own masterpiece at the Community Council's Claymation and Stop Action workshop on Sunday, February 9, 2-4pm in Town Hall.

Claymation requires some clay, some imagination for shapes and movement, and a single-frame camera. The DCC will provide the clay and camera and you get to use your imagination. What fun!

Stop Action photography isn't limited to Claymation. You can animate almost anything, like having a chair walk itself across the room. DCC will provide the camera...you provide the ideas.

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This event is open to everyone in the Danby community. Youngsters should be accompanied by a responsible adult. [If the animation idea includes images of a child, you will be asked to fill out a photo release.]

If you have a movie camera that will take single frame images, feel free to bring it along! ❁

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DANBY NEWS NOTES

Submitted by Ted Crane

Submission Guidelines: Have a look at the "Danby News" section of the Town of Danby web site, [town.danby.ny.us/DAN]. If you're thinking of sending something for publication in the Danby News, there's two documents to read: the *Guidelines* and the *Submission Guidelines*. You'll learn what is, and isn't acceptable material for publication. If it's acceptable, we'll make an effort to in-

clude it; *generally, we print everything we receive!* You'll find hints about how to prepare a submission. Following these guidelines makes the editing and layout easier. A terse version of these guidelines is in the left-hand column of this page.

DANBY WEB SITE

Have you visited [town.danby.ny.us]? Meeting agendas, minutes, and relevant documents. Happenings in Danby. Everything in a nutshell. ☘

TOWN CLERK'S DESKTOP

Submitted by Pamela Goddard, Town Clerk

Changes in Dog License Fees

May I suggest a late New Year Resolution for all Danby Dog owners? Make sure that your animal is licensed, that their vaccines are up to date, and that you pay your dog license renewal on time. If you do, there is no change in license fee for a spay/neutered animal. But, starting this year, if you are more than two months late...you will pay more.



According to NYS Law, all dogs must be licensed. This is considered a health issue, for the benefit of both man and beast. Licensing dogs helps assure that all canine residents of the town are up to date on their vaccines, particularly rabies. License information also assists residents in dealing with problem or dangerous animals.

Dog licensing is also an attempt to monitor and maintain animal population control. Dog owners have an incentive to spay or neuter their animals, through a decreased cost in dog license fees.

During the past year, Danby and other municipalities in Tompkins County have reviewed their dog license fees with an eye toward consistency and "making ends meet." Dog license fees have not been raised in over five years, and do not come close to covering costs for license processing and animal control. After this review, during its Organizational Meeting on January 13, the Town Board voted to make changes to the dog license fee structure. Licenses had been \$20 per dog, with a discount to \$12 for spay/neutered pup. In 2014 that fee will increase to \$24 per unaltered dog but, as way to encourage animal population control, the fee for a spay/neutered animal remains at \$12.

Dog license renewal letters are sent to owners on the anniversary of the month in which the original dog license was issued. In previous years, the fee was the same whether you renewed the license on time...or six months later. We want to provide a firm economic incentive for dog owners to renew licenses on time. Starting this year, when a license is not renewed within two months of its expiration date, there will be a late fee of \$3 per month added to the license fee. This additional fee will help cover the extra mailing and processing costs of late renewals, and will not penalize responsible dog owners.

According to our computer data base, at least 650 dogs are currently living in Danby. The Annual Town Clerk's Report for 2013 showed that 595 dog licenses were processed last year. We did better in 2012, with 636 renewals or new licenses. The good news: 90 percent of dog owners are responsible and (generally) timely in taking care of renewals. The bad news is that 8-9% of dog owners seem to ignore the annual renewal notice. This becomes a burden to the Town. Our hope is that this new policy will bring a better result for 2014.

In order to be as accessible as possible, the Town Clerk's office will be open 10am-5pm on Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, and Friday, and 10am-Noon on Saturdays in February and March. We are closed on Sundays and Thursdays. We will continue to collect taxes (in addition to processing dog license renewals, issuing handicap parking permits, and managing other town business) through March 31. January 31 was the last day to opt to pay taxes via the installment option. Taxes must now be paid in full, and a 1 percent penalty fee, per month, is added to the base amount.

