

DeKalb County Train Depots

Chicago and Northwestern/ Union Pacific Railroad Depot

Designed in 1890, opened for use in 1891. Designed in Romanesque Revival style architecture by Charles Sumner Frost of the Firm Frost and Granger, the official architects of the railroad under President Marvin Hughitt. Served passengers until April 30, 1971. Headquarters for the Union Pacific Roadmaster.



Sycamore, Cortland and Chicago Depot

475 W. Elm Street, Sycamore. Designed in 1880, in Italianate-style architecture. Its architect is unknown.

Chicago, Milwaukee and St. Paul Depot, Kirkland

When the railroad reached Kirkland in 1876, the 1850 home of James and Mary Greenhow at South and Sixth Streets became the town's first train depot, even though located some distance from the railroad. A historic picture of it as the depot does survive.

Chicago, Milwaukee and St. Paul Depot

622 Park Avenue, Genoa. Built in 1882 on North Sycamore Street adjacent to the railroad tracks. Moved to Water Works Park to prevent its demolition and restored as a museum by the Kishwaukee Valley Heritage Society. The 1950 Illinois Central Gulf caboose was purchased in 1983 for \$2,000



Henrietta Depot

Built in 1885 in Gothic Revival Architecture. Located on Baseline Road east of Five Points Road (North First Street in DeKalb). Henrietta was a small hamlet south of Route 72, east of Hunter Road. The building was moved here in 1934 to become a farmhouse for the Fairclo family at that time.

Chicago and Iowa Depot, Shabbona

Gothic Revival Architecture complete with board-and-batten siding. On North Illinois Street at the railroad. Said to be one of Shabbona's oldest landmark buildings. Long owned by the Shabbona Lions Club and said to have always been the colors on it.

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East Lincoln Highway



Digital Resources



eBooks and eAudiobooks dkpl.org/e-books/

The library offers free downloadable eBooks and eAudiobooks to its patrons through several different services. OMNI offers a large selection of popular fiction and nonfiction titles. RBDigital offers a collection of eAudiobooks.

Resources for At-Home Learning dkpl.org/resources-for-at-home-learning/

The DeKalb Public Library has compiled a list of free resources for parents (and others!) who need ideas for engaging activities while practicing social distancing. Some require a DeKalb Public Library card, but many are available for anyone.

Creativebug creativebug.com/lib/dkpl

Creativebug.com has more than 1,000 award-winning art & craft video classes taught by recognized design experts and artists. After logging in with your library card number and PIN, you will need to create your own account with an email address.

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Monday - Thursday
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Friday
9:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.

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1:00 - 5:00 p.m.



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