



Shelf Life

A monthly newsletter from Defiance Public Library System



NEW MATERIALS AT DPLS

Our new bestsellers include "Truths: The Future of America First," "The Small and the Mighty: Twelve Unsung Americans Who Changed the Course of History, from the Founding to the Civil Rights Movement," and "Targeted: Beirut: The 1983 Marine Barracks Bombing and the Untold Origin Story of the War on Terror."



ACTIVITIES & EVENTS TAKING PLACE AT THE LIBRARIES IN OCTOBER

GET THE SCOOP ON DEFCOM 2024

TAKE OUR OCTOBER READING & ART CHALLENGES

DPL FEATURED ON 'STORIED GROUND' PODCAST

JOIN US FOR A COMMUNITY READ!



DefCom Returns November 9

Defiance Public Library System is excited (& busy preparing) to bring **DefCom** back to Northtowne Mall! DefCom 9-- Defiance's own comic, art, & pop culture convention--is set for **Saturday, November 9, 2024, from 10:00AM-4:00PM** at the mall, 1500 N. Clinton St., Defiance.

We've got dozens of incredible vendors & artists (many returning favorites and some new vendors too), arcade games from KDog's Arcade, an all-ages cosplay contest, children's activities, & more in store for the community at this free, family-friendly event.

Get updates by following the Con on Facebook (@dplsdefcom).



Join the DPLS Community Read!

Pick up your copy of *The Strange Case of Dr. Jekyll & Mr. Hyde* at the library



Read an eerie tale along with us during Defiance Public Library System's Community Read, taking place Oct. 1-31. This time around, community members are encouraged to read ***The Strange Case of Dr. Jekyll & Mr. Hyde***, by Robert Louis Stevenson. Copies of the book will be available at the libraries. Then, email a picture of yourself with the book to prellstab@defiancelibrary.org, or stop by any DPLS library (Defiance, Sherwood, Hicksville), and review the book on the paper provided to be entered into a drawing to win a crocheted Dr. Jekyll & Mr. Hyde, plus your own copy of the book. Prize drawing will take place November 1.



DPL Featured on 'Storied Ground' Podcast

Defiance Public Library was honored to have been featured in a recent episode of the "Storied Ground" podcast with Nick Pavlik on WGTE Public Media. Pavlik is an archivist and public historian at Bowling Green State University who is passionate about engaging with communities to document, preserve, and share local and regional histories. In the series, he endeavors to encounter Northwest Ohio's historical markers anew, using them as guides to rediscovering the presence of the past everywhere around us, in all its diversity and complexity.

Come along with Pavlik as he discovers what the unique history and architecture of our beloved local library can tell us about the wider legacy of Carnegie libraries in America, with guests Dr. Abigail Van Slyck, Dayton Professor Emeritus of Art History at Connecticut College; Cara Potter, Director of Defiance Public Library System (DPLS); Taryn Lawson, Communications Coordinator at DPLS; and Mike McCann, Mayor of the City of Defiance.

"We are thrilled to be featured on Storied Ground," Potter said. "This podcast provides an excellent platform to share our library's unique story and to connect with a wider audience who values the historical significance of public libraries."

Listen to this and other episodes of Storied Ground at wgte.org/radio/local-podcasts/storied-ground or find it on Spotify and Apple Podcasts.



Sept. 15–Oct. 15 is Hispanic Heritage Month

Here are 6 ebooks & audiobooks you can download for free on the Libby app that capture the diversity & essence of the Hispanic experience:

Monstrilio
by Gerardo Sámano Córdova

With the Fire on High
by Elizabeth Acevedo

How Not to Drown in a Glass of Water
by Angie Cruz

Solito
by Javier Zamora

In The Dream House
by Carmen Maria Machado

The Inheritance of Orquídea Divina
by Zoraida Córdova



Hoopla Flex Titles Added in October

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.