Remember, Town Clerks only collect taxes, we don't decide what they are. I know that there's little I can do to make Winter better than it is, but I can promise that the candy bowl will be filled with chocolate kisses including plenty of dark chocolate. I look forward to seeing many of you during the cold days of February and March.

Questions? Call 607.277.4788 or send Email to [townclerk@town.danby.ny.us]. ❄



LEGISLATURE UPDATE

Submitted by Dan Klein, County Legislator

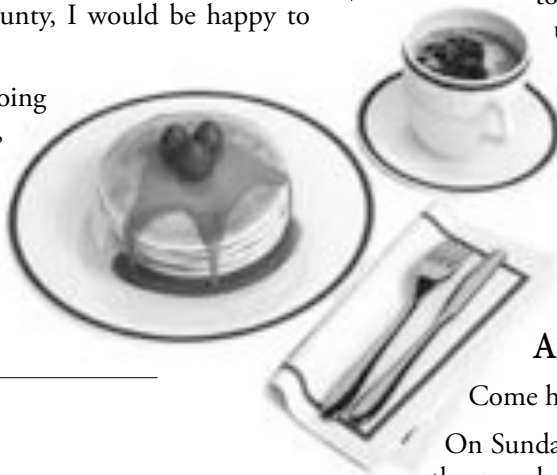
Hello Danby Neighbors. For those of you who don't know me, I would like to introduce myself. I am Dan Klein, and I am the new representative for Danby (and Caroline) to the Tompkins County Legislature. I am one of fourteen members of the legislature, and the only rookie.

As of this writing, I have only had one legislature meeting, so I don't have much to report yet. I have just received my committee assignments: Health and Human Services Committee, Planning, Energy, and Environmental Quality Committee, Government Operations Committee, and the Broadband Subcommittee. I look forward to diving in to these areas to help make sure Danby and Tompkins County residents are getting the best services in the most economical way possible.

I have just finished serving 6 years on the Danby Town Board. My time there has prepared me well for the activities that will go on at the County level. We have excellent elected officials and staff in Danby, and should consider ourselves lucky. I look forward to continue to work with them in my new role.

If you have questions or comments relating to services provided by Tompkins County, I would be happy to hear from you.

I want to thank our outgoing County Representative, Frank Proto. Frank has left me with big shoes to fill. ❁



THANKING RICHARD OLTZ

Submitted by Bill Halton, Fire Commissioner

The Danby Fire District wishes to thank retiring member Richard Oltz for his ten years of service as a Fire Commissioner.

He was an active member when the Danby fire station was remodeled and when we recently acquired the new pumper trucks.

Richard will be missed on the Board. ❁

BROADBAND IN DANBY UPDATE

Submitted by Ted Crane

The light at the end of the tunnel is getting a little bit brighter! Perhaps the tunnel is ending.

Since last month's update, the New York State grant awarded to Clarity Connect has taken two steps forward. Both the regional Economic Development Council and the Governor's office signed off (let's call that "approved") on the award.



More good news is that, still, Clarity is in the first batch of grants to be processed. But wait...Clarity still doesn't have a signed contract with the State, so no money is flowing into the installation pipeline.

Mid-February is as good a guess as any, for when things will begin to happen. It's taking longer than expected, but the light is getting brighter.

If you haven't yet, you can contact Clarity Connect via its web site to indicate interest in the future fixed wireless Broadband network. Clarity will use that information to prioritize the infrastructure installation (the more Danby-ites, the sooner we all get connected), and to contact potential customers when sign-ups are available. Now, if you have no Internet at all...you can't use the web site, so contact Clarity at 607.257.8268. ❁

PANCAKE BREAKFASTS AT THE FIRE COMPANIES

Come have breakfast with the Fire Companies!

On Sundays, February 9, and March 23, 8-11am, the members of the Danby Volunteer Fire Company, friends, and supporters will be serving up a delicious pancake breakfast. Come out and support the volunteers, and come out and see the new fire engine (hint: it's red!).

Downhill, in West Danby, the West Danby Fire Department has its annual Sweetheart's Breakfast on February 15, 8-11am. When they say, "All you can eat," it's no empty claim...and your plate won't be empty until you're done. When you're hungry again, there's its annual St.Patty's Day Breakfast on March 15! ❁

SUPERVISOR'S UPDATE

Submitted by Ric Dietrich, Town Supervisor

You'd never know it 'cause there's so little sun but days are getting longer! Let's shed some light on Danby by sharing some information about where we've come during the last month, and what is new for our consideration.

