

# Shelf Life

A MONTHLY NEWSLETTER FROM DEFIANCE PUBLIC LIBRARY SYSTEM



## NEW MATERIALS AT DPLS

New bestsellers include "Felicia's Favorites," "Want to Know a Secret?," and "American Struggle: Democracy, Dissent, and the Pursuit of a More Perfect Union." New movies this week include "Zootopia 2," "All Creatures Great and Small: Season 6," and "Hamnet."

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



SEE OUR MARCH CALENDAR OF PROGRAMS & EVENTS

JOIN US FOR AN IRISH FESTIVAL AT DEFIANCE PUBLIC LIBRARY!

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## CELEBRATE ALL THINGS IRISH AT DEFIANCE PUBLIC LIBRARY

Join us at Defiance Public Library on March 14 from 11:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. for a celebration of all things Irish during our Irish Festival.

A lively storyteller will share some Irish tales, and we'll learn about the lives of Irish immigrants who came to northwest Ohio. We'll be welcoming special guests Dr. Agnes Caldwell of Defiance College, and TAG Art Company. Refreshments will be available while supplies last.

The Irish Festival is geared to adults, free to attend, and open to the public. No registration is necessary.

**Thank you to the Friends of Defiance Public Library for sponsoring this special event!**

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## SHERWOOD FRIENDS TO HOST 'TRIVIA ON TAP'

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

**Trivia on Tap**

**March 24, 2026**  
**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!**

**Bonus round available for \$1 per person!**

The Friends of Sherwood Branch Library will host a 'Trivia on Tap' fundraiser on March 24 at Iron Horse Brews, 101 N. Harrison St., Sherwood.

Doors will open at 5 p.m., and trivia begins at 6 p.m. The cost is \$10 per person at the door to play six rounds of trivia, with a bonus round offered for an additional \$1 per person. A full food and drink menu will be available for purchase.

Proceeds from the event support programming and services at Sherwood Branch Library. The winning team will receive a cash prize.

To register a trivia team, or for more information, contact the library at 419-899-4343. Walk-ins are welcome to play too!

# DPL RECEIVES GIFT OF NEW 3D PRINTER

## VISIT THE MAKERSPACE TO TRY IT FOR YOURSELF!

An anonymous donor recently gifted a new, state-of-the-art 3D printer, along with a handheld Einstar 3D scanner, to the MakerSpace at Defiance Public Library. The printer, a Bambu Lab H2C, arrived Feb. 19, and is already expected to make a big impact.

The Bambu Lab H2C is a powerful, fully enclosed 3D printer designed to make professional-quality printing fast, reliable, and easy. It offers a generous build area of approximately 330 × 320 × 325 mm, ultra-fast print speeds up to 1,000 mm/s, and the ability to automatically switch between multiple nozzles for multi-color printing.

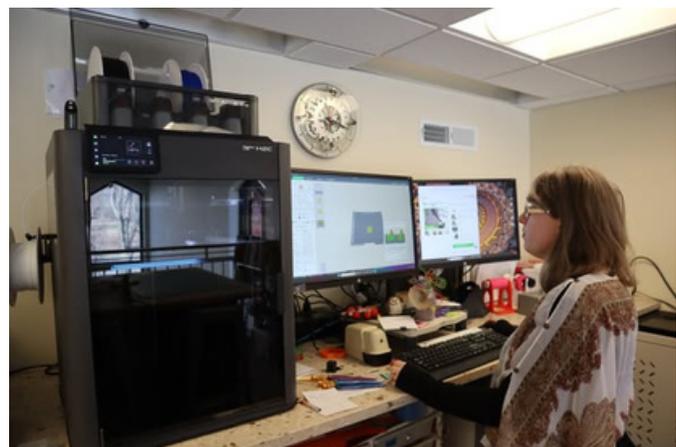
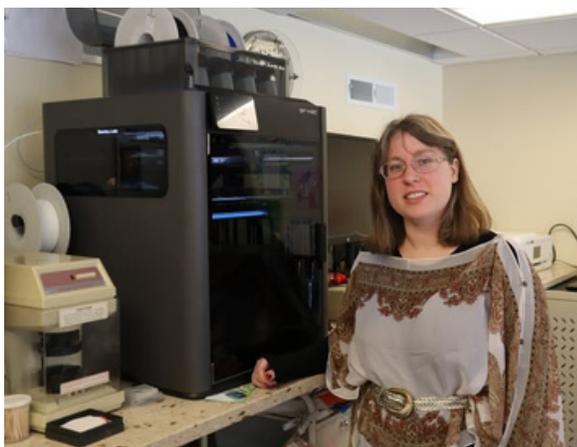
Unlike the library’s other printer, which requires filament to be flushed before switching colors, the H2C’s switchable extruder heads reduce plastic waste and significantly lower print costs. It will also help reduce demand on the library’s Bambu Lab X1C, which has been running almost nonstop. The library is also phasing out its MakerBot Replicator+, as the machine is no longer supported.

