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To our Library Community:

Spring is an exciting time for libraries across the country as they pull out all the stops to celebrate National Library Week. This week of advocacy is intended to celebrate the work libraries do to all year round by focusing attention on their impact. This year we're kicking off the week with a visit from Hillary Jordan, the author of *Mudbound*. This novel won the 2006 Bellwether Prize for socially conscious fiction and recently garnered national attention when its movie adaptation was nominated for four Academy Awards! This is the 20<sup>th</sup> year that the Friends of Hershey Public Library have brought an author to our library and we couldn't be more grateful.

While National Library Week is a mere seven days, we're continuing the festivities throughout the month of April. Our 2<sup>nd</sup> Local Author Event will take place April 28<sup>th</sup> and will provide a platform for authors in our area to share their craft and meet fellow writers. The following day, April 29<sup>th</sup>, prolific children's book author and illustrator Patricia Polacco will make a visit to our library to share her work and experiences. These outstanding programs are just another example of how Hershey Public Library, and the community that supports us, is truly a step above the rest.

Until next time,

Laura O'Grady