

Delaware Library Consortium welcomes six new members

Over the last 18 months, the [Delaware Library Consortium](#) (DLC) in cooperation with the [Delaware Division of Libraries](#) (DDL) was pleased to add six new member institutions: Barratt's Chapel and Museum, Biggs Museum of American Art, Delaware's Legislative Hall Library, Fort Delaware Society, Positive Outcomes Charter School, and Thomas Edison Charter School. These six institutions join the 35 public libraries, six academic libraries, two school libraries, and seven special libraries currently in the DLC. Membership in the DLC allows institutions to add their print collections to the online Delaware Library Catalog (<http://dlc.lib.de.us>) as well as digitized collections to the online Delaware Heritage Collection (<http://delawarelibraries.org/delaware-heritage-collection>). The participating collections may be searched online, all at once or by individual library. All Delaware libraries are invited to join the DLC.

"Thanks to the consortium, Delawareans now can easily search the millions of physical items in the participating institutions, as well as the online digital collections," said Dr. Annie Norman, State Librarian. "Due to the collaboration among the DLC participants, Delawareans now have access to more."

About the new libraries:

[Barratt's Chapel and Museum](#) houses a research library emphasizing Methodist history and the archives of the Peninsula-Delaware Annual Conference. The archives contains a wide variety of material dating from the eighteenth century to the present, including membership records of closed churches, annual conference records, sermons, memoirs, and personal

papers.

The [Biggs Museum of American Art](#), a private non-profit museum in Dover, Delaware, exhibits and collects fine and decorative arts of Delaware, the Mid-Atlantic Region and the Nation from 1700 to the present. The Biggs research library includes catalogs, reference works, and select biographies.

Delaware's [Legislative Hall Library](#) contains a collection used for legislative research and is also open to the general public. Featured collections include: Original Bills back to 1973, Session Laws from the 1770's, Delaware Code, Senate and House Journals from 1949, Previous Executive Orders from Castle through the current Governor, books on the history of Delaware, and Delaware Constitutional Debates, 1897.

The [Fort Delaware Society](#) is a non-profit organization, chartered in 1950, and dedicated to the preservation and interpretation of Fort Delaware, a Civil War prison camp on Pea Patch Island. The society maintains the Emerson Wilson Research Library focusing on Civil War research and publishes books and documents related to Fort Delaware.

[Positive Outcomes Charter School](#) serves students in the seventh through the twelfth grades and [Thomas Edison Charter School](#) serves students in K-8 grades. Both libraries focus on collections to support the learning of their students.

About:

The Delaware Division of Libraries, a state agency dedicated to unleashing the potential in all Delawareans in partnership with Delaware Libraries, offers free access to the online catalog (delawarelibraries.org); Wi-Fi; computers/internet; eBooks, programs/classes, community partnerships, and more.

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