

February 2019

**Celebrating Black History Month,
Spreading Teen Dating Violence
Awareness, and More**



Celebrate Black History Month

"I had no idea that history was being made. I was just tired of giving up."

-Rosa Parks

February is Black History Month, a month dedicated to the celebration of those people who have struggled against insurmountable odds, who have risen against prejudice and hatred, contributed so much not only to black history, but to all of history. George Washington Carver, W.E.B. Du Bois, Muhammad Ali, Maya Angelou, Coretta Scott King, Malcolm X, Rosa Parks, Martin Luther King, Jr., Booker T. Washington. These are just a few of the names of those who should be celebrated this

month. Take a look at our [libguide on Black History](#) for some recommended books, DVDs, and more.

Black History Month



Teen Dating Violence Awareness Events

Nearly 80% of females reported experiencing at least 1 incident of physical or sexual aggression by the age of 22. Because of this, we've teamed up with STOP Domestic Violence of Behavioral Health Services North, Inc. (BHSN) and the National Library of Medicine (NLM), National Institutes of Health (NIH) to do events in each of the 3 counties to spread awareness about teen dating violence. These teen events are free of charge and will feature nail art, temporary tattoos, snacks, and a moving showing. The events will be at [Schroon Lake Public Library on 2/22 at 11:30 AM](#), [Saranac Lake Free Library on 2/25 at 3:00 PM](#), and [Plattsburgh Public Library on 2/27 at 3:00 PM](#).

Library Events



Prep for Success

We are excited to announce the latest addition to our Library of Things - The Prep for Success Kit! Whether you need help with writing a resume, tips for job or college interviews, or just some accessories to make you feel professional and confident, this kit has you covered. It includes one messenger bag, 2 books (one on interviewing and one on writing the perfect resume), one portfolio/document organizer with notepad and pen, one tie and laminated tying instructions, 7 sheets of resume paper, 4 thank you cards, and one laminated inspirational sheet. You can borrow all of this with your library card and you don't have to replace the stationery. This is a wonderful resource for anyone new to job searching, rejoining the workforce, interviewing at a college, or even attending a conference. Visit our online catalog at tinyurl.com/yy9q8nvv to request the kit and have it delivered to a library near you. Find more career resources in our information guide: cefls.org/job-search.

Prep for Success Kit



Experience More in Virtual Reality

The vastness of space. The highest mountain tops. The depths of the ocean. Explore them all without leaving the atmosphere, getting survival training, or putting on a wetsuit. We have started scheduling the use of our 10 Oculus Go VR Headsets for library events. The headsets run on their own batteries, do not have to be connected to a computer or phone, and can be connected to WiFi for streaming content. [Contact David](#) for more information, to set up a training session, and to get the headsets at your library in the future.

Contact David



A Universe of Stories

"A Universe of Stories" summer reading workshops will be held on two days this year to attempt to accommodate more people. The dates are Tuesday, March 12th and Thursday, March 14th.

9:30 AM - Meet and greet
10:00 AM to 3:00 PM - Workshop

Lunch and morning refreshments will be provided by CEFLS. Other details have yet to be finalized, but

