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Demmer Memorial Library, Three Lakes, Wisconsin 54562



Connecting people to the TRANSFORMATIVE power of knowledge by providing opportunities to explore, learn, create, and share.

Employment Opportunity Library Director

Edward U. Demmer Memorial Library in Three Lakes, Wisconsin, is seeking a full-time, highly motivated library director.

The ideal candidate will be capable of assuming responsibility for: services and staff, collection development, programming, implementation of library technologies, budgeting, community relations, initiation and coordination of grants, oversight of the care and maintenance of the building and grounds, and assisting the board in long-range planning. Some weekend and evening hours may be required.

Full job description available [here](#). Eligibility for Grade 3 Wisconsin Public Library certification required, Grade 2 certification preferred. Salary range commensurate with education and experience. Starting salary range \$42,000 – 52,000 depending on qualifications and experience. Flexible scheduling and complete benefits package.

To apply, submit a letter of interest and current resume to: librarian@demmerlibrary.org, subject: Library Director Application

Please apply by January 13th, 2024. Position posting is open until filled.

The Town of Three Lakes is an equal opportunity employer.

HOURS

MON/WED 9AM-7PM

TUES/THURS/FRI 9AM-5PM

SAT 9AM-2PM

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Three Lakes Genealogical Society



Make a New Year's Resolution to do Genealogy!

The Three Lakes Genealogical Society invites you to join us in 2024 at our monthly meetings, Beginning Genealogy Course, "We Are Three Lakes" activities, "Ask Your TLGS Genealogist," and whatever we think of next. We meet on the 4th Monday of the month except for November when we don't meet, and a different day in December. Your TLGS contact is President Nancy Bailey – 715-479-8971/familyhistory@demmerlibrary.org

First invitation: Attend our January 22 (Monday) meeting that will be held at 1 pm in the Maple Room of Demmer Library. The program is "Chat GTP." Although the topic has been somewhat controversial, it has several possibilities for use by genealogists. It is very interesting.

Second invitation: Participate in our 8-session Beginning Genealogy Course at Demmer Library beginning on Monday, January 8. This course is for beginners and also for those who wish to "buff up" their basic genealogical skills. It will meet twice a month January-April. Please turn to page 5 for more information. If you have any questions, please contact Dottie at 608-234-7788 or dwinger67@yahoo.com.

Third invitation: Participate in our TLGS At-Home Book Club. Each month a book is suggested for you to read at home. The book for January is The Chester Creek Murders: an investigative (forensic) genetic genealogy mystery by Nathan Dylan Goodwin. It is the first book in the Venator Cold Case series. It is available at Demmer Memorial Library and Amazon.com.

Fourth invitation: If you need help with your genealogical research, come to "Ask Your TLGS Genealogist" that takes place Thursdays, 2-4 pm, in the Local History Room at Demmer Library. If you need help with your research but can't meet with us on Thursday, contact Nancy at the above information for other times. TLGS wants to help you.

The Three Lakes Genealogical Society is pleased to announce we were selected to be a presenter on FOCUS day in May, 2024 at the National Genealogical Society (NGS). The topic is "We Are Three Lakes." WATL includes YOU – people (past and present) from Three Lakes, Sugar Camp and Clearwater Lake). Currently, we are looking for more businesses and individuals who might give interviews that could be included on the website. For information, please contact April at librarian@demmerlibrary.org.

Genealogy Tip: Because many of you are making New Year's Resolutions that might include DNA testing, here are some of the "Top 10 DNA Tips for Genetic Genealogy Beginners" by Ryan Sze – www.top10.com.1

1. "Choose a Reliable DNA Test Kit Provider: Choose a high-quality test kit provider."
4. "Don't Expect Test Kits to Be a Crystal Ball: Don't assume the DIY test kits can unlock profound family secrets with great reliability."
5. "Don't Count On DIY DNA Test to Reveal Deep Ancestral Roots: DNA Test kits can only offer you information on your recent genetic history."
6. "Prepare for Possible Unpleasant Surprises:" You might find infidelity, relatives you never knew about. You might lose/gain a parent and thus grandparents, etc. This has happened with more than one of our members.
10. "Don't Forget Traditional Genealogy Toolkits: Use traditional genealogy methods to complement your DNA test."