Ebook:

A Merry Little Murder Plot by Jenn McKinlay (10/8)
 One Big Happy Family by Susan Mallery (10/1)
 Tell Me Everything by Elizabeth Strout
 The Waiting by Michael Connelly (10/15)
 We Used to Live Here by Marcus Kliever

Audiobook:

The Blue Hour by Paula Hawkins (10/29)
 The Boyfriend by Freida McFadden (10/1)
 The Waiting by Michael Connelly (10/15)



DPL Annex Project Selected for Design Challenge

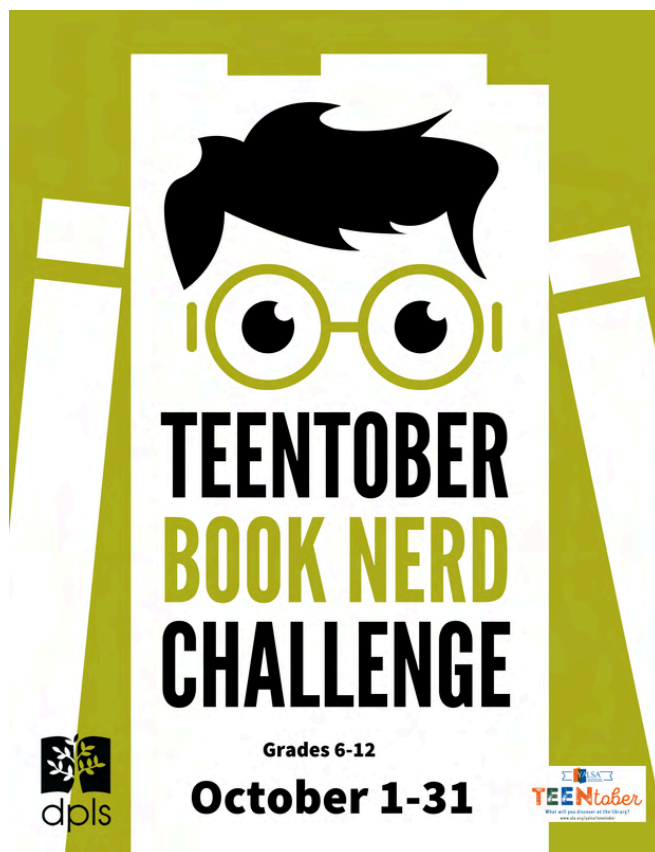


The prestigious *Library Journal* Design Institute has selected Defiance Public Library's Annex Project (defiancelibrary.org/annex) to be featured as a design challenge for architects during its long-running annual library building and design conference, set to take place Oct. 9-10 in Cincinnati.

DPLS is excited to be working with Cincinnati-based GBBN architects for the design challenge, which will provide a cost- and commitment-free way to get professional feedback, ideas, and inspiration before entering the building-design phase of the project. This year's event is hosted in partnership with the Cincinnati and Hamilton County Public Library.

This full-day think tank provides expert panel discussions with architects and librarians, as well as hands-on, architect-led breakout sessions tackling real-life design challenges submitted in advance by attendees.

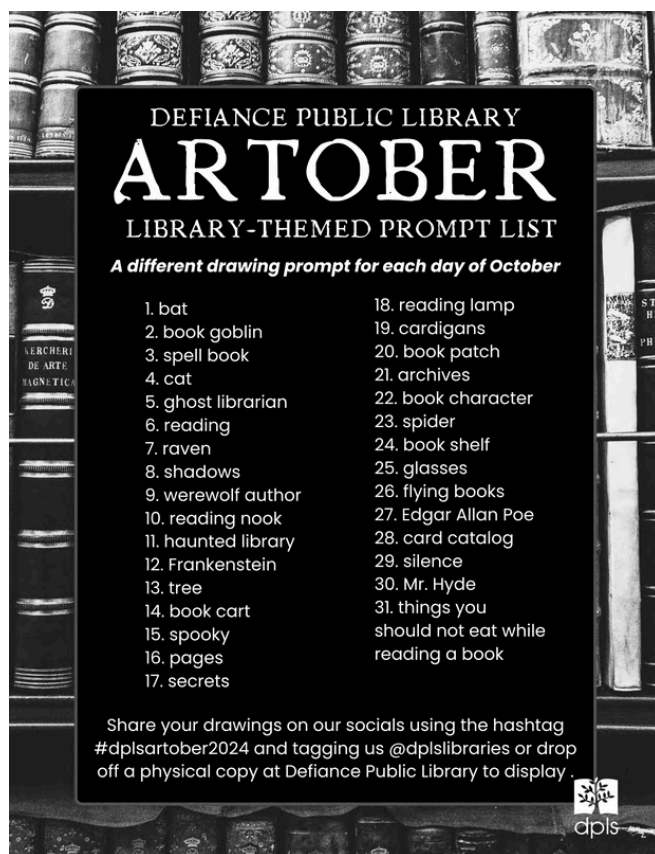
The DPL Annex was one of six real-life library construction projects chosen to be featured during these breakout sessions, after having been submitted for consideration by DPLS Director Cara Potter.