The cost savings are already clear. Tennis ball magnets recently printed for Defiance High School students’ lockers – roughly the size of half of a real tennis ball – cost \$1.22 each on the new printer, compared to \$4.11 on the X1C.

Community members interested in 3D printing can design their own creations using Tinkercad ([tinkercad.com](https://tinkercad.com)) or download ready-made files from sites like Thingiverse ([thingiverse.com](https://thingiverse.com)) and MakerWorld ([makerworld.com](https://makerworld.com)).

“We are very grateful for our donor, who has made it possible for us to provide this service to the community,” Bolley said.

For more information, or to schedule an appointment to try it out for yourself, contact Bolley at 419-782-1456 ext. 1108 or [cbolley@defiancelibrary.org](mailto:cbolley@defiancelibrary.org).



**EMERGING TECHNOLOGIES LEAD CARA BOLLEY IS PICTURED WITH DPL’S NEW 3D PRINTER**

# APPLY TO BE A VENDOR AT ART IN THE PARK

The Friends of Defiance Public Library are now accepting vendor applications for Art in the Park 2026.

The 44<sup>th</sup> annual Art in the Park event is set to take place on Sunday, June 28, from 10 a.m.-4 p.m. at the Fort Grounds/on Fort Street near Defiance Public Library.

This family friendly event features dozens of arts and crafts vendors, children’s activities, a Friends of DPL book sale fundraiser, food vendors, and live entertainment throughout the day. Vendor applications are available to download now at [defiancelibrary.org](http://defiancelibrary.org). The deadline to apply is June 13.

For more information contact Laura Rath Connor at 419-296-0773 or [Laura\\_43512@yahoo.com](mailto:Laura_43512@yahoo.com).



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- Live entertainment
- Food vendors
- Children’s activities
- Friends of DPL book sale

Download a vendor application form at [defiancelibrary.org](http://defiancelibrary.org)

The deadline to apply is June 13



**NOW ACCEPTING BOOK DONATIONS!**

The Friends of Defiance Public Library are now taking book donations!

Proceeds from Friends book sales support our programming and services!

LEARN MORE AT [DEFIANCELIBRARY.ORG/DONATIONS](http://DEFIANCELIBRARY.ORG/DONATIONS)

The Friends of Defiance Public Library are now accepting book donations for their upcoming book sale fundraisers (see next page for more information).

Proceeds from the Friends of DPL’s book sales directly support programs and services at Defiance Public Library.

To make an appointment to drop off a book donation, please contact the library at 419-782-1456. For more information, visit [defiancelibrary.org/donations](http://defiancelibrary.org/donations).