First on my list of people and groups that I think get overlooked in their day-to-day operations are the Highway Department and the Fire Department. Both groups work tirelessly behind the scenes to provide Danby residents with the backup we all need in emergencies: whether it's the recent fire on Fisher Settlement Road, or the changing weather, it makes for very tough slogging for both of these groups.

Show your support by attending Fire Department breakfasts; the annual series of events has just begun!

The recent state of emergency in the City of Ithaca—and our mutual aid—are further examples of how we are an important part of the whole concept of shared services. I would like to go further and thank those of you who responded by volunteering to help fill and/or deliver sandbags in this emergency. Which leads me to another topic: notifying Danby residents about urgent events.

Occasionally, the Town becomes aware of a situation which may affect residents. How can we notify residents about this situation? Currently, the Town has few Email addresses to which it can send flash bulletins. We've been relying on well-connected individuals to help us out. Which leads to the *big question*: Do Danby's residents want to be connected in this way?

With so much of our lives becoming open to the new digital world, and with more of us becoming connected this year to Broadband service and Email facilities, I would like Danby to let me know whether they'd like to share their contact info for an urgent message system.

➔ *Water District, continued from front page*

stainless steel. If all goes as scheduled, one or the other type will be up and operational by the end of June.

As this project gets closer to completion, the Commissioners are now going to take on the project of creating a document that will be our West Danby Water District By-Laws. This is now still in planning and we'll keep you posted as it progresses.

Please take care to ensure your pipes aren't exposed to severe cold; there'll probably be more before spring. ❄

I mentioned last month that the new Town Board needs to fill a vacancy on the Town Board. This is a temporary seating, and there will be an election next November to choose a Councilperson for the remaining year of the open seat's term. This position has several candidates who will be interviewed and the seat will be filled by one of them. Because it's an urgent need, the choice will have been made before you even read this article.

Work on updating the Town's Comprehensive Plan has been ongoing. A public information session is planned, to review any and all changes being made, and then a formal public hearing. Please stay tuned for dates and times of these meetings.

Broadband, sounding like a broken record, is coming but just not yet. Like our Highway Barn Boiler project, there are lots of good, yet frustrating reasons why the inaugural party/celebration is delayed. It's just not there yet.

I guess you all have noticed the spurt in new home construction around the Town of Danby. There's more activity than there has been in the last three to four years...combined.

Everyone wants to move to Danby, or so it would appear, and perhaps the economy has improved to the point where moving and building has become possible. This is good for our tax base (it spreads the same load across more taxpayers) but problematic when we consider the Open Space goals in our Comprehensive Plan. All these issues are coming before our Boards during the coming month!

As always, if there is an issue the Town should address, please contact me, [supervisor@town.danby.ny.us]. ❄

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Town Clerk

Phone: 277.4788 • Fax: 277.0559

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Highway Department

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Mon–Thu, 6am–4:30pm

Code Enforcement Office

Phone: 277.0799 • Fax: 277.0559

Mon–Wed, 9am–4pm; Thu–Fri, by appointment

Town Court

Phone: 277.0095 • Fax: 277.0031

Tue, 7pm

All offices at Danby Town Hall except where noted.

WINTER IN DOTSON PARK

Submitted by Michele Lenhart

Deer, rabbit, squirrel, dog, ski, snowshoe, sled...these are just some of the tracks spotted recently in Dotson Park. If you have not had a chance to sled or slosh through the park, be sure to get there while there is still a chance of snow! There have been several record-breaking sled runs--and kids of all ages are encouraged to play.

One set of tracks we would love to see in the park: the tracks of a snow plow. If you have a plow and are willing to help clear part—or all—of the park road after a big snowfall, please let us know! The park is used every day, and visitors want to be able to make it to the parking area safely. Email [dotsonpark@gmail.com] if you have a plow and are willing to help out occasionally.

The Danby Community Park Association (DCPA) is hoping to update our entrance sign, so we are looking for someone skilled at wood or metal work to design and build a new sign. The builder selected would be recognized on our web site, [dotsonpark.org], and on a sign in the park. Please Email if you are interested in learning more or helping out!

