



# FRIENDS OF THORNTOWN PUBLIC LIBRARY

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**The library will be closed on Monday, May 29 in observance of Memorial Day.**

## Spring Book Sale!

The Friends of Thorntown Public Library will be hosting their spring book sale starting Monday, May 8 through Wednesday, May 17.

**Volunteers are needed** to help set up the sale on Monday, May 8 at 3:00 p.m., take down and box leftovers on Wednesday, May 17 at 4 p.m., and to watch the sale during the library's open hours. Shifts are generally two hours long, and volunteers are welcome to browse and shop while they work. Call or visit the library to sign up for a shift!

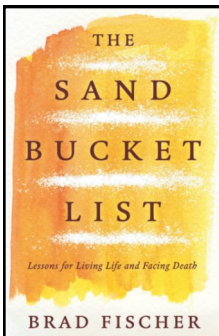


Many, many books, magazines, jigsaw puzzles, and audiobooks will be available for a donation. Proceeds from Friends sales help to fund library programs, reading incentives, and special projects throughout the year.

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## Friends Annual Meeting & Plant Swap

You're invited to the 2023 Friends Annual Meeting and Plant Swap! This year's event will be held on Tuesday, May 9 at 6:45 p.m. in the library meeting rooms. Following the 15-minute meeting, Brownsburg author Brad Fischer will talk about his recently-published book, *The Sand Bucket List: Lessons for Living Life and Facing Death*. In it, he shares how his 2018 cancer diagnosis inspired him to put into writing some of his most cherished memories and life lessons to share with his family. Copies of the book will be available for purchase, and Brad will sign copies of his book after the program.



Gardeners are also invited to bring starts from plants to swap before and after our annual meeting. The meeting, program, and plant swap are free and open to the public. The book sale will also be open during this time. We hope you will join us!

**No youth programs in May** to help staff prepare for the Summer Reading Program.

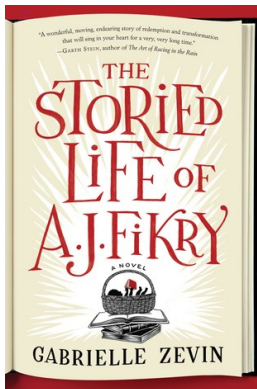
## Taste of Home - May 1st

The next Taste of Home Sampler will be May 1 at 6:00 p.m. Let Karen know your recipe so that copies may be made for everyone. Ice water will be provided, but bring your own table service. Dishes planned to date include Frito Pie, Nigerian Rice, and Classic Pineapple Upside Down Cake.



## May Book Discussion

Book discussion meets on the second Monday of each month and is open to all adult readers, even those who haven't completed the reading. On May 8 at 1:30 the book club will meet in room 116 to discuss *The Storied Life of A.J. Fikry* by Gabrielle Zevin.



A.J. Fikry's life is not at all what he expected it to be. His wife has died, his bookstore is experiencing the worst sales in its history, and now his prized possession, a rare collection of Poe poems, has been stolen. Slowly but surely, he is isolating himself from all the people of Alice Island. Even the books in his store have stopped holding pleasure for him. These days, A.J. can only see them as a sign of a world that is changing too rapidly.

And then a mysterious package appears at the bookstore. It's a small package, but large in weight. It's that unexpected arrival that gives A.J. Fikry the opportunity to make his life over, the ability to see everything anew. As surprising as it is moving, *The Storied Life of A.J. Fikry* is an unforgettable tale of transformation and second chances, an irresistible affirmation of why we read, and why we love.

## Sugar Creek Gourd Patch

The Sugar Creek Gourd Patch met in April to begin crafting rain sticks and finish gourd lamps. The SCGP meets on the first and third Wednesdays of each month from 2-4:00 p.m. During May and June, the plan is to finish projects and make bird house roofs using pine cone pieces. Jim Bennett has been asked to coach the group on pine cone use. Karen may be contacted at the library so that supplies and gourds will be on hand.

All members were represented at the April 8 state gourd show in Danville, Indiana, with Denise Bechtold winning a "Best Of" award for her gourd planter. Denise and Sally Mohringer were high bidders on several silent auction gourds. The plan at this time is to complete projects, get entries ready for the Boone County open show in July, and to consider possible state fair entries.

