



## Library Connections

November 2017



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### From the Director



The Muncie Public Library offers high-quality service to our community in a variety of ways. Much of what we do is funded by property tax dollars and MPL takes great pride in being responsible stewards of these dollars by maintaining a healthy and vibrant public library system for all to enjoy. These funds can't cover all of the innovative and needed services

provided by MPL, so we do our best to seek grants and to partner with other community organizations to deliver much needed programs and services to our community. We also ask community members to consider making a financial gift during our annual fundraising campaign.

As we assess our 2018 programs, we find that more resources are required to provide significant programming for young children and senior citizens in Muncie and Center Township. MPL's new Early Literacy Program is filled to capacity and just graduated its first student, which means thanks to the program, a child who was at risk of academic failure is now reading at or above grade level. We are eager to expand this program to reach more families because it is proven to be effective.

We have also witnessed an increase in demand for legal advice and tax preparation services for senior citizens and we want to find ways to increase programming for senior citizens that provide important life management skills and opportunities for enrichment and social interaction.

MPL can reach its service goals in the coming year because of strong community partnerships and your continuing support of our efforts! We hope you will consider a tax deductible gift during our upcoming campaign.

With Sincere Thanks,  
Akliyah Nosahere, Director



### Points of Interest:

**Comic Book Meet & Greet: Kyle Starks @ Aw Yeah Comics. 2-4pm Saturday, November 11**

**Comic Book Geek Night @ Maring-Hunt. 5:30-7:30pm, Saturday, November 11**

**All MPL Branches will be closed on Thursday and Friday, November 23 & 24 for Thanksgiving**

## 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.



## National Novel Writing Month



National Novel Writing Month is an annual, internet-based creative writing project is designed to inspire and help writers craft a 50,000 word manuscript during the month of November. This November, join Muncie Public Library for a series of workshops at Kennedy Library to help spark the writer in you.

Wednesday, November 1, 12-4pm: *Open Writing Time*

Wednesday, November 8, 7-8pm: *Making a Writing Habit*

Sunday, November 19, 1-5pm: *Open Writing Time*

Wednesday, November 22, 12-4pm: *Open Writing Time*

Sunday, November 26, 12-4pm: *Open Writing Time*

Wednesday, November 29, 12-4pm: *Open Writing Time*

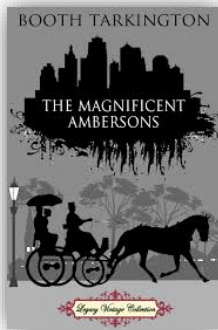
Wednesday, November 29, 7-8pm: *MunWriBooMo (Muncie Writing Book Month) & Taking Your Writing to the Next Level*

**All activities are FREE and a library card is never required.**

## Book and Movie Clubs

### Reading Circle

*The Magnificent Ambersons*  
by Booth Tarkington  
Monday, November 13 @ 12pm  
Kennedy Library



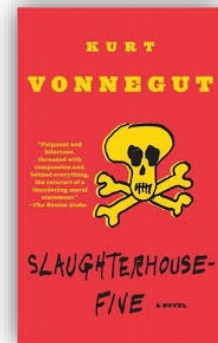
### Literary Explorers

*Watergate*  
by Thomas Mallon  
Thursday, November 9 @ 6:30pm  
Kennedy Library



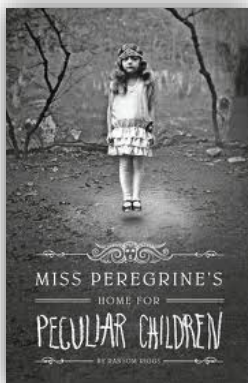
### Bookworms & Brews

*Slaughterhouse Five*  
by Kurt Vonnegut  
Thursday, November 16 @ 6:30pm  
The Fickle Peach



### Books on Tap

*Miss Peregrine's Home for Peculiar Children*  
by Ransom Riggs  
Tuesday, November 28 @ 6:30pm  
Twin Archer Brewpub



### Bookworm Movie

*"Slaughterhouse Five"* (R)  
Sunday, November 19 @ 2pm  
Maring-Hunt Library



### CineMuncie Film Club

*"Pan's Labyrinth"* (R) (2006)  
by Guillermo del Toro  
Wednesday, November 29  
@ 6:30pm  
Carnegie Library



## All Muncie Public Libraries Closed for Employee Development Day!



All Muncie Public Libraries will be closed for the Thanksgiving Holiday on Thursday and Friday, November 23 & 24, 2017.

## Comic Book Geek Events!



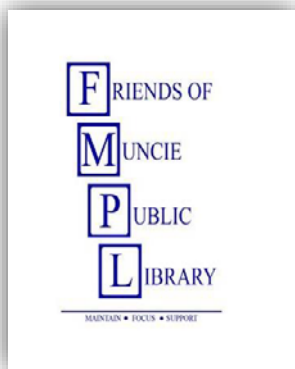
Meet comic book writers Kyle Starks (Rock Candy Mountain, Rick and Morty, Invader Zim) and Christina Blanch (The Damnation of Charlie Wormwood and owner of Aw Yeah Comics) at a meet and greet opportunity.

**Comic Creator & Writer Meet & Greet**  
**Saturday, November 11 from 2-4pm**  
**Aw Yeah Comics, 107 N. High Street, Muncie**

The fun continues later in the day with a Comic Book Geek Night. Enjoy a trivia contest created by Bob's Comic Castle. The winner gets a bundle of swag provided by Image Comics. Then enjoy a Q&A with Kyle Starks and Christina Blanch.

**Comic Book Geek Night!**  
**Saturday, November 11 from 5:30pm-7pm**  
**(Ages 18+) Maring-Hunt Library**

## Friends of MPL Holiday Book Sale



It's time once again for the Friends Holiday Book Sale. Do your holiday shopping early and give the gift of books, DVDS, CDs, and more. Your purchases help support Muncie Public Library.

**Thursday, November 16, 6-8pm**

Friends Members Only Night. \$5 per bag for books & other selected items.

**Friday, November 17, 6-8pm**

Friends Members Only Night. \$5 per bag for books & other selected items.

**Saturday, November 18, 9am - 2pm**

Everyone Welcome. \$4 per bag for books & other selected items.

**Sunday, November 19, 1-4pm**

Everyone Welcome. \$3 per bag for books & other selected items.

Must show your Friends membership card or join at the door by purchasing your 2018 membership. Individuals membership is \$15. Family membership is \$25. Student membership is \$5.

*The Friends Building is located at 1110 W. Memorial Drive, Muncie, Indiana 47302.*



### Green Bag Fact:



Did you know? Muncie Public Library has been making conscious efforts to help keep our planet and our community clean and beautiful. This includes our big initiative that started on World Environment Day 2017 when we partnered with Muncie Sanitary District to offer reusable tote bags free to the public and to ditch the single-use plastic bags. Thanks to Muncie Sanitary District and to our wonderful community who have *embraced* this change, we will be keeping **23,400 plastic bags** out of landfills and rivers *each year!* Such a small change really can make a BIG difference.

### Photo of the Month

Participants at the recent Mary Shelley Salon & Tea at Carnegie Library had fun answering Victorian trivia questions. The event was held to celebrate the upcoming 200th anniversary of Mary Shelley's *Frankenstein*. The novel will be the focus of Indiana State Library and Indiana Humanities programming throughout 2018.





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