Big news: our monthly DCPA meeting time and place is changing! We will now be meeting on the third Thursday of each month, 7:30pm, in The Oasis at the corner of Danby and Comfort roads. Park business seems to flow better when there are refreshments available! We encourage all fans of the park to join one of our monthly meetings, so you can have input on park plans. See you at our meeting on February 20, or in the park. ❄️

FIGHT THE FRIGID WEATHER GET A FREE AUDIT

The winter months are here and the weather grows colder. Many homeowners, especially those living in drafty houses, begin feeling the pinch of high home heating prices. Fortunately, a new program from the New York State Energy Research Development Authority (NY-SERDA) can help people increase the energy efficiency of their houses and save money on utility bills.

The Home Performance Energy Efficiency Program offers free energy assessments of homes by accredited contractors. After the assessment, the program helps homeowners through the process of financing their home improvements with grants (up to \$5,000 for single-family dwelling that eligible homeowners do not have to pay back, \$10,000 for multiple family homes) or low-interest loans.

“We can help people make their homes warmer in the winter and cooler in the summer, while saving money on their utility bills,” said Euphemia Martin, the program’s Regional Outreach Director for the Southern Tier. “And people often find that their health improves after an energy retrofit, because ventilation problems, gas leaks, mold, and mildew are also taken care of in the process.”

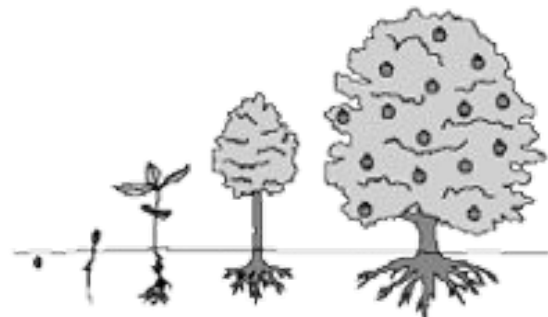
For more information or to sign up for a free energy assessment, call 607.723.0110, 10am-5pm, Monday through Friday, or Email [emartin@ppefny.org]. ❄️

COMMUNITY SEED SWAP

Cornell Cooperative Extension of Tompkins County is holding a Community Seed Swap on Sunday, February 2, 10am-3pm, at 615 Willow Avenue in Ithaca. Everyone is welcome to bring home-saved seeds or purchased seeds to swap with other gardeners. The CCE seed cabinets will also stocked with seed packets from seed companies and seeds donated by local seed savers.

The Seed Swap will include workshops on starting plants from seed and making an inexpensive light stand for starting plants indoors. The event is free to those who bring seeds to swap, otherwise a \$5 donation is requested. (Everyone will go home with more than \$5 worth of seeds!)

For more information, try the CCE web site [ccetompkins.org/calendar] or contact Chrys Gardener, 607.272.2292.x241 or [cab69@cornell.edu]. ❄️



AMERICAN LEGION UPDATE

Submitted by Marv Eastman

Well it looks like the weather is starting to warm up and that means it's time for the spring (winter) Chicken BBQs at the American Legion. We will have a BBQ in each of February, March, and April!

We kick off February with a Steak Dinner on February 1, starting at 5:15pm and going 'til 7pm. We serve a mouth-watering steak, cooked to order, along with a salad bar and a choice of baked potato, steak fries, or onion rings. All this for just \$12.

On February 21 we will have a Fish Dinner, 5:15-7pm, consisting of fish (we use only haddock) either fried or broiled with a salad bar and a choice of baked potato, onion rings, or french fries...and still only \$12.

On February 16, the SAL will be having a Chicken BBQ with the serving starting at Noon and going 'til sold out. Menu will be ½ BBQ chicken, and a choice of two of salt potatoes, BBQ beans, or macaroni salad. Cost will be \$8.50. Plan to arrive early as they have been selling out early.

If you are in need of a place to have that special event, give us a call. Our banquet room will seat 100 people, so stop by and check us out. Veterans, stop by and check out the American Legion and see what benefits are available to you as a veteran. Call 607.272.1129 for information. ❄

EVENTS 'ROUND TOWN

This column will appear monthly, featuring brief descriptions of events—current and upcoming months—around Danby. If you have a non-profit event that the general public is invited to...send a notice to the Danby News!

