



The Ellington Reader

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BOARD OF TRUSTEES WILL MEET ON FEBRUARY 24TH AT 7PM.

Don't Mess with the Dewey Decimal System

Where are books about sports located? I want to get ready for Spring and would like to learn about vertical gardening. Where can I find books on gardening? By far, location book inquiries are the most common question in any library, even ours. How libraries decide the location of a book is a mystery to many so I'd like to try to simplify the concept. All print or paper copies of books in the library are assigned a call number, usually found on the book spine. The call number is a series of numbers and letters which represent what the book is about and acts like the book's address on the library's shelves. The number makes it possible to find any book and to return it to its proper place and shelf in the library.



How do we decide what the call number is? Is it a random group of numbers? Books that are nonfiction are classified by using the Dewey Decimal System. This library classification system was first published in the United States by Melvil Dewey in 1876. It places the books on the shelf by subject using numbers from 000 to 999. Each subject has its own group of numbers. The ten main group classifications are:

- 000–099, general works
- 100–199, philosophy and psychology
- 200–299, religion
- 300–399, social sciences
- 400–499, language
- 500–599, natural sciences and mathematics
- 600–699, technology
- 700–799, the arts
- 800–899, literature and rhetoric
- 900–999, history, biography, and geography

CAN WE SIMPLIFY THIS?

Did that explain the location of nonfiction books for you? No? Don't worry, it didn't for me either. So I've decided our Adult nonfiction locations could use a revamping and better signage so patrons can quickly scan the shelves and see a subject. I went thru each numbered section and took notice of how many books we have that are of a common subject; like gardening. Then I grouped them together and placed a book shelf label describing that group of books. Obviously the labels are of the categories we have the most of and what I thought would be of the most interest to patrons. That means you will find other books on that same shelf that might be about a slightly different but related topic. By the time you read this the shelf labels should be completed.

The Dewey Decimal System has worked for many years. Many libraries still use it and so will we to catalog our books. There are some libraries that have gone to the simple shelf signage and have had a positive response from their patrons. Come browse thru the Adult Non Fiction shelves and see if the labels are of help to you. If they seem to be useful then we might consider tackling the Junior Nonfiction section at a later time.

Judith Whittaker, Library Director

Book Highlights of the Month

AULT NONFICTION; *A Beginner's Guide to the End: Practical Advice for Living Life and Facing Death*

Author B.J. Miller and Shoshana Berger

"A gentle, knowledgeable guide to a fate we all share."
(*The Washington Post*): the first and only all-encompassing action plan for the end of life.

"There is nothing wrong with you for dying," hospice physician B.J. Miller and journalist and caregiver Shoshana Berger write in *A Beginner's Guide to the End*. "Our ultimate purpose here isn't so much to help you die as it is to free up as much life as possible until you do."

Theirs is a clear-eyed and big-hearted action plan for approaching the end of life, written to help readers feel more in control of an experience that so often seems anything but controllable. Their book offers everything from step-by-step instructions for how to do your paperwork and navigate the healthcare system to answers to questions you might be afraid to ask your doctor, like whether or not sex is still okay when you're sick. Get advice for how to break the news to your employer, whether to share old secrets with your family, how to face friends who might not be as empathetic as you'd hoped, and how to talk to your children about your will. (Don't worry: if anyone gets snippy, it'll likely be their spouses, not them.) There are also lessons for survivors, like how to shut down a loved one's social media accounts, clean out the house, and write a great eulogy.

An honest, surprising, and detail-oriented guide to the most universal of all experiences, *A Beginner's Guide to the End* is "a book that every family should have, the equivalent of Dr. Spock but for this other phase of life". (New York Times bestselling author Dr. Abraham Verghese). Review on <https://www.goodreads.com/>

ADULT FICTION; *Stay*

Author Catherine Ryan Hyde

In the summer of 1969, 14-year-old Lucas Painter takes up running in the woods behind his house and ends up saving three lives, one of them his own.

