



THE CONTAINER

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MCL's Children's Department plants seeds of literacy with new Graphic Novel tree

Graphic novels are fantastic ways to keep kids - and people of all ages, really - reading and interested in literacy. They're rich in text, engaging for even the most reluctant reader, and full of complex plots, conflicts, and characters.

Thanks to **Whimsy - A Children's Clothing Store** in Marion, MCL's Children's Department is now home to a beautiful graphic novel display full of favorite titles!

Shelley Hudspath, Marion Carnegie Library's Coordinator of Children's Services, is very proud of the new display. "Graphic novels are so much fun to read and give emerging readers so many clues to assist them with their fluency, that we love having an easy, striking display on which they may be shown. It really makes sense to have such a graphic display for these popular books!"



Graphic Novels are available in the Children's Department, the Young Adult Department, and in the Main Floor collection. Ask any MCL Staff Member for help finding your favorites. If a title isn't available at MCL, library staff can use your MCL card to order the title from any of hundreds of libraries across the state.

You can learn more about Whimsy - A Children's Clothing Store on Facebook and Instagram @WhimsyChildrensClothing.

Have You Heard?

You're a reader. Because you're a reader, you have a library card. And you can use that library card to access so much more than books!

MCL is proud to offer a huge collection of audiobooks as part of the Main Floor collection, and in the Children's Department. Audiobooks are perfect for keeping you company in the car, while you do household chores, and in so many other scenarios where holding a book isn't practical.

Plus, visit marioncarnegielibrary.org/access to find the 3M cloudLibrary and hoopla Digital apps. You can borrow from hundreds of audiobook titles at no cost and listen directly through your smartphone, tablet, or computer!

Mobile Hotspots

School starts in August, and so much of the curriculum is online. To help access that curriculum, you can use your MCL card to check out a mobile hotspot with unlimited data from T-Mobile or Verizon Wireless - at no cost to you!

At the same time, you can borrow a laptop with Microsoft Office. Simply ask an MCL Staff Member at the library's Main Desk to check out a hotspot and/or a laptop. Both are available to borrow for up to 7 days and both are available only to Marion Carnegie Library cardholders aged 18 and up.

Visit marioncarnegielibrary.org/cards for details about borrowing these and other items.

August 2023 Featured Events

Check the MCL website or ask a staff member for a full list of events!

One-on-One with Man-Tra-Con - Age 18+

Wednesday, August 2 at 2 pm

Schedule a one-on-one consultation with a representative from Man-Tra-Con or the American Job Center.

Registration is required. Sign up at MCL's Main Desk.

Lawyer in the Library - Age 18+

Tuesday, August 15 at 5 pm

An attorney will be available for 20-minute, one-on-one meetings to assist you with legal coaching, document review, referrals to additional community services, e-filing court documents, and legal questions.

Registration is required. Sign up at MCL's Main Desk.

MCL Adult Craft - Butterflies Under Glass - Age 18+

Thursday, August 17 at 3 pm and 5:30 pm

Bring some friends and make a beautiful craft at MCL! We'll provide all the materials you'll need. **Registration is required. Sign up at MCL's Main Desk starting Wednesday, August 9.**

MCL Book Club — Age 18+

Saturday, August 26 at 10 am
in the McCoskey Room

In August, we'll discuss a book selected by MCL Book Club members. Ask a staff member for details.

Shawnee Health Chat - Age 18+

Tuesday, August 29 at 5 pm

Meet one-on-one with a representative of Shawnee Health. Get answers to your medical system questions on Medicaid, Medicare, the Marketplace, and more!

Registration is recommended. Sign up at MCL's Main Desk.

Friends of MCL Book Sale

Friday, August 11, and Saturday, August 12
From 9 am to 4 pm

Join us for a book sale presented by the Friends of the Marion Carnegie Library! All proceeds go to support Marion Carnegie Library's projects and programs.

*PNG at MCL STEAM Club Geocaching - Ages 10 - 18

Wednesday, August 9 at 4 pm
in the Technology Lab

Use GPS to find hidden treasures in Downtown Marion!

MCL Gamers Guild - Ages 12 - 19

Wednesday, August 2 at 4 pm
in the YA Department.

MCL Teen Craft: Perler Beads Ages 12 - 19

Wednesday, August 16 at 4 pm
in the YA Department

The Bookworms Meeting - Ages 12 - 19

Wednesday, August 23 at 4 pm
in the YA Department

Jackbox Game Fest - Ages 12 - 19

Wednesday, August 30 at 4 pm
in the YA Department

Tween Movie - Ages 8 - 12

Saturdays at 1 pm in the Tween area of the Children's Department

Tween Grab-and-Go

Pokemon Bookmark Kit - Ages 8 - 12

Available Friday, August 4
in the Children's Department

MCL Builder's Club - Ages 0 - 12

Monday, August 7 & Monday, August 21
from 5:30 pm to 7 pm
in the McCoskey Room

Ultimate All-Day

Builder's Club - Ages 0 - 12

Saturday, August 5 from 9 am to 4 pm
in the McCoskey Room

Story Hour - For all younger children

at 10:30 am in the McCoskey Room

Hear great stories with Miss Twila and Miss Shelley! This month's story themes are:

- **August 2 & 3** - Grumpy
- **August 9 only** - Friendship
- **August 16 & 17** - Underwear
- **August 23 & 24** - Banana
- **August 30 & 31** - Bee

MCL Playroom Playdate For all younger children

Tuesdays from 10 am to 12 noon



Scan this code with your phone's camera app to visit Marion Carnegie Library's Events on Facebook!

Never miss an update!



NOTICE: All participants and parents understand and agree that photos taken at events may be used in social media postings and future promotions.

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