



April 2019

Library Connections

Akilah S. Nosakhere Director's Report

Libraries = Strong Communities: Celebrate National Library Week April 7-13, 2019

Muncie Public Library invites you to our open house events in recognition of National Library Week.

Public libraries continue to evolve to provide new and unique services to supplement educational and recreational needs of the communities served. Did you know that MPL provides the public with poster and 3D printing, technology classes, nature play for children, computer coding classes for girls and youth, a summer film school for high school students, and garden plots for families and seniors?

Stop in at your nearby library to discover how libraries are fulfilling the information needs of the community through innovative programming, access to resources, and amazing and comprehensive collections. National Library Week, April 7-13 is an exciting opportunity for library supporters and libraries of all types to raise awareness of their value and impact in their communities. We are here because of you! Join the celebration!

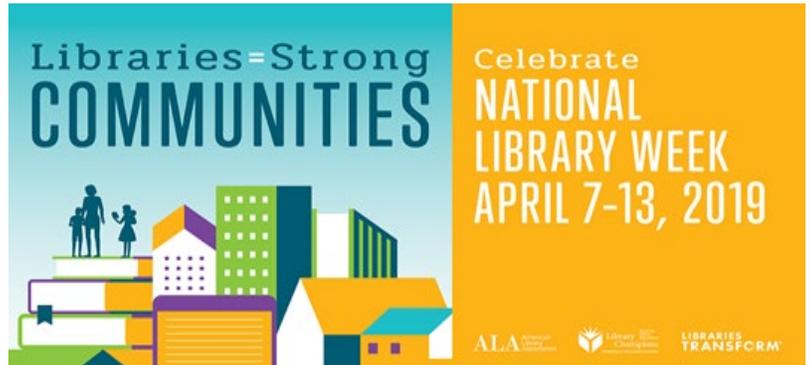
Sincerely,
Akilah S. Nosakhere

Holiday Closing



National Library Week Open Houses

Our open house events will feature free refreshments, tech demos, free genealogy starter kits at Carnegie Library, and the chance to get your picture taken with a huge plush Garfield, courtesy of Paws, Inc.



Connection Corner
1824 E. Centennial Avenue
Tuesday, April 9
6-7pm

Kennedy Library
1700 W. McGalliard Road
Wednesday, April 10
4-6pm

Carnegie Library
301 E. Jackson Street
Thursday, April 11
4-6pm

Maring-Hunt Library
2005 S. High Street
Friday, April 12
3-5pm

Spring Fest at Kennedy Library

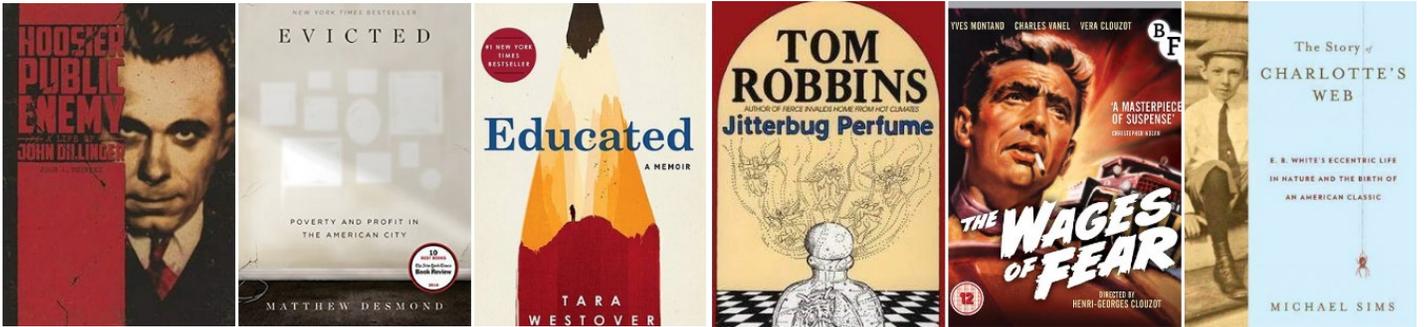


Join us for a neighborhood celebration of Spring! We will have activities, community information booths, and live music provided by the Melody Makers of Delaware County, plus food and other surprises.

Spring Fest
Kennedy Library
Friday, April 26 @ 4-6pm
All Ages

Book and Movie Clubs at MPL

No library card is needed to attend. No club to join, just drop in.
Free Events. Adult Programs.



