

# Marshall Public Library



"Your Downtown Window to the World"

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## What's Happening @ Your Library?

**new**

### Genealogy and Historical Collections Department open to public inside the library

Library staff and city workers have been busy hauling genealogy and historical collections from the Clark County Genealogy Library (CCGL) to the Marshall Public Library in recent weeks. Nearly a year ago the CCGL and Library began talks of moving the collection due to significant genealogy library building deterioration. As of June 12<sup>th</sup>, all collections have been successfully moved and are available to the public in the library's Activity Room, now home to the new Genealogy and Historical Collections Department.

#### Collection history...

The CCGL began under the Clark County Historical Society's charter in 1971. In 1974 they remodeled and moved into a concrete block garage behind the Historical Society Museum house on the corner

of 4th and Maple Streets, and a dedication was held in 1975. This was the first bicentennial project in central Illinois. The society members secured their own charter in 1979. In 1996 a move was made to much larger quarters in the former Marrs Furniture store on Locust Street. The building was purchased for \$1.00, and the Rotary Club gave the first \$100.00 to help get them established. The first librarian was Mazie Garver. Other notable women who gave of their time to keep the library operating were Betty Turner, Velma Remlinger, Rosalie Wirey, and Dalanne Miller. Mrs. Miller, who served for the last 25 years, who has been the main curator and librarian for the collection says: "I am relieved to know

the materials will remain in a secure location for future generations and reassured knowing that Library staff are committed to maintain the materials."

#### Collection details...

The past 20 years the Marshall Public Library has

been collecting and digitizing local history through Marshall newspapers, interviews and photos. With the addition of the CCGL collections preservation will go beyond the Marshall city limits and will include county records detailing 20,000 added county newspapers such as the Clark County Democrat, Casey Daily Reporter, Martinsville Planet; Clark County Daily Chronicle, and more. Digitization of these records is thanks to the generous support of the Clark County Historical Society. Highlights of print materials include 1800 volumes of family histories, cemetery records and maps, census data, churches and schools by township, wills, birth and death records, town histories and more.



Clark County Genealogy Librarian Dalanne Miller

#### Next steps...

Hard numbers are difficult to come by, but hobby experts believe that genealogy ranks second only to gardening as America's favorite pastime and the uptick in genealogy enthusiasts visiting the library indicates this is true. This, coupled with the Library's passion for historic preservation, is why the Library decided to take on the

### CALENDAR OF EVENTS

*Toddler Time Tuesday's and Thursday's at 10:30AM (cancelled 7/4)*

- 7/1—Read with Retriever 1—3 PM
- 7/4—CLOSED in observance of Independence Day—Happy 4th of July!
- 7/5—Summer Singalong 2 PM
- 7/6—Craftivity 2 PM
- 7/6—Friends meet 5 PM
- 7/11—Family Movie 2 PM
- 7/12—Babaloo Summer Finale 2 PM
- 7/12—City Board meets 6 PM
- 7/13—Craftivity 2 PM
- 7/19—Book Chat 10:30 AM
- 7/20—3D print—class-call to register
- 8/5—Read with Retriever 1—3 PM
- 8/9—City Board meets 6 PM
- 8/16—Book Chat 10:30 AM
- 8/17—3D print class—call to register
- 8/22—Area District meets 4:30 PM
- 8/24—Staff Training Day—Library will be closed from 10 AM—1 PM



collection. A new space will be added to the second floor of the library which will be accessible with the installation of an elevator. Once construction is complete, the library plans to hold a series of educational programs on how to do family and local history research. It is the library's long term goal to digitize all historic collections.

#### How can I learn more?

Visit us! The collection is open to the public during regular hours.

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## It's not too late for Summer Reading Programs 2023

**Ends July 15<sup>th</sup>** Children under 8 need to be accompanied by an adult for programs.

**Summer Singalong Adventure - Wednesday, July 5<sup>th</sup> @ 2:00 PM** Join Marshall Elementary School music teacher Megan Wilson for a fun, musical adventure.

**Summer Reading Movie, Tuesday, 2:00 PM, July 11<sup>th</sup>**  
(Note: no movie on July 4<sup>th</sup> due to holiday)

### Craftivity

Thursdays  
July 6<sup>th</sup> & July 13<sup>th</sup>  
@ 2:00 PM

**Free Babalo Music & Fun**

**A one-man musical comedy act for kids!**

**Wednesday, July 12<sup>th</sup> at 2:00pm**  
on courthouse lawn,  
no registration required!

## Genealogy Certificate aids in Library's ability to serve Clark County

Head Librarian Jamie Poorman received Boston University Certificate in Genealogical Research. The rigorous online program affords students the opportunity to hone genealogical skills for personal or professional development, work with source material to reach sound genealogical conclusions, and gain skills to find and evaluate information.

