

SHELF LIFE

A monthly newsletter from Defiance Public Library System



NEW MATERIALS AT DPLS

New bestsellers this week include "Dirty Thirty," "Hidden Potential: The Science of Achieving Greater Things," & "Absolution." New movies include "Mission: Impossible: Dead Reckoning: Part 1 [Blu-ray]," "Mission: Impossible: Dead Reckoning Part 1," & "Blue Beetle [Blu-ray]."

To get a weekly roundup of our new materials delivered to your inbox, visit [Wowbrary.org](https://www.wowbrary.org).



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Land Donated for DPL Annex Building!

Following a generous property donation, planning has begun for construction of a long-awaited library annex on Fort Street.

The lot at 315 Fort St., across from Defiance Public Library, and adjacent property at 319 Fort St., were donated by Cincinnati native Tony Sansalone, a real estate developer and investor with strong ties to Defiance. A third adjacent property, 109 Jefferson Ave., was purchased by Defiance Public Library System (DPLS) for the project, which will be paid for by donations and fundraising, with the library to borrow the remaining funds. A fundraising campaign will kick off in late winter or early spring.

"This is so exciting, not only for the library but for the Defiance community," said Cara Potter, director of Defiance Public Library System. "The annex will function almost like a community center, providing a large meeting space and huddle rooms not only for library programming but also for local government and nonprofit use."

Planning is still in the beginning stages as DPLS works with Beilharz Architects, with the total project cost yet to be determined. There is an estimated 3–4-year timeline for completion of the annex, which will feature two stories plus a basement and provide approximately 13,000 square feet of space when complete.

"The annex fulfills several of the library system's strategic goals, including addressing space issues at the main library, fostering community partnerships through shared use of the large meeting space in the annex, and offering a place for collaborative programming for the Defiance community," Potter said. The organization's 2022–25 Strategic Plan is available to view online at defiancelibrary.org.

Homes currently on the properties at 319 Fort St. and 109 Jefferson Ave. will be offered to the community for \$1, allowing interested parties an opportunity to relocate the buildings before construction begins. The Anthony Wayne monument originally planned for the 315 Fort St. lot will instead be placed along the river in a spot with higher foot traffic, located between a pair of new city-installed swings at the end of Wayne Avenue.

As the project progresses, DPLS will solicit community input on several aspects of the annex, which also will house a Friends of the Library used bookstore and adult literacy tutoring services. Accessibility for patrons with disabilities will be a key consideration.

Sansalone himself owns the home located at 311 Fort St., and considers Defiance his favorite weekend getaway, often returning to enjoy the confluence where he launched canoes in his youth. In recognition of his donation, DPLS has agreed to allow Sansalone the right to name the library annex. He anticipates naming it after his mother, Jane Beck Sansalone, who inspired him to value reading and education.

*Stay
Tuned*

November is here...

...and so are our fun fall challenges!

November is Picture Book Month, and the Defiance County libraries are marking the occasion with the **'Celebrate Picture Books' Reading Challenge**. Each day, read one picture book and log your reading on Beanstack (defiancelibrary.beanstack.org) or using the Beanstack Tracker app, available for download in the Apple and Google Play stores. There will be three prize drawings throughout the month, and a grand prize drawing at the end. Prizes include downtown Defiance gift certificates, movie passes, and more. The Challenge runs Nov. 1-30 and is open to all ages. For more information, visit defiancelibrary.org/celebrate.

In addition, grades 6-12 are invited to participate in the **Teen Fan Fiction Writing Contest**, also running Nov. 1-30. The contest calls teens to submit a short story (1,000-3,000 words) reimagining a character or section of a book. Stories can be submitted in person at any DPLS library (Defiance Public, Sherwood Branch, Johnson Memorial) or via email to prellstab@defiancelibrary.org. The winning entry will be shared in the DPLS newsletter, on social media, and in booklet form at the libraries. For complete rules, visit defiancelibrary.org/write.

Lions Club Halloween Parade

DPLS is delighted to announce that its Friends of DPL-sponsored float in the 2023 Lions Club Halloween Parade took third place in the non-commercial category. Another successful year! Big thanks to the Friends, the Lions Club, and everyone who helped with our float, which marked the 125th anniversary of the passing of English author, poet, and mathematician Lewis Carroll with a bright 'Alice in Wonderland' theme. To see more photos, visit [@dplslibraries](https://www.facebook.com/dplslibraries) on Facebook. See you next year!



SHARE YOUR MAKERSPACE STORY! HOW HAVE YOU USED THE SPACE?

In the MakerSpace at Defiance Public Library, we aim to provide all users with an opportunity to learn something new, strengthen their skills, and grow as people. It's where our patrons can discover new technologies, the power of collaboration, and--perhaps most importantly--that failure is the first step to success (sometimes it's the second and third steps too...).

If you've used the MakerSpace to start or finish a project, try out a new piece of equipment, or learn a skill during one of our free classes, we'd love to hear about your experience! Visit defiancelibrary.org/makerspace and click the link to share your MakerSpace story & pictures with us!

New Flex Titles Added in November

At the start of the year, 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 8 hoopla Instant borrows you receive each month with your library card, you now have hoopla Flex borrows (up to 8 at once) that you can use on specially marked hoopla Flex materials. Read more at defiancelibrary.org/flex.

Audiobooks:

Bright Lights, Big Christmas by Mary Kay Andrews

The Woman In Me by Britney Spears

The Christmas Wager by Holly Cassidy

Wildfire by Hannah Grace

Ebooks:

12 Months To Live by James Patterson and Mike Lupica

Bright Lights, Big Christmas by Mary Kay Andrews

Resurrection Walk by Michael Connelly

The Woman In Me by Britney Spears

Friends, Lovers and the Big Terrible Thing by Matthew Perry

Inheritance by Nora Roberts

NEW: CHECK OUT MUSEUM PASSES AT DEFIANCE PUBLIC LIBRARY!

