

LIBRARY LIVE

MARION COUNTY PUBLIC LIBRARY SYSTEM PROGRAM GUIDE



**JOIN US FOR OUR
HALLOWEEN
EVENTS AT MCPLS
THIS FALL!**

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Get ready for a hauntingly fun time this Halloween season at MCPLS!

Join us for an evening of *spooky delights* at our annual **Family Fun Halloween Event** on October 25 at the Fairmont branch! From 5:00 p.m. to 6:30 p.m., the library alley will be transformed into a hub of Halloween excitement, complete with eerie surprises, ghoulish games, and crafty fun for all ages! Be sure to catch our fang-tastic puppet show, returning with a toe-tapping performance at 5:45 p.m.

But the festivities don't stop there! On October 26, join us at the Mannington branch for the **Fall Story Walk** from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. Embark on a magical, fall-inspired adventure perfect for families. Don't forget to wear your favorite costume for a chance to win some wickedly cool prizes!

We can't wait to celebrate with you—it's going to be a frightfully fabulous time!

BOO!



Friends of the Library Book Sale

Saturday, October 19 | 10:00 a.m.—2:00 p.m.

The Book Cave is Open! Stop by to browse the book sale room of The Friends of the Marion County Public Library. New materials are added monthly! Fill a grocery bag and pay only \$3.00!

Family Fun Halloween (All Ages)

Friday, October 25 | 5:00 p.m.—6:30 p.m.

It's that spooky, fun time of year for the Marion County Public Library's annual Family Fun Halloween Event! Come to the library between 5:00 p.m. and 6:30 p.m. and discover all of the fun! The alley will have games, crafts, sights, and sounds to ensure a hauntingly good time. The puppet show will return with a toe-tapping, fun show at 5:45 p.m. We'll see you ghosts and ghouls at the library!

CodeCombat (Ages 9+)

Wednesday, October 9 | 6:00 p.m.—7:00 p.m.

This educational video game offers an interactive way for individuals of all ages to learn software programming concepts and languages. With CodeCombat, learners aged 9 to 99 can engage in hands-on coding activities, fostering creativity, logical thinking, and problem-solving skills. Registration is required for this event.

Teen Hangout: After Hours (Teen)

Wednesday, October 2 & 16 | 5:45 p.m.—8:00 p.m.

Come to the Fairmont location for an after-hours hangout! We have lots to do like watching anime, playing games and more! Bring your friends, socialize, and maybe find a new favorite game or show! Registration is required for this event.

Discover 3D Printing (Teen/Tween)

Thursday, October 10 | 4:00 p.m.—5:00 p.m.

Kids and teens aged 9 to 17, don't miss out on a thrilling 3D Printing workshop with Liz! Build a simple and functional storage box! Once the session concludes, participants will be contacted to pick-up their personalized 3D-printed box. Registration is required for this event.

Discover Sewing (Adult/Teen)

Monday, October 15 | 3:00 p.m.—4:00 p.m.

Monday, October 15 | 5:00 p.m.—6:00 p.m.

Join Liz and other sewists to create the perfect Halloween accessory, a witch hat! For this project, please bring 1.5 yards of cotton fabric at least 36" wide OR 4 fat quarters at least 18"x18". You can also bring anything you'd like to embellish your hat with like ribbon, silk flowers, etc. All additional materials will be provided. Registration is required for this event.

Financial Aid 101 (Adult/Teen)

Monday, October 21 | 5:00 p.m.—8:00 p.m.

The Class of 2025 and their parents will learn about the different types and sources of financial aid, common financial aid vocabulary, how to calculate the total costs of enrolling, and the ins-and-outs of college loans. Additionally, participants will be guided through the process of setting up a username and password (FSA ID) - the first step toward completing a 2025-2026 FAFSA form later this year. Registration is required for this event.

Community Read Book Club (Adult)

Monday, October 7 | 7:00 p.m.—8:00 p.m.

