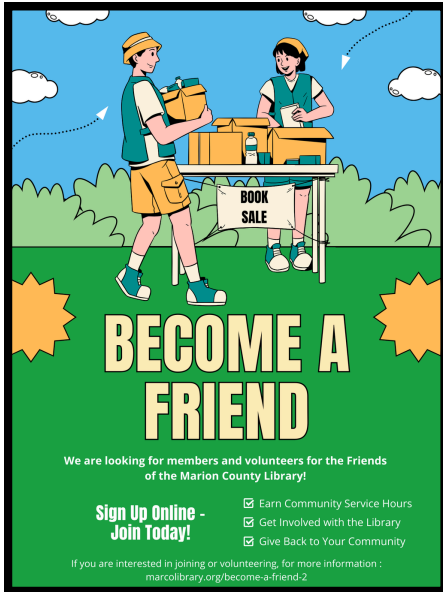




MARION COUNTY LIBRARY

# NEWSLETTER

Promote Literacy, Inspire Imagination, and Spark Curiosity!



## Join the Friends!



The Friends of the Library (FOMCL) are looking for new members and volunteers!

Volunteers can join for free, while members (both individuals and corporations) can join for as low as \$5 a year. New members will receive a \$10 voucher for any FOMCL sales event.

If you're interested in joining, you can find out more information and sign up online on our website at <https://www.marcolibrary.org/become-a-friend-2>

## Home School Programs

On April 7th or 10th, we will be hosting our monthly Home School Program. They will be the same program on both days.

Our Littles (age 3-7) program will be learning about insects, including a fun craft. It starts at 11 AM and there is space for 10 kids on each day.

Our Tweens (age 8-14~) program will be learning about how to make our own books. It starts at 11 AM and there is space for 12 tweens on each day.



## 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!**



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## Library Updates



### General Updates:

- We will be closed Friday, April 24<sup>th</sup> for a staff development day.
- We will be closed all Saturdays in April due to staff transitioning.
- Due to lack of participation, we will no longer be hosting a book club on Saturday. The reading list will remain on the website for a bit longer.
- We are looking for a part-timer cleaner. More information can be found on our website at <https://marcolibrary.org/employment>

Board meetings are open to the public. Meeting times are subject to change. You can listen to meeting recordings and read meeting minutes at <https://marcolibrary.org/documents>

**2026**  
**Marion County Library Board**  
**Meeting Dates**

Tuesday, April 21st at 5:00 PM

Tuesday, May 19th at 5:00 PM

Tuesday, June 16th at 5:00 PM

Tuesday, July 21st at 5:00 PM

Tuesday, August 18th at 5:00 PM

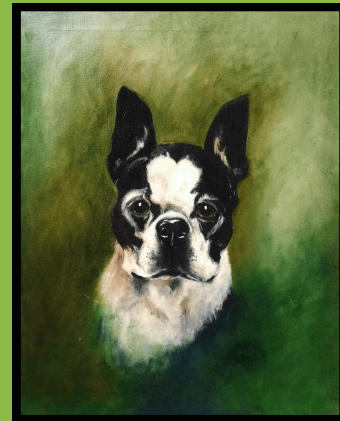
Tuesday, September 15th at 5:00 PM

\*Times are subject to change.\*

## FOMCL Pet Portrait Raffle

Want to support the Friends? Join their raffle for a chance to win a wonderful pet portrait by local artist **Carole Jones!** See an example of her work here:

Ticket prices are 1 ticket for \$5 or 5 tickets for \$20. They can be found in the Library. Cash only. This raffle will last from March 1<sup>st</sup> to May 31<sup>st</sup>. More information can be found on our website, or by calling the library at (870)449-6015 or emailing the friends at [fomcl2024@gmail.com](mailto:fomcl2024@gmail.com)



## No Donations at This Time

We would like to thank all of our lovely patrons who think of the Library and the Friends of the Library when it comes to donations. Unfortunately, right now we have a bit of a space issue! We cannot accept any donations at this time. Please watch out for our next book sale.



## 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! We are also happy to help you print anything you need.





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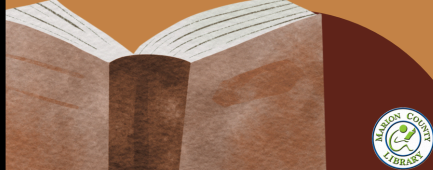

## BOOK CLUB

*A Fall of Marigolds*  
by Susan Meissner

**Thursday @ 12**

**April 23rd**

AT THE LIBRARY 📍  
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## Join Our Book Clubs



April's **Thursday Book Club** book will be A Fall of Marigolds by Susan Meissner!

