

Shelf Life

A monthly newsletter from Defiance Public Library System

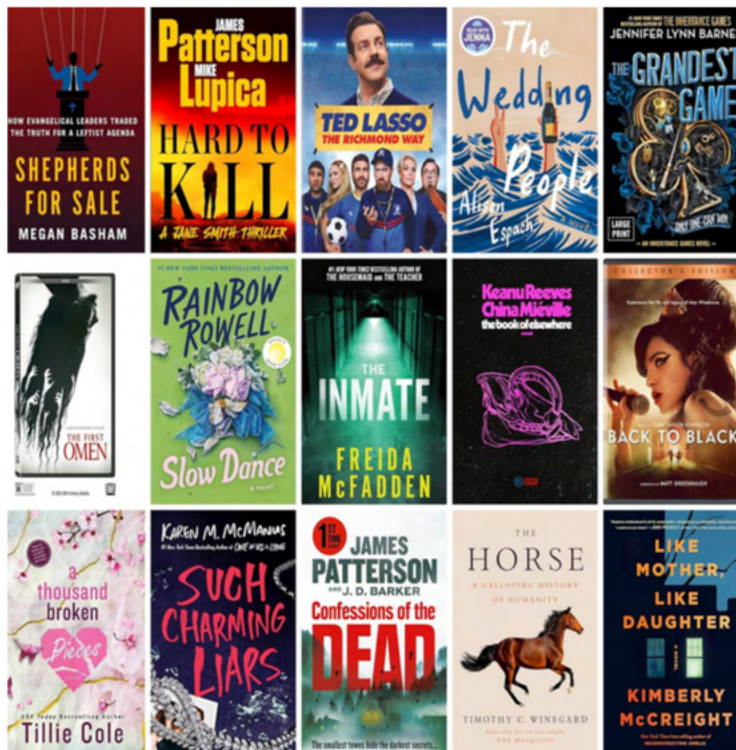


NEW MATERIALS AT DPLS

New bestsellers include "The Grandest Game," "Like Mother, Like Daughter," "Jane Effing Smith: Hard to Kill," and "The Wedding People."

New movies this week include "Ted Lasso: The Complete Series," "The First Omen," and "Back to Black."

To receive a roundup of our new materials sent to your inbox weekly, visit wowbrary.org.



**ACTIVITIES & EVENTS
TAKING PLACE AT THE
LIBRARIES IN AUGUST**

**TAKING A LOOK
BACK AT SUMMER
READING 2024**

**JOIN THE 1000 BOOKS
BEFORE KINDERGARTEN
CHALLENGE**

**LOOKING FOR A BOOK
CLUB? WE'VE GOT YOU
COVERED**

**LEARN FALL LAWN
FUNDAMENTALS AT DPL**

Wrapping up Summer Reading

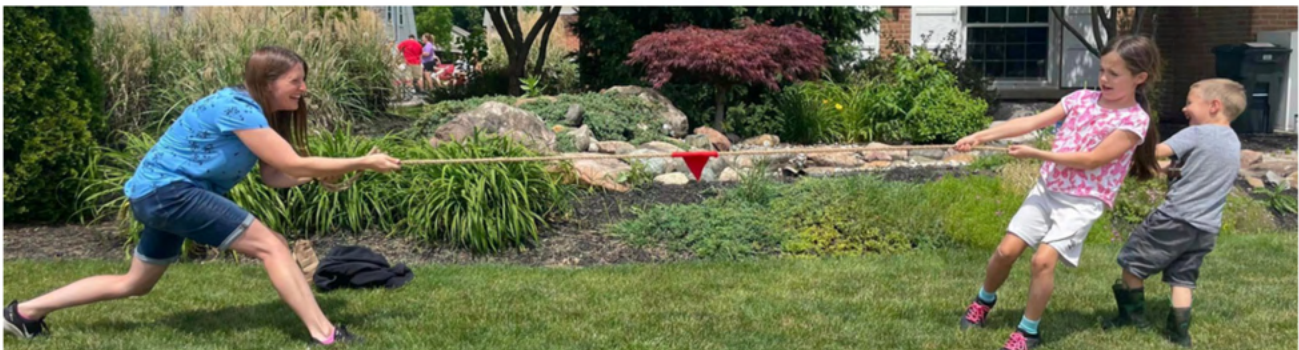
DPLS patrons logged 140,393 minutes of reading during the Challenge!

The 2024 'Adventure Begins at Your Library' Summer Reading Challenge has drawn to a close. Reading minutes were logged and plenty of memories were made during this year's programs at all 3 DPLS locations. Thanks to our patrons, readers, Friends groups, sponsors, and staff for another successful summer full of library magic!