It all begins when two enormous dogs start chasing him one afternoon, and Lucas is delighted to discover that Rembrandt and Vermeer, two Weimaraner-Great Dane mixes, are out to play rather than attack. Running with them is a great way to escape the tension in his own home, where his parents do nothing but argue while his big brother, Roy, has been drafted to fight in Vietnam. But one morning the dogs won't budge from the porch, and Lucas discovers that their owner, the mysterious Zoe Dinsmore, has tried to take her own life. By fetching help, Lucas saves Zoe's life, and in the months that follow, Zoe saves Lucas' life, too. Ostracized by the town for an accident years earlier, Zoe keeps to herself. But as Lucas shows up every day, the two slowly forge a profound friendship. Meanwhile, Lucas' best friend, Connor, is struggling with his own demons. Rather than helplessly watch Connor slip deeper into depression, Lucas introduces him to Zoe, whose ability to listen without judgment becomes a lifeline. So when Roy returns, wounded and troubled, it's only natural that Lucas and Zoe find a way to help him, too. A master of tales shaped for the human heart, Hyde (*Have You Seen Luis Velez?*, 2019, etc.) deftly balances tears against courage, avoiding trite sentimentality. Lucas and Connor both come from troubled homes, but the troubles ring true, never gratuitously abusive; and Hyde never plays Zoe's and Roy's tribulations for melodramatic effect.

A compelling tale of damage and the healing powers of acceptance.

Book review by Kirkus Reviews Issue: Nov. 1st, 2019

new bookalerts

ADULT FICTION

Thomas Keneally	Book of Science and Antiquities
Jayne Ann Krentz	The Vanishing
James Patterson	Lost
Danielle Steel	Moral Compass
Iris Johansen	Hindsight
Catherine Ryan Hyde	Stay
Andrea Bartz	The Lost Night
Virginia Kantra	Meg and Jo
Martha Grimes	The Old Success
Elizabeth Ames	The Other's Gold
Etaf Rum	A Woman is No Man
Donna Everhart	The Moonshiners Daughter

ADULT NON FICTION

Mark Kenyon	That Wild Country
B.J. Miller	A Beginner's Guide to the End
Adam Higginbotham	Midnight in Chernobyl

YOUNG ADULT FICTION

Karen M. McManus	One of Us is Next
Karen M. McManus	One of Us is Lying

JUNIOR FICTION

Pat Maclachlan	Dream Within a Dream
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JUNIOR NON FICTION

Elinor Greenwood	My Mixed Emotions
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CHILDRENS

Drew Dewart	Love from the Crayons
Drew Dewart	The Day the Crayons Quit
Carl R. Sams	When Snowflakes Fall
Cori Doerrfeld	The Rabbit Listened
Caron Levis	Ida Always

DVD'S

Best of the World's Greatest	Spirit Riding Free
Ashes in the Snow	Jane and Emma
Floogals	

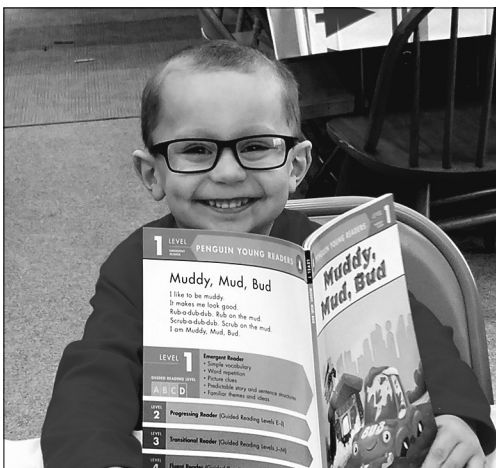


DID YOU KNOW?

Our library has a beautiful, lighted display case located in the Community Room and we try to have a monthly rotation of art or collections displayed in it. We especially like to showcase those artists who are local to the area. All of our programming takes place in the Community Room so the displays receive a nice amount of exposure. As stated we try to have all works left in the case for one full month. We create posters to advertise the latest creative work and we encourage artists to leave business cards to promote their art or websites. We currently have openings in the year 2020 for

anyone who would like to display. If you think this would be a good opportunity to showcase your art or collections then please call the library at 287-2945 to discuss it with the Director. We encourage everyone to think about displaying in this venue even if you have never shown your art publicly before. This is a safe and encouraging place to start!

Just had to include pictures of these two happy kids who received books from Santa at the Santa Breakfast held in December!



