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Take Your Child To The Library Day

Celebrate this annual event with MCL on February 4, 2023

www.takeyourchildtothelibrary.org

On Saturday, February 4, Marion Carnegie Library hosted Take Your Child to the Library Day and over 80 members of the community joined in the celebration.

Families visited MCL to celebrate the event with a special Builder's Club session and commemorative bookmarks.

According to Shelley Hudspath, MCL's Coordinator of Children's Services, "Take Your Child to the Library Day is a wonderful way for people in our community to learn about the literacy programs, educational resources, and fun events that our library provides for free to the community every day of the year."

Take Your Child to the Library Day was launched in 2011 as a grassroots literacy project in Connecticut. Created by Connecticut librarians Nadine Lipman and Caitlin Augusta with Connecticut children's book illustrator/author Nancy Elizabeth Wallace, it has become an international celebration encouraging families everywhere to take their children to their local libraries.

hoopla Digital

Your Marion Carnegie Library card provides FREE access to thousands of eBooks, audiobooks, comics, TV shows, movies, and more with hoopla Digital!

You can borrow up to 5 titles each month using hoopla Digital's app for Android and iOS devices, or using the web interface.

Visit marioncarnegielibrary.org/hooplaDigital for direct links to download the mobile app and for more information about the service.

PNG Spotlight

PNG at MCL in February is all about the Love of Games!

Saturday Sessions — each Saturday at 1 pm and 3 pm — will provide the chance to use Virtual Reality headsets (guardian permission is required if you're under 13 years old), code your own game, and more! Open Lab Hours and February 28's AV Club also offer some cool gaming activities.

In STEAM Club on February 8, you'll use a sewing machine to create your own tote bag.

PNG at MCL events are always free and open to ages 10 – 18. See you there!

February 2023 Featured Events

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

STORYWALK® - <u>Mae Among the Stars</u>
Throughout February

Read the story of Mae Jemison, who graduated from Stanford University, earned her MD from Cornell Medical College, and became the first black woman astronaut! **Start at MCL's Market Street entrance and follow the StoryWalk® around Tower Square.**

One-on-One with Man-Tra-Con - Age 18+
Wednesday, February 1 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.

MCL Adult Craft - Pizza Pan Wall Hangings
Age 18+
Thursday, February 9 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 February 2.***

Lawyer in the Library - Age 18+
Tuesday, February 21 at 5:30 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 Book Club — Age 18+
Saturday, February 25 at 10 am
in the McCoskey Room

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

*PNG at MCL STEAM Club
Sew Ready! Make Your Own Tote Bag
Ages 10 - 18
Wednesday, February 8 at 4 pm
in the Technology Lab

Learn some sewing basics and make your own tote bag in the MCL Technology Lab!

*PNG at MCL AV Club
Trivia Tournament and Streaming
Ages 10 - 18
Tuesday, February 28 at 4 pm
in the Technology Lab

Set up a live stream and compete in a trivia tournament!

*PNG at MCL Saturday Sessions
The Love Behind Games
Ages 10 - 18
Saturdays at 1 pm and 3 pm
in the Technology Lab

Virtual Reality and Augmented Reality games, game creation, and more!!

*PNG at MCL Open Technology Lab
Ages 10 - 18
Monday - Thursday from 4 pm to 7 pm
in the Technology Lab

MCL Anime Club - Ages 12 - 19
Wednesday, February 1 at 4 pm
in the YA Department.

MCL Teen Craft: Cactus Rock Gardens
Ages 12 - 19
Wednesday, February 15 at 4 pm
in the YA Department

<u>The Bookworms</u> Meeting - Ages 12 - 19
Wednesday, February 22 at 4 pm
in the YA Department

Teen Game Day - Ages 12 - 19

Saturdays from 10 am to 4 pm
in the YA Department

Tween Grab and Go Friendship Bracelet Kit
Ages 8 - 12
Available Friday, February 3
in the Children's Department

Tween Movie - Ages 8 - 12
Saturdays at 1 pm in the Tween area of the Children's Department

Builder's Club - Ages 0 - 12
(Formerly MCL Lego Club)
Mondays, February 6 & February 20 from 5:30 pm to 7 pm in the McCoskey Room

Children's Craft Nights
For ages 0 - 12
February 13 & 14 from 5 pm to 7 pm in the Children's Department
Make fun Valentine's make-and-take crafts.

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:

- **February 1 & 2** - Wheels on the Bus
- **February 8 & 9** - Dragon
- **February 15 & 16** - Heart
- **February 22 & 23** - Friendship

MCL Playroom Playdate
For all younger children
Fridays from 10 am to 12 noon

Meet new friends and old while reading and playing in our playroom!

EatPlayGrow™ Nutrition Program
For preschoolers
Mondays, February 6, 13, and 20 at 1:30 pm in the McCoskey Room

Join MCL and the U of I Cooperative Extension Service to learn about healthy nutrition choices using art, stories, and music! There's new fun at each event!

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