"The Boston University certificate course was challenging but very rewarding. It stretched my knowledge of genealogical research and taught me about many new resources, search tools and techniques. Although I have been researching my own family history for nearly twenty-five years and assisting patrons at the library since 2008, I learned a lot from the coursework. Most importantly, the course pushed me to develop additional

skills in research and reporting that will allow Marshall Public Library to offer an even higher level of service to our community and visitors who are researching their own families." Jamie Poorman, Head Librarian.



The certificate was in preparation of the acquisition of Clark County Genealogy Library collection. The transition of the county collection to the public library is complete. The collection includes tens of thousands of digitized newspapers, hundreds of oral histories and thousands of historic photos already available through the Library's website. The library is actively taking genealogy inquiries and all interested community members may call the library at 217-826-2535 or for more specific genealogy questions email: jpoorman@marshallplib.com

### Monthly Library Displays:

**July's display:** "Summer Reading: Find Your Voice" — by staff

**August's display:** "Back to School" — by staff

**September's display:** "WWII memorabilia"—by Dan Crews  
and traveling exhibit *Americans and the Holocaust*





# Friends of the Library News

Friends of the Library meeting was held at 5:00 PM on May 4th in the library's Dale McConchie meeting room. At the meeting *Friends* approved the purchase of a train lantern, Little League Baseball sign, and 2023 yearbook ad. The friends discussed the Tourism Attractions and Tourism grant, ALA grant and upcoming Summer Reading programming. Several Friends volunteered to deliver newsletters. The next meeting will be held **July 6th at 5:00 PM** in the Dale McConchie meeting room.



## AMERICANS

### AND THE HOLOCAUST

September 1st—October 13th  
*See Flyer Insert*

ALALA American Library Association

UNITED STATES HOLOCAUST MEMORIAL MUSEUM

WHAT DID AMERICANS KNOW?  
WHAT MORE COULD HAVE BEEN DONE?



"Book Chat" is a book discussion group that meets at the library the third Wednesday of the month at 10:30 AM.

***The Finder of Forgotten Things***  
by Sarah Loudin Thomas—**July 19th**

***How the Penguins Saved Veronica***  
by Hazel Prior—**August 16th**

Light refreshments available  
Multiple copies of featured books are available at the library.



## Friends

of Marshall Public Library

The activities of the *Friends of Marshall Public Library* are vital to making our library a special part of the community and surrounding area. We hope you will join us in supporting the library by becoming a member today. Whether you choose to be an active member of the *Friends* or not, your support is appreciated. Membership dues are just \$5.00 for an individual or \$10.00 for an entire family. Of course higher levels of giving and larger donations are always appreciated. *Friends* are a 501c3 organization and all donations are tax deductible. Membership and/or donations can be made online through the library's webpage or by mailing a check to the library.

**Will you be our Friend?**

### ~ Memorials ~

***In Memory of...Janice Cox Glendenning***

From: MHS Class of 1963

*Skillets: Guide to Collecting and Restoring Cast Iron*

~ By: Ashley L. Jones

***In Memory of...John (JB) Gallagher***

From: MHS Class of 1963

*The Book of Totally Irresponsible Science: 64 Daring Experiments for Young Scientist*

~ By: Sean Connolly

***In Memory of...Jerry Nave***

From: Marshall High School Class of 1995

*Construction Site: Farming Strong, All Year Long*

~ By: Sherri Rinker

***In Memory of...Nate Harper***

From: MHS Class of 1995

*Everything I Know I Learned from Baseball*

~ By: Phillip Thiebert

***In Memory of...Dianna Lynn May Odom***

From: MHS Class of 1974

*The Selected Poetry of Lord Byron*

~ By: Lord Byron

***In Memory of...Julie Garner Shaffner***

From: MHS Class of 1974

*The Quilted Home Handbook*

~ By: Wendy Chow

***In Memory of...John McNary***

From: MHS Class of 1964

*Golf's Best Excuses: 150 Hilarious Excuses Every Golf Player Should Know*

~ By: Joshua Shifrin

Are you looking for a way to honor or memorialize a loved one? Consider purchasing and then donating a new book that is not currently in our collection to be added for others to check out and enjoy.