MCPLS is hosting its first community-wide book club event to discuss *In the Shadow of the Greenbrier* by Emily Matchar, with the author joining the discussion via Zoom! This immersive family saga spans four generations and centers around the historic Greenbrier Resort in West Virginia. Copies are available to check out from the library or on Libby and Hoopla.

Crafty Connections (Adult)

Monday, October 7 & 21 | 3:30 p.m.—5:30 p.m.

Passionate about crafting? Join us at the library for a creative and social gathering. Bring your current project and crafting materials for an enjoyable crafting and conversation session. While we may have some supplies on hand, they'll be limited, so be sure to bring what you need. For inquiries, contact the library at 304-366-1210 and ask for Liz.

Artible (Adult)

Monday, October 21 | 5:00 p.m.—7:00 p.m.

Join Julie at the Marion County Public Library as we create a beautiful fall plaque using pine cone flowers we created last month. This class is suitable for adults 18+. Registration is required for this event.

Beyond the Book Club (Adult)

Monday, October 28 | 7:00 p.m.—8:00 p.m.

Join us for Beyond the Book Club! This month's selection is "Tom Lake" by Ann Patchett. In the spring of 2020, Lara's three daughters return to the family's orchard in Northern Michigan. While picking cherries, they beg their mother to tell them the story of Peter Duke, a famous actor with whom she shared both a stage and a romance years before at a theater company called Tom Lake. As Lara recalls the past, her daughters examine their own lives and relationship with their mother, and are forced to reconsider the world and everything they thought they knew. Registration is required for this event.

Coffee, Cards, & Convo (Adult 55+)

Friday, October 4 & 18 | 10:00 a.m.—11:00 a.m.

Take a break for a cup of coffee or tea, and stay for the fun! Playing cards can improve brain function and critical thinking skills, relieve stress, and strengthen social skills and friendships. In short, it is fun AND good for you. We'll play casual card games and chat in a relaxed environment. This event is designed for those aged 55+. Registration is not required.

Tabletop Game Group (Teen/Adult)

Wednesdays | 5:00 p.m.—9:00 p.m.

Alternative, advanced and imaginative games will be featured. Browse our collection of over 150 games, or bring your own! This event is open to adults and mature teens.

Refreshments will be provided! Contact Dan Ward at 304-366-1210 extension 128 for more information.

FAIRVIEW EVENTS

ALL BRANCHES CLOSED OCTOBER 14

Friends of the Library Book Sale

Stop in daily during regular business hours to shop our sale.

LEGO Brick Builders' Club (Children)

Saturday, October 5 | 10:00 a.m.—11:00 a.m.

Join Megan for an exciting and fun-filled Lego class! Unleash your creativity and let your imagination run wild as we embark on a variety of LEGO activities, from games to robotics to competitions. This class is open to all 8-12-year-olds who are ready to dive into the world of building and design.

No need to worry about bringing your own Legos - all materials will be provided. Registration is required for this event.

Speaking of Books (Adult)

Tuesday, October 1 | 4:00 p.m.—5:00 p.m.

Join Julie at the Fairview Public Library for Speaking of Books and enjoy an exciting new title each month! This month's selection: "The Silver Star" by Jeanette Walls.

In 1970, twelve-year-old "Bean" Holladay and her fifteen-year-old sister, Liz, are left behind in California when their artistic mother, Charlotte, takes off to "find herself." With little money, the girls move to Virginia to live with their Uncle Tinsley in a decaying family mansion. Bean uncovers secrets about her father while the sisters work for Jerry Maddox, the domineering foreman of the local mill. As Bean adjusts to their new life, Liz becomes more withdrawn—until a troubling encounter with Maddox changes everything.

Just Craftin' Around (Adult)

Tuesday, October 1 | 5:00 p.m.—6:00 p.m.

