Friends Forum

Friends of the Delaware County District Library
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Summer 2026

Mark Your Calendars!

Summer means fun, sun, and reading! DCDL's **Summer Reading Club** runs from **June 1st - July 31st** with prizes, programs, and activities for all ages. Go to any DCDL branch to sign up and learn more!

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Summer also means parks, music, and books! The Friends will hand out children's books at the **Powell Lolli-Pops! Concerts** on **June 1st, 15th and 29th, July 13th and 27th, and August 10th.**

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We want you ready for a summer of reading so we have **three summer book sales** for your enjoyment:

Liberty Branch	**June 13th**	**9 AM - 2 PM**
Delaware Branch	**June 26th**	**4-7 PM**
	June 27th	**9 AM - 2 PM**
Liberty Branch	**August 8th**	**9 AM - 2 PM**

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For Friends members only, get a **"Behind the Scenes with Bryan" tour of the new Operations Center on June 18th.** Lunch included! Get your ticket at our website.

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Our Members Only Book Groups are open to all Friends! Check our website for the latest book selections. The **Evening Book Group** meets on **June 23rd and August 25th,** and the **Afternoon Book Group** meets on **July 28th**.

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What better time to learn about our nation's founding than during this semiquincentennial summer? Tickets are now on sale for our **Author Visit** with **Laura Kamoie on Thursday, June 25th.** Kamoie will discuss *A Founding Mother - A Novel of Abigail Adams*. This sweeping, intimate portrayal of Abigail Adams - wife of one president and mother to another - shows how her wit, willpower, and wisdom helped shape the fledgling republic. Included with your ticket is a copy of the novel and a delicious buffet of some of Abigail's favorite dishes to serve to guests. Buy your tickets at our website: *www.delawarelibraryfriends.org/author-visits.*

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Changes to our event calendar will be posted on social media and our website. Follow us on Facebook, Instagram and LinkedIn.

Night at the Races Recap

Our Third Annual Night at the Races on April 30th surpassed our expectations, bringing in over $28,000 from sponsorships, ticket sales, horse naming, race bids and auctions.

Highlighting the auction was the right to name and place the first bench we received from our plastic bag recycling efforts. Ty and Gabbie Kashmiry donated $2300 and will place the bench at Liberty Branch.

We thank our generous sponsors for their support:

Jill King and Zettler Hardware
Buckeye State Bank
First Citizens National Bank
CME Federal Credit Union
Sun Cruiser
Recipe Express
Owens Construction, Anonymous

Thank you to everyone who participated, donated, and assisted in this successful fundraiser. See you at the races next year!

Committee Chairs Needed

We are in need of dedicated people to chair the Finance committee and "Bags to Benches" project. We also are seeking a Volunteers Committee co-chair.

We also would like to grow our Membership and Outreach Committees with new volunteers.

To learn more about any of these opportunities, contact Nichole Klatte at president@delawarelibraryfriends.org.

Welcome New Friends Members!

Olufunmilayo Abolarin	Darice Allard	Jerron Brown
Elmer Cabotage	Tory Cagnon	Jennifer Clark
Cathy Coen	Abhijeeth Dandothbar	Andrew DeLong
Christine Dills	Ashley Eberle	Meghan Francis
Brianna Grohoske	Barbara Hale	Gabriella Kashmiry
Diana Keplinger	Amanda Luskin	Michael Mitchell
Lalitha Natarajan	Stacey Neff	Jon Paton
Maria Penn	Barbara Petrella	Erica Rampelberg
Lesley Reed	Elizabeth Rozycki	Sandy Sainey
Cassie Screngi	Shannon Taylor	Stephanie Thompson
Alison Verdes	Florance Yatchisin	

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Keep Current with the Friends!

For up-to-date info on ticket releases, events and more!

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Facebook: **Friends of the Delaware Library (@FriendsoftheDelawareLibrary)**

Instagram: **Delaware Library Friends**

Website: delawarelibraryfriends.org

Email: Make sure the Friends have your **preferred email address.** Send it to *membership@delawarelibraryfriends.org*.

Not receiving our email? Please check your spam folder for event notices, newsletters and other information. You can unsubscribe if you choose. Your email address is not shared beyond the Friends and DCDL.

Welcome New Board Members!

We are delighted to welcome three new Board Members to the Friends of the Delaware County District Library Board.

Anna Fallieras brings over 25 years of experience in corporate and market strategy to her role leading the Nominations & Strategic Planning committee. A self-proclaimed bookworm, Anna values education, personal expansion and curiosity.

Gabriella Kashmiry leads our Publicity team with over 15 years of experience in advertising and project management. She has a deep commitment to philanthropy, improving the lives of young people, and supporting the local community.

Monika Torrence brings a background in technology and customer service and development to lead the Outreach team. She looks forward to contributing a collaborative spirit, strategic thinking, and local ties to this role.

Did you know?

The Maker Studios at Delaware and Liberty Branches are now open full-time, matching the hours of the rest of the library? New equipment has been recently added! Schedule time now for that project you've been dreaming about.

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