## MARSHALL PUBLIC LIBRARY

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LIBRARY HOURS:  
Monday through Wednesday: 10:00 AM to 6:00 PM  
Thursday: 10:00 AM to 8:00 PM  
Friday and Saturday: 10:00 AM to 5:00 PM

Library Director: Alyson Thompson  
Head Librarian: Jamie Poorman

Check us out at  
[www.marshalllibrary.com!](http://www.marshalllibrary.com)

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CITY OF MARSHALL RESIDENTS WHO LIVE IN CITY LIMITS MAY PICK UP TWO BUNDLES OF LAWN AND LEAF BAGS FROM THE LIBRARY EACH MONTH. PLEASE SIGN NEXT TO YOUR NAME WHEN YOU PICK UP YOUR LAWN BAGS.

## Spotlight on New Materials!

### ADULT

#### **Christian Fiction**

The Hope Chest - Carolyn Brown; Shell Beach - T. Davis Bunn; A girl called Sampson - Amy Harmon; The Heart's Choice - Tracie Peterson; Near Miss- Stuart Woods

#### **Mystery/Suspense**

Weapons of Opportunity - Dale Brown; The wife upstairs - Rachel Hawkins; The Survivor - Iris Johansen; Liar! - Fern Michaels; The Rescue - T. Jefferson Parker; The 23rd Midnight - James Patterson; Cross Down - James Patterson

#### **Romance**

Ugly love: a novel - Colleen Hoover; November 9 : a novel - Colleen Hoover; Regretting you - Colleen Hoover; Reminders of him : a novel - Colleen Hoover; All your perfects : a novel - Colleen Hoover; Confess : a novel - Colleen Hoover; Heart bones : a novel - Colleen Hoover; Layla - Colleen Hoover; Hopeless : a novel - Colleen Hoover; Losing hope : a novel - Colleen Hoover; Maybe someday : a novel - Colleen Hoover; Maybe now : a novel - Colleen Hoover; Point of retreat - Colleen Hoover

#### **Paperback**

Targeted Witness - Jacqueline Adams; Hidden Ranch Peril - Michelle Aleckson; Explosive Revenge - Maggie Black ; An Amish match - Jo Ann Brown; Following the trail - Lynette Easn; Undercover Rescue - Nicole Helm;

Blizzard Showdown - Shirlee McCoy; Ready to protect - Valerie Hansen; Ranch under siege - Sommer Smith; Covert Takedown - Kathleen Tailer

#### **Adult Non Fiction**

The Wisdom of Morrie- Morris Schwartz; Before you meet your future husband - Robin Jones Gunn; The Amish: history and legacy; Texas Ranger - John Boessenecker; Horse Trimming made simple - Dennis Cappel; Barcuterie - Hammy & Olivia; Quilted Home Handbook - Wendy Chow; Be the Bus - Mo Willems; Lincoln Visited Here- Clifford Emerick

### LARGE PRINT

#### **Fiction**

Ambush Range - Jack Barton; Armandon's Treasure - Melody Carlson; Big chicas don't cry - Annette Chavez; Maverick Canyon - Clem Colt; She gets July - Susan Page Davis; The words we lost - Nicole Deese; My heart will find you - Jude Deveraux; Brighter Dawn - Leslie Gould; Windswept Way - Irene Hannon; The fire and Ore- Olivia Hawker; Happy Place - Emily Henry; Novel Proposal - Denise Hunter; Texarkana - William Johnstone; On the line - Fern Michaels; Bride wore white - Amanda Quick; Identity - Nora Roberts; Things we never got over- Lucy Score; Blind Trust - Natalie Walters; Near miss- Stuart Woods

### AUDIO BOOKS

#### **Adult**

Glitter and Glue - Kelly Corrigan;

Oogy - Larry Levin; Simply Lies - David Baldacci; Where are the Children Now - Mary Higgins Clark; My heart will find you - Jude Deveraux; Beautiful Day- Elin Hilderbrand; Widow's Walk - Robert Parker; Count Down - James Patterson; Cross Down - James Patterson; Identity - Nora Roberts; Near Miss- Stuart Woods

### DVD

Wakanda Forever; Drive thru History with David Stotts; The real history of Dracula; Where our food really comes from; Early Humans; Nature Watching; Jesse James Hidden Treasure; Yellowstone Season 5

Do you have a 0 – 5 years old child who lives in the Marshall School District?

If so, your child qualifies to receive a free monthly book! Gerald and Jean Forsythe sponsor Dolly Parton's Imagination Library offering Marshall children free monthly books! Apply at: [www.imaginationlibrary.com](http://www.imaginationlibrary.com) or ask us at the library!