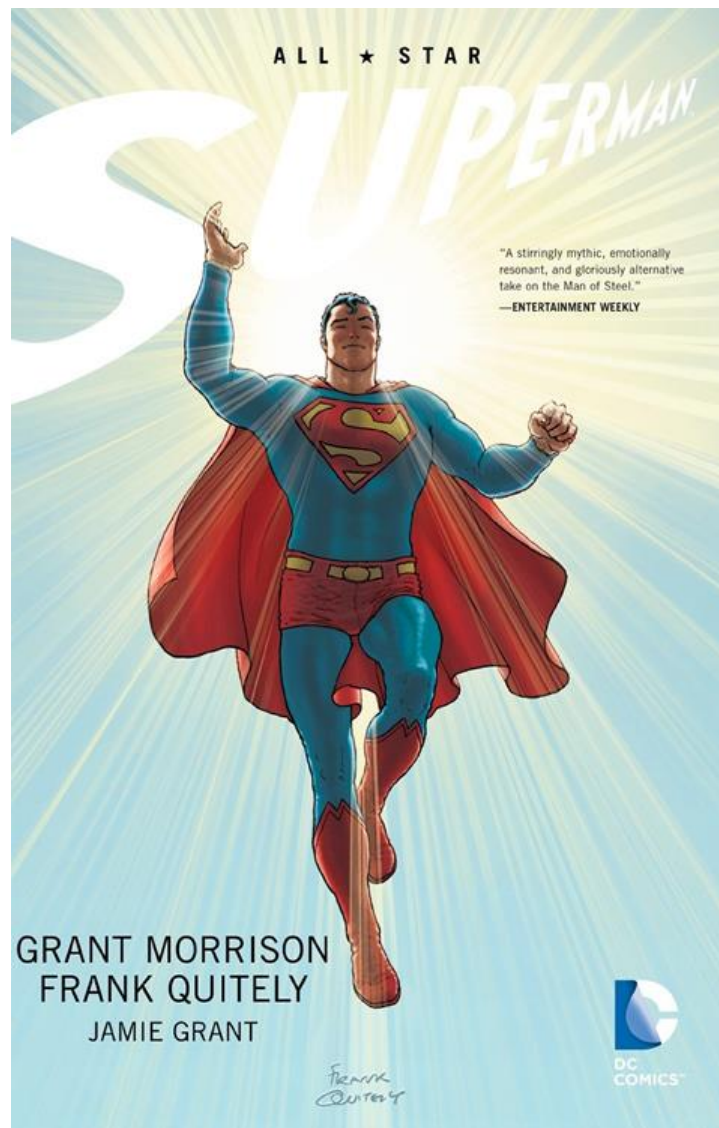
the day will be filled with fun ideas for creating your summer reading programs. RSVP with [Karen Batchelder](#) by March 5th.

RSVP with Karen



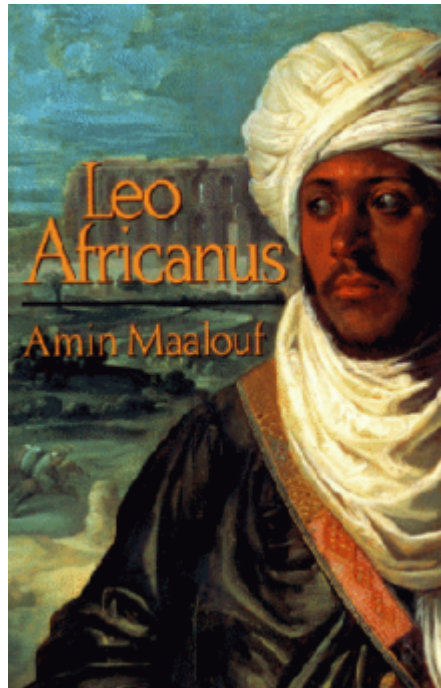
New Book Club in a Bag Kits

Book Club in a Bag kits include 12 copies of a title packed with discussion guides to make book clubs easy. Want one sent to your library? Email [David](#) to schedule.



[All-Star Superman](#)
with discussion guide

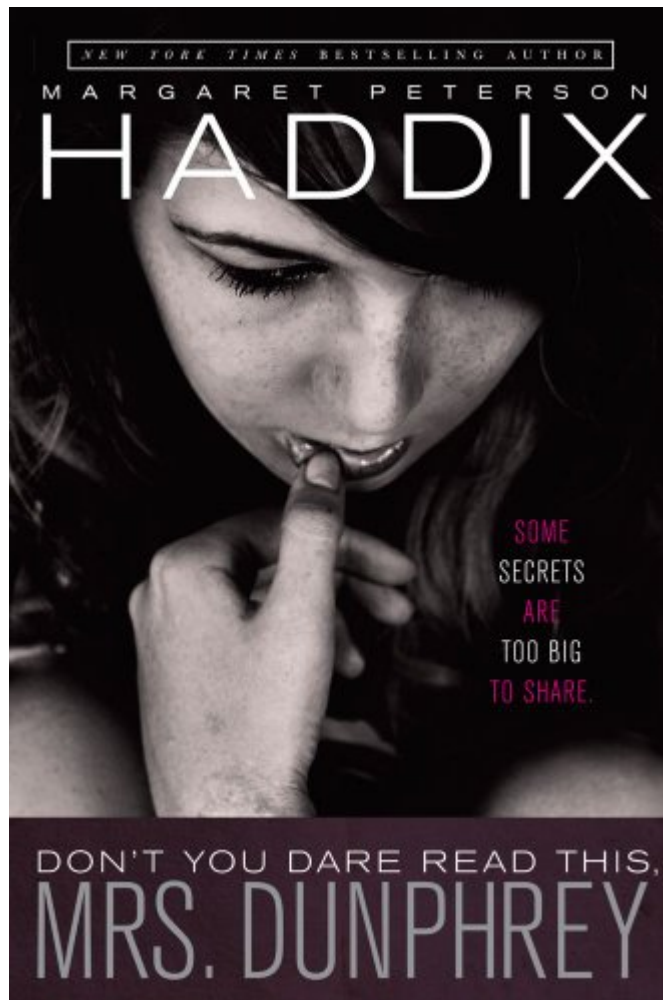
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[Leo Africanus](#)