Take the TeenTober Challenge

The TeenTober Book Nerd Challenge returns to Defiance Public Library System Oct. 1-31. Visit defiancelibrary.org/teentober or any DPLS library (Defiance, Sherwood, Hicksville) to obtain a list of book categories to choose from. Then read or listen to at least 3 titles to earn entries into our prize drawings for gift cards to Meijer, McDonald's, Phoenix Theaters, and more!

Email your completed sheet to prellstab@defiancelibrary.org or drop it off at any DPLS location. The challenge is open to students in grades 6-12. Happy reading!



Artober: Let's Get Creative!


Enjoy 31 days of drawing!


All ages are invited to participate in Arttober, taking place at Defiance Public Library Oct. 1-31. Pick up a prompt sheet at any DPLS location (prompts are library-themed).

Then, share your works of art with @dplslibraries on Facebook, Instagram, or X using the hashtag #dplsartober2024, email them to prellstab@defiancelibrary.org, or drop off your drawings at the library so we can display them! (Display will be located at Defiance Public Library.)



A LOOK AT WHAT'S TO COME...



COFFEE 

with **Amanda Lee**

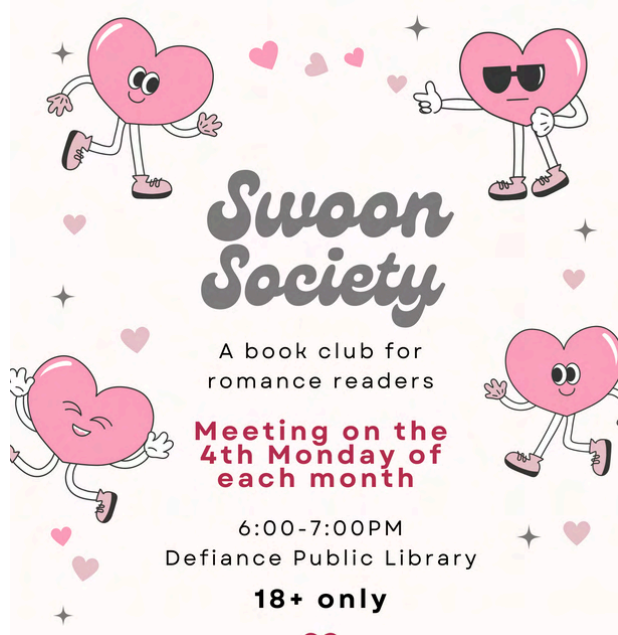
OCT. 26
10:30-11:30AM

JOHNSON MEMORIAL LIBRARY
116 W. HIGH ST., HICKSVILLE

JOIN GABRIEL MEERZO IN CELEBRATING NATIONAL COFFEE DAY BY HEARING THE STORY OF OUR LOCAL COFFEE SHOP, AMANDA LEE.

OPEN TO TEENS & ADULTS

No registration needed! Enjoy free samples!



Swoon Society

A book club for romance readers

Meeting on the 4th Monday of each month

6:00-7:00PM
Defiance Public Library

18+ only

We will read widely in the genre, focusing on diverse voices and including every kind of love story.

See back for book selections!



JOHNSON MEMORIAL'S
Annual FALL FEST

OCTOBER 28, 2024
4:00-6:00PM
JOHNSON MEMORIAL LIBRARY
116 W. HIGH ST., HICKSVILLE

Free & open to all ages! Costumes more than welcome!

- POPCORN
- GAMES GALORE
- COSTUME CONTEST
- FUN FALL CRAFTS
- BINGO

NO REGISTRATION NEEDED **419-542-6200**



DINOS & DOUGHNUTS

Nov. 2, 2024 | 10:00AM

Sherwood Branch Library

Geared to school-aged children. Registration is required!

