



# Forum

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# **Mark Your Calendars!**

Join us for these summertime fun events:

YA Author **Jeff Zentner** comes to Liberty Branch on **Saturday, July 8 at 2 pm**. His bestselling Young Adult titles include *The Serpent King* and *In the Wild Light*. Go to the DCDL website to reserve your free ticket today!

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The Friends of DCDL will again have a presence at **Powell's Lolli-Pops! Concert** series. These free, fun concerts will be held on July 3, 17, 31 and August 14 at 10:30 am.

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Enjoy a **Delaware Main Library Book & Media Sale!** Stop by the garage for a **Book Sale on Friday, July 21 from 5** -**8pm and Saturday, July 22 from 9am - 3pm.** We'll hold a **Media Sale** in the Community Room **on Saturday, July 22** <u>only</u> from 10am - 3pm. Remember to bring your Friends bag with you for discounted fill-a-bag <u>book</u> pricing.

Details on these events will be emailed to Friends members and are available on social media and at our NEW and IMPROVED website: *delawarelibraryfriends.org*.

# **New Featured Column: Maker Studio**

The Friends have been fundraising to furnish the new Maker Studio at Liberty Branch and to provide upgraded equipment for the Maker Studio at Delaware Main, but do you know what a Maker Studio really is? What's available? How to use the equipment? In this Friends Forum we begin our new column, "Maker Studio Spotlight" featuring one piece of equipment and the project we did. We started with an easy one!

We offer a huge **Thank You** to Becky Cornett who brought us researched, detailed feature columns on DCDL events, people, and services for the past three years. She brought our attention to aspects of DCDL that may be less known yet make our DCDL system so rich. Thanks, Becky, for bringing us all a fuller knowledge of the Library system we love!

# Maker Studio Spotlight: Photo Light Box

Project: High-quality photo of small items to showcase your collectibles or for sales ads

What to bring: Camera/smartphone and objects to photograph

Equipment used: White box with adjustable lighting, tripod for our smartphone

Reservation needed? No

Location: Liberty Maker Studio

Cost: None

Lessons learned: You may be surprised at how good the simplest objects look using this set-up.



If you use this or other Maker Studio equipment, we want to see your projects! Send us pictures and include any helpful tips/lessons learned. We may use your project in a future newsletter or on our social media. Send your picture and story to publicity@delawarelibraryfriends.org.

# **Donations Always Welcome**

Donations of gently used books and media can be brought to Liberty Branch and Delaware Main

Library during operating hours. Monetary donations for the Friends, or specifically for the Maker Studio, can me made at our website. Thank you for your ongoing support.



## Welcome, Friends!

#### We welcome the following New Members:

Mary Bird Brian & Joan Brown William Cannon Jr. Nicole Fowles Elizabeth Hubbard Chris Liebtag Karin Lopper Orr Jayna McDaniel-Browning Lee Ann Parsons Dan Rivers Amy Tabit Leslie Bleiweiss Amanda Budnik Bradley Eft Teri Halsey Shanna Keeler Marcie Lindo Paul McCurdy Rashmi Nemade Manjunath Reddy Susan Schmidt Rachel Wilkins

## In Memory of Mark Reid

We offer condolences to the family of Mark Reid, DCDL Facilities Specialist. For many years, Mark went above and beyond helping the Friends by moving tables between library branches, scouring local businesses for pallets we need, and overall being a warm and friendly person to work with. He will be greatly missed.

#### **Board of Directors and Committees**

Karen Cowan, President Doug Wilson, Vice President Linda Silverstein, Secretary Brenda Eldridge, Treasurer

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# Keep Current with the Friends!

For up-to-date info on ticket releases, events and more!

Facebook: Friends of the Delaware Library (@FriendsoftheDelawareLibrary )

Instagram: Delaware Library Friends

Twitter: @friendsofDCDL DW Library Friends

Website: delawarelibraryfriends.org

*Email:* Make sure the Friends have your **preferred email address.** Send it to *membership@delawarelibraryfriends.org*.

Not receiving our email? Please check your spam folder for event notices, newsletters and other information. We use MailChimp and you can unsubscribe if you choose. Your email is not shared beyond the Friends and DCDL.

## Lisa See Author Visit Recap

Nearly 150 people enjoyed an evening with best-selling historical fiction author Lisa See on June 14 at the new Liberty Branch of DCDL. While at our event, Lisa learned that her book *Lady Tan's Circle of Women* will premier at #5 on the NYT best sellers list. Angela An moderated our sold-out event. Guests were served Chinese tea and cookies while learning about the life of Lady Tan, the true story of a woman physician from 15th century China. Thanks to all who made this another fun event for the Friends of DCDL!





## **Sharing Books Overseas**

We are often asked what happens to the books remaining after a Book Sale. Many get palleted and sent to a reseller. Others benefit various charities and causes, such as expanding libraries at retirement homes or to kids without books of their own. Last year, several boxes of books were given to a ministry supporting literacy in Africa.

Our first Liberty Branch Book and Media sale on June 24 was very successful in terms of attendance and sales, but there are always lots of leftover books in need of a new home.

After this sale, 7 bags of books were donated to Love Package outreach ministry to be sent to impoverished countries. We are privileged to share the love of books and reading.



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