It’s resolution time—is this the year you workout more, eat healthier, or spend more time crafting? Maybe, maybe not. This year, make the resolution to read more books. It’s easy—the Marion County Public Library is your secret to success.

Check It Out—find classics and best sellers through the online catalog. If the book is at another branch, we will have it brought to your home branch for convenient pick-up.

Go Online—Use Libby or Hoopla to read eBooks on your phone, e-reader, or computer. Best of all, it’s available 24/7 and you can stay at home in your pajamas to check out your books—even at 3 in the morning!

Participate in a Book Club—Book clubs encourage you to try books you may not have chose otherwise. They’re also a great way to make new friends. Each branch of the Marion County Public Library offers their adult own book clubs each month. Check them out at mcplsls.org/adult-book-clubs/

2021 TOP TITLES
We ran the data*, and here are the most checked out titles in 2021!

**Audiobook (Libby)**
The Guest List: A Novel (unabridged) by Lucy Foley

**EBook (Libby)**
The Four Winds: A Novel by Kristin Hannah

**Physical Book**
The Four Winds: A Novel by Kristin Hannah

**Videogame**
Pokémon Sword

**DVD**
Godzilla Vs. Kong

Our #1 most checked out item of the year was our Mobile Hotspots!

*Information up to date as of Monday, December 13 at 12:59 pm.
January
New Releases
Find more new releases, complete with links, at www.mcpls.org/new

DVDs
- Dune
- The Addams Family 2
- Antlers
- Stop and Go
- Ron's Gone Wrong
- The Card Counter
- Bab Shark's Big Show! Super Shark
- World War Weird Seasons 1-3
- Pokémon Journey's The Series Season 23
- Resident Evil: Infinite Darkness Season 1

BOCD
- The Archivist by Rex Pickett
- The Noise by James Patterson
- Silveryview by John Le Carre
- Out of the Rain by V.C. Andrews
- Risen by Benedict Jacka
- Forgiving Paris by Karen Kingsbury
- The Devil's Sea by Clive Cussler
- Bright Burning Things by Lisa Harding
- The Becoming by Nora Roberts
- Down the Hatch by M.C. Beaton
- The Man with the Silver Saab by Alexander McCall Smith
- Once Upon a Wardrobe by Patti Callahan
- The Wolf by J.R.R. Ward
- This Day by Blanka Lipinska
- Never by Ken Follett
- The Lincoln Highway by Amor Towles

Board Books
- The Animals' Santa by Jan Brett
- Woodland Dance by Sandra Boynton
- Hot Cocoa Calm by Kira Willey
- Llama Llama Numbers by Anna Dewdney
- Colors: Let’s Learn Them All by Sarah Davis
- Little Owl's Day by Divya Srinivasan
- Look at Me! : A Book About Differences by Allia Zobel-Nolan
- Dr. Seuss's Thankful Things by Seuss

Bestsellers
- The Horsewoman by James Patterson
- Invisible by Danielle Steel
- The Magnolia Palace by Fiona Davis
- Find Me by Alafair Burke
- Mermaid Confidential by Tim Dorsey
- QuickSilver by Dean Koontz
- Violeta by Isabel Allende
- Disappearance of a Scribe by Dana Stabenow
- The Good Son by Jacquelyn Mitchard
- Lightning in the Mirror by Jayne Ann Krentz
- The Mirror Man by Lars Kepler
- One Step Too Far by Lisa Gardner
- Targeted 12 by Stephen Hunter
- Robert B. Parker's Bye Bye Baby by Ace Atkins
- End of Days by Brad Taylor
- The Last House on the Street by Diane Chamberlain
- The Silver Bullets of Annie Oakley by Mercedes Lackey
- Something to Hide by Elizabeth George

Inspirational
- Ever Constant by Tracie Peterson
- To Treasure an Heiress by Roawanna M. White
- Her Darling Mr. Day by Grace Hitchcock
- Sunrise by Susan May Warren
- A Heart Adrift by Laura Frantz
- Life Flight by Lynette Eason
- A Stranger's Game by Colleen Coble

