

NEWSLETTER



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Promote Literacy, Inspire Imagination, and Spark Curiosity!

New Card Design



19.



With a total of 55 votes, #19 is our winner! Thank you to Eva, the wonderful artist behind this card.

We would also like to thank everyone who submitted a design. They were all very well done!

We will have more information available about getting this new card soon.

Master Gardeners

Build perfect soil like a chef! Join the Marion County Master Gardeners on Monday, October 12th at 10 AM for a lesson on:

The Lasagna Gardening Method for Raised Beds

You'll learn about The Custom Recipe (balancing "green" and "brown" layers using everyday household items), Fall Timing (mid-October is the best time to let your garden "cook"), Budget Gardening (how to fill deep raised beds for free), and Spring Success (how natural decomposition transforms raw waste into rich, planting-ready soil).

Master Gardener Ilene Rountree will be here to teach you how to recycle everyday household items into premium, nutrient-rich garden soil without buying expensive dirt or doing any back-breaking digging!



Halloween Party

Join us for our Halloween Party at the Summit Fairgrounds!!

When? Friday, October 30th at 3:30 to 5:30 PM

Who? Everyone is welcome! This is a free event

What? We'll have games, candy, and a photoshoot area, so make sure to wear your costume...



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Library Updates



Library Updates:

- We will be closed Friday, October 9th and Saturday, October 10th for Turkey Trot.
- Construction on the outside of the Library will begin soon. Unfortunately, we will be closed on Saturdays for the duration of the work, for the safety of the workers, staff, and patrons. We will announce what days we are closed as soon as we can.

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

Thursday, October 22nd
@ 5 PM

Times are subject to change.

Suggestion Box

Do you have a suggestion for the Library?

We have two places you can give us feedback!

Online, you can go to <https://marcolibrary.org/suggestion-box/> and fill out a short, anonymous form. In the Library, we have our Suggestion Box where you can write down anonymous suggestions (no item requests, please! These should be given to staff instead.) and the Board will read them at their next meeting.



DVD Players for Check Out

We now have DVD Players for check out! For any of our patrons who really want more to watch, but aren't able to play movie discs, we've got you covered. It comes with all the supplies you'll need. They check out for a week at a time, so come on in and get it - and up to 6 movies - today!



Microscope for Check Out

With school starting back up, we wanted to show off one of our coolest items for check out! We have our very own microscope, slides included. This is the perfect tool for learning about science and teeny tiny things. Come into the Library and ask about checking it out today!

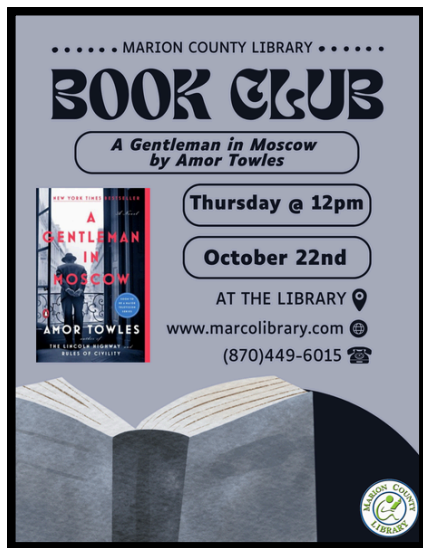




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Join Our Book Club

October's Book Club book will be A Gentleman in Moscow by Amor Towles!

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, October 22nd at 12 PM.**

Home School

On October 6th and 20th, we will be hosting our monthly Home School Programs. They will NOT be the same program on both days. Sign up online or via call or email.

Our Littles (age 3-7) programs will be about **Exercise** and **Mythical Creatures**. They start at 11 AM and there is space for 10 kids on each day.

Our Tweens (age 8-14~) programs will be about **All About Fall** and **History of Halloween**. They start at 11 AM and there is space for 12 tweens on each day.



Teen Council

Calling all teenagers! You can:

- Earn community service hours
- Learn about & support the Library
- Make a difference in your community
- Play games and have snacks while hanging out with other kids your age after school

by joining our FREE teen council club. You just have to be ages 12-18 and show up ready to have some fun.

