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NEWSLETTER



DELPHOS PUBLIC LIBRARY

<https://www.delphoslibrary.org>

ABOUT

309 West Second St.
Delphos, OH 45833

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Monday - Friday: 9 am to 6 pm

Saturday: 9 am - 12 pm

Sunday: Closed

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LIBRARY NEWS:

Get ready to party with pages during National Library Week, from April 19-25, 2026! We're throwing an adult prize drawing bonanza—drop by and toss your name in the hat for a chance to snag some fabulous goodies. The lucky draw happens on April 28, 2026, and if you win, we'll ring you up with the good news.

This year's celebration theme is "FIND YOUR JOY," showcasing the delight libraries bring. Swing by to uncover what tickles your fancy and sparks joy in our literary wonderland!

PUZZLE SWAP

GOT A JIGSAW FEVER? READY TO PIECE TOGETHER A NEW ADVENTURE? SWING BY AND EXPLORE OUR LATEST BRAIN-TEASER BONANZA!

HERE'S THE DEAL:

- PERUSE OUR PUZZLE PARADISE.
- GRAB ONE OR TWO GEMS.
- CHECK IN WITH OUR FRONT DESK CLERK TO LET THEM KNOW YOUR TAKE-HOME TREASURES.
- RETURN THEM WHENEVER THE PUZZLE BUG STRIKES AGAIN.
- FANCY A SWAP? TRADE IT WITH ONE OF YOUR OWN BRAIN-BENDERS!

SWAPPING YOUR OWN PUZZLE?

- MAKE SURE IT'S IN TIP-TOP SHAPE (ALL PIECES ACCOUNTED FOR, NO PEELING, BOX INTACT).

GOT SOME EXTRAS?

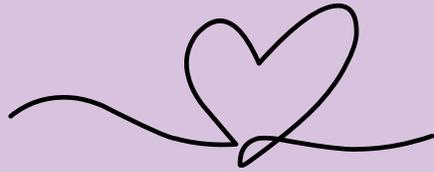
HAND YOUR DONATION TO OUR STAFF FOR A QUICK QUALITY CHECK BEFORE IT JOINS THE FUN.

Adult Computer Classes

April, May & June:
Wednesday from 2-3 pm @ The Library

More Information call us at 419-695-4015





Early Literacy Play Area Update

We're excited to share our newly updated Early Literacy Play Area!

These updates were made possible through our American Library Association Libraries Transforming Communities: Accessible Small and Rural Communities grant, which is helping us create spaces that are more inclusive, responsive, and supportive for children who experience the world differently.

As part of this work, we've added sensory kits and partnered with KultureCity and Opportunities for Ohioans with Disabilities to train our staff on best practices for serving patrons with disabilities. The play area itself has been expanded to include features like a sensory tunnel where children can step away and regulate when needed, fidget items such as push-and-peel pads, tactile blocks, and other hands on materials that encourage safe sensory exploration.

We also expanded our story bins, giving children the opportunity to move, play, and act out stories as they're read, an approach that helps children who need movement and interaction stay engaged with books in a meaningful way.

We know families love our cloud light covers, and we have even more on the way! These help soften fluorescent lighting and reduce visual overwhelm, and soon the entire children's section will benefit from calmer, more comfortable lighting. In the coming months, we'll also be introducing portable bubble tubes for in-library use and for area organizations to borrow to create sensory friendly spaces at their own events, along with small furniture updates in both the main library and our 1st Edition Building to better support sensory seeking children during storytime and library visits.

We're proud of this work and excited about what it means for our community. This project reflects our commitment to listening, learning, and creating a library where children and families feel supported, understood, and welcome.



ADULT SUMMER READING PROGRAM

Delphos Public Library



UNEARTH A STORY™

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Adult Summer Read Begins

Pick up your reading log and incentive prize. Start Reading!