## TAX FORMS NOW AVAILABLE AT DPLS LIBRARIES

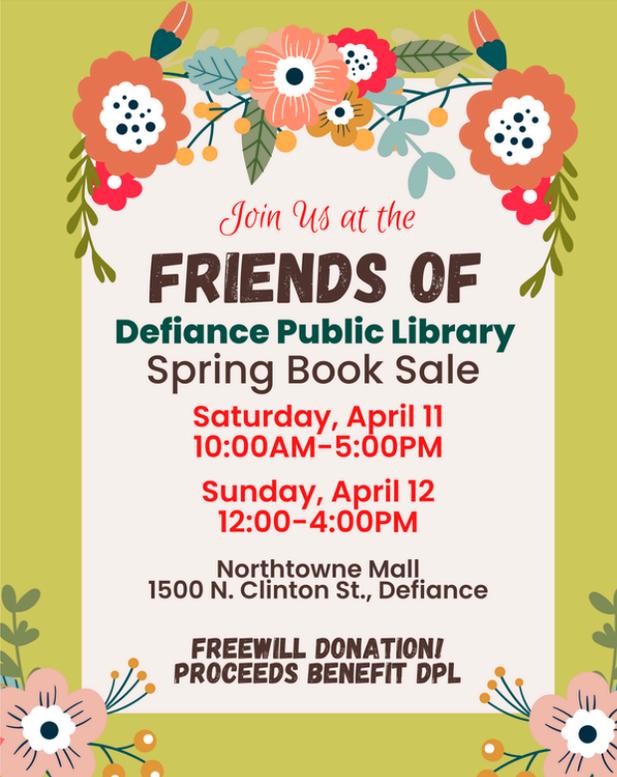
Tax season is here, and 1040 and 1040-SR forms and instruction booklets are now available at all DPLS library locations (Defiance, Hicksville, Sherwood).

If you need a different form, we can print them at the library for .15 cents per page.

Please note, we cannot assist in determining which form you need, or with filling out the forms themselves.



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



Join Us at the

## FRIENDS OF Defiance Public Library Spring Book Sale

**Saturday, April 11**  
10:00AM-5:00PM

**Sunday, April 12**  
12:00-4:00PM

Northtowne Mall  
1500 N. Clinton St., Defiance

**FREEWILL DONATION/ PROCEEDS BENEFIT DPL**

*Are you interested in*

### STARTING A CHILD CARE PROGRAM IN YOUR HOME?

**April 16th**  
**10:30-12:30pm**



**Defiance County Main Library**  
320 Fort St. Defiance OH, 43512

Join our in person class to get all the information and support to start a legitimate and sustainable, in home child care business.

*Call or email us to register!*  
tgreenberg@ywcanwo.org

**YWCA Child Care Resource & Referral is here to help you!**

- Work from home
- Be your own boss
- Begin a new career
- Provide quality care

**YWCA IS ON A MISSION**

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Contact:  
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## AUTHOR VISIT:

# DAWN BURNS

Saturday  
April 4, 2026  
11:00AM  
Defiance Public Library



**READING FROM HER NEW BOOK, A GREEN GLOW ON THE HORIZON**

ALSO FEATURING ILLUSTRATORS  
MARY CATHERINE HARPER  
& JAN BECHTEL

FREE & OPEN TO ALL ADULTS  
NO REGISTRATION

Celebrating National Poetry Month

# Poetry, Nah!

with Susan Paulus

APRIL 13 | 6:00PM  
Defiance Public Library



Join us for this free poetry workshop, explore several styles of poetry, & create your own poem!

Open to adults  
No registration



# In other news...

Please note: The Newspaper Archive platform has experienced an outage, and the service is expected to remain unavailable through the month. The company is working to restore service as quickly as possible. Thank you for your patience.

The Defiance Public Library System Board of Trustees will hold its regular monthly meeting on Wednesday, March 25, beginning at 5PM at Sherwood Branch Library. Members of the public are welcome and encouraged to attend.

The Friends of Johnson Memorial Library will host their annual Plant and Sip fundraiser on 4/24 at April's Greenhouse in Bryan. Get your tickets (\$150/table for four) at the main desk at Johnson Memorial Library.

## 5 signs you need #LitPicks

You have three or fewer books left in your to-be-read pile

You've been disappointed by your last few reads



You dream about "book worlds" and not the actual, real world

Spending hours browsing the shelves isn't your cup of tea

You fear boredom

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

Looking for something new to read? Let us help! Visit [defiancelibrary.org/picks](http://defiancelibrary.org/picks) and answer a few questions, then one of our staffers will prepare monthly book recommendations just for you! You will receive at least 2 recommendations each month via email, and you can cancel the service at any time. LitPicks book recommendations are available to readers age 16+.

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