Join Julie at the Fairview Public Library as we make this adorable, fall pumpkin craft! It's fun and so easy to make! Plenty of ways to embellish your pumpkin for a personalized one-of-a-kind creation you will use year after year! All materials are provided. This craft is for adults aged 18 and up. Registration is required for this event.

Not Your Mother's Book Club (Adult)

Wednesday, October 9 | 4:30 p.m.—5:30 p.m.

Join the staff at the Fairview Public Library for a fun, slightly racy book club! Step out of your comfort zone with great titles and treats. This month's selection is "Credence" by Penelope Douglas.

Tiernan de Haas, the neglected daughter of a famous film producer and starlet, has spent her life in the shadow of wealth and privilege but without any real love or guidance. After her parents' sudden death, she is sent to live with her only living relative, her father's stepbrother, Jake Van der Berg, and his two sons in the remote mountains of Colorado. As she adapts to this new environment, Tiernan finds herself isolated from the world she once knew. However, as Jake and his sons take her under their wing and teach her to work and survive in the wilderness, she gradually discovers a sense of belonging and purpose among them that she has long been missing. Registration is required for this event.

MANNINGTON EVENTS

Friends of the Library Book Sale

Wednesdays | 10:00 a.m.—2:00 p.m.

We accept donations; and while you're visiting, fill up your shelves with new reading material.

Spooky Story Walk (Children)

Saturday, October 26 | 10:00 a.m.—12:00 p.m.

Get into the Halloween spirit at the Mannington Public Library! Join us for a fall-inspired story walk that's perfect for families. Start your adventure at the library, and it will take you on a journey around the block.

As you stroll through the autumn air, you'll have the chance to read a delightful book. Afterward, return to the library to search for the monster and claim your prize. And here's an extra treat – there's a bonus prize for everyone who comes dressed in costume! We can't wait to see you there for a fun and festive fall activity!

Crafty Kids' Club (Children)

Tuesday, October 8 | 3:00 p.m.—4:00 p.m.

Megan will teach you to make new and exciting art and craft projects each month. Recommended for ages 6 and up. It's time to get spooky and creative by making your own coffee filter bats to awe and maybe scare your friends. All materials will be provided by the Mannington Public Library. Registration is required for this event.

Artastic! (Teen/Tween)

Monday, October 28 | 4:30 p.m.—5:30 p.m.

Please join Megan after school once a month at the Mannington Library! We will work together from start to finish to create a beautiful masterpiece. A different design will be chosen every month! This class is for those ages 11 and up. What better way to kick off the holiday season than a ghost in a Santa hat? There isn't one. Please join us to create some spookily festive artwork! Materials will be provided.

Cover2Cover Book Club (Adult)

Thursday, October 17 | 1:00 p.m.—2:00 p.m.

Join us at the Mannington Public Library for a discussion of "The Invention of Wings" by Sue Monk Kidd. Registration is required for this event.

Crafty Creations (Adult)

Monday, October 21 | 5:00 p.m.—7:00 p.m.

Join Megan for a craft class perfect for both beginners and experts! Winter may be on the way, but you can still enjoy a nice bouquet in your home with handmade pinecone flower arrangements. All materials will be provided by the Mannington Public Library. Registration is required for this event.

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OCTOBER 2024

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
30 4:30pm The Inknobi Talent Book Club: "The Book of Boy" by Catherine Gilbert Murphey 4:30pm Author: Special Potluck, Mannington	Oct 1 4:00pm Spooking of Books: "The Silver Star" by Jeanette White, Fairview 5:00pm Just Crafts Around The Pumpkins, Fairview	2 5:00pm Tabletop Gaming, Fairmont 5:45pm Teen Hangout: After Hours, Fairmont	3 4:00pm Cribbage: Old Book Hedgehog, Fairmont	4 10:00am Coffee, Cards, and Conversation: Fairmont	5 10:00am Egg Book Butler: Club, Fairview
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Check out our online calendar to register for events and get the most up-to-date information! Follow the QR code, or visit: <http://bit.ly/2uYdBH1>