with discussion guide

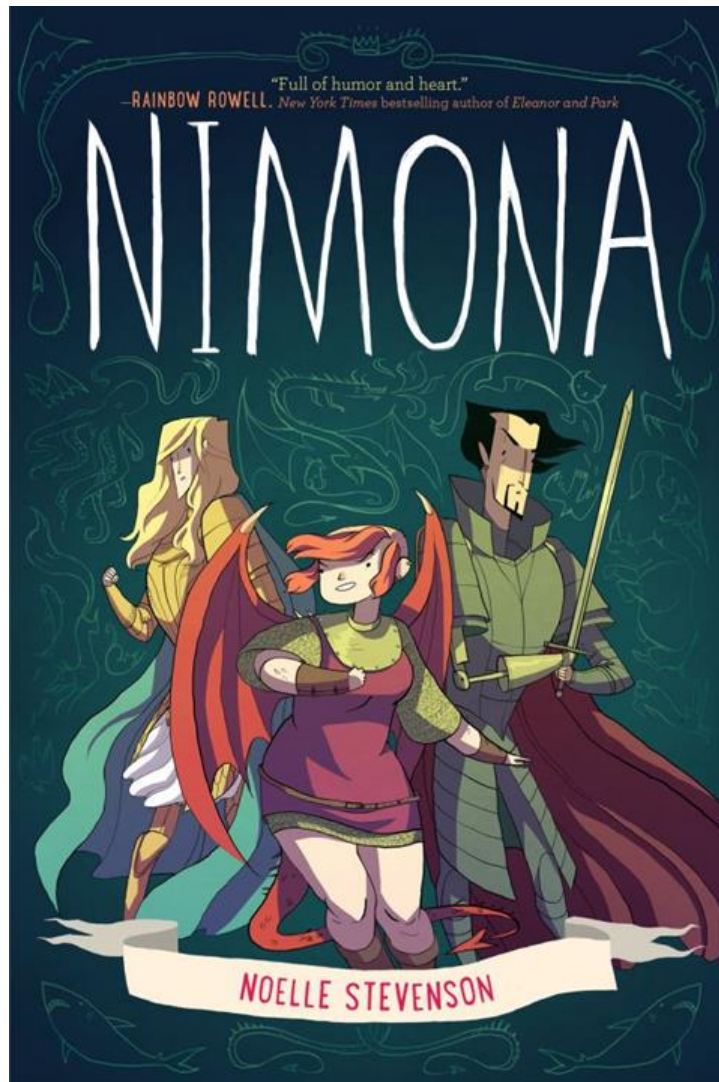
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[Don't You Dare Read This, Mrs. Dunphrey](#)

