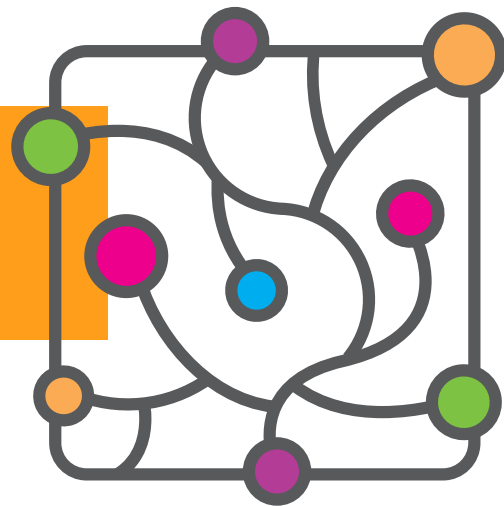


MUSSER PUBLIC

LIBRARY

NEWSLETTER APRIL 2026



Spring on in to the Library!

Spring is in the air, and Musser Public Library is blossoming with activity! April here at Musser is packed with activities to help you shake off the winter chill and connect with your community!

Be sure to check out:

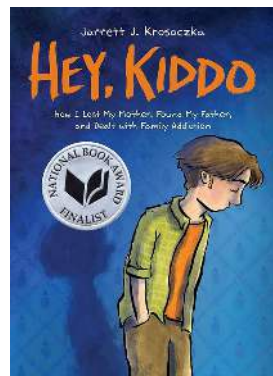
- Author Jarrett Krosoczka's visit at The Merrill Hotel, part of Stanley Center's Inclusive Dialogue series
- Friends of the Library Mini Golf Fundraiser
- New weekly Dungeons and Dragons night for teens
- Stories, adventure and discovery for curious kids
- Make an appointment with an expert researcher in our genealogy room

Spring on in to the library this April to plant the seeds of literacy, community, learning, and fun!

Pow! Zap! Read! Wow!

Comic books, manga, & graphic novels aren't just for kids! Readers of all ages gain many benefits from reading comics, graphic novels, and visual infographics. The combination of striking visuals and multi-layered storylines are known to improve comprehension, strengthen vocabulary, and bridge reading gaps for reluctant readers. They promote critical thinking and strong inferencing skills. Comics and graphic novels present complex stories in an entertaining and accessible way, making them a great choice for readers of all ages & types. Come on in to Musser Library today and check out a graphic novel or access the Comics Plus database on our website!

Meet Jarrett Krosoczka

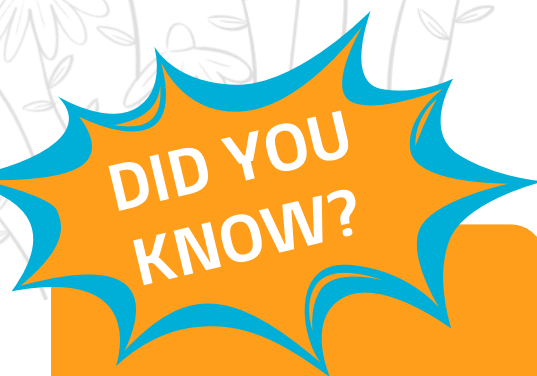


author of *Hey, Kiddo* at the Stanley Center's Inclusive Dialogue event
April 2nd | Merrill Hotel | 6pm
Register at <https://stanleycenter.org/global-education/inclusivedialogue/>

Then...

Discuss the book Monday, April 6, with the **Musser Book Club.**

We meet at 7pm in Room 017
Coffee, water, & light snacks served



Musser Library carries over 1600 manga, graphic novels, and comic books. You have access to even more thanks to

COMICS PLUS

#ReadAllTheComics

Access ComicsPlus under the Digital Content tab on our website or download the app to your device today!



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Play Putt-Putt to Support the Library!

Are you a master of the greens or a bit of a putter fingers?
Come find out with a little putt-putt at the library!

The Friends of Musser Public Library will host the second annual mini-golf fundraiser to help fund library programs & projects on Saturday, April 18 from 2:30-4:30pm.

No pre-registration necessary. Sign up at the door!

FMPL members: \$10-individuals; \$15 families

Non-members: \$20-individuals; \$25 families

Sign up to join FMPL at the door to get the member discount!

A 9-hole mini-golf course will be set up **inside** the library. Try out your putt-putt skills & have a tee-riffic time supporting the library!

Can't make it to the fundraiser?