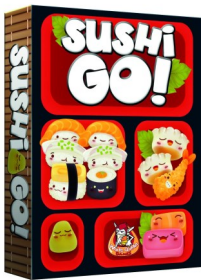


## Community Bingo!

Join us May 12, from 6:00 - 7:30 p.m. in the meeting rooms for BINGO! It's free to play, and open to all ages. There will be fun prizes and light snacks. No registration necessary.

## Game Night

Do you enjoy tabletop games? Join us for Game Night on Friday, May 19th from 5:30 to 8:00 p.m. We'll begin each evening with a quick icebreaker game, then move on to "heavier" games once everyone arrives. Games will be chosen from the library's collection. Game Night is geared towards teens and adult gamers.



This month we'll play a few "gateway" games that are great for new players - easy to learn and fun to play! Ticket to Ride, Carcassonne, Exploding Kittens, and Sushi Go! are all games that are geared toward players 8+. We'll be playing in the Guinn and YA rooms (upstairs); enter at the Carnegie entrance after 6:00 p.m.

Staff will be on hand to teach games (or we'll learn together). Light snacks will be provided. Sign up is appreciated (visit the calendar or call the library), but not necessary.

## May Euchre Night

Thank you to everyone who came to April's Euchre Night. \$345 was raised for House of Grace. The next Euchre Night will be Saturday, May 27 in the meeting rooms. Sign-in begins at 5:30, and play starts at 6:00 p.m. Please register by visiting or calling the library.



You can also register online through the library calendar. Registration is open through May 26. There is a \$10 buy-in fee to be collected when you arrive; proceeds this month will support New Beginnings Food Pantry. Please brush up on your euchre skills if it has been a while since you have played, and plan to stay to the end. We will play 6 to 7 games, which will be approximately 3 hours. Singles are welcome. Please bring a food or snack to share and dollar bills for the "Kitty".



## Memorial Day at the Museum

Monday, May 29 at 10:00 a.m. American Legion Post #218 and its Auxiliary will host their Memorial Day Ceremony at Tom Johnson Memorial Park by the flag pole on Mill Street. Please plan to bring your own chair.



The Thorntown Heritage Museum will be open and you are invited to visit between the hours of 11 a.m. – 4 p.m. Tours are available or explore on your own. Bottled water will be available.

Memorial Day is opening day for the museum's summer schedule. We will be open on Saturdays from 11 a.m. – 4 p.m. Those who would like to visit the museum at another time and day may contact the library to schedule an appointment for a free tour. We hope to see you soon!

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### Puzzle Exchange

TPL now has puzzles! Why buy lots of new puzzles when you can trade for free? Bring in a puzzle, take a puzzle home. Repeat as needed. The puzzle swap is located in the Guinn room behind the videogame/TV series shelves. Swapped puzzles should be in good condition, with all pieces present! Don't have a puzzle to trade? Borrow one, then bring it back when you're done!




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### Mango Language

TPL is now offering Mango Language for the next year. Mango is a language learning software that offers 70+ languages and some ESL courses. There's both a web interface and mobile app, and lessons can be downloaded for offline use. The interface is nice and clean, and lessons include cultural information, as well as the usual grammar tips. The individual cost is \$7.99/mo. for one language or \$17.99/mo. for access to all languages - but with a valid library card, it is **free!** Those with existing paid accounts can link with their library cards and save money while we offer the service. To get started, visit:



<https://connect.mangolanguages.com/thorntownpl/start>

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### CICOA News

Adults age 60+ may sign up for the 11:30 daily (Monday-Friday) senior lunch at the library. The recommended donation is \$3.00 per meal. Those who sign up are eligible for 20 pounds of free fresh produce twice a month, with the next delivery dates on **May 4 and 18**. The only requirements are to be a registered CICOA lunch participant (eating one meal at the library every 90 days) and to have weight and blood pressure taken and logged. Please contact Karen if you would like to see more information about the lunches and/or the free produce program.

On **Monday, May 15**, CICOA will be hosting a program "Simple Steps to Help Prevent Falls" during the senior lunch program. It is not necessary to order lunch to observe the program. To make a lunch reservation call the library.