Register:
defiancelibrary.org/dinos
or call 419-899-4343

Chomp on doughnuts while enjoying dino games & crafts!



Upcoming Fundraisers

PROCEEDS BENEFIT YOUR DPLS LIBRARIES!

The Friends of Johnson Memorial Library (Hicksville) will host their annual Book Sale on Friday, Oct. 4 from 10AM-5PM & Saturday, Oct. 5 from 10AM-1PM in the Community Room at Johnson Memorial Library. Freewill donation!

The Friends of Sherwood Branch Library will host their annual Trivia on Tap fundraiser on Oct. 8 at Iron Horse Brews, 101 N. Harrison St., Sherwood. Doors open at 5:30PM, trivia begins at 6PM. For tickets call 419-899-4343. Walk-ins are welcome!

The Friends of Defiance Public Library will host a Book Sale on Saturday, Oct. 19, from 9AM-5PM at Northtowne Mall, 1500 N. Clinton St., Defiance. Many genres will be available for a freewill donation!

Silent

BOOK CLUB

at Defiance Public Library
Second Monday of the month

Aug. 12, Sept. 9, Oct. 14,
Nov. 11, & Dec. 9
6:00-7:00PM

IT'S HAPPY HOUR FOR INTROVERTS!

TEENS & ADULTS ARE INVITED TO DEFIANCE PUBLIC LIBRARY ON THE SECOND MONDAY OF EACH MONTH FOR SILENT BOOK CLUB.

NO REQUIRED READING, NO FORCED DISCUSSION, JUST READING SEPARATELY...TOGETHER! (TEENS & ADULTS WILL MEET IN SEPARATE AREAS.)

BRING YOUR OWN READING MATERIALS, OR CHOOSE SOMETHING FROM OUR SHELVES.

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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

OCTOBER

AT DEFIANCE PUBLIC LIBRARY

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THE TEENTOBER BOOK NERD CHALLENGE, ARTOBER, AND OUR COMMUNITY READ KICK OFF OCT. 1.

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10:30A: READ, RHYME, & ROMP
11A: STORYTIME
4-6P: CHESS CLUB
4-7P: TEEN TUESDAY
5P: SEW A PUMPKIN**
5:30P: KIDS EXPLORE: ROBOTS

2
10:30A: SNAP-ED NUTRITION SERIES FOR ADULTS (CLASS 1/3)**

3
10:30A: KIDS EXPLORE: ROBOTS
4:00-7:30PM: TEEN NIGHT
5PM: TEEN SUBSTANCE ABUSE PREVENTION (18+)

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5:30P: READ, RHYME, & ROMP
6P: STORYTIME
6P: ROADMAP TO COVERAGE (HEALTH INSURANCE MARKETPLACE, MEDICAID)

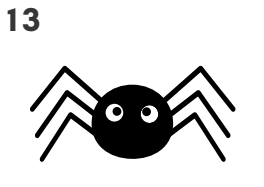
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10:30A: READ, RHYME, & ROMP
11A: STORYTIME
3P: ALZHEIMER'S ED SERIES**
4-7P: TEEN TUESDAY
4-7P: FIBER ARTS CLUB
5P: YA ROMANCE BOOK CLUB
5:30P: KIDS EXPLORE: PAPER PLANES

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10AM: READERS' CIRCLE BOOK CLUB (18+)
10:30A: KIDS EXPLORE: PAPER PLANES
4-7:30P: TEEN NIGHT
6PM: MYSTERY BOOK CLUB



12
3PM: RIVERSIDE CEMETERY WALK**



14
5:30P: READ, RHYME, & ROMP
6P: STORYTIME
6P: SILENT BOOK CLUB FOR TEENS & ADULTS

15
10:30A: READ, RHYME, ROMP
11A: STORYTIME
4-6PM: TEEN TUESDAY
5:30P: LEGO CLUB

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10:30A: SNAP-ED NUTRITION SERIES FOR ADULTS (CLASS 2/3)**

17
10:30A: LEGO CLUB
4-7:30P: TEEN NIGHT

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9AM-5PM: FRIENDS BOOK SALE AT NORTHTOWNE MALL
11AM: SPOOKY OHIO WITH JAMES WILLIS

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NATIONAL FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY WEEK!