You can still support the library by joining, donating, or volunteering with the Friends of Musser Public Library! Check us out at

<https://friendsofmusserlibrary.org/>



Your Family Story Matters

From newcomers to families who have called this place home for generations — your history belongs here. Every person carries a story worth preserving. Maybe your family arrived in Muscatine last year. Maybe your ancestors helped build this community 150 years ago. Or maybe your roots stretch back nearly 400 years in America. No matter where your journey began, your story is part of the larger American story, and it deserves to be explored, celebrated, and shared.

The Muscatine Genealogy Room and the Muscatine County Genealogical Society invite you to discover the joy of family history:

- Learn where your family came from and how they shaped the places they lived
- Connect your heritage to America's 250+ year story
- Preserve memories for future generations
- Celebrate the traditions, struggles, and triumphs that brought you here

Whether you're just beginning or picking up a long-running project, this is the perfect moment to explore your roots. Your family's past is a gift — let's uncover it together. The Musser Public Library Genealogy Room is open with staff and volunteer support on Tuesdays 3:00-5:00pm, Wednesdays 6-8pm, and Thursdays 12-2pm. Our history specialists are also available by appointment to offer personalized research guidance.

To schedule a session, please contact the library at (563) 263-3065 or email refmus@muscatineiowa.gov.



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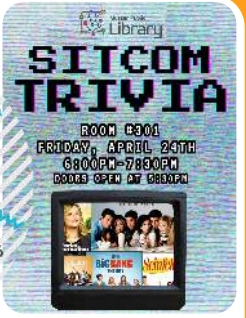
March Programs—Things you need to know

Adults:



Musser Public Library
TRIVIA NIGHT

DOORS at 5:30 TRIVIA at 6
FUN, PRIZES, AND REFRESHMENTS



SITCOM TRIVIA
ROOM #301
FRIDAY, APRIL 24TH
6:00PM-7:30PM
DOORS OPEN AT 5:30PM

Friday, 4/24
Doors: 5:30PM
Trivia: 6:00PM

All Ages



CREATIVE ESCAPE
Monthly craft night
for ages 18+

TUESDAY
4/7 OR 4/21
6-8 PM




Pottery Painting
Event will take place at Picasso's
1514 Isett Ave. Muscatine, IA

Please register to reserve your spot by filling out the form at <https://musserpubliclibrary.org/creative-escape-registration/>
Questions? Call the library

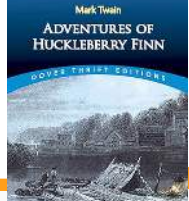
Musser Book Club
Mon, April 6 at 7pm Rm 017

"Hey Kiddo"
by Jarrett J. Krosoczka



Meet the author at the Stanley Center event on April 2nd
Register at <https://stanleycenter.org/global-education/inclusivedialogue/>

May Book
May 4 | 7pm
Book: "Adventures of Huckleberry Finn"
by Mark Twain



Remember me?



I'm back to announce the second annual

Friends of Musser Public Library

Mini Golf Fundraiser
Saturday, April 18, 2:30-4:30 pm

- Friends members \$10, non-members \$15
- Proceeds support library programs and special projects

Mark your calendar and join the fun!

Teens / Children:



MAKERS STUDIO
ARTS/CRAFTS FOR 6-12 GRADERS

April 16 Rock Succulents
3:30-5
Room #017



Guild of Gamers
Dungeons & Dragons



MONDAYS
6:30-8:30
Room #316

One Shot Adventures
No Homebrew
All Supplies Provided

PERFECT FOR BEGINNERS



Curious Child Club
A Place For Ideas To Grow

Kites, Kites!
(Ages 4-8)
Thursday 4/9
6pm



Adventure Story Hike
(Ages 3+)
Saturday 4/25 | 9am
Butterfly Garden (Dog Park)



PAGES FOR ALL AGES
NEXT MEETING:
April 12 | 2 PM

For children 8 and older and their adult caretaker, family member, or friend.



Discussing **DEEP WATER** by Jamie Sumner



Discovery Lab
A HANDS-ON EXPERIENCE FOR HANDS-ON KIDS

Done for the school year, see you in the fall!

April 2026

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| | | | 1 10:30 Baby Lapsit Story Time 12-2 Friends of the Library Meeting | 2 6:00 Meet author Jarrett J. Krosoczka at The Merrill Hotel (Free event, but must register) | 3 | 4 10:30 Baby Lapsit Story Time |
| 5 2-3 Pages For All Ages Book Club | 6 9:30 Yoga For Littles 10:30 Pre School Story Time 6:30 Guild of Gamers-D&D 7 Musser Book Club | 7 10:15 Homeschool Brain Games 6-8 Creative Escape | 8 10:30 Baby Lapsit Story Time | 9 6-7 Curious Child Club | 10 | 11 10:30 Baby Lapsit Story Time |
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