

# NEWSLETTER

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## Summer Reading Program



We are gearing up for our annual Summer Reading Program, and hope you will join us in our excitement!

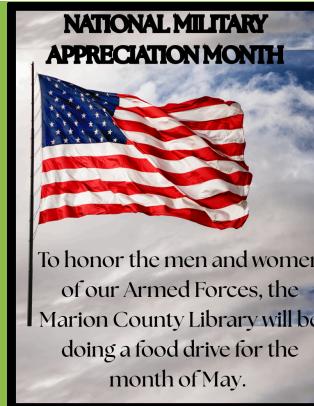
The Summer Reading Program is a reading challenge for all ages. The more you read, the more points you get, and points earn free prizes! You have all of June and July to earn.

Be sure to come to our events in June – they're worth 100 points each. They will be held every Thursday at 11 AM.

## Memorial Month Donation Box

May is National Military Appreciation Month, and to celebrate, we'll be hosting a food drive all month. Do you have any non-expired canned foods like meats, vegetables, or soups? Bring them in and add them to our donation box!

Once the month is over, all items will be donated to local veterans.



We  our  
Volunteers

## Volunteering

Have you ever wanted to volunteer at a Library? If you're 12 or older, you can volunteer here! We have applications for adults and teenagers in the Library. Come get one today!



## Great Reads From Great Places – Arkansas Authors

We are pleased to share our Great Reads From Great Places 2024 books: *Ozark Dogs* by Eli Cranor and *Cypress Knees and Tupelo Trees* by Cathy Melvin. Come check them out today!



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## Library Board Updates



If you would like to contact the Board, you can email their new account at [mclibraryboard@marioncountyar.gov](mailto:mclibraryboard@marioncountyar.gov)

Please note, meeting times are subject to change. Board Meetings are open to the public and are held at the Library.

May's meeting will be held on May 20th.

The Board has also approved an update to our website. Check it out today! The link is [marcolibrary.org](http://marcolibrary.org).

**2025**  
Marion County Library Board  
Meeting Dates

Tuesday, May 20th at 6:00pm

Tuesday, June 17th at 6:00pm

Tuesday, July 15th at 6:00pm

Tuesday, August 19th at 6:00pm

Tuesday, September 16th at 6:00pm

Tuesday, October 21st at 6:00pm

Tuesday, November 18th at 6:00pm

Tuesday, December 16th at 6:00pm

## Friends of Marion County Library

**Do you have a child under 5?** The Friends have two amazing programs for you and your family.

Join **Reading is PAWSome** to get your kid reading! Every book your child reads (or is read to!) counts for 5 points. Reaching 100 points means your child will get a prize.

Sign up for the **Imagination Library** for a free book each month, from birth until their 5th birthday.

**For more information, find the Friends on Facebook at Friends of the Marion County Library!**



## Looking for Games?

The great thing about borrowing games is that if you don't like it, it was free. Luckily, we have a lot of games available for check out that are fun for all ages, groups, and game types.

Thank you 

## Thank You from the Library

In April, we were given so many amazing donations. The Marion County Library Staff wanted to extend our sincere thanks to anyone who thought of us this past month.



Mon-Fri: 9 AM to 5:30 PM ; Sat: 10 AM to 2 PM



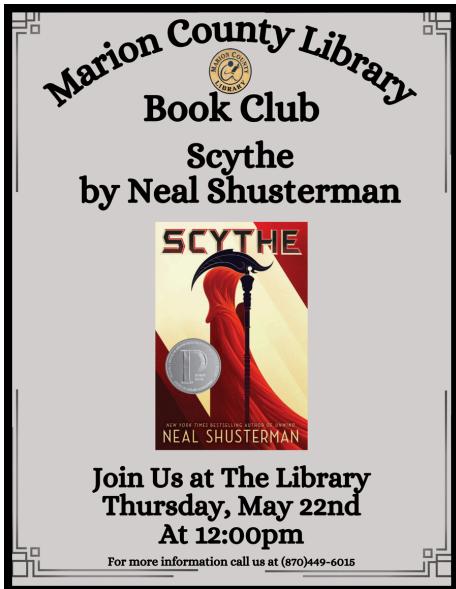
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## Join Our Book Club



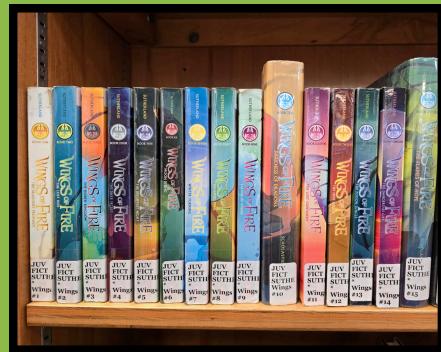
May's Book Club book will be Scythe by Neal Schusterman!

Interested in joining? All you need to do is come up to the front desk and ask for a copy.

Our meeting will be held Thursday, May 22nd at 12 PM. Come have a chat and enjoy some free coffee and company.

## Kids Series Highlight

If you love dragons, this is the series for you. The *Wings of Fire* series by Tui T. Sutherland is a collection of middle-grade fantasy books that feature a group of friendly dragons who must come together to save the world. We have the first fifteen books in the series, plus the first four as graphic novels too! Come check it out today.