Artist Tracey Barron is back for another Sip 'n Paint at the Library on Thursday, February 13th. The painting that the participants will be working on will be displayed at the


circulation desk and on our Facebook site. Snacks, beverages and all painting supplies are included for \$25. Register soon as the class size is limited and Tracey is well known at our library for providing a fun, creative event for all! Remember to call 287-2945 to register and mark Thursday, February 13th on your calendar.



Now there is an easy way to donate to Ellington Farman Library and it doesn't cost you anything! We are one of the charities listed with Amazon Smile and a portion of your purchase will be donated to our library if you start your Amazon shopping at Amazon Smile. Here's how it works: Amazon donates 0.5% of the price of your eligible Amazon Smile purchases to the charitable organization of your choice. That's where you get to choose our library!

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FEBRUARY PROGRAMS & EVENTS



**THURSDAY
GAME
DAY**

**ELLINGTON
FARMAN LIBRARY**
EVERY THURSDAY FROM 1-3PM

Grab a friend to play or make some new ones!
760 THORNTON RD, ELLINGTON 287-2945

Bring your own games or choose from ours

Library Love 

Share your love of the library with your child on

SATURDAY FEBRUARY 1
10:30-11:30am
on National Take Your Child to the Library Day!

 HELP YOUR CHILD COMPLETE THE ACTIVITIES TO RECEIVE A PRIZE!

ELLINGTON FARMAN LIBRARY

There's Lots to Do at the Library!

NO REGISTRATION NEEDED

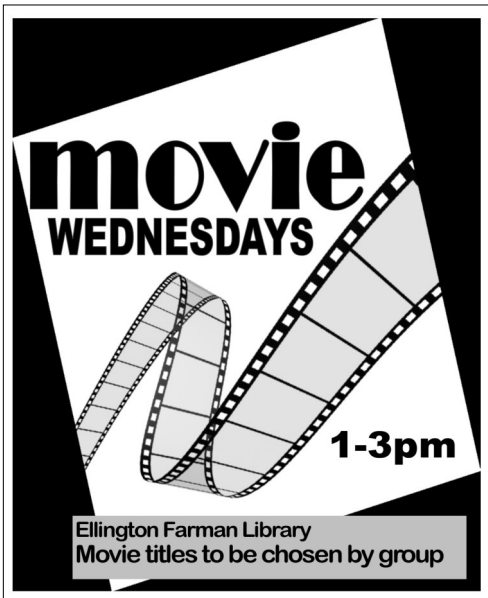
sewers crafters & quilters



ELLINGTON FARMAN LIBRARY
MON. FEBRUARY 3RD
11am - 1pm

MEETING ON THE 1ST & 3RD MONDAYS OF THE MONTH 11AM-1PM
Bring your individual projects or visit with other crafters
Plenty of outlets for sewing machines, glue guns, irons etc.

movie WEDNESDAYS




1-3pm

Ellington Farman Library
Movie titles to be chosen by group

New Year, New You!

Start your new year feeling more balanced, connected and calm

COME TO WEDNESDAY YOGA NIGHTS at the LIBRARY 6-7pm



Bring your own Yoga Mat and enjoy some down time practicing Yoga every Wednesday from 6-7pm
No Instructor—DVD's chosen by the group
All levels welcome; adults only

ELLINGTON FARMAN LIBRARY
760 THORNTON RD, ELLINGTON 287-2945

LET'S GET CRAFTING! FOR THOSE AGED 12 AND UP

HOMEMADE GIFT BAGS



SATURDAY FEB 8TH 11am-1pm

All supplies & instruction included to make delightful Gift bags
Soup & Muffin lunch included
FREE program—registration requested

Bring your friends! Create together!

ELLINGTON FARMAN LIBRARY
REGISTRATION REQUESTED CALL 287-2945



SOUP'S ON!

Come join our new Soup Group!

SECOND TUESDAY of every month starting at 12:30

Homemade Soup & Bread Lunch for donation
Meet your friends and make some new ones!

