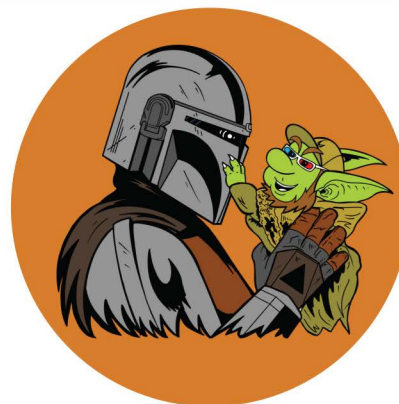


# SHELF LIFE

A monthly newsletter from Defiance Public Library System



## NEW MATERIALS AT DPLS

New bestsellers include "Hang the Moon," "Loyalty," and "Safe All Along: Trading Our Fears and Anxieties for God's Unshakable Peace." New movies available include "Plane," "Missing," and "Blue's Clues & You! Blue's Big City Adventure."

**Click below and we'll deliver a weekly roundup of our new materials to your inbox.**

*Sign up for Wowbrary*



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SUMMER EVENTS**

**SEE WHAT WE'VE ADDED  
TO THE DPLS LIBRARY OF  
THINGS!**

# New hoopla Flex Titles Added

## Have you tried Flex yet?

Recently, Defiance Public Library System launched a new service within hoopla called hoopla Flex, in an effort to reduce the amount of time you spend waiting for your favorite titles.

In addition to the eight hoopla Instant borrows you receive each month with your library card, you now have hoopla Flex borrows (up to eight at once) you can use on specially marked hoopla Flex materials. Read more at [defiancelibrary.org/flex](http://defiancelibrary.org/flex).

New titles you'll see added to hoopla Flex this month include:

### Ebooks

Happy Place by Emily Henry  
Hello Beautiful by Ann Napolitano  
Mad Honey by Jodi Picoult  
Simply Lies by David Baldacci  
The Soulmate by Sally Hepworth  
Travis by Mia Sheridan

### Audiobooks

Fairy Tale by Stephen King  
Happy Place by Emily Henry  
The Seven Husbands of Evelyn Hugo  
by Taylor Jenkins Reid  
Yours Truly by Abby Jimenez

## DEFCON 8 IS RIGHT AROUND THE CORNER!

Defiance Public Library System is excited (& busy preparing) to bring **DefCom** back to Northtowne Mall! DefCom 8--Defiance's own mini comic, art, & pop culture convention--is set for **May 6, 2023, from 10:00AM-4:00PM** at the mall, 1500 N. Clinton St., Defiance.

We've got dozens of incredible vendors, arcade games from KDog's Arcade, an all-ages cosplay contest with prizes donated by Twofors Emporium in Defiance, demonstrations, children's activities, & more in store for the community at this free, family-friendly event.

Also, we're still looking for volunteers to help out on event day, so if you are available to assist with setup from 8-10 a.m. or tear-down from 4-5 p.m., visit [defiancelibrary.org/defcom](http://defiancelibrary.org/defcom) and fill out the volunteer form. Note, this involves moving 6-foot folding tables, so some lifting will be required! (You'd get your exercise out of the way!)

**Read more & meet the vendors at [defiancelibrary.org/defcom](http://defiancelibrary.org/defcom)**

# Celebrate National Library Week with DPLS!

April 23–29, 2023 is **National Library Week**, and the DPLS libraries have tons of fun in store for you.

In Defiance, pick up a take-and-make Little Library beginning 4/24, while supplies last. Also 4/24, join us in the Children's Room at 5:30 PM for "Bugs Don't Bug Me," presented by the **Defiance County Soil & Water Conservation District**. Plus, stop in any time during open hours between 4/24–5/27 for Mailtime: Visit the Craft Area in the Children's Room & write a letter to your favorite storybook character to receive a reply!

In Sherwood, check out Family Storytime Tribe on 4/27 beginning at 5:30 PM, plus, we'll be celebrating National Library Week with book-themed crafts & activities all week!

In Hicksville, join Johnson Memorial Library for Lego Club on 4/25 from 4:00–5:30 p.m., or Charlie Cart Storytime on 4/26 at 10:30 AM.

