

Mark Your Calendars!

The Friends are ready for a Spring full of activity!
Jump in and join us at these events:



Head to the Delaware Main Library for **Book and Media Sales on March 5** from 9am - 3pm. Books are in the garage, Media (CD/DVD/Audiobooks) are in the Community Room. Bring your Friends bag!



Young Writers Workshops with Steve Harpster are back on March 19 at Delaware Main. Grades K-5 in the morning plus grades 5-8 in the afternoon. Advanced registration required! Find workshop details and tickets at <https://ywwspring2022.eventbrite.com>



No fooling around here! **Orange Branch Book Sale will be on April 2** from 9am - 3pm. Remember that Friends get discounted fill-a-bag book pricing.!



We are welcoming bestselling author **William Kent Krueger on April 27** to a talk and book signing at the Barn at Stratford. Tickets on sale now! See the ad to the right for more info.



Find our tent at the **Powell Street Market on May 1** for a Book Sale featuring children's books. We'll be there from 9am - 4pm.

Details on these events will be emailed to Friends members and are available on social media and at delawarelibraryfriends.org.

Welcome, Friends!

We welcome the following New Members:

Christopher Fava	Jayna McDaniel-Browning
Austin Fields	Kylie Nicolosi
Jennifer Fry	Powell Area Chamber of Commerce

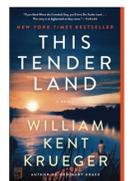
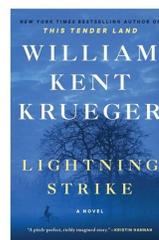
Help Wanted! Friends are seeking out a volunteer with graphic design experience to help with our website. Contact Nichole Klatte at publicity@delawarelibraryfriends.org for more info!

Spotlight: Ostrander Branch

After a recent visit to the Ostrander library branch, I decided that the best words to describe the staff and facility are: welcoming, creative, and community-focused. The library, which sits on the edge of the historic downtown area, is an integral part of the life of the village and beyond. I began my visit by observing a monthly book club for homeschoolers. First assuming that only local kids attend, I learned that branch patrons come from a number of different suburbs and towns in the wider region because they like the programming offered here and the sense of discovery and warmth at this library.

Manager Harla Lawson introduced me to the library's offerings: a monthly evening adult book club, a late morning book club, weekly story times for families, a Teen Night (the next one is March 10 5:30-6:30), and of course access to online events and resources of all the DCDL branches, the Columbus Metropolitan Library, and digital resources from around the world. In addition to a traditional (*continued on page 2*)

Friends of DCDL Author Visit William Kent Krueger



William Kent Krueger joins us to talk about his career and best-selling books including his newest title, **Lightning Strike**, a powerful prequel to his acclaimed Cork O'Connor series. Q&A and book signings follow the talk.

Who: William Kent Krueger

Where: The Barn at Stratford, Delaware

When: Wednesday, April 27, 2022 at 7 pm

Tickets: \$25, or \$20 for Friends of DCDL members.

Available at kentkrueger2022.eventbrite.com

Books: Select titles will be available on-site for purchase and for signings from Beanbag Books.



Winter Train Display Follow-up

Thank you to our Friends who volunteered to help with the Winter Train Display at the Delaware Main Library on January 15, 2022. Rose Briani-Burden, Jerry Butt, Sue Chaney, Brad Cowan and Chuck Stringham assisted at the event which drew over 400 attendees of all ages.



Keep an eye on your email from the Friends for future opportunities to participate and assist with DCDL programs as well as Friends events and fundraisers. We've seen numerous emails end up in spam folders recently, so if you are a Friend and not getting our emails, check there or contact our membership to give us an updated email address. We have a busy year planned and don't want you to miss out!

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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.

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Spotlight on Ostrander (cont.)

(continued from page 1) "Staff Picks" display, there is also a "Kathy's Reading List" display - books the staff are planning to read. I found a book there I've heard about: *The Daughters of Erietown* by Connie Schultz. Now, I'm going to read it!

Special events are also offered, including "Photographs of the Past," an opportunity on March 8 from 2-6:30pm to bring photos to be scanned and included in the local history collection. There is also an Ostrander Photo Scavenger Hunt - look for the location of 10 photos found within walking distance of the center of town (the hunt brochure is found at the library). A current very special highlight is the "Ostrandors" tiny door project, created by talented Ostrander resident Amy Margraff. There are fifteen doors to find around the village and in the Meadows of Mill Creek (with more doors coming soon). Don't miss Margraff's stunning miniature room at the library - complete with lighting - hidden within a hollowed giant old Webster Dictionary (of course behind a tiny door). Ostrander, a village of about 700 people (but growing due to new housing developments) was founded in 1852 (incorporated in 1875) as part of the railroad boom in Ohio (the CCC & I Railroad ran through the area from Springfield to Delaware and then later on to other locations).

Today, the only remaining evidence of the railroad is the trestle bridge over Blues Creek (a stop on history tours led by Harla Lawson, who wrote an article about Ostrander's history in the Fall 2020 issue of the Delaware County Historical Society's publication *The Historian*). Ostrander hosts Fourth of July and Halloween celebrations and an annual car show. It is also home to the popular Blues Creek Park.

When visiting Ostrander, be sure to stop at the completely renovated and expanded Midway Market within the Shell Station on Marysville Road/Hwy. 36 where hot lunches, pizza, deli and bakery items, ice cream, grab-and-go, and very good coffee are offered. It is one of the community's social centers, along with the library!

Submitted by Becky S. Cornett

2022 CALENDAR

March/April/May/June

March 5	Book Sale, Delaware	9 AM - 3 PM
	DVD Sale, Delaware	9 AM - 3 PM
March 19	Young Writers Workshop	9:30 - 11:30 AM
	Middle School Writers Workshop	1:30 - 4 PM
April 2	Book Sale, Orange	9 AM - 3 PM
April 27	William Kent Krueger Author Visit Events	
May 1	Book Sale, Powell Street Market	9 AM - 4 PM
May 13	Book Sale, Delaware	5 - 8 PM
May 14	Book Sale, Delaware	9 AM - 3 PM
June 18	Book Sale, Orange	9 AM - 3 PM