



# Library Connections

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## From the Director

The month of May will find me and fellow MPL employees on the road! First, I will meet with a gathering of other Indiana library directors to discuss library trends, changes in the Indiana library codes, and other topics of interest. A confab such as this is always a great way to share what we are doing at MPL and to find out what other libraries around the state are doing.

Speaking of sharing, the next trip in May will be to Omaha, Nebraska for the "Stronger Together Conference" sponsored by *The Library Journal*. The conference will focus on building literacy-rich communities. Our own Katherine Mitchell, Content Management Coordinator, is a featured speaker. She will share how MPL worked together with the Muncie Community Schools (MCS) and Motivate Our Minds (MOMs) to create a unified catalog that makes the resources of all three organizations more accessible to students and community members. The union catalog project also put student cards into the hands of every student at MCS! MPL Assistant Library Director Beth Kroehler and I will also serve as presenters at the conference along with public library leaders from Indianapolis, Los Angeles, and Nashville. I look forward to these events and to discovering new ideas from libraries that we can utilize at MPL!

Sincerely,

Akilah Nosakhere, Director

## Points of Interest:

**The Great American Read: Tuesday, May 22 at 6pm @ Kennedy Library**

**All MPL Branches will closed on Sunday and Monday, May 27 & 28 in observance of Memorial Day**

**Summer Reading @ All Branches May 29 – July 24**



## Fresh Thyme Set to Open and Will Partner with MPL!

Fresh Thyme Market will open soon in Muncie and they have reached out to MPL to express their commitment to the Muncie community. Fresh Thyme will support Muncie Public Library by donating sales from their Boar's Head hot dog cart. Stop by to check out this new store and buy a hotdog to support MPL!

### **Fresh Thyme Hot Dog Cart to Benefit MPL**

Thursday, May 17 @ 12-4pm

Saturday, May 19 @ 12-4pm



MPL Youth Services staff will also conduct a story time at the store during a special event for kids and families.

### **Fresh Thyme Story Time with MPL**

Tuesday, May 22 @ 10-11am

## MPL Summer Reading: Libraries Rock!

It's that time of year again! Muncie Public Library is offering the annual Summer Reading Program (SRP) for babies, children, and teens. SRP encourages youth to keep reading to avoid the backward slide in learning that can take place during the summer.

Lots of prizes have been donated by area businesses and include food and activity gift certificates and merchandise (like Garfield Book Bundles & Garfield Fan Cub watches!). Prizes will be awarded for completed reading log levels and other activities.



### **Youth SRP**

**May 29-July 24, 2018**

**Sign up at any MPL branch!**

### **Adult SRP**

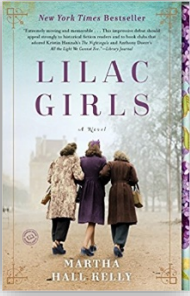
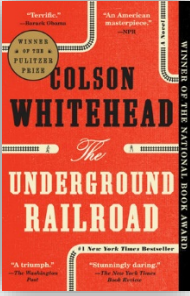
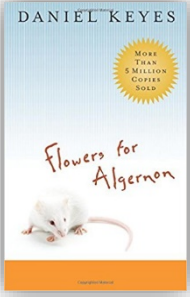
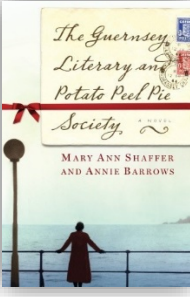


Adults can get in on all of the fun of summer reading too! There's no sign up, but submit an entry form for every three books you read and you could win some great prizes from area businesses. Visit the Information Desk at Kennedy Library or Maring-Hunt Library beginning June 1, 2018 for entry forms and rules.

## All MPL Branches Closed in Observance of Memorial Day



All MPL branches will be closed on Sunday and Monday, May 27 & 28 in observance of Memorial Day.

## Book and Movie Clubs

<p><b>Reading Circle</b>  <i>Lilac Girls</i>            by Martha Hall Kelly            Monday, May 14 @ 12pm            Kennedy Library</p> 	<p><b>Literary Explorers</b>  <i>The Underground Railroad</i>            by Colson Whitehead            Thursday, May 10 @ 6:30pm            Kennedy Library</p> 
<p><b>Bookworms &amp; Brews</b>  <i>Flowers for Algernon</i>            by Daniel Keyes            Thursday, May 17 @ 6:30pm            The Fickle Peach</p> 	<p><b>Books on Tap</b>  <i>The Guernsey Literary and Potato Peel Pie Society</i>            by A. Barrows and M. Shaffer            Tuesday, May 29 @ 6:30pm            Twin Archer Brewpub</p> 
<p><b>CineMuncie</b>  <i>"Stalker"</i> (NR) (1979)            Directed by Andrei Tarkovsky            Wednesday, May 30 @ 6:30pm            Carnegie Library</p> 	<p><b>Monster Movie Monday</b>  <i>"Godzilla vs. Mothra"</i> (NR) (1992)            Directed by Takao Okawara            Monday, May 14 @ 5pm            idea studio            Maring-Hunt Library</p> 

## Monster Movie Mondays All Mothra-Long

Join MPL in idea studio at Maring-Hunt Library for three generations of the monster moth, Mothra, all month long! These movies are free and open to everyone of all ages!

**Monday, May 7 @ 5pm**

**"Mothra" (NR) (1961)**

**by Ishirō Honda**

**Monday, May 14 @ 5pm**

**"Godzilla vs. Mothra" (NR) (1992)**

**by Takao Okawara**

**Monday, May 21 @ 5pm**

**"Godzilla, Mothra, and King Ghidorah:  
Giant Monsters All-Out Attack" (NR) (2001)**

**by Shusuke Kaneko**




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## The Great American Read

Discover the Great American Read, a new eight-part PBS television competition and nationwide campaign that explores the power of books and the joy of reading through the lens of American's 100 best-loved novels, as voted on by the public.

Muncie Public Library is partnering with WIPB-TV to host Great American Read screenings and discussions. Local scholars and authors will lead the events. Light refreshments will be served.

### **Great American Read Launch Event**

**Introduction by BSU Professor Angela Jackson-Brown & PBS Screening**

**Tuesday, May 22 @ 6pm**

**Free Event. Adult Program.**

**Kennedy Library**




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## Donations are Always Accepted

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**2005 S. High Street,  
Muncie, IN 47302**

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## Introduction to Genetic Genealogy



Interested in learning more about DNA testing for genealogy? Genetic Genealogist Steven Frank of the Central Indiana DNA Interest Group will provide an introduction to the growing field of genetic genealogy. This program will cover the types of tests on the market, the different uses and features of each, and the differences between the various testing companies. This free program is provided in partnership with the Delaware County Historical Society and the East Central Indiana Genealogy Alliance.

**Thursday, May 24 @ 7pm**  
**Free Event. Adult Program.**  
**Carnegie Library**

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## Photo of the Month

We just celebrated the grand opening of the Maring-Hunt Community Garden Pavilion! The BSU Immersive Learning students showed off the new additions to the Garden Pavilion, Pies for Peace treated everyone to a free slice of pie and shared printed thoughts of unity. Music was provided by DJ Manners and the kids from Friday Nature Play also joined us outdoors for music and play time! Thanks to everyone who participated!



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