

# Reading's Alive!

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The Gary Public Library's Newsletter and Calendar of Events  
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## From the Director... Sherri Ervin

*The public is invited to attend the free annual Summer Reading Program Kick-Off, Saturday, June 11 at 2pm at the Main Library.*

*One World, Many Stories is the theme of the Summer Reading Program and runs from June 13 through July 23. Children will be encouraged to learn more about the world through crafts, stories and other fun activities.*

*Students, pre-school through 12th grade may register for the Summer Reading Program at the Kick-Off.*

*Through June 11, children in pre-school through 3rd grade must pledge to read a minimum of 6 books at their listening or reading level. Those in 4th through 8th grade, must pledge to read a minimum of 4 books and those in 9th through 12th grade, a minimum of 3 books. Incentives and certificates will be given after the participant completes the number of books pledged.*

*Patrons are encouraged to pick-up sign-up sheets and rules available at all units.*

## Free Computer Classes

Free computer classes for adults at the Main Library are currently underway through June. Registration is required. To register for the morning classes contact Pam at 886-2484 ext. 358 or contact Main Library-Reference Services to register for the evening and Saturday classes at 886-2484 ext. 336.

Pick up a copy of the class schedule and guidelines at any Gary Public Library unit or download one from our website.

## Kennedy Branch

Children and adults are invited to participate in GUESS WHO, WHAT, WHERE, WHEN OR WHY, a contest to be held each day through May and June during library hours. Check with the Kennedy librarian for more information.

## Grant Writing Workshop

The public is invited to attend a free grant writing workshop, Grant Writing: A Tool to Achieve Community Economic Development at the Du Bois Branch Library. The same workshop will be offered on Saturday, May 14 and June 11 at 12pm to 4pm. Registration is required.

The workshop, presented by Urban Development Consultants, LLC and The Historic Midtown Chamber of Commerce will feature how to start your own non-profit organization, how to build a sustainable organization, how non-profits create for-profit enterprises and much more.

To register, contact Du Bois Branch, 886-9120.

## We Forgive You!



The Gary Public Library's Amnesty committee prepares to collect overdue materials and begin a community food drive through the library's Reading & Feeding Amnesty Program beginning May 2 at all library units. During Amnesty, patrons may return overdue materials through June 13 - fine free as well as donate non-perishable food items to the Food Bank of Northwest Indiana. Food donation barrels will be available at all library units.

Left to right: Pam May, Anna Perez, Nicole Mullins, Lakeisha Bridgeman, Benita Rhymes, Gladys Miranda, Sherri Ervin, Belinda Blackburn and Allene Wofford.

One World,  
Many Stories



Gary Public Library's Summer Reading Program - Begins June 13!

# Kids' Calendar

## May

### MAIN LIBRARY - CHILDREN'S SERVICES

Children's Book Week May 2-7th @ 4pm  
Make a special book mark for your favorite book.  
Supplies provided by Gary Public Library. For K-6th grade.

2nd Monday Read for the Fun of It

3rd Tuesday Children's Book Week "Book Hunt"

4th Wednesday "Crosswords and Puzzle Fun"

5th Thursday Reader's Theatre

7th Saturday Movie Popcorn and movie

#### PRE-SCHOOL STORY HOUR @ 10am

- 6 Friday Mother Goose Story time - Nursery Rhymes, songs, craft and story.
- 20 Friday May Day Story time - Stories, songs and craft.

#### READING ALOUD

- Reading games and activities. Saturday, May 21, at 10-11am. No registration required. Sponsored by Phi Delta kappa Sorority.

#### 3 Tuesday

- **CHILDREN'S BOOK WEEK FUN** - Book Display, craft and activities, 4-5pm.

#### 5 Thursday

- **CHILDREN'S BOOK WEEK FUN** - Bring your old socks and make a puppet, 4-5pm.

#### 7 Saturday

- **MOTHER'S DAY CRAFT** - Make mom a special card, 12-1pm.

#### 10 Tuesday

- **MAY DAY CRAFTS** - Make flowers out of recycled bottles, 4-5pm.

#### 14 Saturday

- **NATIONAL PET WEEK** - Coloring sheets, movie and book display, 2-3pm.

#### 18 Wednesday

- **ARTHUR'S BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION** - Craft, movie, stories, & book display, 4-5pm.

#### 21 Saturday

- **SATURDAY AT THE MOVIES** - Movie and craft, 2-3pm.

#### 24 Tuesday

- **EVENING STORY TIME** - Frogs & toads stories, finger plays & craft, 3-4pm.