with discussion guide

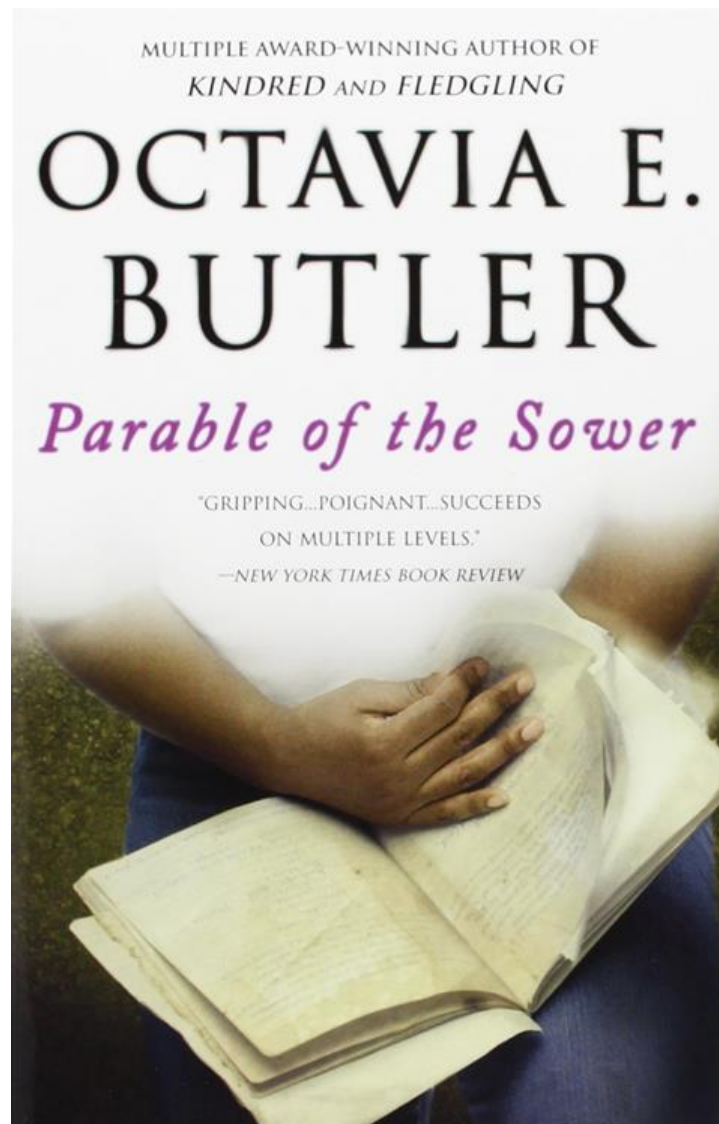
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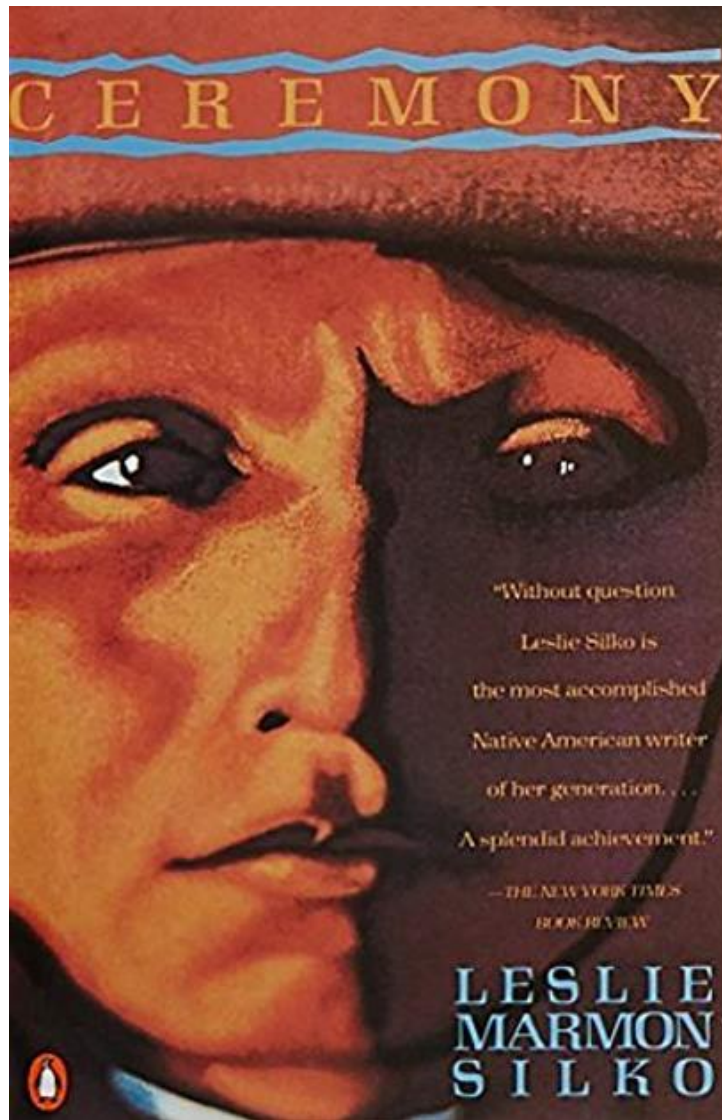
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Noelle Stevenson



[Parable of a Sower](#)
with discussion guide

Octavia E. Butler



[Ceremony](#)

with discussion guide

Leslie Marmon Silko

“Education is the passport to the future, for tomorrow belongs to those who prepare for it today.”

- Malcolm X

Share Something

Don't be shy! The Pathfinder is meant to share useful information across member libraries in a timely and condensed manner, but doesn't replace the Trailblazer, which is meant to share stories from around the System. Do you have something to contribute to the Pathfinder? Contact [David Fuller](#) and it could be in our next issue.



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