At the DFC, 1859 Danby Road

Chicken and Biscuit Dinner: Friday, February 14, 2014 5-7pm. Chicken and Biscuit, Squash, Green Beans, Corn, Harvard Beets, Apple Sauce, Pies and Assorted Desserts, Beverage. Adults, \$8; Children, \$4.

Seniors' Free Lunch and Games: Mondays, Noon, on February 17, March 17, and April 21.

Danby Community Council:

Claymation and Stop Action: Sunday, February 9, 2-4pm, Danby Town Hall. Clay, clicking cameras, and creative action. ❄

DANBY SENIORS UPDATE

Submitted by Margie VanDeMark

The next meeting of the Danby Seniors will be on Thursday, February 6 at Noon in the Danby Church.

All seniors 55 and over are welcomed to join us for a dish to share luncheon. Bingo games will be the program. ❄

AGING SERVICES

Are you wondering about services for older adults? From questions about Medicare, to concerns about an older relative, the staff at the Tompkins County Office for the Aging can help you.

The Tompkins County Office for the Aging offers information on a wide variety of services for older adults and their caregivers. If our office cannot help you, we can refer you to others who can.

Please call the Tompkins County Office for the Aging at 607.274.5482 or visit us on the web at [tompkinscounty.ny.gov/cofa]. ❄

DANBY TOWN TALK

Submitted by Gay Huddle, Ithaca Journal Columnist

I am coming up on writing my 400th Danby Town Talk column in the Ithaca Journal. It has been my great pleasure to share stories from my Danby, West Danby, Newfield and South Hill neighbors in my column.

I hope you will keep the information coming so that readers will continue to know about all the special events that are happening in the aforementioned communities, and visit to take part in them.

Family stories about marriages, births, graduations, awards, new businesses, school news, church news, fire department news, Legion and Oasis news, library news, gardening tips, recipes...all this news is at the heart and soul of what makes living in a small, rural town so unique. These stories bind us together, giving us all a "sense of place."

It's always fun to also include pictures that you might want to share.

Please send stories/pictures to [gayhuddle@hotmail.com] or call 607.273.6530. ❄

ASK THE DIGITAL DOCTOR

Question: What's this I read in the news, about refrigerators being used to send spam Email?

Answer: Remember last month, when the Doctor was talking about how your name and Email address magically appeared on junk mail that ended up in 700 zillion mailboxes around the world? It can happen, and the lesson to be learned is: never assume that Email is really who it claims to be from.

It's just like your telephone: when you get a call telling you that you just won a big prize, but you have to send a money order for \$50 to claim it...you don't really believe the voice who claims to be Walter Cronkite, do you? Nope, you only trust someone whose voice you know, and even then only when they're talking like your friend should!

But, back to those refrigerators. Iceboxes are only one of a growing list of household appliances on the market, that call themselves, "Internet Ready." There's thermostats, smoke alarms, door locks, light switches, and more. Truly, if you want to spend the money, you can pretty much control your home from anywhere on the globe.

And so can a lot of other people. Control *your* home, not their own, that is.

At the risk of irreverence, the Doctor asks you, "Military Intelligence?" A lot of the basic research that laid the foundation for the Internet was funded by, and intended for use by, the US Defense Department. Yup. Is true. Back then, though, nobody even considered the idea that this network would have civilian uses. Since it was intended for military use only, the researchers *assumed* that all of its users would be trustworthy, would act in a cooperative manner, and would never, never break the rules. So there's not a lot of security built into the design.

Now, fast forward to today. Oddly enough, the civilians got their hands on the Internet, and not all civilians are completely trustworthy. Some of them are downright uncooperative. And a few actually take delight in breaking the rules.

At the same time, some products are developed by companies for whom profit is an important consideration. It's less expensive to buy a "toolkit" for connecting to the Internet, than it is to hire conscientious programmers with the detailed knowledge to do the job. Would you believe that some of those toolkits are insecure? Af-

ter all, the company who is selling the toolkits needs to make a profit. too.