<p>Completed Activities</p> <p>Adding Up Selected Challenges</p>	<p>Minutes Read</p> <p>Adding Up Selected Challenges</p>	<p>Rewards Redeemed</p> <p>Adding Up Selected Challenges</p>
<p>2,993</p>	<p>140,393</p>	<p>1,374</p>



Clockwise from top left: TAG Art Company presents "Pirating 101" at DPL; musher Karen Land speaks to a packed house at Sherwood Branch; young patrons enjoy a game of tug-of-war during Johnson Memorial's Summer Reading Kickoff Party; YouTubers from 'Adventure Archives' visit DPL to share tales of their global hiking, camping, and exploring adventures with patrons.



DPL Celebrates '1000 Books' Grads

Join the Challenge any time of the year at defiancelibrary.org/1000books

On August 1, Defiance Public Library hosted a special party celebrating recent graduates of the '1000 Books before Kindergarten' Challenge. Attendees enjoyed a special storytime, a victory march through the library, scrumptious cookies from Simply from Scratch Bakery, treat-making with Annie from Ohio SNAP-Ed, and more.

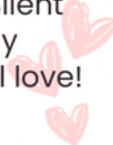
The '1000 Books' program promotes early literacy by challenging kids and their families to read at least 1,000 books together before the child begins their kindergarten year. Set your student-to-be up for success by joining the Challenge at defiancelibrary.org/1000books any time of the year. Tracking your progress is fun and easy using the Beanstack platform (defiancelibrary.beanstack.org), or the Beanstack Tracker app.



The Many Benefits of Joining a Book Club

If you're looking for a budget-friendly way to meet new people, motivation to get reading, or a stimulating activity to look forward to each month, you may want to consider joining a book club. The good news is, Defiance Public Library System has an assortment of clubs to choose from! Book clubs can inspire you to read more regularly, expose you to genres and styles of writing you might not choose on your own, help strengthen writing and critical-thinking skills, and provide a no-cost way to put you in touch with others who share your interests.

New members are always welcome at DPLS' book clubs, including groups at Sherwood Branch and Hicksville's Johnson Memorial Library. To learn more about our clubs, and to see which books they're reading next, visit defiancelibrary.org/book-clubs. If your social battery is running a little low, we've got you covered: learn more about our new Silent Book Club for ages 13-25 at defiancelibrary.org/silent. Plus, romance readers, stay tuned; information is forthcoming on the debut of some new clubs we think you'll love!



Hoopla Flex Titles Added in August

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:

Angel of Vengeance by Preston & Child (8/13)
 By Any Other Name by Jodi Picoult (8/20)
 Haunted Ever After by Jen DeLuca (8/13)
 My Favorite Mistake by Marain Keyes (7/30)
 The Break-up Pact by Emma Lord (8/13)
 This Is Why We Lied by Karin Slaughter (8/20)

Audiobook:

By Any Other Name by Jodi Picoult (8/20)
 Fire and Bones by Kathy Reichs (8/20)
 The Break-up Pact by Emma Lord (8/13)
 The Grandest Game by Jennifer Lynn Barnes (7/30)



Learn the Fall Lawn Fundamentals at DPL



Fall is on its way, and Defiance Public Library is helping patrons get their lawns winter-ready with a special program taking place August 29 at 6PM in DPL's Nellie Gary Reading Room.

Kyle Verhoff of the Defiance County OSU Extension Office--an educator on the topics of agriculture and natural resources-- will be paying a visit to teach us all about the fundamentals of fall lawn care, including the best steps to take to ready your lawn for the chilly seasons ahead.

This free program is open to all adults, and no registration is needed.

A LOOK AT WHAT'S TO COME...

DEFIANCE PUBLIC LIBRARY'S

BACK TO SCHOOL BONANZA!

AUGUST 8 | 10:30AM

BRING YOUR SCHOOL SUPPLIES TO DEFIANCE PUBLIC LIBRARY AND DECORATE THEM USING OUR CRAFT SUPPLIES AND TRIMMINGS!

GRADES K-6
WHILE SUPPLIES LAST!

Defiance Public Library's
Picture Book
SCAVENGER HUNT

Aug. 1-31, 2024

PICK UP A LIST IN THE CHILDREN'S DEPARTMENT

Check out picture books & find all the items on the list

EXCHANGE YOUR COMPLETED SHEET FOR A SMALL PRIZE!

Geared to ages 0 - Grade 6

CAN'T FIND ALL THE ITEMS? JUST RETURN TO CHECK OUT MORE BOOKS!

OHIO SNAP-ED
Better food choices for healthier lifestyles

JOHNSON MEMORIAL LIBRARY & SNAP-ED PRESENT:

The CELEBRATE YOUR PLATE Series

SEPT. 6, 13, & 20
4:00 - 4:45PM
at Johnson Memorial Library

LEARN ABOUT NUTRITION AND HOW TO MAKE HEALTHY SNACKS WITH ANNIE FROM SNAP-ED

REGISTER ONCE FOR ALL 3 SESSIONS AT DEFIANCELIBRARY.ORG/SNAP OR BY CALLING 419-542-6200

GRADES 3-5

Defiance DD
Developmental Disabilities

Join us for

INCLUSIVE Book Club

with Defiance County Board of Developmental Disabilities

Last Tuesday of the month

Aug. 27

10:30-11:30AM

At Sherwood Branch Library

All ages!