#### 28 Saturday

- **MEMORIAL DAY CRAFTS** - Make something patriotic, 12-2pm.

### BRUNSWICK BRANCH

#### FAMILY GAME NIGHT @ 3 - 4pm

- Board Games every Tuesday in May.

#### YOUNG ADULT BOOK DISCUSSION

- The Bluford Series, every Thursday in May, 4 - 5pm.

#### SATURDAY AT THE MOVIES

- Movie Specials, every Saturday in May, 1 - 3pm.

#### CRAFTING FUN @ 3pm

- 2 MONDAY - Create one of a kind Mother's Day Cards.
- 3 TUESDAY - Make a special gift for your special mother.
- 4 WEDNESDAY - Create something for Mother's Day.

#### 5 THURSDAY

- **CINCO DE MAYO** - Find out more about the celebration.

#### 17 TUESDAY

- **WHERE CAN I FIND?** - Learn how to use the library for information and homework, 3 - 4pm.

#### 24 TUESDAY

- **SCRABBLE TIME** - Come join in the fun, 3pm.

#### 31 TUESDAY

- **JUST FOR FUN** - Enjoy fun and challenging table games, 3-4pm.

### KENNEDY BRANCH

#### Saturdays in May

- **TREYALES LITERACY CAMP** - Reading, writing, arts and crafts and games, 1 - 3pm.

### WOODSON BRANCH

#### 4 Wednesday

- **CHILDREN'S BOOK WEEK** - 4pm.

#### 26 Thursday

- **PUZZLE DAY** - Have fun doing puzzles, 4pm.

## June

### MAIN LIBRARY - CHILDREN'S SERVICES

#### 7 Tuesday

- **JUST FOR FUN DAY** - Movie, craft, games, 4-6pm.

#### SUMMER READING FUN DAY

##### 14th Tuesday

- Celebrate Flag Day by making flags from different countries, 2-3pm.

##### 16 Thursday

- Around the World and Back: Visit the seven continents through crafts, book display and activities, 2-3pm.

##### 21 Tuesday

- Fun in the sun: Stories and Craft, 2-3pm.

##### 23 Thursday

- Around the World and Back: Craft book display and activities, 2-3pm.

##### 28 Tuesday

- National Safety Month: Discussion and Book Display, 2-3pm.

##### 30 Thursday

- Around the World and Back: Craft, book display and activities, 2-3pm.

#### SRP ACTIVITY DAY

##### Wednesday June 15, 22, 29

- Craft and Movie, 2-3pm.

##### 18 Saturday

- **FATHER'S DAY CRAFT** - Make a card for your dad, 12-1pm.

##### 24 Friday

- **SRP Story time** - Pre-school only. Stories, finger plays and craft, 10-11pm.

##### 25 Saturday

- **ERIC CARLE BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION** - Celebrate with stories, craft and book display, 2-3pm.

### BRUNSWICK BRANCH

#### FAMILY GAME DAY

- **BOARD GAMES** - Every Tuesday in June, 3-4pm.

#### YOUNG ADULT BOOK DISCUSSION

- **THE BLUFORD SERIES** - Every Thursday in June, 4 - 5pm.

#### SATURDAY AT THE MOVIES

- **MOVIE SPECIALS** - Every Saturday in June, 1 - 3pm.

## Library Board of Trustees Meeting

Public Meeting - 4th Monday of each month at 6:15pm, Main Library.

**Holiday Closings** - All units of the Gary Public Library will be closed Monday, May 30 for Memorial Day.

### BRUNSWICK BRANCH

#### 2 THURSDAY

- **SCRABBLE TIME** - Come join in the fun, 3pm.

#### 7 TUESDAY

- **ARTS AND CRAFT TIME** - We are expressing ourselves with color, let your inner artist shine, 3pm.

#### 13 MONDAY

- **BE AN ARTIST** - It's Summer Reading Program Fun. Make your own work of art to take home, 2 - 3pm.

#### 14 TUESDAY & 30 Thursday

- **BE A WEEKLY READER** - It's Summer Reading Program Fun. We're getting together to read and find and share good books, 2 - 3pm.

#### 15 & 29 WEDNESDAY

- **SUMMER READING PROGRAM ACTIVITY DAY** - Cool crafts, great games, special guests and more! Something different every week, 2pm.

#### 16 THURSDAY & 28 Tuesday

- **GET CAUGHT READING!** - It's Summer Reading Program Fun. Actually get caught reading in the library and win a prize, 2 - 3pm.

#### 20 & 27 MONDAY

- **WAS THAT A GOOD MOVIE?** - It's Summer Reading Program Fun. Be a movie critic, we'll watch a movie and you be the judge; thumbs up or thumbs down, 2pm.