JULY
11

Last Day of Summer Read

JULY
17

Turn In Your Reading Log

JULY
20

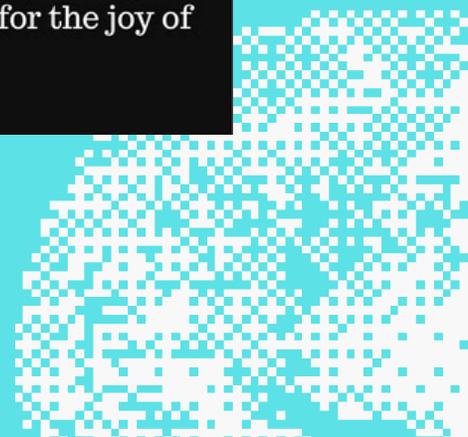
Prize Drawing

If you have won a prize we will notify you by phone.

Welcome to Our Reading Adventure!

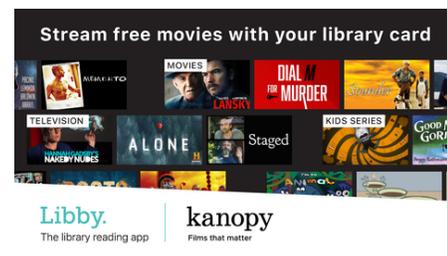
Thank you for joining us on this exciting reading journey! Your challenge, if you choose to accept it, is to enjoy any ****eight reading treasures**** between June 1 and July 11. You can indulge in books, audiobooks, eBooks, e-audiobooks, e-magazines, magazines, or newspapers—it's entirely up to you!

Feel free to stop by the front desk to check out the amazing prizes you could win! And remember, if you want to keep reading just for the joy of it, go ahead! 📖🌟



AT A GLANCE

We offer the following databases free with your library card and pin number.



Check out our research page here
<https://www.delphoslibrary.org/research>



CHILDREN & TEEN PROGRAMS

Curious about our kids & teen
programs? Give us a ring at
(419)-695-4015

April 8, 2026 - Homeschool Hangout 10:00 - 11:00 am in the First Edition Building

April 13, 2026 - Library Playdate 400 - 5:00 pm in the First Edition Building

April 23, 2026 - Terrible Teddy Workshop 4:00 - 5:00 pm in the First Edition Building
Ages 8 and up.

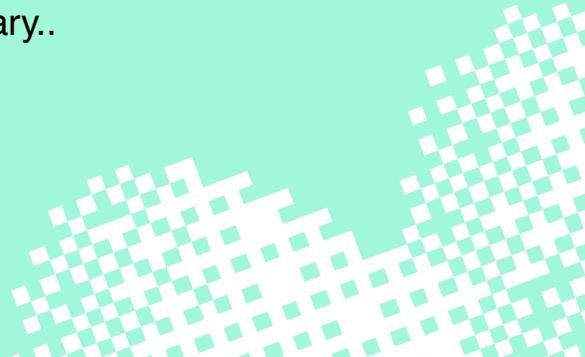
May 2, 2026 - Preschool Prom 10:00 am - 12:00pm in the First Edition Building Ages 5 and
under.

May 6, 2026 - Homeschool Hangout 10:00 - 11:00 am in the First Edition Building

May 26, 2026 - UNEARTH A STORY 9:00am - 2:00 pm Signup for our summer reading
program. Program is for Preschool, K-5, and teens.

Teen Room - April 9, 16, 30 3:00 - 4:00 pm Upstairs in main library.

May 7, 14 3:00 - 4:00 pm Upstairs in main library..

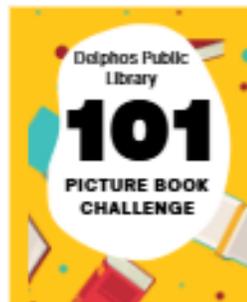


Reading Challenges



It sounds like a lot, but trust us...just a few read alouds a day and your child will be zooming through milestones. Reading to children improves their attention span, vocabulary, print awareness, and provides a great chance for some quality time!

Ask at the circulation desk to sign-up!



Does your family love picture books? Then this challenge is perfect for you! Grab a log and start working your way through. You'll earn a small book to keep and serious bragging rights.

Simply grab a log in the children's section!

Don't forget: Swing by and check out our brand new collection of kids' books! They're hanging out on the orange book cart in the children's area, ready for their debut!





