Director’s Note
Gary Branson
Executive Director

Adult Lifelong Learning (ALL) classes get underway starting March 2 and will go through the end of May. Some classes have filled up quickly, but there are still some openings for those of us who tend to procrastinate. There is no final cutoff for registration, so if there is an open spot in a class of interest, please don’t hesitate to join that class.

Signups can be completed at the Library and the full course listing for Spring 2020 can be found here: MarionLibrary.org/ALL

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Marion Public Library will once again host this year’s ReadLocal Author Fair on Saturday, March 21 from 1:00 to 3:00 pm.

The annual event is a unique opportunity for readers to engage with authors and the event highlights the talent in our own backyard. It also serves as an excellent networking opportunity for aspiring writers to connect with others who share their passion.

This year’s event will feature over 20 authors, many of whom are making their first appearances at this event. Their works span many genres of fiction and nonfiction writing. Books will be available for purchase from participating authors who will be happy to sign copies. The event will run from 1:00 to 3:00 pm with a keynote presentation at 1:00 pm by our Featured Author.

Susan Petrone is the author of the upcoming novel *The Heebie-Jeebie Girl*. She has also written *The Super Ladies, Throw Like a Woman* and *A Body at Rest*, which won a bronze medal for regional fiction from the Independent Publisher Book Awards.

Her short story, “Monster Jones Wants to Creep You Out” (Conclave, 2010) was nominated for a Pushcart Prize.

She will discuss writing & publishing at MPL’s ReadLocal Author Fair.

**Featured Author**

**Susan Petrone**

*The Heebie-Jeebie Girl*  
(April 2020)

*The Super Ladies Throw Like a Woman*
March 2 @ 6pm
Dr. Seuss Family Fun Night
Get ready for Read Across America and celebrate the 116th birthday of Dr. Seuss with a Cat-in-the-hat and friends themed Family Fun Night! We’ll have music, reading, and a wacky craft!

March 3, 5, 10, 12, 17, 19, 24 & 26 @ 12:30pm
All Age Storytime
This story time for kids of all ages and their caregivers is a partnership between the Library and students from The Ohio State University at Marion studying language and literacy development.

March 3 @ 3:15pm
Teen Trivia: Anime
Ready to test your knowledge and see if you are the supreme anime master? Teens are invited to participate in an after school trivia challenge.

March 4, 11, 18 & 25* @ 9:30am, 10:30am & 12:30pm
Music Time!
Music time is a community music group for children birth to 5 years of age and their caregivers. **NO 12:30PM PROGRAM ON 3/25**

March 5 & 19 @ 3:15pm
Teen Dungeons & Dragons
Have fun playing this timeless RPG in a casual setting with both veterans and newcomers alike.

March 5 @ 7pm
Dan’s Bucket List Bike Adventure
Cycling enthusiast, Dan Sheridan has always had a bucket list item of cycling across the United State and did so in 2019. He will share his adventure with stories and a photo presentation.

March 10 @ 2pm
Books in Focus
Join MPL staff as they share the most popular upcoming titles.

March 11 & 25 @ 4pm
Teen Jobs 101 (two part series)
MPL Staff will help teens with resume writing, review job applications and talk strategies for online job searching. Part 1: Resumes, Applications, Job Searching Part 2: Review your resumes, interviews, and practice

March 12 & 26 @ 3:15pm
Fellowship of the Geeks
A bi-weekly program encouraging teens & tweens to come socialize and talk about geeky or nerdy things.

March 12 @ 7pm
Cutting Out Cable
Join Technology Training Specialist Kellen Freeman to learn more about your options. Topics will include reasons to cut cable, what you need to know, reviewing your cable bill, free options, paid services, and streaming devices.

March 16 @ 6:30pm
Celebrate Baby Fair
The Marion County WIC program through Marion Public Health has brought Scandinavian innovation to Marion with their Baby Box program. Celebrate everything baby and pick up your safe-sleeping baby box at the Celebrate Baby Fair.