### BRUNSWICK BRANCH

#### 21 TUESDAY

- **BE A WEEKLY READER** - It's Summer Reading Program Fun. We're getting together to read and find and share good books, 2 - 3pm.

### KENNEDY BRANCH

#### Saturdays

- **TREYALES LITERACY CAMP** - Reading, writing, arts and crafts and games, 1 - 3pm.

### WOODSON BRANCH

#### **WELCOME TO THE SUMMER READING PROGRAM - @ 2pm**

- 13 Monday - Explore the World
- 14 Tuesday - Explore North America
- 15 Wednesday - Explore United States
- 16 Thursday - Explore United States
- 20 Monday - Explore United States
- 21 Tuesday - Explore United States
- 22 Wednesday - Explore Canada
- 23 Thursday - Explore Mexico
- 27 Monday - Explore South America
- 28 Tuesday - Explore South America
- 29 Wednesday - Explore South America
- 30 Thursday - Explore South America



**One World, Many Stories**

Register for the  
Gary Public Library's  
Summer Reading Program  
**TODAY!**

## Ongoing Programs

**ADULT LITERACY PROGRAM** (Gary Public Library) - Tutoring available for low or non-readers as well as training for tutors. Literacy office-Du Bois Branch, 882-2744 for appointment.

**ALZHEIMERS SUPPORT GROUP** - Join in the discussion with other caretakers as we share and gather information.

*First Saturday of each month,  
noon - 1 pm*  
Brunswick Branch

### AUTISM SUPPORT GROUP

Sensory activities, information, guest speakers; families welcome

*First Wednesday of each month,  
@ 5-6pm, Kennedy Branch*

### CHESS FOR ALL AGES

Saturday, May 21/ June 25  
@ 1- 4:30pm

All ages and levels welcome  
Main Library

### FREE BLOOD PRESSURE & BLOOD GLUCOSE SCREENINGS

Provided by The Northwest Indiana Black Nurses Association

1st Saturday of each month @ 9am - 11am, *Main Library*  
May 7 / June 4

### GED TUTORING - 5- 7pm

Mondays, Kennedy Branch

### GENEALOGY GROUP - 10am-12pm

1st & 3rd Saturday of each month;  
Kennedy Branch

### KENNEDY BRANCH PROGRAMS FOR ALL AGES

@ 1- 6pm

- **CHESS** - Mondays
- **CARD GAMES** - Fifth Monday of each month
- **SCRABBLE** - Second Tuesday of each month
- **DOMINOES** - Third Wednesday of each month
- **CHECKERS** - Fourth Thursday of each month

@ 12-4:45pm

**BINGO** - Every third Saturday of each month

@ 2-4pm

**MOVIE DAY** - Fourth Saturday of each month, refreshments

@ 3pm

**ARTS & CRAFTS** - Fourth Wednesday of each month

### MORNING BISHOP THEATRE PLAYHOUSE

*Fourth Saturday of every other month, 3pm - 5pm, Main Library*

Jan. 22; March 26; May 28; July 23; Sept. 24; Nov. 26

### SENIOR CITIZENS FRIENDSHIP CLUB -

*Wednesdays @ 1pm* (March through June; September through December)

Main Library

Guest speakers, informative programs and cultural events for ages 55 and older - membership is free. 886-2484 ext.340 for more information

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**Library Locations & Hours of Service**

**MAIN LIBRARY            220 W. 5TH AVENUE            886-2484**  
Monday-Thursday.....9am-8pm  
Friday & Saturday.....9am-5pm  
**MAIN LIBRARY - CHILDREN'S SERVICES            886-2484 EXT. 331**  
Monday - Thursday.....noon - 8pm  
Friday & Saturday.....9:30am - 5pm  
  
**EXTENSION SERVICES - MAIN LIBRARY            886-2484 EXT. 331**  
Bookmobile Service / Classroom Collections

**BRUNSWICK BRANCH            4030 W. 5th AVENUE            944-9402**  
Monday - Thursday.....10am-6pm  
Friday & Saturday.....noon - 4pm

**DU BOIS BRANCH            1835 BROADWAY            886-9120**  
Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday.....10am-6pm  
Friday & Saturday.....noon-4pm

**KENNEDY BRANCH            3953 BROADWAY            887-8112**  
Monday-Thursday.....noon-8pm  
Friday & Saturday.....10am-5pm

**WOODSON BRANCH            501 S. LAKE STREET            938-3941**  
Monday-Thursday.....noon-8pm  
Friday & Saturday.....10am-5pm

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