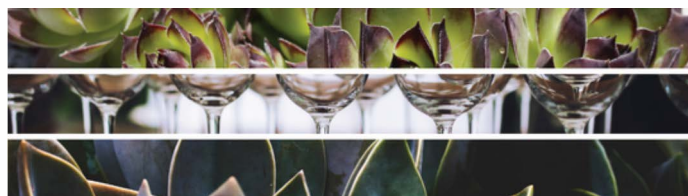
Additionally, all patrons are invited to participate in the "Found Poetry Contest," taking place April 24–29 (fun fact, April is Poetry Month too). Here's how it works: "Write" a three-line poem using three book titles found in the library. Take a picture of the three book spines in a stack, & send the picture to **adultservices@defiancelibrary.org** with your name and contact information. The poems will be judged by the adult services staff during the first week of May, and the winner will receive a \$5 gift card to Biggby!





# FRIENDS CORNER!

*We get by with a little help from our Friends...*



## PLANT AND SIP

Fundraiser for Johnson Memorial Library  
Hosted by the Johnson Memorial Library Friends

Friday, April 28th  
6:30PM

\$150/Table of 4  
Ages 21 +

April's Greenhouse,  
Bryan, Ohio



Tickets are on sale now for the Friends of Johnson Memorial Library's **Plant & Sip** Fundraiser on 4/28 at 6:30 PM at April's Greenhouse, 1025 US 127, Bryan.

Tickets are \$150 for a table for 4, and include wine, charcuterie, and a succulent in a handmade wooden bowl.

The Friends of Sherwood Branch will host **Trivia on Tap** on May 9 at 6 p.m. at Iron Horse Brews, Sherwood. Gather a team of up to 6 and join us for a night of fun! \$10 per person to play.

Proceeds from these events benefit the libraries!

The Friends of Defiance Public Library will host the 41st annual Art in the Park event on Sunday, June 25, 2023, from 10:30 AM – 4 PM at the Fort Grounds in Defiance.

If you're interested in being a vendor, download a vendor application at [defiancelibrary.org](http://defiancelibrary.org).

The Friends of Sherwood Branch Library present:

**Trivia  
on Tap**

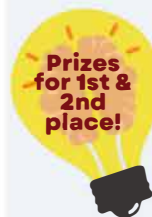
**May 9, 2023**

**Iron Horse Brews**  
101 N. Harrison St.  
Sherwood

Doors open at 5:00 PM  
Trivia starts at 6:00 PM

\$10/person at the door to play  
Proceeds benefit Sherwood Branch Library!

Register a team of up to 6 players by calling 419-899-4343. Walk-ins welcome!



Full food & drink menu available for purchase!

# COMING UP NEXT:

DEFIANCE PUBLIC LIBRARY & MAUMEE VALLEY  
GUIDANCE CENTER PRESENT:

**Incredible Years**

## Dino School






### THURSDAYS

March 2 – May 11  
10:00 AM  
Defiance Public Library

**\*NOTE: NO SESSION MARCH 23\***

AN INTERACTIVE PROGRAM THAT  
PROMOTES SOCIAL & EMOTIONAL  
COMPETENCE & AIMS TO REDUCE  
AGGRESSION & EMOTIONAL PROBLEMS.  
LIFE-SIZED PUPPETS COVER A VARIETY OF  
TOPICS: BEING A GOOD LISTENER, SHARING,  
IDENTIFYING FEELINGS, ANGER  
MANAGEMENT, & MORE.