## Need to Use a Computer?



To get a free Internet card, all you need is your ID or Driver's License - it doesn't even need to be an AR ID. Just come up to the desk and we'll help you get set up!



## Check Out A Telescope

If you have an Established Card, you can check out a telescope! It's a free and easy way to entertain your whole family during the summer months.



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## Come Game With Us!



If you're looking for something fun to do during the week, this is a fun, free way to get out of the house and meet new people. Join us on Wednesdays at 10 AM to play all kinds of board and card games, and enjoy some delicious coffee or hot chocolate.

We welcome everyone aged 12 and up - gaming experience is not required.

Kids and Teens are welcome to come in after school, and join in the fun!



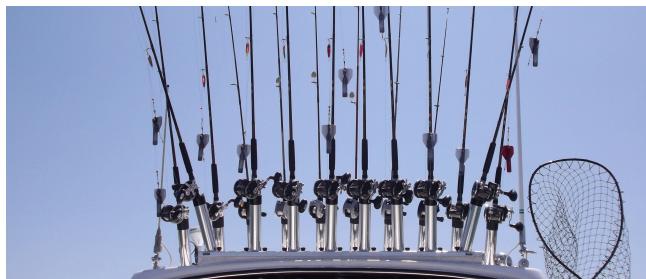
## Happy Memorial Day

The Marion County Staff and Board wish you and your family a happy and safe Memorial Day weekend.

We will be closed Saturday, May 24<sup>th</sup> to Monday, May 26<sup>th</sup>. We will reopen on Tuesday, May 27<sup>th</sup> at 9AM.



## May's Craft is HERE!



## Fishing Poles for Check Out



Pick up your Memorial Day-inspired, pop-up hot air balloon craft at the front desk today. Our take-and-make crafts are free and fun for all ages.

With summer coming soon, you may be looking for something fun and free to do. If you have an established Library card, you can check out as many as you like!



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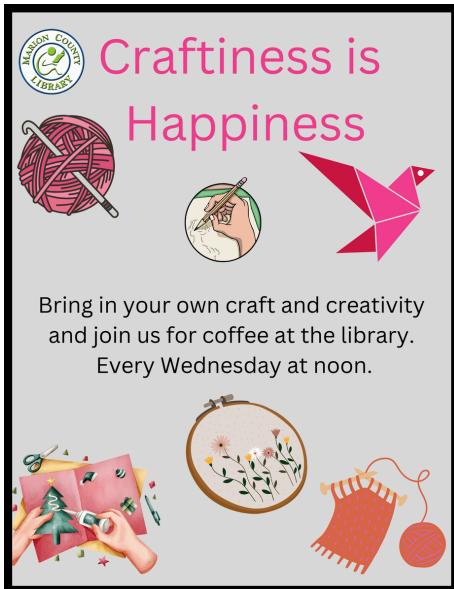
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Bring in your own craft and creativity  
and join us for coffee at the library.  
Every Wednesday at noon.

## Come Craft With Us!

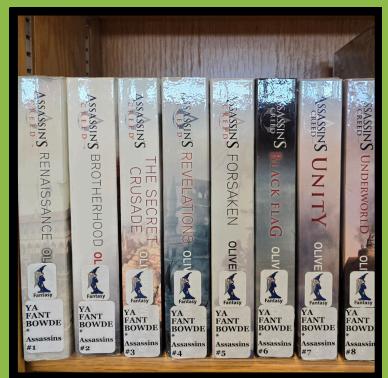


If you're looking for something fun to do during the week, this is a fun, free way to get out of the house and meet new people. Join us on Wednesdays at 12 PM to work on your creative projects, whether it's knitting, crafting, sewing, or anything in between! This is also a great opportunity to get help with any works-in-progress you're stuck on.

We welcome everyone aged 12 and up - crafting experience is not required.

## Teen Series Highlight

Fans of the game Assassin's Creed will be excited to know that we have a book series all about it, written by Oliver Bowden. We have eight books in this historical fantasy series set in Italy that will take you along on an epic adventure. Check them out today.



## Staff Pick – Book

►►►►► This month's staff pick is from Stacy. You will feel inspired and heartbroken all at the same time when you read *The Nightingale* by Kristin Hannah. Check it out and let us know what you think!



## Staff Pick – Movie

This month's Staff Pick is from Anita. Lady Gaga shines in *A Star is Born* and you'll be sure to enjoy it. Check it out and let us know what you think!



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All non-perishable food items may be placed here.  
**(Canned meats, vegetables, and soups)**  
**Please no expired items!**

All donations will be going to military men and women of our local community.

**Thank You for Your  
Donations!!!**

# SUMMER READING PROGRAM EVENTS

THURSDAYS @ 11AM  
AT THE LIBRARY



JUNE 5TH

TRENT WITH FRED BERRY (FURS)

JUNE 12TH

COLOR OUR WORLD--IN EVERY SENSE  
(ACTIVITIES)

JUNE 19TH

CASEY WITH NATIONAL PARK SERVICE

JUNE 26TH

MARTY THE MAGICIAN (MAGIC)

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