

# Shelf Life

A monthly newsletter from Defiance Public Library System



## NEW MATERIALS AT DPLS

New bestsellers this week include "Buckeye," "Unbreakable: Go Strong. Live Long. Age with Power," and "Fearful." New movies this week include "NCIS Season 22," "The Art Detectives Series 1," and "Brokenwood Mysteries Series 11."

To get a list of our newest materials delivered right to your inbox each month, visit [wowbrary.org](http://wowbrary.org).



SEE OUR SEPTEMBER  
CALENDAR OF  
PROGRAMS & EVENTS

FIND OUT WHAT'S NEW  
AT OUR STORYWALKS

GET THE SCOOP ON  
STORY TIME IN DEFIANCE,  
SHERWOOD

NEW RESOURCE:  
EXPLORE EDUCATE  
STATION

HIDE-A-BOOK DAY  
RETURNS TO  
DOWNTOWN DEFIANCE

## The Sherwood StoryWalk: Now Located at Moats Park

We are excited to announce that the Sherwood StoryWalk – Defiance Public Library System's first StoryWalk – has relocated to Moats Park and is now ready for readers to enjoy! Visit now to read Coat of Many Colors by Dolly Parton, illustrated by Judith Sutton.

As you take your walk, you will come to posts containing pages of a picture book. By the time you have completed the walk, you will have read a book in its entirety. To sponsor a story at the Moats Park StoryWalk, contact the library at 419-899-4343.

Defiance-area residents can visit the Bronson Park StoryWalk (located between the Splash Pad and playground) now to read Hopefully a Scarecrow by Michelle Houts, illustrated by Sara Palacios. You'll find new stories at both StoryWalk locations monthly!



## Discover the Spanish Collection at DPL



Patrons who would like to check out Spanish-language reads will find a selection of books available in the fiction section at Defiance Public Library.

You can also search an assortment of Spanish titles in our online catalog. Just visit [defiancelibrary.org](http://defiancelibrary.org), use the search bar at the top or the link in the "Using the Library" menu to access the digital catalog, and filter the available options by language!



# NEW RESOURCE: LEARN ONLINE WITH CURRICULUM FROM EDUCATE STATION

Teachers, homeschooling families, or anyone looking for learn-from-home opportunities for kids now have a new resource at their fingertips courtesy of Defiance Public Library System (DPLS).

DPLS cardholders now have access to Educate Station, a digital/online resource offering full curriculums for grades pre-K through 5th, presented in a recommended learning sequence of printable packets.

Educate Station content is created by a team of experienced educators from across the United States, bringing vast subject-matter expertise, teaching credentials, and many years of experience as classroom teachers and curriculum developers. Subjects available include English language arts, math, science, social studies, social-emotional learning, and art.

Find Educate Station at [defiancelibrary.org](http://defiancelibrary.org) in the 'Resources' menu, or at [defiancelibrary.org/digital](http://defiancelibrary.org/digital), where you can browse the rest of DPLS' databases and digital resources. (To access Educate Station you must have a DPLS library card.)

For more information, contact the library at 419-782-1456.



# Hide-a-Book Day Returns!

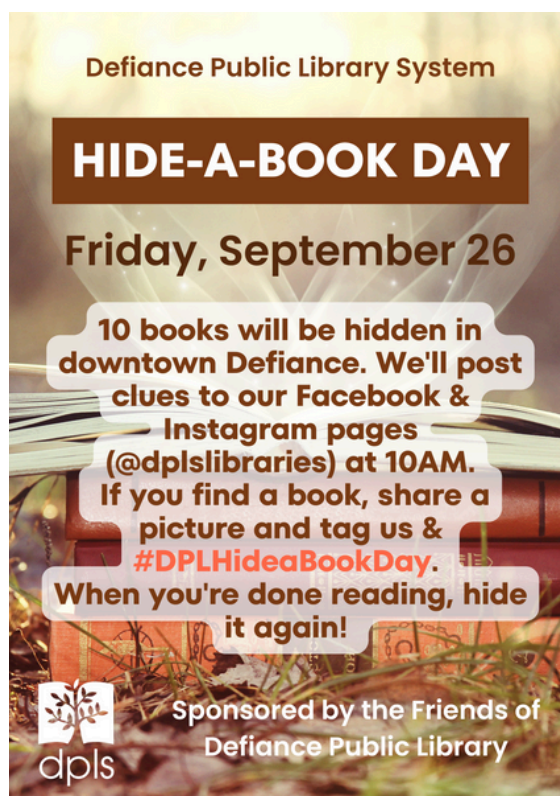
Hide-a-Book Day returns to downtown Defiance on Friday, September 26!

We'll hide 10 books (geared to adults) in the area. Clues as to their whereabouts can be found on our Facebook and Instagram pages (@dplslibraries) beginning at 10 a.m.

If you find a book, share a picture, tagging @dplslibraries and #DPLHideaBookDay

When you've finished the book, it's yours to keep or hide for another lucky reader to find!

Hide-a-Book Day is  
sponsored by The Friends  
of Defiance Public Library!



## Join us for Storytime in Defiance, Sherwood

Ages 2-6 are invited to Defiance Public Library every Tuesday from 11:00-11:30AM for Storytime from Sept. 9 through Nov. 4. Enjoy stories, songs, and rhymes for preschoolers. Read, Rhyme, and Romp for babies/toddlers takes place on the same days immediately before Storytime, at 10:30AM.

Ages 0-6 can also visit Defiance Public Library on Mondays from 5:30-6:00PM from Sept. 8 through Nov. 3 for Family Storytime! This special Storytime combines Tuesday's Storytime/Read, Rhyme & Romp sessions, and is perfect for busy families!