## Summer Reading: Bee A Reader!

**June 05 - July 15**

The Thorntown Public Library will begin its summer reading program for children on Monday, June 5th. This year's theme is "Bee A Reader!" Kids can stop in the library to register and pick up a summer reading log. Parents/Caregivers are also eligible to win some great prizes just for encouraging their children to participate! Kids in the program are asked to keep track of the minutes they read and can earn incentive prizes for reading each week. A free book and the chance to enter our Money Machine will also be given to each child that reaches their summer goal. This program runs until July 15th.



We are also excited to bring other fun entertainment experiences to the community during this time. Our kickoff program arrives on June 6th at 2:00 with the Indy Air Bears professional jump roping team. Everyone who attends will receive a free jump rope to practice their own special jumps. Other fun programs this summer will include Hedgehog Hannah, Roz Puppets, and a Foam Party! We are also bringing back our Color Run, the Carnival and a few more fun surprises! Registration is required for the Foam Party so make sure you sign up as soon as possible! Pick up an event calendar at the library for all of the details or visit our online calendar at <http://thorntownpl.org>. All summer reading programs are FREE!

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### Teen Summer Reading

Sign up begins June 5th. Receive a bag with goodies upon sign-up! Track the hours you read on your log. Receive a raffle ticket for each hour read (up to 12 hours). Those who complete their reading challenge (read 6 hours) earn a FREE book and a turn in the Money Machine where you could win real money!

There will be three Take and Make craft kits and three library programs. Complete a craft, show it (or a pic of it) to a youth staff member or come to a program and receive a raffle ticket! Teen library programs are June 14, June 21 and June 28 at 1:00 pm (see library flyers for details).




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### Writers' Group

On the fourth Monday evening of each month Writers' Group meets at the library. Every person who comes has a story to tell. The stories we share with one another reveal just a little bit about who we are, where we grew up, who our grandparents were and the struggles they faced. Are we any different than our ancestors? Our goal is to leave a legacy that will impact future generations. Join us on May 22 at 6:30 p.m. in library meeting rooms. Come in ready to share your story and ready to learn from one another.



# May Events

- Mon. May 1 Taste of Home 6-7  
 Tue. May 2 Teen Advisory Group 4-5  
 Wed. May 3 Sugar Creek Gourd Patch 2-4  
 Thu. May 4 CICOA Produce Day  
 Fri. May 5 Quilting 12:30
- Mon. May 8 Book Discussion 1:30  
 Book Sale set up 3:00  
 Library Board Meeting 6-7  
 Tue. May 9 Friends Annual Mtg & Plant Swap 6:45  
 Author Visit - Brad Fischer 7:00  
 Fri. May 12 Quilting 12:30  
 Community Bingo 6-7:30
- Mon. May 15 CICOA Program  
 Wed. May 17 Sugar Creek Gourd Patch 2-4  
 Pack up Book Sale 4-5  
 Thu. May 18 CICOA Produce Day  
 Fri. May 19 Quilting 12:30  
 Game night 5:30-8
- Mon. May 22 Writers' Group 6:30  
 Fri. May 26 Quilting 12:30  
 Sat. May 27 Euchre Night 5:30-9
- Mon. May 29 **Memorial Day**  
**Library Closed**  
**Museum Open 11-4**



**Library Hours:**  
**Mon. & Fri. 9-6**  
**Tue. - Thur. 9-8**  
**Saturday 10-4**  
**Sunday Closed**

The Thorntown  
 Heritage Museum  
 is open by appoint-  
 ment only. Call the  
 library to schedule  
 a visit.



Be sure to like and follow our  
 Facebook page to stay updated  
 on all things about the library!

