

Walton & Tipton Township Public Library
110 N. Main St., Walton, IN 46994
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9 a.m. to 6 p.m. Tuesday—Friday
10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday

National Children's Book Week

The 107th annual event is held **May 4-10**. The theme is "Books: Get Curious." The purpose is to help children discover the wonder of books and what they can learn from them.

In conjunction with the week's event, we will be hosting a voting competition for the Indiana Early Literacy Firefly Award. The ballot for 2026 books includes "Bear's Lost Glasses" by Leo Timmers, "Duck Goes Meow" by Juliette Maciver and Carla Martell, "Every Monday Mabel" by Jashar Awan, "Let's Be Bees" by Shawn Harris, and "Little Freddie Two Pants" by Drew Daywalt and Lucy Ruth Cummins.

Indiana children aged 0-5 can vote with a caregiver. Ballots can be picked up at the library or you can vote online by using this QR Code:

Ballots/voting due by July 31, 2026.



Prefer to vote online?



Visit the QR code or <https://www.in.gov/library/icb/firefly> to access the 2026 Remote Voting Form



WALTON LIBRARY HISTORY

The Walton & Tipton Twp Public Library was established through the efforts of Mrs. G.W. Bishop and the Women's Literary Club of Walton. They secured a \$10,000 grant from Andrew Carnegie and the corner stone for the library was laid June 12, 1915. The \$10,000 granted to our library in 1915 was just part of \$40 million donated by Carnegie between 1886 and 1919 to communities across the country that paid for 1,679 new library buildings. —by Kay Kunkle, bookkeeper/treasurer
See inside, page 3, for trivia

It's all about new



New Books

- *From the Ashes*
by Bryan Davis
- *The Shock of the Light*
by Lori Hall
- *Until Death Do Us Part*
by Mark Boutros
- *Wish Upon a K-Star*
by Kat Cho
- *Abuelito Y Yo*
by Leonarda Carranza
- *The Dinner Party*
by Freida McFadden

BOOK CLUB

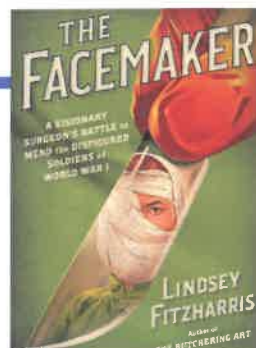
We meet at 1 p.m. every fourth Tuesday of the month unless a special event comes up.

Book Club is open to everyone and it is a free activity.

Our next book is *The Facemaker* by Lindsey Fitzharris.

Stop by the library to pick up a copy.

Our June book will be the *The River is Waiting* by Wally Lamb.



New Movies

- Greenland 2
- Mercy
- Outlander: Season 7
- * Shelter
- Send Help
- * Marty Supreme

BOARD MEETING INFORMATION



The Board of Trustees meets every 2nd Tuesday of the month. It is open to the public. 2026 Dates are as follows: May 12; June 9; July 14; Aug. 11; Sept. 8; Oct. 13; Nov. 10; and, Dec. 8. Meetings are held at the board table on the main floor in the adult fiction wing.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Ukulele Group will meet at 9:30am May 5 & 19.

The Library will be closed on Friday, May 15th for training and Saturday, May 23rd for Memorial Day.

Manga Book Club to be held on May 12th at 4 p.m. in the Young Adult Area. The book will be *Death Note: Volume 1*, by Tsugumi Ohba.

KIDS' CORNER

No story time this month.
It's time to sign up for Summer Reading!
Come on in and get ready for a wild
adventure this June.

You love to read, but find it difficult to sit down and enjoy a good book? Well, our Family Book Club might be your answer. Your family reads the book together and then discusses it together.

Walton Library Trivia

- More than 111 years, there have been 12 Library Directors (including our current Director, Kristi Hileman)
- The first Library Director was Blanche Fair
- Total books in the collection in 1915 = 1,485
- Total materials of all types in 2026 = 30,900
- The amount of circulation materials almost doubled from 1990 to present largely due to the expansion of the Library in 2004.
- Our Library still uses the **original circulation desk** upstairs in the main area.
- Other original items include: original Librarian's chair, card catalog, and meeting tables and chairs
- Our Library houses a 4-foot telescope available for use. This was donated by Hubble Telescope Astronomer, and Lewis Cass grad, Forrest Hamilton.
- Our Library can easily print documents directly off of your phone to our printer/copier
- You can read books on your phone/tablet by being a patron of our library and using the Libby app.

Trivia compiled and written by Kay Kunkle

LEGO WORLD!

Join the building block fun! Check out the schedule, *below*, and come for the excitement.



LEGO CLUB DAYS

- May 7th

*Gathering time is 3:30 pm in the
Community Room.*

June and July breaks for Summer
Reading Program



Learn more
about the
Carnegie
Foundation
at
www.carnegiefoundation.org












**If you love dogs, stop by and
visit our Pet Service
Librarians.**

**We have Paisley, Baxter,
and Zoe. They're eager to
spend time with you! And if
you want to talk with them,
email Paisley at
Paisley@walton.lib.in.us
and she'll share everything
with Baxter and Zoe.
They'll even answer you!**



Look for more Walton
Library information as we
near our America 250
Celebration!

We will be hosting free
events and be giving away
thousands of gifts.

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
MAY 2026		DIRECTOR Kristi Hileman STAFF Kay Kunkle Beth Sullivan Tosha Musselman Juan Mayorga CUSTODIAN Tosha Musselman			1	2 
3 	4 8:10 AM Senior Moves	5 9:30 AM Ukulele Group 11:15 AM Story Time	6 11:15 AM Story Time 1 PM Art Group	7 8:10 AM Senior Moves 1 PM Any Craft Time 3:30 PM Lego Club	8	9 
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31 		LIBRARY BOARD Carol Dutchess – President Jennifer O’Neal – Vice President Joan Davis – Secretary Paul Wines Anne Robison Jeff Leffert Paulette Sipe		FOL BOARD Margo Titt – President Jane Wilson – Vice President Sarah Horn – Secretary Jeanne Helvie – Treasurer Marlene Remley – Member at Large Denise Weimer – Member at Large Kristi Hileman – Ex-Officio Member		

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