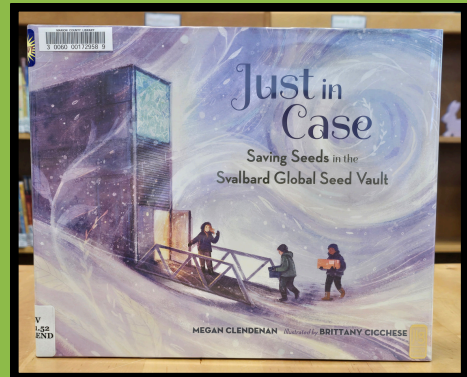
Interested in joining? All you need to do is come up to the front desk and ask for a copy. A list of upcoming books can be found on our website and in the Library.

Our meeting will be held **Thursday, April 23<sup>rd</sup> at 12 PM.**

## Kids Book Highlight

*Just in Case: Saving Seeds in the Svalbard Global Seed Vault* by Megan Clendenan and Brittany Cicchese is a non-fiction picture book all about SEEDS!

Your little nature lovers will enjoy this adorably-drawn exploration of plants, conservation, and natural resources, all set only 800 miles from the North Pole.



## Tween Book Highlights

This is not a drill. *We have new Warrior Cats books in!*

We're going to be replacing the older, worn copies with brand new books. This means that we also have the full series - no more missing books!

So far, we have all of the first two series in. If you've ever had trouble figuring out the order to read them, we've also labeled them chronologically!





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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!



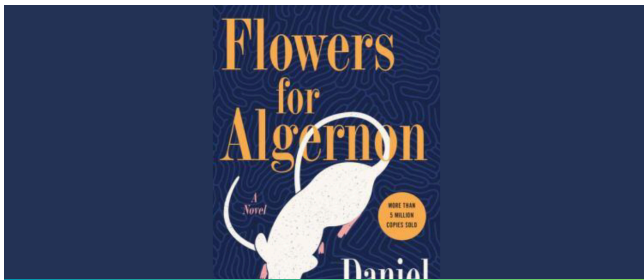
## Looking for an item we don't have?

We are accepting item requests! You can do this one of two ways:

- In the Library, we have a short Material Request form you can fill out and hand to a staff member
- On our catalog, log in, then go to your account. Under the 'Reserves/Requests' tab, you'll find the form.



Please be aware, we will do our best but we cannot guarantee we will buy every item.



Staff Pick – Book

This month's staff pick is from Lexi. Flowers for Algernon is a classic that explores the difficulties of being 'too stupid' or 'too smart'. It's very thought-provoking and human. Check it out today and let us know what you think!



Staff Pick – Movie

This month's Staff Pick is from Lisa. The first Wicked movie is a cute, magical musical that Lisa says is even better than the original Wizard of Oz. Check it out today and let us know what you think!





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## 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. Some supplies can be provided.

## Adult Display - Kate Quinn Spotlight

Recently, Kate Quinn books have been flying off our shelves!

For the month of April, our adult display will feature not just Kate Quinn titles, but also books that we think you may enjoy too! These books will be similar, either in genre, era, or subject matter.



## Staff Pet of the Month

This girl has the same sign as her mom - she's a Sagittarius. She tolerates other cats, sometimes....

**What do you think her name is?**

**Who do you think she belongs to?**

Let us know your guesses and we'll tell you if you're right!

Last month's answer: **Scout** belongs to **Lexi!**

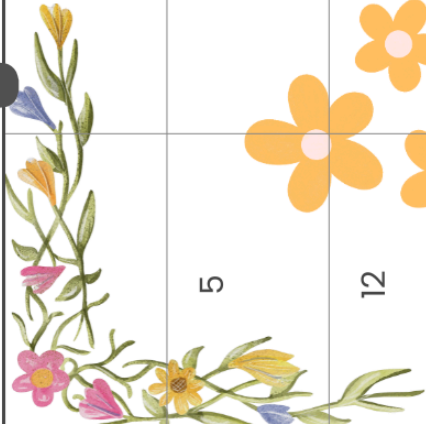
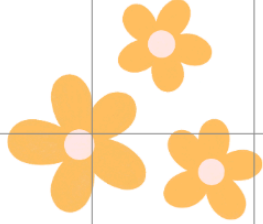




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