Vintage Youth

Hoosier Public Enemy: A Life of John Dillinger
by John A. Beinke

Wednesday, April 3
6:30pm
Books & Brews

Reading Circle

Evicted
by Matthew Desmond

Monday, April 8
12pm
Kennedy Library

Literary Explorers

Educated: A Memoir
by Tara Westover

Thursday, April 11
6:30pm
Kennedy Library

Bookworms & Brews

Jitterbug Perfume
by Tom Robbins

Thursday, April 18
6:30pm
The Fickle Peach

CineMuncie

"The Wages of Fear"
(NR)(1953)
by Henri-Georges Clouzot

Wednesday, April 24
6:30pm
Carnegie Library

Books on Tap

The Story of Charlotte's Web
by Michael Sims

Tuesday, April 30
6:30pm
Twin Archer Brewpub

Upcoming Programs & Events

"Lost Towns of Delaware County, Indiana" Author Chris Flook

Drawing upon years of research, Chris Flook uncovers the stories of lost towns in his new book, "Lost Towns of Delaware County, Indiana." Books will be available (approx. \$22) for sale and signing.

Carnegie Library
Friday, April 5 @ 6pm
Adults

American Revolutionary War Veterans of Indiana

Join us for a preview of video content created for the Sons of the American Revolution website detailing the lives of American Revolutionary War veterans who lived in Indiana. Presented by Dr. Ronald V. Morris, History Professor, Ball State University in partnership with Sons of the American Revolution and Daughters of the American Revolution.

Carnegie Library
Wednesday, April 17 @ 5:30pm
Adults

Sky Tour 2019

See and learn about stars, the moon, planets, and many other beautiful night sky objects with the Muncie Astronomy Club.

Maring-Hunt Library

Saturday, April 6 @ 8pm

All Ages

We Care Cafe: A Community Gathering on Health and Wellness

Want to learn more about Health and Wellness opportunities in our community? Come speak to the staff of The Alpha Center, The Children's Bureau, Open Door, YMCA, National Alliance on Mental Illness, LifeStream and The Healthy Lifestyle Center.

Maring-Hunt Library

Tuesday, April 16 @ 12pm

Adults

Becoming a Better Big

Ever wondered what Big Brothers, Big Sisters is about? Join us for an info session on the services, volunteer opportunities, and benefits that Big Brothers, Big Sisters brings to our local community.

Kennedy Library

Monday, April 29 @ 6pm

Adults

Yas Coupon Queen!!!: A Beginner's Guide to Couponing

Coupon aficionado, Ann Van Cleave will present on her tips and methods of organization and time saving strategies to maximize your coupon potential.

Maring-Hunt Library

Tuesday, April 30 @ 6:30pm

Adults

See a full list of our Calendar of Events at www.munciepubliclibrary.org

Shopping = Sharing at Fresh Thyme and Pay Less



Muncie Public Library recently joined the Giving Bag program at Fresh Thyme. Pick up a Giving Bag with the Giving Tag for \$1.99 and then go online within 7 days of the purchase to direct \$1 to the local non-profit of your choice. Participating non-profits are listed by name (for example, Muncie Public Library). According to the Fresh Thyme website, if a customer does not direct the donation within 7 days, it will automatically be donated to the non-profit that store leadership select for the month.

While you are at Fresh Thyme, pick up a free copy of Book Page at the front of the store. Book Page is a national publication that rounds up all of the books being published each month. It's sure to inspire all ages of readers about what to read next! MPL personalizes the publication with an info sticker about big events at MPL. You can pick it up at any MPL location, the local MITS transfer station, and now at Fresh Thyme too!

If you are shopping at Pay Less Super Market, don't forget to sign up for the Kroger Community Rewards Program. A percentage of your purchases will be directed to a local non-profit organization. Enroll online at <https://www.pay-less.com/account/enrollCommunityRewardsNow/>. To support MPL, choose our organization, Muncie Public Library (FW464). Pay Less will send MPL a quarterly Community Rewards Program check. The more community members who sign up, the bigger the quarterly donation to MPL!

Donate

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Several customers who “rounded up” when paying fines or paying for print services at MPL!

April Photos of the Month



Muncie Public Library is thrilled to share the news that through a partnership with the Indiana Historical Society (IHS) we will be digitizing even more of Delaware County's historical records!

The primary focus of IHS is to help collect, preserve, and share Indiana history and to assist other organizations throughout the state of Indiana to do the same. In order to extend these efforts, IHS will loan digital scanning equipment to Indiana public libraries with genealogical materials, as well as local historical organizations and genealogical societies in Indiana that otherwise might not have access to or the financial resources to afford and maintain large format digital scanning equipment. MPL was chosen as the pilot library for utilizing a new large format book scanner that will help us capture information from more than 100 of our oversized Delaware County deed books.

MPL has been digitizing Delaware County records since the late 1990s using large flatbed scanners and making the digitized records available online for free on the Muncie/Delaware County Digital Resource Library. However, many volumes of books such as the deeds, do not have removable pages and require use of a large format book scanner that can cradle the book and scan from overhead. The Opus Free Flow Bookeye 4 Color Scanner is on loan to Muncie Public Library from the Indiana Historical Society for the next year. Digital copies of the records will also be shared with IHS.

Thank you to Indiana Historical Society for this amazing opportunity to capture more of Delaware County's history for future generations!

from Sara McKinley,
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