Pre-K - Grade 2  
No Registration



# CHESS Club


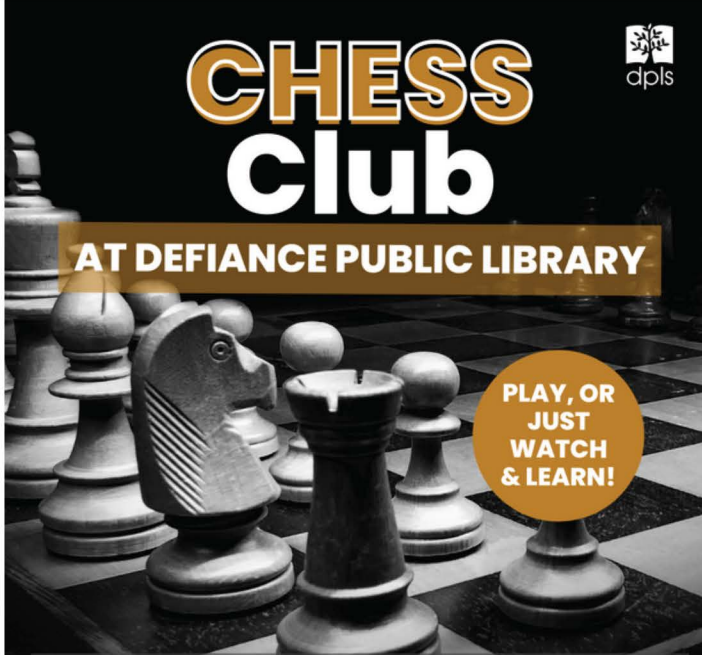
AT DEFIANCE PUBLIC LIBRARY

PLAY, OR  
JUST  
WATCH  
& LEARN!

**First Tuesday of each month**

**4:00 – 6:00 PM**  
in the DPL Reading Room  
Geared to teens & adults  
All levels welcome!

*A limited number of boards are available; bring your own if you wish!*



TOLEDO OPERA ON WHEELS  
AT DEFIANCE PUBLIC LIBRARY

## THE PIRATES OF PENZANCE



BY GILBERT & SULLIVAN  
ADAPTED BY JOSHUA BORTHS &  
DIRECTED BY JAMES M. NORMAN

*Celebrating Children's Book Week*  
**MAY 2, 2023**  
**6:30 PM**  
DEFIANCE PUBLIC LIBRARY

**FREE & OPEN TO ALL**  
-NO REGISTRATION-

SHOW IS GEARED TO GRADES K-6

SPONSORED BY THE  
FRIENDS OF DEFIANCE  
PUBLIC LIBRARY



DEFIANCE PUBLIC LIBRARY & DEFIANCE  
COUNTY PUBLIC HEALTH PRESENT:

## EARLY CHILDHOOD SAFETY + WELLNESS EVENTS

**March 21 + April 4**  
**10:00AM-12:00PM**  
**Defiance Public Library**  
**Children's Room**

**FREE & OPEN TO ALL**  
**NO REGISTRATION NEEDED!**

**A Public Health Nurse & Public Health Promotion Specialist will be available to answer parents' questions about their child's health & development in the first five years.**



Defiance County  
Public Health





# MORE UPCOMING EVENTS:

## LASER ETCHING

Learn how to use the laser etcher to personalize and decorate wooden objects. Supplies provided or bring your own pieces no bigger than 10x10 cm.

Call or email Cara B. to schedule a time slot  
cboley@defiancepubliclibrary.org  
419.782.1456 EXT:1108



SHERWOOD BRANCH LIBRARY  
MAY 8TH

1 PM - 6:30 PM

JOHNSON MEMORIAL LIBRARY  
MAY 15TH

1 PM - 6:30 PM

DEFIANCE MAKERSPACE  
SCHEDULE A TIME IN MAY



## Bugs DON'T BUG ME

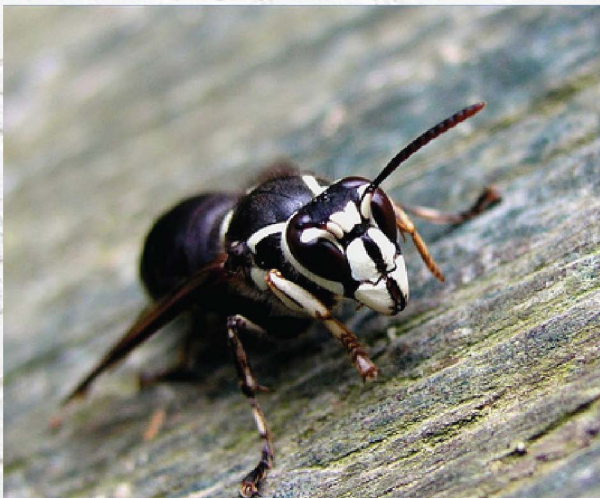
WENDY BAKER, EDUCATION COORDINATOR FOR THE DEFIANCE COUNTY SOIL & WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT, WILL VISIT DEFIANCE PUBLIC LIBRARY TO GIVE US A CLOSER LOOK AT THE MIGHTY MACROINVERTEBRATES (AQUATIC INSECTS) LIVING IN OUR LOCAL STREAMS & RIVERS.