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4-6P: CRAFTERTEENS
5:30P: READ, RHYME, ROMP
6P: STORYTIME

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10:30A: READ, RHYME, & ROMP
11A: STORYTIME
4-7P: TEEN TUESDAY
5:30P: KIDS EXPLORE: JEWELRY & PERLER BEADS
6P: PRIDE (LGBTQ+) BOOK CLUB

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10AM: MEDICARE 101
10:30A: KIDS EXPLORE: JEWELRY & PERLER BEADS
4-7:30P: TEEN NIGHT
5PM: MEDICARE 101



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4-6P: CROCHET FOR A CAUSE (GRADES 6-12)
5:30P: READ, RHYME, ROMP
6P: STORYTIME
6P: HISTORY BUFFS (AT DEFIANCE MASONIC LODGE)
6P: SWOON SOCIETY ROMANCE BOOK CLUB (18+)

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10:30A: READ, RHYME, & ROMP
11A: STORYTIME
4-7P: TEEN TUESDAY
5:30P: KIDS EXPLORE: MONSTER MASH

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10:30A: SNAP-ED NUTRITION SERIES FOR ADULTS (CLASS 3/3)**
5PM: LIBRARY BOARD MEETING AT SHERWOOD BRANCH

31
10:30A: KIDS EXPLORE: FACT OR FICTION?
4-7:30P: TEEN NIGHT
6:15-7:15P: DR. JEKYLL/MR. HYDE ESCAPE ROOM**

**** REGISTRATION REQUIRED**
REGISTER AT DEFIANCENLIBRARY.ORG/CALENDAR OR BY CALLING THE LIBRARY.
VISIT THE ONLINE CALENDAR FOR EVENT DETAILS!

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AT SHERWOOD BRANCH LIBRARY

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3 4:30PM:
FAMILY
STORYTIME
TRIBE

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4-6P: GAMING
LEAGUE (GRADES 6-12)
5PM: TRIVIA ON TAP
AT IRON HORSE BREWS

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3PM:
BOOKWORMS
BOOK CLUB

10
4:30PM:
FAMILY
STORYTIME
TRIBE

11



12
10AM:
PUMPKINS,
PAINTING, &
PAJAMAS**

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15
4-6PM:
LEGO FUN NIGHT
5P: SEW A
PUMPKIN**

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4:30PM:
INCLUSIVE
STORYTIME WITH
DEFIANCE COUNTY
BOARD OF DD

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10AM:
PAINTED FALL
WOODEN
COASTERS**

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NATIONAL
FRIENDS OF THE
LIBRARY WEEK!



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4:30PM:
FAMILY
STORYTIME
TRIBE

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10:30A:
INCLUSIVE BOOK
CLUB WITH
DEFIANCE CO.
BOARD OF DD

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5PM: LIBRARY
BOARD MEETING
AT SHERWOOD
BRANCH

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4:30PM:
FAMILY
STORYTIME
TRIBE

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October

AT JOHNSON MEMORIAL LIBRARY

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THE TEENTOBER BOOK NERD CHALLENGE, ARTOBER, AND OUR COMMUNITY READ KICK OFF OCT. 1.

1 4PM: HICKSVILLE WRITERS' GROUP

2 10:30A: 'NOT MY' STORYTIME

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4 10AM-5PM: FRIENDS OF JML BOOK SALE

5 10AM-1PM: FRIENDS OF JML BOOK SALE

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5PM: SEW A PUMPKIN**

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5PM: LET'S ROAST PUMPKIN SEEDS**

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10:30A: 'NOT MY' STORYTIME

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11AM: ROADMAP TO COVERAGE (HEALTH INSURANCE MARKETPLACE, MEDICAID)

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5PM: BEEKEEPING WITH TONI EGLEY

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10:30AM: HOOKED ON BOOKS BOOK CLUB
5PM: DISCOVERIES AT THE HICKSVILLE WALKING TRAIL

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10:30A: 'NOT MY' STORYTIME

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NATIONAL FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY WEEK!



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10:30A: 'NOT MY' STORYTIME

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10:30AM: COFFEE WITH AMANDA LEE

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4-6PM: FALL FEST

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4PM: LEGO CLUB

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10:30A: 'NOT MY' STORYTIME

5PM: LIBRARY BOARD MEETING AT SHERWOOD BRANCH

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