In addition, join us at Sherwood Branch Library every Thursday at 4:30PM from Sept. 18 through Nov. 13 for Family Storytime Tribe, where we'll enjoy reading, singing, dancing, and more.

Family Storytime Tribe is geared to ages 0-6, but all are welcome to attend. No registration is needed for these programs.

# A LOOK AT WHAT'S TO COME...

## CPR Training

At Defiance Public Library



Join us on Monday, September 22 from 4:00 – 7:00 PM for a hands-on training session in the Reading Room.

Four County will teach participants the essential techniques of administering CPR. This training can help you be prepared to save a life.



Register online at [defiancelibrary.org/cpr](http://defiancelibrary.org/cpr) or call 419-782-1456

## SEPTEMBER IS NATIONAL LIBRARY CARD SIGN-UP MONTH!



UNLOCK ENDLESS POSSIBILITIES WITH A LIBRARY CARD FROM DEFIANCE PUBLIC LIBRARY SYSTEM. VISIT US AT **DEFIANCE PUBLIC, SHERWOOD BRANCH, OR JOHNSON MEMORIAL (HICKSVILLE) LIBRARIES!**

### BENEFITS OF A DPLS LIBRARY CARD:

- FREE EBOOKS, AUDIOBOOKS, MOVIES, & MUSIC
- CHECK OUT MUSEUM & ATTRACTION PASSES
- ACCESS TO DOZENS OF ONLINE DATABASES
- CHECK OUT ITEMS FROM OUR "LIBRARY OF THINGS"
- HOMEBOUND MATERIALS DELIVERY

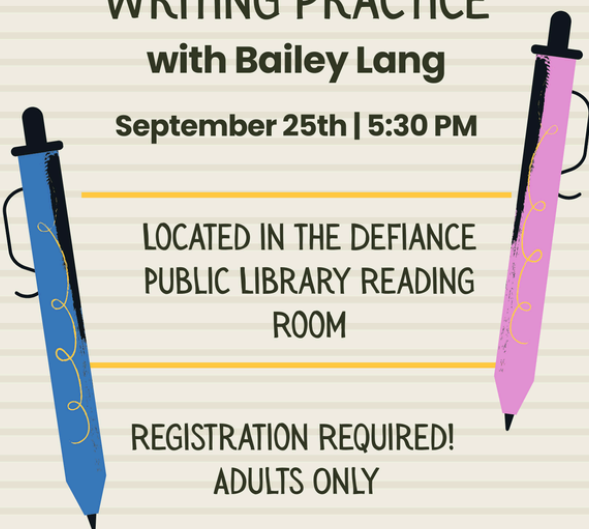
...AND SO MUCH MORE! SEE IT ALL AT

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Defiance Public Library Presents:

## CREATING A SUSTAINABLE WRITING PRACTICE with Bailey Lang

September 25th | 5:30 PM




LOCATED IN THE DEFIANCE PUBLIC LIBRARY READING ROOM

REGISTRATION REQUIRED!  
ADULTS ONLY

To Register call 419 – 782 – 1456 or Visit [defiancelibrary.org/practice](http://defiancelibrary.org/practice)

The Friends of Sherwood Branch Library present:

## Trivia on Tap



Prizes for 1st & 2nd place!

Full food & drink menu available for purchase!

October 14, 2025  
**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!



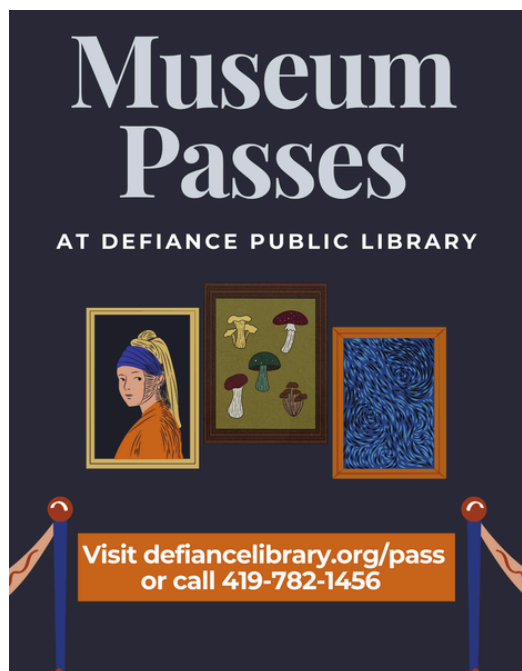
## In other news...

Defiance Public Library is now a sign-up location for the 'Ohio Library for the Blind & Print Disabled' program. This free program offers eligible patrons an audio player and cartridges (up to 3 at a time) with up to 24 books per cartridge. For more information, call 419-782-1456 ext. 1201.

The Defiance Public Library System Board of Trustees will hold its regular monthly meeting on Wednesday, September 24, beginning at 5PM at Johnson Memorial Library. Members of the public are welcome and encouraged to attend.

The History Buffs local history club meets on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Monday of each month beginning at 6PM at Defiance Public Library. All adults with a passion for local history and related service projects are welcome to attend, and no registration is needed.

## TAKE A TRIP WITH YOUR LIBRARY CARD



Use your Defiance Public Library System library card to check out a museum or attraction pass! Explore the Fort Wayne Museum of Art, the Armstrong Air & Space Museum, Science Central Fort Wayne, and more! Passes can be picked up at Defiance Public Library. (Note, you cannot place a hold on a pass using the online catalog; please call ahead to reserve a pass.)

For complete program details & a list of available locations, visit [defiancelibrary.org/pass](http://defiancelibrary.org/pass).

**The Museum Pass Program is sponsored by the Friends of Defiance Public Library!**



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**Johnson Memorial Library**  
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**Sherwood Branch Library**  
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