Parents are welcome to attend. Please have a ride ready for 5 PM. **Meetings will be held on the last Tuesday of the month. Please sign up via call or email, or online.**



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Kids Book Highlight

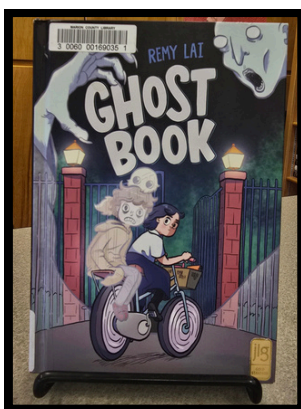
Room on the Broom by Julia Donaldson is an adorable picture book that follows a witch on a windy day. She loses several of her belongings, and is helped out by a kind dog, frog, and bird. Then something crazy happens – a dragon attacks!

This book is told in a rhyme and features fun, colorful drawings that any kid will love. Check it out today and let us know what you think!



Tween Book Highlight

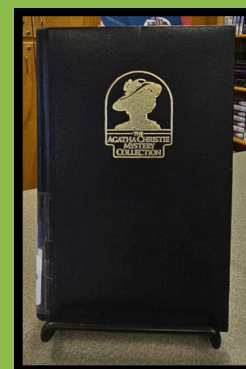
Ghost Book by Remy Lai is a spooky tween graphic novel that is not your typical ghost story. It follows a boy, caught in limbo between living and dead, and a girl who sees ghosts. They become friends during the "Hungry Ghost Month" (where ghosts come out to play) after she saves his life. It may seem scary, but don't worry, there's a happy ending! Plus it comes with some really cool art. Check it out today and let us know what you think!



Adult Book Highlight

And Then There Were None by Agatha Christie is an iconic mystery by an iconic author. With a dash of horror, it's a perfect read for October!

Ten suspicious strangers meet on an island, where death – following an old rhyme – comes to join them. Fans of *Clue* will enjoy this complex, twisting novel from 1939. Check it out today and let us know what you think!



Movie Highlight

Hocus Pocus (1993) is a witchy comedy movie from Disney that families have been enjoying for decades. It stars Bette Midler, Sarah Jessica Parker, and Kathy Najimy as three sisters who get accidentally resurrected by a teenage boy in Salem, Massachusetts. There's also an adorable black cat named Binx!

Check it out today and let us know what you think!
Please note, this title is rated PG for Parental Guidance.

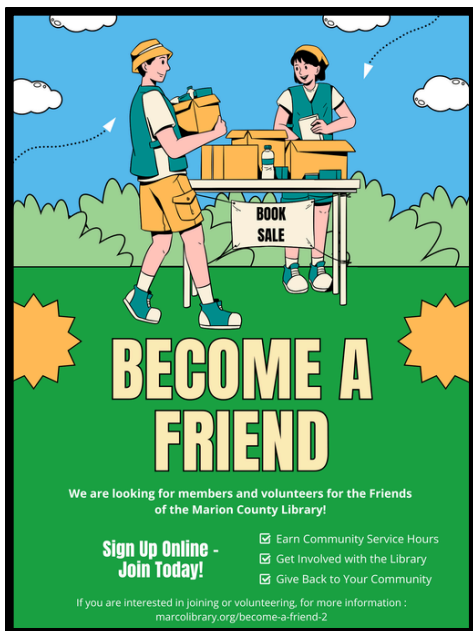


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FRIENDS OF
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Join the Friends

Do you need volunteer or community service hours? The Friends are looking for help!

We need strong volunteers who can help carry books for our next book sale. Signing up is free, and open to everyone aged 12+.

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>

Reading Opportunities for Your Kids



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, which you can pick up at the Library.

Sign up for the **Imagination Library** for a *free* book each month, from birth until their 5th birthday. Help get Marion County to 100% enrollment by signing up today! You can also honor Dolly Parton and Dolly Day (9/25) by donating online or in the Library.

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

Upcoming Book & Bake Sale

Join us for our end of the year Book & Bake Sale!

When? Friday, November 6th from 9 AM to 5 PM, and Saturday, November 7th from 9 AM to 1 PM

Where? Yellville American Legion Hut

What? Books & some games. Games are marked as priced. We'll have a \$2 bag sale and \$5 box sale on Saturday

Soup lunch available on Friday!

Proceeds benefit the Marion County Library.



October



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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
4	5	6	7	1	2	3
11	12 Master Gardeners @ 10:00 AM	13	14 Gaming @ 10 AM Crafting @ 12 PM	8 Game Night @ 5 PM to 7 PM (Library Open)	9 CLOSED - Turkey Trot	10 CLOSED - Turkey Trot
18	19	20 Home School Programs @ 11 AM	21 Gaming @ 10 AM Crafting @ 12 PM	15	16	17
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