

Shelf Life

A monthly newsletter from Defiance Public Library System



NEW MATERIALS AT DPLS

New bestsellers include "Under His Wings: How Faith on the Front Lines Has Protected American Troops," "The Newest 6:20 Man Thriller," and "Christmas in Bethel."

To get a list of our newest materials delivered right to your inbox each month, visit wowbrary.org.



SEE OUR DECEMBER CALENDAR OF PROGRAMS & EVENTS

SANTA CLAUS IS COMING TO TOWN!

SEE THE WINNER OF OUR RECENT PHOTO CONTEST

GET INFO ON OUR UPCOMING HOLIDAY CLOSURES

FRIENDS OF DPL LITHOGRAPH RAFFLE UNDERWAY

Derringer Wins DPL Photo Contest

Defiance Public Library is preparing a photo series to hang in the Reference/Local History area, and recently ran a photo contest on our Facebook page (@dplslibraries) to find the perfect addition to the historic photos that had already been selected.

Congratulations to local photographer Jenny Derringer, whose beautiful image was chosen to complete the series, which highlights the beauty of our Carnegie library over the years.



Photo by Jenny Derringer

Friends Lithograph Raffle Underway!

\$5 raffle tickets available now at Defiance Public Library & the DDVB



Raffle tickets to win the P. Buckley Moss lithograph pictured here are on sale now through February 13, 2025, at Defiance Public Library for just \$5 each. Moss was an American artist known primarily for her paintings depicting rural Virginia.

Proceeds from the raffle, hosted by the **Friends of Defiance Public Library**, support services and programming at DPL.

Raffle tickets will also be available for purchase at the Defiance Development and Visitors' Bureau, 325 Clinton St., Defiance.

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 and attractions 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 offer free museum passes to DPLS library cardholders,” said Cara Potter, director of Defiance Public Library System.

Passes available for checkout include: **The Akron Zoo, the Armstrong Air & Space Museum, the Auburn Cord Duesenberg Automobile Museum, the Foellinger-Freimann Botanical Conservatory, the Fort Wayne Museum of Art, and Science Central Fort Wayne.** 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.

DEFIANCE PUBLIC LIBRARY SYSTEM

HOLIDAY CLOSURES

DECEMBER 11: CLOSED 11:30AM-2:30PM FOR
STAFF LUNCHEON

DECEMBER 24-26: CLOSED

DECEMBER 31: LIBRARIES CLOSE AT NOON

JANUARY 1: CLOSED



Santa Claus is Coming to Town!

Santa Claus will arrive at Defiance Public Library on December 6, 2024 at 5:10PM to join us for a special holiday Storytime session. Holiday crafts will also be available at the library from 1:00-5:00PM, and carolers will treat us to Christmas music beginning at 4:00PM. Santa and the carolers will sing a song before story time, and milk and cookies will be available while supplies last!

This special event is free and open to all families, sponsored by the Friends of Defiance Public Library & Defiance Development and Visitors' Bureau. No registration is needed.



Resource Spotlight: Points of View Reference Source

If you have yet to discover the Digital Resources page in the Resources menu at defiancelibrary.org, head over and check it out. There, you'll find handy resources like EBSCO's Points of View Reference Source. The Reference Source features essays on controversial subjects, spanning categories such as politics, culture, censorship, crime & punishment, health & medicine, and more. There even an "In the News" banner at the top of the page, helping you access different points of view on the topics that everyone is talking about. You can also browse by category and explore different takes on topics such as family-based immigration, 5G technology, deforestation, intelligent design, and much more. Hundreds of topics are covered, each with an overview, point, and counterpoint.



A LOOK AT WHAT'S TO COME...



SHERWOOD BRANCH PRESENTS

COOKIES WITH MRS. CLAUS

DECEMBER 14

10:00 AM - 12:30 PM

SHERWOOD BRANCH LIBRARY
117 N HARRISON ST, SHERWOOD

ALL AGES WELCOME
NO REGISTRATION REQUIRED

ENJOY STORIES, GAMES, & COOKIES
(WHILE SUPPLIES LAST) WITH MRS. CLAUS!

SPONSORED BY THE FRIENDS OF SBL!

