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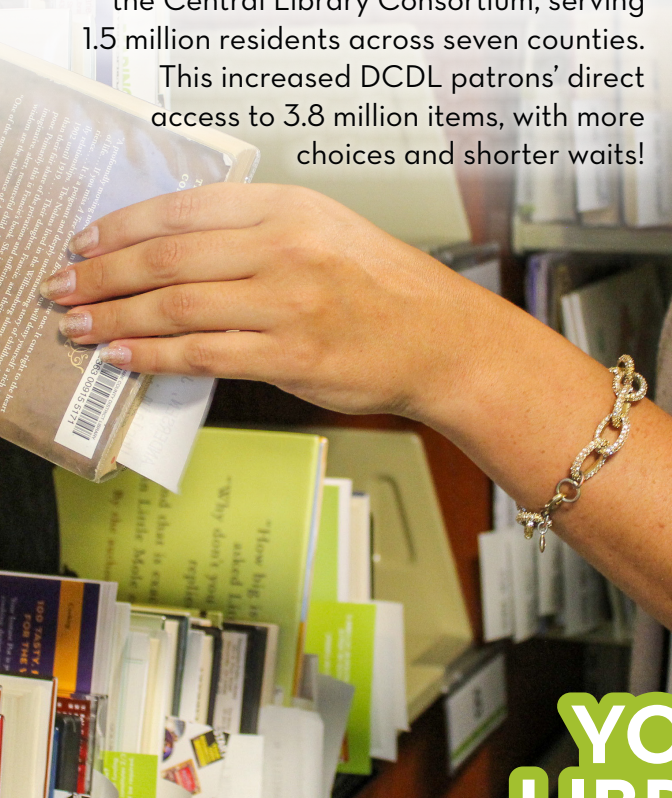
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**JANUARY 2018** • A brand new Bookmobile debuted, increasing the reach of the Community & Family Outreach Services Department by allowing for community stops in underserved areas of the county. Patrons are invited into the Bookmobile to browse and check out materials. It makes regular visits to 27 preschools, 14 senior facilities, and 1 school, seeing nearly 600 patrons every three weeks, and averaging 8,000 miles driven every year!



**MARCH 2018** • The Delaware County District Library went live as one of 17 members of the Central Library Consortium, serving 1.5 million residents across seven counties. This increased DCDL patrons' direct access to 3.8 million items, with more choices and shorter waits!

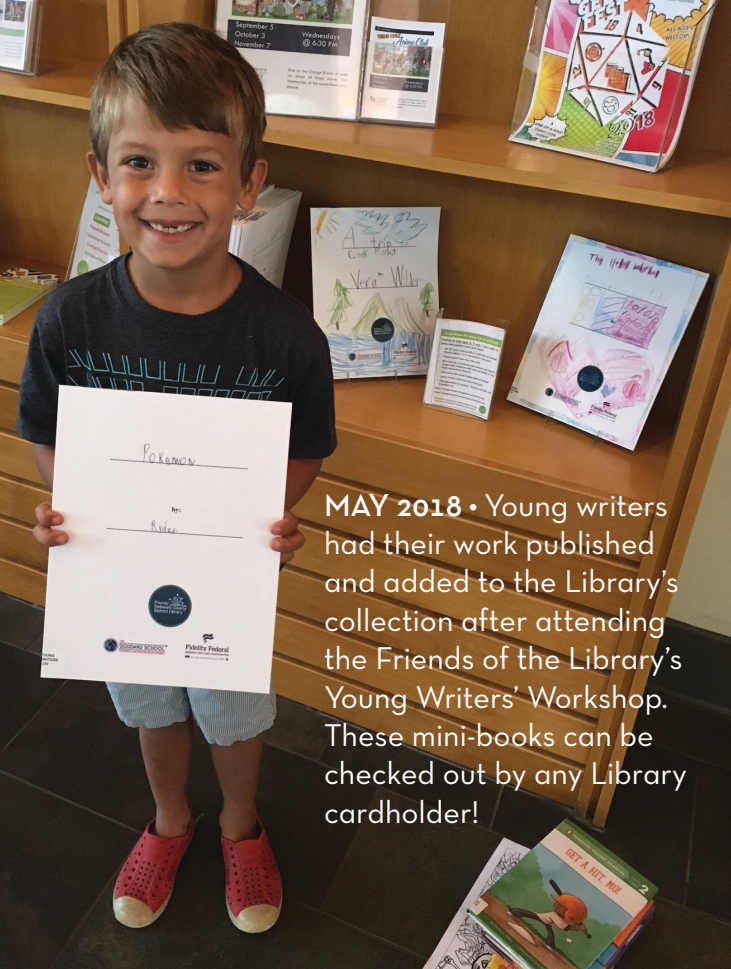


**APRIL 2018** • After more than 40 years in library service and 16 at DCDL, Youth Services Manager Connie Pottle retired. She led the evolution of library services to children in Delaware County.



