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## 'Honest Abe' Returns to Defiance Public Library Feb. 27

[DEFIANCE] – The Gettysburg Address is Abraham Lincoln's most well-known speech, but while many people are familiar with the words and have a general idea of the context – a dedication ceremony for a cemetery for those soldiers who died in the great battle which took place there – they are unfamiliar with other interesting aspects of the speech and Lincoln's trip to Gettysburg.

On Feb. 27 beginning at 6 p.m. at Defiance Public Library, 320 Fort St., the community will have a chance to hear a firsthand account from Lincoln himself (as portrayed by Kevin Wood) of the genesis and development of this famous speech.

Wood has been portraying Lincoln since 2000, and on a professional basis since 2015. He has made more than 1,500 appearances in 31 states & Washington DC.

During "Lincoln on the Gettysburg Address," Honest Abe will provide background for familiar phrases, debunk some common myths, talk about his speechwriting process, and discuss the historical events that were happening at the same time.

This program is supported by the Friends of Defiance Public Library.

"Lincoln on the Gettysburg Address" will take place in the Nellie Gary Reading Room. It is free and geared to ages 9 and up. No registration is required. For more information, visit mrlincoln.com or call Defiance Public Library at 419-782-1456.

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