No registration needed

In other news...

Congratulations to Larry Saunders, whose short story, *The Odyssey of Sarah Talbert*, was chosen as the winner of Defiance Public Library System's 2024 Short Story Writing Contest. His story will appear in next month's newsletter, and free copies will be available in the libraries this fall.

The Defiance Public Library System Board of Trustees will hold its next regular meeting on Wednesday, August 28, beginning at 5PM at Johnson Memorial Library. Meetings of the board and its committees are open to the public.

You can now search scholarly articles in the EBSCO database using DPLS' online catalog! Just visit the catalog at defiancelibrary.org with your library card handy, click the arrow next to "All Libraries," and select "Articles and Journals."

Summer Reading may be over, but DPLS has plenty of exciting contests and programs headed your way in the coming months. To take a peek at the fun ahead, visit defiancelibrary.org/calendar.



THANK YOU, KIRCHER'S FLOWERS & GARDEN CENTER, FOR STOCKING DPL'S PLANT LIBRARY WITH BEAUTIFUL BLOOMS SEVERAL TIMES DURING THE SPRING AND SUMMER MONTHS. OUR PATRONS LOVED THE DONATIONS AND SNAPPED THEM UP QUICKLY TO TAKE HOME AND ENJOY! YOU HELPED MAKE THIS YEAR'S PLANT LIBRARY A HUGE SUCCESS.



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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

August AT DEFIANCE PUBLIC LIBRARY

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28	29	30 5PM: NALBINDING *WAITLIST	31 ADULT WRITING CONTEST ENDS 5PM: BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING AT DPL	1 10:30AM: 1000 BOOKS BEFORE KINDERGARTEN GRADUATION CELEBRATION PICTURE BOOK SCAVENGER HUNT BEGINS! *DETAILS ON BACK	2 	3 11AM: BIGFOOT IN OHIO
4	5 	6 TAKE & MAKE SUNFLOWER BASKET (ADULTS 18+) 6PM: CHESS CLUB	7	8 10AM: READERS' CIRCLE BOOK CLUB 10:30AM: BACK TO SCHOOL BONANZA 6PM: MYSTERY BOOK CLUB	9	10 2PM: VIRTUAL NALBINDING CLASS**
11	12 6PM: SILENT BOOK CLUB (AGES 13-25) 	13 4:00-7:00PM: FIBER ARTS CLUB 	14	15 5:30PM: BREASTFEEDING 101 WITH DEFIANCE COUNTY WIC	16	17
18	19 4-6PM: CRAFTERTEENS 6PM: HISTORY BUFFS MEETING	20	21	22 10:30AM: ESTATE PLANNING 5PM: RETIREMENT YOU CAN'T OUTLIVE	23 	24
25	26 4:00-6:00PM: CROCHET FOR A CAUSE (GRADES 6-12)	27 6PM: PRIDE & NO PREJUDICE (LGBTQ+) BOOK CLUB	28 5PM: BOARD MEETING AT JOHNSON MEMORIAL LIBRARY	29 6PM: FALL LAWN FUNDAMENTALS WITH KYLE VERHOFF	30 	31

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

August AT SHERWOOD BRANCH LIBRARY

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4	5	6 5PM: NALBINDING TEXTILE CRAFT**	7	8	9	10 10AM-NOON: PERLER BEAD PARTY 2PM: VIRTUAL NALBINDING CLASS**
11 	12 1:00-3:00PM: LEGO FUN	13 4:00-6:00PM: GAMING LEAGUE 7PM: FRIENDS OF SBL MEETING	14 3PM: BOOKWORMS BOOK CLUB	15 	16	17
18	19	20	21	22 NOON: DEFIANCE COUNTY FAIR - SEE US FOR KIDS CRAFTS IN THE MULTIPURPOSE ROOM!	23	24
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August AT JOHNSON MEMORIAL LIBRARY

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4	5 5PM: NALBINDING TEXTILE CRAFT**	6 5:00-6:30PM: HICKSVILLE WRITERS' GROUP	7 1PM: CARD GAMES PARTY (ALL AGES)	8	9 1PM: CHARLIE CART - VEGGIE FAJITAS (TEENS)**	10 2PM: VIRTUAL NALBINDING CLASS**
11	12 1PM: CHARLIE CART - ROCK, PAPER, CHOPSTICKS (TWEENS, TEENS, & ADULTS)	13 	14 1PM: KIDS' CRAFT PARTY	15	16 1PM: CHARLIE CART - TOSTADAS (TEENS)**	17
18	19	20 10:30AM: HOOKED ON BOOKS BOOK CLUB	21	22	23	24
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