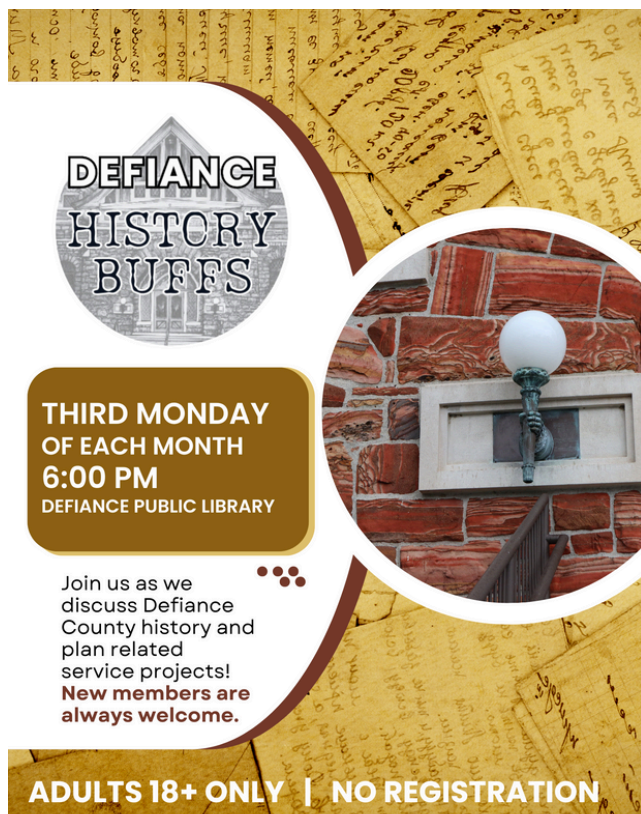


PINECONE CHRISTMAS TREE CRAFT

- ★ Monday, December 23, 2024
- ★ 5:00-6:30 PM
- ★ Johnson Memorial Library, 116 W. High St.

REGISTRATION REQUIRED
REGISTER: DEFIANCENLIBRARY.ORG/PINECONE OR CALL 419-542-6200

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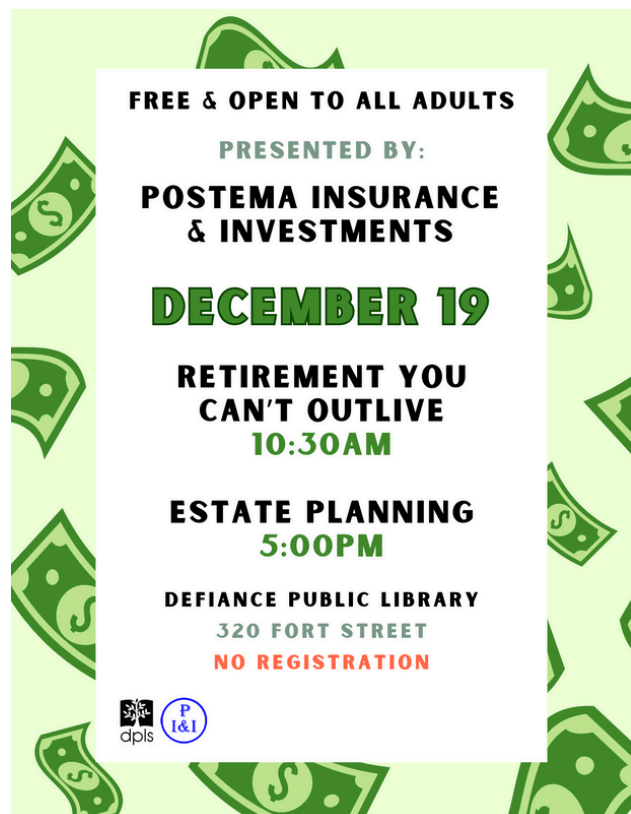



DEFIANCE HISTORY BUFFS

**THIRD MONDAY OF EACH MONTH
6:00 PM
DEFIANCE PUBLIC LIBRARY**

Join us as we discuss Defiance County history and plan related service projects! New members are always welcome.

ADULTS 18+ ONLY | NO REGISTRATION



FREE & OPEN TO ALL ADULTS


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DECEMBER 19

**RETIREMENT YOU CAN'T OUTLIVE
10:30AM**

**ESTATE PLANNING
5:00PM**

**DEFIANCE PUBLIC LIBRARY
320 FORT STREET
NO REGISTRATION**



In other news...

The Defiance Public Library System Board of Trustees will hold its regular monthly meeting on Wednesday, Dec. 18, beginning at 5:00PM at Defiance Public Library. Meetings of the board and its committees are open to the public.

New digital accessibility tools are now available at defiancelibrary.org. Click the accessibility icon at the bottom right of the screen to find a suite of tools ranging from translation and screen-masking to color options and more.

Romance readers, Defiance Public Library has formed a new book club just for you. The Swoon Society Book Club for adults 18+ meets at Defiance Public Library on the 4th Monday of each month from 6:00-7:00PM. To see what we're reading next, visit defiancelibrary.org/swoon

Read Along with us on Beanstack



Connect with your DPLS libraries and your fellow readers by downloading the Beanstack Tracker app today from the Apple or Google Play stores. There, you can participate in our reading challenges, read along with friends, earn badges and incentives, and more. Be sure to check it out!

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



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