So, this refrigerator is connected to the Internet (the Doctor asks, "Why?" and doesn't even want to answer) using a flawed toolkit. Out there, maybe in Brazil, or Russia, or even in Washington, DC, a dedicated programmer has found the toolkit's flaws. This uncooperative genius is willing to break the rules. He's scanning all the addresses on the Internet, looking for one that answers, "Hiya, boss, I'm a refrigerator!"

"Okay," says the hacker to the 'fridge, "Let me make a few small changes to your code, so I can come back later and ask you to do me a few favors." Now, a good toolkit would demand passwords and do all sorts of checking that it's talking to the right guy. But the flawed toolkit isn't so picky. It replies, "Sure, boss, but make sure the ice cream stays cold, or my owner will know something's up."

The 'fridge has gone over to the dark side or, to put it another way, the 'fridge has now become a money-making tool for the hacker. You see, the 'fridge already knows how to send Email (otherwise, how could it tell your local grocery to deliver that cold ice cream, or milk, or pickles, or whatever its owner is fond of!).

Now, P.T. Barnum said something about how there's a sucker born every minute. Like P.T., the hacker knows that if you send a million Emails offering a big prize, there's one sucker out there who will actually send the \$50 money order to claim the reward. So the hacker finds a few hundred 'fridges, and sets them to churning out Emails. Thousands of them. Millions. Billions and billions. It doesn't matter that the icebox is slower than molasses. It's not costing the hacker anything.

So, is there a take-home lesson here? Not really, unless you're willing to figure out how to make the Internet secure, or how to convince manufacturers to create better software and to test it carefully. You might consider, though, whether there's any real benefit to your Internet-connected appliance, and whether that benefit outweighs the risks it might create. Do you really need to text-message your coffeemaker on the way home? Would a simple timer do the job?

Space permitting, the Digital Doctor works hard to break the mysteries of computers into bite size pieces you can use to impress friends, lose weight, make money, or to improve your online life. Go ahead, ask away. Send your questions to [danbynews@tedcrane.com].



Community Council Youth Programs

Great News!

As of Friday, January 17, the Danby Youth Programs have a new Program Manager! Please welcome our new Danby Youth Program Manager, Karlita Bleam.

Karlita is no stranger to this area; she attended Ithaca College. She spent last year doing an Americorp City Year in a Philadelphia Middle School and has also worked at camps. She is very excited to meet Danby families!

Please check the Rural Youth Services web site, [ccetompkins.org/4h/rural-youth-services/danby],



for a message from Karlita and for new program offerings as they become available.

And, here is an interesting fact about Karlita: her birthday is Valentine's Day. You can bet she would enjoy some birthday wishes at [karlita.bleam@gmail.com]. It might be a good way to introduce yourself and let her know what programs you hope she will offer. ❁

DANBY COMMUNITY LIBRARY

Submitted by Patti Meyers

New Year's is a time for celebration and positive feelings about the future. As the saying goes, "Out with the old and in with the new."

Put Saturday, April 26 on your calendar for our Annual Open House and Book Sale. Look for upcoming announcements on entertainment and food offerings.

We need volunteers! Just a few people are doing the work of many and, while we value them, we don't want to lose them. Welcome back our returning volunteer, Kathy Halton.

Please return all books/DVDs that you have borrowed in a timely fashion and do not *not* take items during events or meetings at the Town Hall if you do not have a Danby Community Library registration card with contact information.

We are desperately seeking the return of an audiobook that belongs to the Finger Lakes Library System: *Fire and Ice* by Julie Garwood. Please return it as soon as possible!

Speaking of new,

DVD:

- Iron Man 3
- Despicable Me 2
- Man of Steel
- Epic
- Turbo
- Fast & Furious 6
- The Wolverine
- Monsters University
- The Butler (also the hardcover book)
- Percy Jackson: Sea of Monsters

And coming soon...