Discover These Exciting New Books For Adults

April Titles:

The Mother Daughter Book Club by Susan Patterson & James Patterson

The Patchwork Players by Jennifer Chiverini

A Woman's Place by Danielle Steel

Clawed and Dangerous by Rita Mae Brown

May Titles:

Summer State of Mind by Kristy Woodson Harvey

Ode to Bones by Carolyn Haines

The Final Target by Nora Roberts

One Perfect Summer by Carley Fortune

The Shippers by Katherine center

June Titles:

Road Trips by Mary Kay Andrews

When You Loved Me by Beatriz Andrews

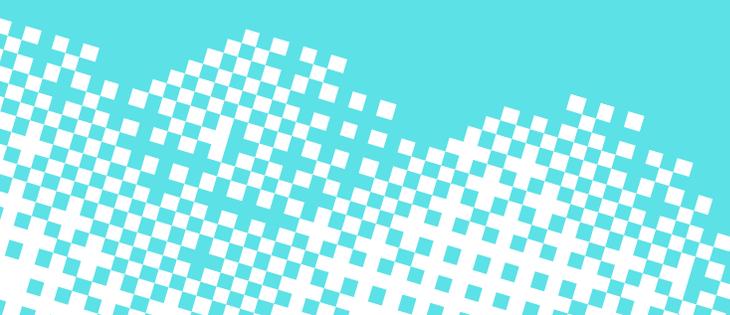
Storm Tide by Paul Doiron

It Could Have Been Her by Lisa Jewell

Stuart Wood's Deep Water by Stuart Woods & Brett Battles

To check for availability and to place a hold:

https://ohio.ent.sirsi.net/client/en_US/del/



Library History

The original Carnegie Library was opened to Delphos residents in 1912. The library was built and furnished for \$11,785, in the center of a city park, surrounded by 45 maple trees.

The first year of operation the Library was open 36 hours per week. The total number of volumes owned by the Library was 1,915 and the total number of items circulated for the year was 4,509.

In 1960 a bond issue was passed by Delphos residents to construct a new Library addition of 8,300 square feet at a cost of \$150,000. The first year after this addition was in operation, the Library was open for 60 hours per week. The total number of volumes owned by the Library at this time was 28,447 and the total number of items circulated was 68,501.



Over the years the Delphos Public Library has seen much growth in its services and staff members. The Library was open to the public 60 hours per week in 1998.



A new addition was begun in the summer of 2005 with a total of 3,683 square feet at a cost of approximately \$430,000. An open house was held April 2, 2006 to show the new addition to the community.



Memorials and Gifts Donation Form

A gift to the Delphos Public Library is a meaningful way to honor a loved one and benefits the entire community. Whether given as a memorial, recognition of a happy occasion, or an expression of honor and esteem, a gift to the library is a satisfying way to remember someone special.

Cake Pans

Borrow a cake pan from us to bake for a holiday or a special family event. One pan may be checked out on a Delphos Public Library Adult Library Card. The pan can be checked out for 7 days with one renewal. Fines for pans returned late are \$.50 per day. The pans must be returned clean and washed. There will be a \$1.00 charge for a pan returned dirty. A \$4.00 fine will be charged if instructions are not returned with pan. Return borrowed pans to the front desk of the library, do not return in the bookdrop.

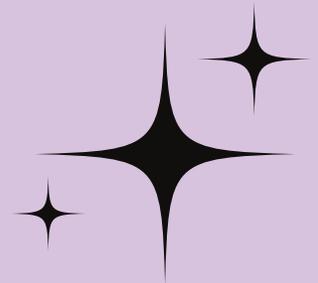
Need a Mobile Hotspot? Call us @ (419)-695-4015 for more information. Our Mobile Hotspot collection has grown.



PageTurners Book Club

The book club meets the second Monday of every month from 10am to 11am. New members are welcome.

April 13, 2026 - May 11, 20026 Daughter of Fortune by Isabell Allende
May 11, 2026 - June 8, 2026 Thunderstruck by Eric Larson





Keep flipping through those pages! Until we meet again, enjoy your reading.

Don't forget to keep an eye out for our upcoming newsletter in July.

