From the Director

Libraries Lead!
April 8-14, 2018 is National Library Week in America. It is a celebration of how libraries are responsive to the needs of the communities they serve and how libraries have actually transformed lives. Mayor Dennis Tyler will make our celebration official with a National Library Week Proclamation that will be available on our website.

The Muncie Public Library will host receptions at each of our four locations throughout the week. The open house events will feature the uniqueness of each facility. Visit each location to experience the joy of service, the joy of learning, the joy of reading, and the joy of sharing with others. (You could even win a Kindle Fire if you participate in a planned passport activity and get entered in the drawing!)

The Muncie Public Library opened for business 143 years ago and we are still going strong. Yes, the public library has changed tremendously since 1875, but the basic philosophy of service continues into the 21st century. Recently recognized by the Muncie Delaware County Chamber of Commerce as a community leader with over 100 years of service, the Muncie Public Library is the information center of the community, fulfilling both the leisure and intellectual needs for all ages!

I look forward to seeing you at the Library during National Library Week!

Sincerely,

Akilah Nosakhere, Director
National Library Week Open Houses at Muncie Public Library

Connection Corner
1824 E. Centennial Avenue
Monday, April 9
6-8pm

Kennedy Library
1700 W. McGalliard Road
Wednesday, April 11
5-7pm

Carnegie Library
301 E. Jackson Street
Tuesday, April 10
5-8pm

Maring-Hunt Library
2005 S. High Street
Thursday, April 12
2:30-6:30pm

Friday the 13th HorrorFest!

It’s Friday the 13th, so that can only mean one thing! It’s time for Kennedy Library’s Friday the 13th HorrorFest - a love letter to all things creepy in the movies. Get in on the latest horror movie double-feature!

This time, the featured fright films are David Lynch's surreal 1977 masterpiece, "Eraserhead" (Not Rated) at 7pm followed at approximately 9pm by Christopher Landon's "Happy Death Day" (PG-13) from 2017.

As with all movies at the library, you will be treated to a free event with free popcorn! Classic trailers and other surprises to be included as well. Adults only and no library card needed ever for programs and events at MPL.

Friday, April 13 @ 7pm
Free Event. Adult Program.
Kennedy Library
**Book and Movie Clubs**

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by Viet Thanh Nguyễn  
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Kennedy Library |

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Thursday, April 19 @6:30pm  
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by Anthony Bourdain  
Tuesday, April 24 @6:30pm  
Twin Archer Brewpub |

| **CineMuncie** | **The Comment Section:**  
*A Town Hall Forum on the Opioid Crisis*  
Wednesday, April 25 @6:30pm  
Carnegie Library  
  “Dogtooth” (R) (2009)  
  Directed by Yorgos Lanthimos |  
Thursday, April 26 @7pm  
Kennedy Library |
An Award for Longevity & the Story of a Spoon

In March, the Muncie Public Library was recognized by The Muncie-Delaware County Chamber of Commerce, for their continued longevity and impact in the community and was presented with the Longevity Award for 100+ years of service.

The Muncie Public Library started on January 9, 1875, giving MPL 143 years of leadership and service to our community. Interestingly enough, when Carnegie Library was built, the City of Muncie ran out of money to complete the project. So, the quick-thinking Mayor of Muncie, Charles W. Sherritt, had a souvenir spoon, with the newly constructed Carnegie Library engraved on its bowl, presented to Margaret Carnegie, the newborn daughter of Andrew Carnegie. According to historical records, Carnegie was so pleased with the gift he sent an additional $5,000 along with a letter of acknowledgment of the thoughtful gift and gesture. This $5,000 allowed Carnegie Library to be completed and furnished with appropriate furniture.

Over a century later, the Muncie Public Library has continued to grow every day, as well as foster and thrive in our mission and vision of providing accessible and innovative services responding to the reading, informational, education and enrichment needs of the community.

Carnegie Library Opens One Hour Late on April 19

Carnegie Library will open one hour later, at 10am, due to MPL’s quarterly staff meeting on Thursday, April 19, 2018.

Preserving Your Family’s Story

Your grandmother's wedding dress, your dad's collection of fishing hooks, and your children's crayon drawings and baby photos are vital parts of your family's story and memories. Learn how museums care for treasures like these and practical ways that you can implement the same methods at home. Participants are encouraged to bring artifacts to the workshop for specific discussions and review.

The Preservation Week program is presented by Maria VanVreede, Museum Collections Manager of the Academy of Model Aeronautics, National Model Aviation Museum in Muncie, and brought to you in partnership with the East Central Indiana Genealogy Alliance.

Tuesday, April 24 @ 7pm
Free Event. Adult Program.
Carnegie Library
Donations are Always Accepted

Donate online at our website or by mailing a check. Check donations can be made out to Muncie Public Library and can be mailed to:

2005 S. High Street,
Muncie, IN 47302

Every donation, big or small, makes a difference. Donations allow Muncie Public Library to promote literacy, guide learning, and inspire curiosity.

With Sincere Thanks to Our Most Recent Donors!

Marilyn Carey  Linda Bennett Lopez
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The Eliades Family  Paws, Inc.
Donna Germann  Patricia Schaefer
Stanley Keil  Kathy Taylor in Memory of Marty Gary
Kiwanis Club of Muncie  William and Ruth Wakeland

Don and Sue Whitaker

Photo of the Month

Paws, Inc. donated hundreds of Garfield books and other items to MPL. Most of these books will be ready for check out and on the shelves in time for National Library Week. Starting April 8, young readers can follow the bright orange paw prints at Kennedy Library and Maring-Hunt Library to find the books. The rest of the books, plus ten official Garfield Fan Club watches, will be given away as prizes during the MPL Summer Reading Program. Sorry, lasagna not included!