Ask Your TLGS **Genealogist**

Do you need help with your genealogy research? Help is available at "Ask Your TLGS Genealogist." A TLGS member is in the Local History Room of Demmer Library every Thursday from 2-4 p.m. No appointments are necessary. Need help but can't make it on Thursdays? Email familyhistory@demmerlibrary.org or call Nancy at 715-479-8971.



Monthly Writing Group

January 16th @ 1:00pm
Demmer Maple Room

Beginning writers as well as established authors are encouraged to attend, share writing projects, successes and help each other.



Demmer Crafternoon

The 3rd Tuesday of each month

2:30pm

Demmer Library

Registration is required.



Drop In Play

2nd & 4th Thursdays

10 am-12 pm

Demmer Fireplace
Area

How many of us miss playing a good game of Scrabble? Stop by the Demmer on the dates and times listed as we bring Scrabble players together.



Cervical Cancer Screening Workshop

January 10th @ 10AM

January 29th @ 5PM

Demmer Maple Room

Women over 40 should have cervical cancer screenings every 3-5 years. Come learn how the Wisconsin Well Woman Program's services maybe able to help with costs.



Books the Other Channel Book Club

Tuesday, January 23--6:30 PM

in person or via BlueJeans

Books the Other Channel book discussion group will discuss *Endurance: Shackleton's Incredible Voyage* by Alfred Lansing on January 23, 2024 at 6:30 PM.

Meet in person at the library or join online via BlueJeans. Email demmer@demmerlibrary.org to receive sign-in information if you don't receive it directly from the organizer.

Each book for the group may be checked out at the Demmer. Everyone welcome!

To register call 715-546-3391 or email librarian@demmerlibrary.org



EVENTS



Story Hour Demmer Library Tuesdays@ 10 am

Story Hour is 30 to 45 minutes of stories, games, songs, and interactive fun.

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Harry Potter Club at the Demmer Library

No club in January--Look for us February



Lego Club Monday, January 8 3:30 PM - 5:00 PM

@Demmer Maple Room. Lego Club is for children of all ages. Come and free build with your friends or play Lego Creationary.



Pokemon Club

Monday, January 15

3:15 pm

Demmer Maple Room

Join us as we talk about Pokemon and learn how to play the card game.

IT'S SLIME TIME!!

DATE AND TIME:

Thursday, January 18th

3:30 PM

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Open to ages 7 and up

-Come join the Slime Sisters to create your very own slime masterpiece to take home!-

DUNGEONS AND DRAGONS CLUB

First and Third Sundays @ 6:00pm

in person at the Demmer Maple Room or virtual

Fight Dragons, Goblins, and more! Join us as we use Roll20 to virtually play D&D. Email librarian@demmerlibrary.org to get your invitation to our game.



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THE OFFICIAL NAME OF THE DEMMER TEEN LIBRARY COUNCIL
Youth Ages 12-18

January 22, 3:30pm in the Demmer Libratory

- Make decisions about teen spaces, programs and books.
- Earn volunteer hours needed for graduation.
- Participation looks good on college and job applications.
- FOOD & FUN!



Beginner's Genealogy Workshop



An 8-session beginners genealogy course will be offered at Demmer Memorial Library in Three Lakes from January through May, 10am to noon on the 2nd and 4th Mondays of each month. This course will explain, demonstrate, and provide practice in doing basic genealogy research. It will begin with the basics of sound research practices, discuss where to look for genealogical evidence, and take you to different types of genealogical websites. Research charts, documentation, and organization will be covered. Genealogical software, online subscription options, and numerous free websites will be discussed. Guided support for researching and building your tree will be provided. Contact Dottie Winger at 608-234-7788 or dwinger67@yahoo.com with questions or to reserve a seat. A PowerPoint will be shared for you to follow along during class. Please bring a laptop or tablet to each session.