- Bonnie & Clyde
- Rush
- Captain Phillips
- Last Vegas
- Blue Jasmine

Adult Fiction:

- The Invention of Wings* by Sue Monk Kidd
- Still Life with Breadcrumbs* by Anna Quindlen
- And the Mountains Echoed* by Khaled Hosseini
- King and Maxwell* by David Baldacci
- Longbourn* by Jo Baker
- The Son* by Philipp Meyer
- As We are Now* by May Sarton
- Dust* by Patricia Cornwell
- The Luminaries* by Eleanor Catton
- The Burgess Boys* by Elizabeth Strout
- The Signature of All Things* by Elizabeth Gilbert
- Where River Turns to Sky* by Gregg Kleiner
- The Goldfinch* by Donna Tartt
- Twelve Years a Slave* by Solomon Northrup
- Someone* by Alice McDermott

Juvenile Fiction:

- The Day the Crayons Quit
- Counting by 7's
- Rocket's Mighty Words

FREE SUNDAY AT THE SCIENCENTER

Science made fun! And now, for free! Ithaca's Sciencenter, 601 First Street, is offering Free Museum Admission on Sunday, February 2. You can spend hours there, looking at and playing with the exciting interactive exhibits. And bring your parents, too!

For members, the Sciencenter will also be open Presidents Day, Monday, February 17. ❁

Postal Patron

DANBY AREA NEWS: EVENT CALENDAR

- Feb 1 • Sat
5:30-7pm 🏠 American Legion • **Steak Dinner**
- Feb 3 • Mon
7pm 🏠 Town Hall • **Town Board Meeting**
- Feb 5 • Wed
6:30pm 🏠 Town Hall • **Library Volunteers Meeting**
- Feb 6 • Thu
Noon 🏠 Danby Federated Church • **Seniors**
7pm 🏠 Town Hall • **Community Council Meeting**
- Feb 9 • Sun
8-11am 🏠 Danby Fire Hall • **Pancake Breakfast**
2pm 🏠 Town Hall
Claymation and Stop Action Workshop
- Feb 10 • Mon
7pm 🏠 Town Hall
Public Hearing: Conservation Easement
7pm 🏠 Town Hall
Town Board Meeting
7pm 🏠 Danby Fire Hall • **Fire Dep't Meeting**
7pm 🏠 West Danby Fire Hall • **WD Fire Dep't Meeting**
- Feb 11 • Tue
5-9pm 🏠 West Danby Fire Hall • **Fire District Meeting**
- Feb 14 • Fri
5-7pm 🏠 Danby Federated Church
Chicken and Biscuit Dinner
- Feb 15 • Sat
8-11am 🏠 West Danby Fire Hall
Sweethearts Breakfast
- Feb 16 • Sun
Noon 🏠 American Legion • **Chicken BBQ**
- Feb 17 • Mon
Noon 🏠 Danby Federated Church • **Lunch & Games**

- Feb 18 • Tue
5-9pm 🏠 West Danby Fire Hall • **Fire District Meeting**
- Feb 20 • Thu
7:30pm 🏠 Oasis • **Park Association Meeting**
- Feb 21 • Fri
5:30-7pm 🏠 American Legion • **Fish Dinner**
- Feb 24 • Mon
1-2pm 🏠 Danby Federated Church • **Mobile Food Truck**
7pm 🏠 Town Hall • **Conservation Adv Council Mtg**
- Feb 27 • Thu
3-6pm 🏠 Danby Federated Church • **Food Pantry**
7pm 🏠 Town Hall • **Planning Board Meeting**
- Mar 5 • Wed
6:30pm 🏠 Town Hall • **Library Volunteers Meeting**
- Jul 12, 2014 • Sat • **Danby Fun Day and Parade**

ONGOING EVENTS

- Danby Community Library Open** 🏠 Town Hall
Saturdays, 10am–Noon, Wednesdays, 1:30–3:30pm,
and when the **Open** sign is out!
- Seniors Strength Training Group** 🏠 Federated Church
Mondays and Thursdays, 9am.
- AA Meeting** 🏠 Federated Church
Wednesdays, 7pm.
- Danby Quilters Group** ☎ 273.2950
Fridays, 9–11am.

WHERE THINGS HAPPEN

- 🏠 **Danby Town Hall** • 1830 Danby Road
🏠 **Danby Fire Hall** • 1780 Danby Road
🏠 **West Danby Fire Hall** • Sylvan Lane, off Rt.34/96
🏠 **Danby Federated Church** • 1859 Danby Road
🏠 **American Legion Post 221** • 1231 Danby Road

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