**DEFIANCE PUBLIC LIBRARY**

**APRIL 24**  
**5:30 PM**

**GEARED TO GRADES PRE-K-6TH**  
**NO REGISTRATION REQUIRED**

## Read to a Swarm of Bald-faced Hornets!



**April 1**

**5 PM**

**Defiance Public Library**

These pests are known for their large size, aggressive demeanor, & uniquely painful sting. We hear they prefer fiction-in-verse.

Good luck.

*\*Gutsy adults only\**

*(Happy April Fools' Day!)*

# Broadband Input Forum

Staff from Bowling Green State University's Center for Regional Development will visit Defiance Public Library's Nellie Gary Reading Room on May 4 from 2-6:30 p.m. to meet with community stakeholders regarding internet access in Defiance County (Broadband Ohio). This community-input forum is open to all.

# OverDrive App Sunsetting

Sunsetting of the legacy OverDrive app will be complete effective May 1. Those who had been using the OverDrive app can find the same collection of titles on the Libby app, but with a faster & more user-friendly browsing experience. Download Libby from the Apple or Google Play stores to see what it has to offer.



## NEW TO THE LIBRARY OF THINGS



CHECK OUT A  
DIGITAL BORESCOPE  
OR  
GHOST HUNTING KIT  
WITH YOUR DPLS  
LIBRARY CARD

Now all you need to kick off your next paranormal investigation is a DPLS library card (& perhaps some courage). We've added a ghost-hunting kit & digital borescope to the **Library of Things**, an assortment of unique, non-book items available for checkout with your library card. Other available "Things" include a telescope, disc golf set, blood pressure monitor, binoculars, and more.

Read details at [defiancelibrary.org/things](http://defiancelibrary.org/things), and don't forget, you can pick up these items at any DPLS location: Defiance, Sherwood, or Hicksville.

[http://](http://defiancelibrary.org)


