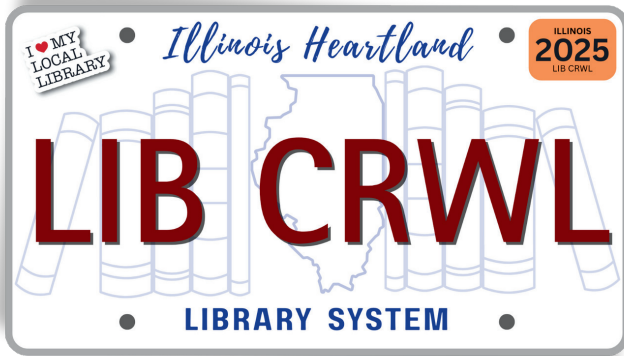


The Container

"Knowledge is free at the library. Just bring your own container."

—Unknown



Library Crawl 2025

The Library Crawl is back and will run all of the month of October!

Visit marioncarnegielibrary.org/library-crawl for more info!

The Annual Library Crawl is a unique event organized by the public libraries of Illinois Heartland Library System as a fun way to introduce your public library's patrons to the other libraries of the IHLS service area. Patrons visit area libraries throughout the month of the crawl and get a passport stamp at each library they visit. Some patrons have tried to visit every library in the crawl! The main purpose, though, is to help participants discover the many, many great resources available to them with their library cards.

Share your posts with the hashtag #IHLSLibraryCrawl2025 to let everyone follow your adventure! Marion Carnegie Library patrons who return a passport with at least five stamps will receive a small gift bag of Marion Carnegie Library branded items!



Introducing Libby.

You asked and we listened! Libby is our newest digital resource. Libby is the library reading app where you can borrow ebooks and audiobooks for free. Borrow up to eight items at a time and read anytime, anywhere. Download the app and enter your library card number to get started!

Visit <https://meet.libbyapp.com> for more information.

Hoopla will be phased out in the coming weeks, ending on November 8th. Any items already checked out after Hoopla is canceled will still be available for patrons until their due date.

Book Bike is Back!

Our Book Bike is out on the road again! Keep an eye out for it in October!

Donated by Friends of Marion Carnegie Library, the Book Bike allows MCL to bring library services outside the walls of 206 S. Market St. and into the community!

Where you find the MCL Book Bike, you can borrow and return items, sign up for a library card, learn about upcoming library events, and say hello to your library's friendly staff members!



October 2025 Library Events

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

All Younger
Children

Ages 0-12

Ages 8-12

Ages 12-18

Ages 18+

All Ages

Playroom Playdate

Tuesdays - 10^{AM} to 12^{PM}

Thursdays - 4^{PM} to 7^{PM}

Meet up with old friends and make new friends in MCL's fun Playroom!

7th Annual Library Crawl

All Month

Patrons visit area libraries throughout the month of the crawl and get a passport stamp at each library they visit.

MCL Story Hour

Events start at 10:30^{AM}

Oct. 1 & 2 - Monster

Oct. 8 & 9 - Bat

Oct. 15 & 16 - Pumpkin

Oct. 22 & 23 - Ghost

Oct. 29 & 30 - Halloween Parade

Tween Craft: Yarn Ball Monsters

Begins Friday, Oct. 3rd

Pick up a fun kit that makes monsters out of yarn pom poms!

Teen Game Night

Wednesday, Oct. 1st at 4^{PM}

Come play our board games and video games in the YA Department!

A Conversation with The Sqwachers

Thursday, Oct. 2nd at 6^{PM}

Local experts, The Sqwachers, will speak on their experiences tracking and observing activity in The Shawnee National Forest.

Teen Craft Night: Halloween Window Clings

Wednesday, Oct. 15th at 4^{PM}

Come watch "Halloweentown" and make a craft in the YA Department!

MCL Builder's Club

Oct. 6th & Oct. 27th

Build anything you can imagine in the library's McCoskey Room!

Teen Movie & Make-It Night

Wednesday, Oct. 8th at 4^{PM}

Come watch "Halloweentown" and make a craft in the YA Department!

MCL Book Club

Saturday, Oct. 25 at 10^{AM}

Discussing *Starling House* by Alix Harrow in the McCoskey Room.

Lawyer in the Library

Tuesday, Oct. 21st at 5^{PM}

Meet one-on-one with an attorney. Registration is required.

Enchanted Millinery

Thursday, Oct. 30th

4:30^{PM} to 7:30^{PM}

Stop by Carnegie Commons during Enchanted Square and create a witchy fascinators. Hats and embellishments will be provided.

The Bookworms

Wednesday, Oct. 22nd at 4^{PM}

Bookworms is a teen book club where we discuss anything you want to read. Stay for a movie based on a YA novel!

YA Halloween Party

Wednesday, Oct. 29nd at 4^{PM}

Celebrate Spooky Season with snacks, a movie, and movie bingo for a chance to win a prize! Cast your vote for which movie we watch at the YA Circulation Desk by Wednesday, October 22.

Tween Movie

Saturdays at 1^{PM}

Pick up a fun kit that makes monsters out of yarn pom poms!

MCL will be closed on October 13, 2025 for Staff Training.

For a full description of events,
visit

marioncarnegielibrary.org/events



Facebook.com/MarionCarnegieLibrary



Instagram.com/MarionCarnegieLibrary

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



Children 10 years and younger must be accompanied by a guardian at all times while attending MCL Children's Department events.