March 18 @ 6:30pm
Teen Advisory Board
Join the Teen Advisory Board and earn service hours while becoming involved with your library. We meet in the teen area on the last Wednesdays of the month and work on projects as well as talk about upcoming events in the library.

March 19 @ 6pm
Coding for Kids
Come learn the basics of coding through gamification. Navigate an obstacle course in this fun STEAM activity that introduces kids to coding and programming. THIS PROGRAM IS GEARED TOWARDS KIDS FROM GRADE SCHOOL TO MIDDLE SCHOOL.

March 21 @ 1pm
ReadLocal Author Fair
The 4th Annual ReadLocal Author Fair begins with a keynote presentation by our featured author, Susan Petrone at 1pm. The open-house-style fair commences immediately thereafter (1:30 PM). The 22 scheduled authors will have their books available for purchase and signing.

March 24 @ 6:30pm
Digital Library Workshop
Join us at the library for a hands-on workshop and learn how to use powerful library apps—RBdigital and Libby. Don't forget to bring your smartphone, tablet, or computer!

March 26 @ 6:30pm
You Don’t Need a Patent If...
Do you need a patent to be a successful inventor, entrepreneur, or business owner? Must you have a patent to protect your intellectual property? Patent Attorney Jacob M. Ware will introduce us to some scenarios of where an inventor just might not need a patent!

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**New Titles Kids & Teen**

- **The Girl He Used To Know**
- **Prairie Lotus**
- **Twilight Hauntings**
- **Linda Sue Park**
- **Wings Fire Dragonslayer**
- **Angie Sage**
- **The Girl Speaks Bear**
- **Ally Carter**
- **Winterbourne Home**

**New Titles Adults**

- **Theresa Anne Fowler**
- **A Good Neighborhood**
- **You Are Not Alone**
- **The Yellow Bird Sings**
- **Greer Hendricks & Sarah Pekkanen**
- **The Night Watchman**
- **The Glass Hotel**
- **Separation Anxiety**
- **Lady Waiting**
- **Laura Zigman**
- **Deacon King Kong**
- **James McBride**

**Reserve these NEW titles today**

- in person
- online
- by phone

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**MONTHLY BOOK DISCUSSIONS**

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- **Tuesday, Mar 3**
  **7:00pm**
  **The Girl He Used To Know** by Tracey Garvis Graves
  A compelling, hopelessly romantic novel of unconditional love.

- **Tuesday, Mar 17**
  **7:00pm**
  **Heartland** by Sara Smarsh
  A memoir of working hard and being broke in the richest country on Earth.

**Homebound Delivery**

Know someone who could use this service?
Call us at **387-0992** for details.

**No registration needed** for book discussions; just drop-in!
Multiple copies of these titles are made available for checkout one month prior to the discussion.
MPL Mission Statement: The Marion Public Library enhances the quality of life in our community by encouraging reading and the pursuit of lifelong learning.

#staffpicks

Gary Branson recommends this story of modern English nobles trying to keep their crumbling castle—and family—together.

Megan enjoyed this book about a woman reflecting on her scattered upbringing, when her fiancé disappears and her mother re-enters her life.

Kim H. liked this story about a woman navigating the afterlife after learning she wasn’t supposed to die for another fifty years.

David H. praises this multi-generational saga that revolves around a family and how their choices affect their nearby forest.

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Friday: 9 a.m.-5 p.m.
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Sunday: 1 p.m.-4 p.m.
(Labor Day to Memorial Day)

Branch Hours:
3:00-7:00 p.m. <NEW<<<

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Henkle-Holliday Memorial Library, LaRue
Tuesday & Thursday

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Annual Book Sale!

Thursday, April 25 - 5 - 8 pm
(Only preview)

Friday, April 26 - 9 am - 4 pm

Saturday, April 27 - 9 am - 4 pm

Sunday, April 28 - 12 - 4 pm

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