Demmer Memorial Library and Three Lakes Natural Resources Sub-committee presents:

Northern Wisconsin Feeder Birds

Saturday, January 20th
1:00pm
Demmer Maple Room



Join us and Wildlife Educator Bart Kotarba from the Northwoods Wildlife Center as he talks about birding apps, ways to identify birds, and to share sightings.

This program kicks off a series of birding programs. Check back with the library to find out about the next one.

Booking Ahead

High interest titles added to the catalog and released in January.

Give us a call to put your name on the list - (715) 546-3391



Always Remember by Mary Balogh

Second Duke's the Charm by Kate Bateman

The Atlas Complex by Olivie Blake

The Fiction Writer by Jillian Cantor

The General and Julia by Jon Clinch

The Couple in the Photo by Helen Cooper

A Twisted Skein by Sally Goldenbaum

Amish Love Letters by Shelley Shepard Gray & Others

The Second Stranger by Martin Griffin

The Heiress by Rachel Hawkins

The Final Curtain by Keigo Higashino

Red String Theory by Lauren Kung Jessen

Every Black Girl Dances by Candice Johnson

Catfish Charlie by William Johnstone & J.A. Johnstone

Killers Never Sleep by William W. Johnstone

The Night Island by Jayne Ann Krentz

Cold Victory by Karl Marlantes

The Fury by Alex Michaelides

The Professor by Lauren Nossett

Holmes, Marple & Poe by James Patterson

Northwoods by Amy Pease

Public Anchovy #1 by Mindy Quigley

Familia by Lauren Rico

There Should Have Been Eight by Nalini Singh

Upside Down by Danielle Steel

The War Begins in Paris by Theodore Wheeler

Historical Clippings

Three Lakes Museum

January 2024

The Empty Corner on Superior Street

After the railroad completed the rails through the newly formed village of Three Lakes and continued heading north, the sections along the tracks that had been thoughtfully plotted were sold. The first two blocks east of the depot went mostly to entrepreneurs catering initially to the logging industry and early settlers and tourists.

In 1882 many of these small businesses were a combination mercantile and eating, drinking and sleeping quarters primarily for lumber men, with barns for horses and oxen located in the back. As the logging industry grew, Main Street was growing to accommodate the needs of the community.

Established around 1890 by Stub Fesenden and Ace Miske, the American Hotel was dedicated to comfortable lodging and good food. It was built on the southeast corner of Main Street and a cross street whose name was not documented but today is known as West School Street.

At the time of the publication of the 1901 Sanborn Fire Insurance map, Main Street was now recognized as Superior Street. The American Hotel can be seen on Superior and Michigan.

The American Hotel later became the Hotel Three Lakes and then Loewy's Restaurant and Hotel. In the late 1960's the original building was torn down and was replaced by the Best Western Alpine Motor Inn that then became The Oneida Village Inn.

wisconsinhistory.org houses a collection of 325 Sanborn Fire Insurance maps of Wisconsin cities going back to after the Civil War. The purpose was to determine fire insurance assessments listing the type of construction and the composition of building materials. Yellow indicates wood frame and pink, brick.





The American Hotel
or from the sign in the
image, American House



1906
The American House, originally named The Forest House. Miss Messner, proprietress. Over the years it was operated by D. Houle, J. E. Leoy, Mr. Anderson, Joe Ritz, James E. Nelson, and Joe Lowey. According to Joe Ritzer's ledger, over a ten year period the hotel had 7,425 guests. It was heated by a wood burning stove. It was torn down and a Best Western Motel erected in 1970.



when the Nelson's ran
Hotel Three Lakes



Loewy's Restaurant referred to by some as Loewy's corner



In the late 1960's, the looks of the iconic corner changed as the original building was torn down and replaced by the Best Western Alpine Motor Inn.



In 1978 Merle Patenode and Jackie Walker purchased the iconic corner and it became the Oneida Village Inn.

Then in March of 2019 the unthinkable happened - fire destroyed the OV. But all of Three Lakes is looking forward to the new history to be made on Superior Street.