TUES. FEBRUARY 11
ELLINGTON FARMAN LIBRARY



Sip 'n Paint


ELLINGTON FARMAN LIBRARY
THURSDAY FEB 13 @ 7PM

Come paint with Instructor Tracey Barron
Wine, Punch, Snacks and all materials provided
\$25 per person
Class size limited—reserve your spot today!
Call 287-2945


ELLINGTON FARMAN LIBRARY 760 THORNTON RD, ELLINGTON

nature nights monthly movie

"MOOSE" LIFE OF A TWIG EATER




TUES. FEB. 18TH 6-7PM
ELLINGTON FARMAN LIBRARY

FREE MOVIE FOR ALL AGES 

Follow a mother Moose and her calf for a full year in Jasper National Park. This intimate documentary takes viewers deep inside the world of moose to experience the calf's first year of life

ELLINGTON FARMAN LIBRARY
760 THORNTON RD, ELLINGTON



CHAUTAUQUA-CATTARAUGUS LIBRARY SYSTEM OFFERING FREE ONLINE CAREER SKILL COURSES THROUGH YOUR LOCAL LIBRARY CARD

The Chautauqua-Cattaraugus Library System (CCLS) is working through Penn Foster to offer free online courses. These course packs will enable patrons to learn, review, and practice basic skills related to most careers. To check out a course pack, all one needs is a device, internet connection, and up-to-date library card. Penn Foster career packs are supported by the funds from the New York State Library's Adult Literacy Library Service Program. The following courses are available.

- **Digital Literacy** - Integrate computer applications skills used in a variety of work environments, including Microsoft Word, Excel, and PowerPoint
- **Basic Math**- Practice the basic skills and strategies needed for math used in everyday life, including basic operations, problem solving, personal financial management, and budgeting.
- **Math for Careers**- Review the practical application of the basic math skills and strategies used in business and industrial settings, including basic operations, problem solving, percentages, basic algebra, measuring, and measurement systems
- **Soft Skills**- Discover the people, personal, and workplace skills needed for entry-level and front-line job readiness, including respect, integrity, teamwork, communication skills, problem solving, and decision making
- **Adult Literacy** - basic skills and strategies used by adults for reading and writing in everyday life, including grammar, punctuation, spelling, and text analysis and comprehension

Each course pack can be checked out with an up-to-date library card. The loan period is for 4 weeks and can be renewed once. If the course packs are checked out, a hold can be placed and you will receive a notice when the course is available. After a course is checked out, you can work through the material at your own pace at the library or anywhere there is internet access. They will act as a book, only one person can check out a course packet at a time. The courses are fairly simple to navigate once checked out. Depending on your needs, you can choose to work through parts of the material that is most relevant, or work through the entire course pack and earn a digital badge that can be recorded on a resume.

Libraries offer far more than books! In the current culture, learning new skills or brushing up on career skills is essential for a changing workplace. Check with your local library for more information on the 5 free courses.

The three most important documents a free society gives are a birth certificate, a passport and a library card.

-E. L. Doctorow

FEBRUARY 2020

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	<p>OPEN HOURS 11AM -7PM MONDAY THRU THURSDAY CLOSED FRIDAY & SUNDAY 10AM-1PM ON SATURDAY</p>					<p>1 10:30--11:30am Activities for Take Your Child to the Library Day</p>
2	<p>3 11--1pm Quilters & Sewers meet</p>	<p>4</p>	<p>5 1-3 Classic Movies 6-7 Yoga</p>	<p>6 1-3pm Cribbage & Other Games</p>	<p>7</p>	<p>8 11:30--1:30pm Craft & Lunch Gift Bags program</p>
9	<p>10</p>	<p>11 12:30 Soup Group</p>	<p>12 1-3 Classic Movies 6-7 Yoga</p>	<p>13 1-3pm Cribbage & Other Games 7pm Sip 'N Paint Fundraiser</p>	<p>14</p>	<p>15</p>
16	<p>17 CLOSED PRESIDENTS DAY</p>	<p>18 6-7pm Nature Movie: "Moose; Life of a Twig Eater"</p>	<p>19 1-3 Classic Movies 6-7 Yoga</p>	<p>20 11am--Adult Bookclub 1-3pm Cribbage & Other Games</p>	<p>21</p>	<p>22</p>
23	<p>24 7pm Board Meets</p>	<p>25</p>	<p>26 1-3 Classic Movies 6-7 Yoga</p>	<p>27 1-3pm Cribbage & Other Games</p>	<p>28</p>	<p>29 8am Potluck Breakfast</p>