<https://www.facebook.com/Thorntown>

**CICOA luncheons served at 11:30 Monday through Friday!**  
**Questions about programs? Call the library at (765) 436-7348**

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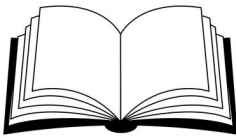
Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
<p>1</p> <p>Teriyaki Chicken &amp; Noodles Stir Fry Vegetables Fresh Orange Milk</p> 	<p>2</p> <p>Sloppy Joe Roasted Sweet Potatoes Brussels Sprouts w/Onions Hamburger Bun Pineapple Milk</p>	<p>3</p> <p>Ginger BBQ Chicken Whipped Sweet Potatoes Collard Greens Wheat Bread Diced Pears Milk</p>	<p>4</p> <p>Smoked Sausage w/Peppers &amp; Onions Peas Roasted Potatoes Wheat Bread Strawberry Applesauce Milk</p>	<p>5</p> <p>Chicken Parmesan Key West Blend Roasted Redskin Potatoes Wheat Bread Stewed Apples w/Cherries &amp; Almonds Milk</p>
<p>8</p> <p>Oven Fried Chicken Thigh Whipped Sweet Potatoes Chopped Collard Greens Orange Juice Milk</p>	<p>9</p> <p>Spaghetti w/Tomato Sauce Parmesan Meatballs Italian Green Beans California Blend Diced Peaches Milk</p>	<p>10</p> <p>Smothered Chicken Breast Rice Pilaf Key West Vegetables Wheat Bread Diced Pears Milk</p>	<p>11</p> <p>Potato Pollock Chopped Collard Greens Peas &amp; Corn Wheat Bread Tropical Fruit Milk</p>	<p>12</p> <p>Sliced Turkey w/gravy Sweet Potatoes Broccoli Dinner Roll Diced Pears Milk</p>
<p>15</p> <p>Grilled Hamburger Mac &amp; Cheese Festive Green Beans Diced Pears Wheat Bun Milk</p>	<p>16</p> <p>Pollock Amandine Spinach Scalloped Potatoes Diced Peaches Wheat Bread Milk</p>	<p>17</p> <p>Cheesy Smothered Chopped Steak Rice Pilaf Italian Green Beans Wheat Bread Mandarin Oranges Milk</p>	<p>18</p> <p>Country Ham &amp; Beans Diced Carrots Diced Beets Corn Bread Mixed Fruit Milk</p>	<p>19</p> <p>Pot Roast w/Gravy Broccoli Mashed Potatoes Applesauce Milk</p>
<p>22</p> <p>Chicken &amp; Noodles Rosemary Potatoes Broccoli Wheat Roll Birthday Treat Milk</p>	<p>23</p> <p>Breakfast Bagel w/ Sausage Egg &amp; Cheese Roasted Sweet Potatoes Applesauce Milk</p>	<p>24</p> <p>Cheese Lasagna w/ Vegetable Marinara Diced Carrots Lima Beans Wheat Roll Pineapple Milk</p>	<p>25</p> <p>Beef Stew Corn Turnip greens Diced Peaches Wheat Bread Milk</p>	<p>26</p> <p>Herb Marinated Chicken Baked Potato Spinach Mixed Fruit Wheat Bread Milk</p>
<p>29- Happy Memorial Day!</p> <p><i>Meal Site Closed</i></p>	<p>30</p> <p>Vegetarian Chili California Blend Vegetables Roasted Sweet Potatoes Cornbread Tropical Fruit Milk</p>	<p>31</p> <p>Pot Roast w/Gravy Mashed Potatoes Broccoli Cuts Applesauce Wheat Bread Milk</p>		 <p>Cultural Meal Day</p>



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**Spring Book Sale  
May 8 - 17**

**Friends of Library & Sugar Creek Historical Society Memberships**

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail \_\_\_\_\_

Daytime Phone# \_\_\_\_\_ Evening Phone# \_\_\_\_\_ Delivery preference  print  email

*All memberships expire December 31 annually.*

**SCHS (Museum)**

- Member—\$10 (family or individual)
- Business/Organization—\$20
- Sponsor—\$25 & up
- Patron—\$50 & up
- Supporter—\$100 & up

**Friends of Thorntown Public Library**

- Friend—\$10 (family or individual)
- Business/Organization—\$20
- Sponsor—\$25 & up
- Patron—\$50 & up
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Make **Friends membership** checks payable to: **Friends of Thorntown Public Library, Inc.**

Make **SCHS membership** checks payable to: **Sugar Creek Historical Society, Inc.**