

## Mark Your Calendars!

### Finish 2024 with the Friends of DCDL

Interested in learning more about the Friends of DCDL - what we did in 2024 and our plans for 2025? Join us on **November 7 at 6 pm at Liberty Branch for our Annual Meeting**. Our guest speakers are Kimberlee Kiehl (Executive Director) and David Weaver (Past Executive Director) of Ohioana Library, who will present on The Ohio Literary Trail. And there will be a chili bar! Bring a Friend - even a friend who's not a Friend - for an entertaining evening. Please RSVP at our website use the link in the Friends email you received.



In time for holiday shopping, we will host our final Book & Media Sale of 2024. Go to **Liberty Branch on November 16 from 10 am - 3 pm** for bargains galore!



You can still join our new **Friends Book Groups!** The Afternoon Group will meet **November 19 at 2 pm**. The Evening Group will hold a Holiday Book Exchange over dinner on **December 17 at 6:30 pm**. All Friends of DCDL members are welcome to join the book groups. One time or every time! For more information or to be added to the email list, please contact the group facilitators at [bookgroup@delawarelibraryfriends.org](mailto:bookgroup@delawarelibraryfriends.org).



Details on these events will be emailed to Friends members and are available at [delawarelibraryfriends.org](http://delawarelibraryfriends.org).

## In Memory of Linda Silverstein



With great sadness we bid farewell to our dear Friend, Linda Silverstein, who passed away on September 16, 2024. She served on the Friends Board as Secretary since 2016 and led our Outreach Committee. An avid reader and retired science teacher, Linda touched all areas of the Friends, participating in countless meetings, working book sales, fundraising, and promoting the Friends organization tirelessly in outreach efforts in Powell and Delaware County. The work she did, and the relationships she made, remain as a testament to her generous heart and her love of books and libraries.

We offer condolences to her beloved husband, Jerry.

## In Kenn Kaufman's Words

An excerpt from Kenn on Facebook on 10/19/24:

*"To my fellow authors: if you get an invitation to speak at the Delaware County District Library (Ohio), go for it! I gave a program about my book, The Birds That Audubon Missed, at their beautiful new Liberty branch (in Powell, OH) on Thursday night, and it was a great experience.*

*I hope the citizens of Delaware County, Ohio, realize how lucky they are to have such an excellent library system and parks system. I felt lucky to be invited there, and I'm already looking forward to my next visit."*

## Author Visit Recap

Many thanks to Kenn Kaufman, Preservation Parks, and the organizers of his Author Visit/Bird Walk on October 17th and 18th! A large audience of experienced birders and newbies alike learned from this Ohio naturalist, author and artist. See "In Kenn's Kaufman's Words" to the right for his thoughts on his experience.



Discussion, Q&A and book signing at Liberty Branch Community Room



Bird Walk at Deer Haven Park, managed by Preservation Parks

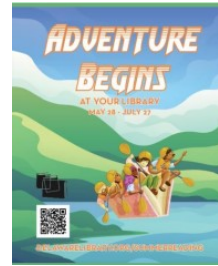
## Helping our Indian Lake Neighbors

The library in Lakeview, Ohio (Logan County) was destroyed by a tornado on March 14, 2024. They lost all their furniture, equipment, and books - except for 150 books that were checked out. The Friends of DCDL offered to help them restock their shelves. Steve and Donna Jackson sorted through our donations to find a variety of materials to help rebuild their collection. In September, the Jacksons delivered 710 books and media to the Logan County Library.



## How the Friends Benefit DCDL

As the “booster club” for DCDL, we raise funds and provide volunteer assistance for various DCDL programs. Here’s a sample of our direct contributions to DCDL in 2024.



### Summer Reading Club Funding for:

- Youth Prize Books
- Teen Prize Books
- Outside Programmers

### Providing Friends Volunteers for DCDL Events and Programs including:

- Geekfest
- Delaware County Developmental Disabilities Block Party
- Bundling Summer Reading Club (SRC) materials to distribute at schools
- SRC Kickoff/Polaris Kidzfest
- Sourcepoint Wellness Event
- Memorial Day and July 4th Parades
- Harvest Fair at Stratford Ecological Center
- In-Service Day/Staff Appreciation

These activities are *in addition to the thousands of hours Friends volunteer each year* for book sorting, book sales, Board and committee meetings, community outreach, fundraising, planning special events like Author Visits and Young Writers Workshops, and more! Why do we do it? We love and support our Library!

## Traveling Friends - Share Pics with Us!

Do you visit libraries when you travel? We bet you do! Reena Chaba visited the Amsterdam Public Library near the Central Station in June 2023. Thanks for sharing! Send a picture of a library you visited to [newsletter@delawarelibraryfriends.org](mailto:newsletter@delawarelibraryfriends.org) for inclusion in a future newsletter.



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## Keep Current with the Friends!



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

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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 Friends Members!

Karen Everhart	Sue Helmreich
Paula Keil	Jaime Klausner
Brenda McCuque	Mulugeta Mengistu
Diana Morgan	Jennifer Pugh
Debbie Rake	Gene Reid
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