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**MAY 2018** • Young writers had their work published and added to the Library's collection after attending the Friends of the Library's Young Writers' Workshop. These mini-books can be checked out by any Library cardholder!



**AUGUST 2018** • Online streaming movies and job training videos were added to the list of resources through subscriptions to Kanopy and Lynda.com - all free access for patrons.

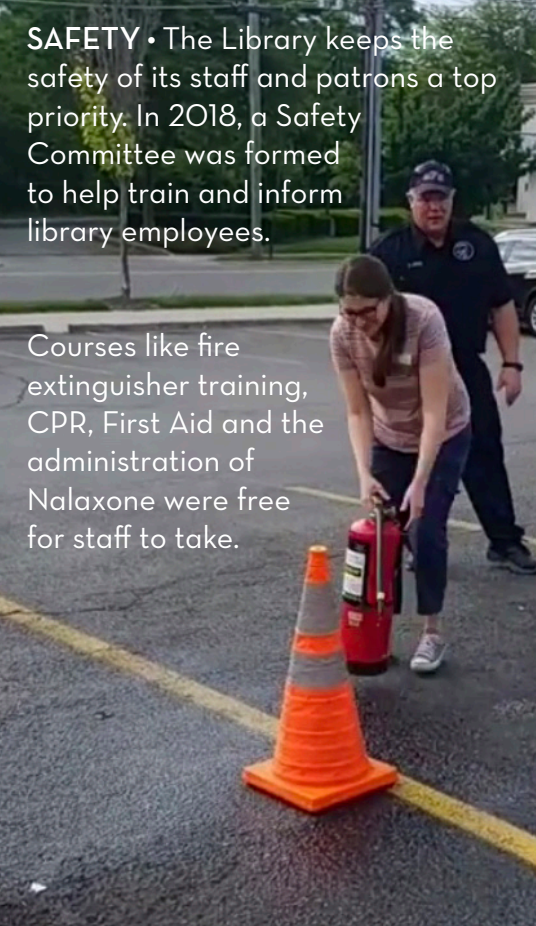


**JULY 2018** • The Powell Branch Library celebrated 25 years in Powell and Liberty Township!



**SAFETY** • The Library keeps the safety of its staff and patrons a top priority. In 2018, a Safety Committee was formed to help train and inform library employees.

Courses like fire extinguisher training, CPR, First Aid and the administration of Nalaxone were free for staff to take.



**AUGUST 2018** • The second Senior Art Showcase: Art After 55 took place thanks to a partnership between the Delaware Arts Castle, Library and Willow Brook Christian Communities.



**SEPTEMBER 2018** • The Friends of the Library won the Ohio Library Council's Ohio Friends of the Library Recognition Award for being the best in the state!



NOVEMBER 2018 • November 11 marked 100 years since the end of the Great War. Volunteers planted 4,000 red pinwheels to symbolize the red poppy and commemorate those from Delaware County who served our country during World War I. Throughout the month, book clubs read WWI-themed books and historians presented on topics of note.



NOVEMBER 2018 • Voters approved a 1-mill library levy renewal for 15 years at a 65-percent approval rate!



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#### BRANCH IMPROVEMENTS

New study rooms were added at the Orange Branch, all family restrooms had child protection seats installed, and Library seating was improved.



**DECEMBER 2018** • Buckeye Valley West Elementary permanently closed its doors in the location beside the Ostrander Branch Library and opened a new location five miles away. The Village of Ostrander, Buckeye Valley Schools, and the Library are working closely to make plans for the vacant property.



**VOLUNTEERS** • A dedicated group of 35 adult volunteers gave 963 hours of their time to Library projects in 2018.

**LIBRARY CARDS** • Library cardholders grew to more than 93,000 in 2018 - an increase of 17-percent from the prior year!



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