# DEFIANCELIBRARY.ORG



**Defiance Public Library**  
320 Fort Street  
Defiance, Ohio 43512  
419-782-1456

**Johnson Memorial Library**  
116 W High Street  
Hicksville, Ohio 43526  
419-542-6200

**Sherwood Branch Library**  
117 N Harrison Street  
Sherwood, Ohio 43556  
419-899-4343

# April at Defiance Public Library

S	M	T	W	T	F	S
26	27 5:30PM: READ, RHYME, & ROMP (AGE 0-2)  6PM: STORYTIME (AGE 2-6)	28 10:30AM: READ, RHYME & ROMP 11AM: STORYTIME 2-3PM: NOCAC: CYBERSECURITY 4:30PM: STORY EXPRESS 6PM: LGBTQ+ BOOK CLUB (18+)	29	30 10AM: DINO SCHOOL 10:30AM: STORY EXPRESS 4:00-7:30PM: TEEN NIGHT	31	1
2	3 5:30PM: READ, RHYME, & ROMP (AGE 0-2)  6PM: STORYTIME (AGE 2-6)	4 10AM-NOON: CHILD WELLNESS EVENT 10:30A: READ, RHYME & ROMP 11AM: STORYTIME 4:00-6:00 PM: CHESS CLUB 4:30PM: DISCOVERY LAB	5	6 10AM: DINO SCHOOL 10:30AM: DISCOVERY LAB 4:00-7:30PM: TEEN NIGHT	7 DPLS CLOSES AT 4PM FOR GOOD FRIDAY	8
9 HAPPY EASTER!	10 5:30PM: PET MOVIE NIGHT (OPEN TO KIDS OF ALL AGES)	11 4-6:30PM: FIBER ARTS CLUB	12	13 10AM: DINO SCHOOL 10AM: READERS CIRCLE BOOK CLUB 4:00-7:30PM: TEEN NIGHT 6PM: MYSTERIES & MORE BOOK CLUB	14	15 2:30: TITANIC ESCAPE ROOM *WAIT LIST ONLY*
16	17 3:00-5:00 PM: TEEN CRAFTERNOON	18 5PM: SPRING LATCH HOOK**	19	20 10AM: DINO SCHOOL 4:00-7:30PM: TEEN NIGHT 5-7PM: TODDLER QUIET BOOKS**	21 3:00-4:00PM: ALZHEIMER'S SERIES: THE WARNING SIGNS**	22 EARTH DAY
23 NATIONAL LIBRARY WEEK BEGINS! DETAILS ON BACK.	24 MAILTIME & FOUND POETRY CONTESTS BEGIN! DETAILS ON BACK.  LITTLE LIBRARY CRAFT KITS AVAILABLE WHILE SUPPLIES LAST  5:30PM: BUGS DON'T BUG ME (PRE-K-6TH)	25 2:00-3:00 PM: MONEY TIPS WITH NOCAC  6PM: LGBTQ+ BOOK CLUB (18+)	26 5PM: BOARD MEETING AT DPL	27 10AM: DINO SCHOOL 4:00-7:30PM: TEEN NIGHT	28 ALL DAY: BICENTENNIAL KICKOFF!	29

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OR BY CALLING THE LIBRARY.  
VISIT THE ONLINE CALENDAR FOR EVENT DETAILS!



# April at Sherwood Branch Library

S	M	T	W	T	F	S
26	27	28	29	30 4:30PM: STORYTIME TRIBE	31	1 10AM: EGG REVEAL CANVAS**
2	3 5PM: SPRING LATCH HOOK**	4	5	6 4:30PM: STORYTIME TRIBE	7	8 10AM: PERLER PARTY
9 HAPPY EASTER!	10	11 7PM: FRIENDS OF SBL MEETING	12	13 4:30PM: STORYTIME TRIBE	14	15
16	17 5PM: LEGO FUN NIGHT!	18 1:30 PM: BOOKWORMS BOOK CLUB	19	20 4:30PM: STORYTIME TRIBE	21	22 EARTH DAY
23 NATIONAL LIBRARY WEEK BEGINS! DETAILS ON BACK.	24 FOUND POETRY CONTEST BEGINS! DETAILS ON BACK.	25	26 5PM: BOARD MEETING AT DEFIANCE PUBLIC	27 4:30PM: STORYTIME TRIBE	28	29
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# April at Johnson Memorial Library

20	M	T	W	T	F	S
26	27	28 4:00-5:30PM: LEGO CLUB	29	30	31	1
2	3 5:00 PM: DRAW WITH DREW	4 4PM: JEWELRY- MAKING & RHINESTONES	5	6	7 CLOSED AT 4PM FOR GOOD FRIDAY	8
9 HAPPY EASTER!	10 6:00PM: KIDS BINGO	11 5:00 PM: CHARLIE CART: MAKE JOHNNY CAKES**	12	13	14	15
16	17 5:00 PM: SPRING LATCH HOOK**	18	19 10:30AM: CHARLIE CART STORYTIME	20	21 3:00 PM: ROBLOX CLUB	22 EARTH DAY
23 NATIONAL LIBRARY WEEK BEGINS! DETAILS ON BACK.	24 FOUND POETRY CONTEST BEGINS! DETAILS ON BACK 5PM: CHARLIE CART: FROZEN COCKTAILS *WAITLIST ONLY* 6PM: FRIENDS OF JML MEETING	25 4:00-5:30PM: LEGO CLUB	26 10:30AM: CHARLIE CART STORYTIME 5PM: BOARD MEETING AT DEFIANCE PUBLIC	27	28 6:30 PM: PLANT & SIP AT APRIL'S GREENHOUSE!**	29 10:30 AM: PLANT & SIP AT APRIL'S GREENHOUSE *SOLD OUT*
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