Defiance Public Library System cardholders can now use their library card to check out passes to several museums in the region, with more to be added soon.

"Public libraries and museums sit at the intersection of learning, history, and entertainment, can be enjoyed by all ages, and are natural partners. I'm thrilled that we can now offer free museum passes to DPLS library cardholders," said Cara Potter, director of Defiance Public Library System.

The museum pass program launched with a selection of four passes: **Rutherford B. Hayes Presidential Library and Museum, the Fort Wayne Museum of Art, the Auburn Cord Duesenberg Automobile Museum, and the Foellinger-Freimann Botanical Conservatory**. Passes are available for checkout at Defiance Public Library to adult patrons in good standing. Passes check out for seven days, and only one pass location may be checked out at a time per household. For more information about the program and passes, visit defiancelibrary.org/pass. The museum pass program is sponsored by the Friends of Defiance Public Library.



LIBRARY OF THINGS ADDS COMPOUND MICROSCOPE!

Thanks to a very thoughtful donor, our cardholders can now check out an Old Ted compound microscope from any DPLS library location. This microscope is the perfect tool to help students, amateur scientists, and homeschooling families explore the unseen world around them!

To see what else is available in the Library of Things, visit defiancelibrary.org/things

A LOOK AT WHAT'S TO COME...

Alzheimer's Association Northwest Ohio Chapter

Join us for a free program!

CARING FOR THE

Caregiver

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 14, 2023

3:00 PM

Defiance Public Library
320 Fort Street, Defiance

The physical and emotional demands of caring for a loved one with dementia can be exhausting and can lead to burnout. Learn strategies to maintain your own health and well-being so you can provide the best possible care

There is no charge for this program, but registration is required.

Please call
419-782-1456 or
register online at
defiancelibrary.org



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**FRIENDS OF
DEFIANCE PUBLIC
LIBRARY'S**

PREVIOUSLY
LOVED

Book Sale

NOVEMBER 11

10:00AM - 4:00PM

**NORTHTOWNE MALL
1500 N CLINTON STREET
DEFIANCE, OH**

MANY GENRES!

PROCEEDS BENEFIT DEFIANCE PUBLIC LIBRARY!

**The Friends of Sherwood
Branch Library present:**

Trivia on Tap

Prizes
for 1st &
2nd
place!

Full food &
drink menu
available
for
purchase!

Nov. 6, 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!**

JML FRIENDS ANNUAL BOOK SALE

NOV. 3RD

10-5PM

NOV. 4TH

10-1PM

**ALSO popcorn and
cotton candy!**

**free will
donation**



MORE UPCOMING EVENTS

Defiance Public Library System's FALL AUTHOR VISIT

Featuring Dori Hillestad Butler

Children's author & 2-time Geisel Honoree



November 16

6:00 PM

**Defiance Public Library
320 Fort St.**

Free & open to everyone
-No registration needed-

BRING A BOOK FOR SIGNING OR PURCHASE ONE FROM OUR LIMITED SELECTION!

EDGAR AWARD-WINNING AUTHOR OF TITLES LIKE...



Sponsored by the Friends of Defiance Public, Sherwood Branch, & Johnson Memorial libraries!

Defiance Public Library presents:

LINCOLN: MEET THE PRESIDENT

AT GRACE EPISCOPAL CHURCH

308 W 2ND STREET
DEFIANCE, OH

LINCOLN, IN PERIOD DRESS, WILL TELL
STORIES OF HIS MANY ADVENTURES &
ANSWER YOUR QUESTIONS!

NOV 7 | 6:00 PM
(GEARED TO AGES 6+)

NO REGISTRATION NEEDED

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OF DEFIANCE PUBLIC LIBRARY



HOLIDAY HAPPENINGS



& SANTA VISIT



DECEMBER 1, 2023 | 1:00-6:00 PM

**DEFIANCE PUBLIC LIBRARY
320 FORT STREET**

- Kids crafts from 1-5 PM
- Carolers from **Nightshade Productions** at 4:30 PM
- **Santa** will arrive at 5 PM & Storytime begins at 5:15 PM

**COOKIES & MILK COURTESY OF CHIEF SUPERMARKET & ARPS DAIRY!
SPONSORED BY THE FRIENDS OF DEFIANCE PUBLIC LIBRARY**

ALL AGES WELCOME | NO REGISTRATION NEEDED



DEFIANCE PUBLIC LIBRARY PRESENTS:

STRANGE & SPOOKY WORLD

**WITH AUTHOR &
PARANORMAL
INVESTIGATOR
JAMES WILLIS**

**NOV. 11, 2023
11:00 AM
DEFIANCE
PUBLIC LIBRARY**

Geared to adults | No registration
Sponsored by the Friends of
Defiance Public Library



Odds + Ends

The MakerSpace at Defiance Public Library will be closed November 6-11 due to staff availability. Find November's open-make hours at defiancelibrary.org/makerspace or call to make an appointment!

The Defiance Public Library System Board of Trustees will meet next on Wednesday, November 29, beginning at 5 PM at Defiance Public Library. Meetings of the board and its committees are open to the public.

We've got an all-new book for you this month at the Bronson Park StoryWalk! Take a stroll & enjoy The Leaf Thief, written by Alice Hemming and illustrated by Nicola Slater

There's still time to get a raffle ticket!

Through Nov. 10, the Friends of the Defiance Public Library will be selling raffle tickets for a pair of gift baskets, each one featuring an original, discontinued **American Girls** doll (Kirsten or Felicity)!

Tickets are just \$1 for one, or six for \$5, and can be purchased at Defiance Public Library!



<http://>



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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