Misc. Fiction
- The Family You Make by Jull Shalvis
- Flicker in the Dark by Stacy Willingham
- Reminder of Him by Colleen Hoover
- Such a Pretty Smile by Krisi Demeester
- Crimes and Covers: A Magical Bookshop Mystery by Amanda Flowers
- Karl Weber's Kingpins: Snitch by Treasure Hernandez
- The Accomplice by Lisa Lutz
- Easter Bonnet Murder by Leslie Meier
- The Fields by Erin Young
- Greenwich Park by Katherine Faulkner
- Good Rich People by Eliza Jane Brazier
- Highland Wolf Highland Brides by Lyndsay Sands
- Honey Roasted by Cleo Coyle
- How to Deceive a Duke by Samara Parish
- Reboots: Undead Can Dance by Mercedes Lackey

Large Print
- Wish You Were Here by Jodi Picoult
- The Horsewoman by James Patterson
- Criminal Mischief by Stuart Woods
- Find Me by Alafair Burke
- Flying Angels by Danielle Steel
- An Irish Country Yuletide by Patrick Taylor
- Dear Santa by Debbie Macomber
- The Paris Detective by James Patterson
- The Becoming by Nora Roberts

Non- Fiction
- The 17 Day Kickstart Diet by Mike Moreno
- Enough Already by Valerie Bertinelli
- The Comfortable Kitchen by Alex Snodgrass
- Eat Right for Your Inflammation Type by Diane Chamberlain
- The Horsewoman by James Patterson
- GED Test 2022/2023 by Tim Collins
- An Abolitionist's Handbook by Patrisse Cullors
- Knit Fold Pleat Repeat by Norah Gaughan
- Natalie Wood's Fatal Voyage by Dylan Howard
- Hardcourt: Stories by 75 Years of the NBA by Fred Bowen
- All About Me by Mel Brooks
- Rise: My Story by Lindsey Vonn
- Betrayal by Karl Jonathan

Graphic Novels
- Unicorn vs. Goblins: Another Phoebe and Her Unicorn Adventure by Dana Simpson
- Fangirl Vol. 1 by Rainbow Rowell
- Zero's Journey V.1 by D.J. Milky
- Zero's Journey V.2 by D.J. Milky
- Fire Force: The Great Cataclysm Begins! Vol. 24 by James Patterson
- Reboots: Undead Can Dance by Samara Parish
- Vinland Saga Book Twelve by Makoto Yukimura
- Invincible Compendium 1 by Robert Kirkman
- Living with Viola by Rosena Fung
- Wings of Fire by Tui Sutherland
- Besties: Work It Out by Kayla Miller
- Wonder Woman Afterwords by Becky Cloonan
- The Knights at Dawn 2 by Jenny Laird
- Graceling by Kristin Cashore
Young Adult
Augusta Savage: The Shape of a Sculptor’s Life by Marilyn Nelson
Batman the Dark Knight Detective Vol. 6 by John Ostrander
The Righteous by Renee Ahdieh
The New Teen Titans Vol. 13 by Mary Wolfman
Heartstopper Vol. 4 by Alice Oseman
Morbius by Ralph Macchio
Overground Railroad by Candacy Taylor
Any Sign of Life by Rae Carson
The Color of Dragons by R.A. Salvatore

Children
Ear Worm! by Jo Knowles
Middle School is a Zoo by James Patterson
Rocket Finds an Egg by Tad Hills
Sonic the Hedgehog Vol. 9 by Evan Stanley
Hair is Amazing Barbie by Random House
Star Wars the High Republic Mission to Disaster by Justina Ireland
Time to Use the Potty by DK
Amelia Bedelia Hops to It by Herman Parish
Haylee and the Comet by Deborah Mercero
Merry Christmas, Gus by Chris Chatterton
Jan Brett’s The Nutcracker by Jan Brett
10 Little Tractors by Annie Balley

Readalongs
Dakota Crumb: Tiny Treasure Hunter by Jamie Michalak
Trying by Kobi Yamada
When Lola Visits by Michelle Sterling
The Truth About Dragons by Jaime Zollars
Biblioburro: A True Story from Colombia by Jeanette Winter
What Do You Do with a Problem? by Kobi Yamada

Audiobooks
The Horsewoman by James Patterson
The Attack by W.E.B. Griffin
Invisible by Danielle Steel
W.E.B. Griffin’s Rogue Asset by W.E.B. Griffin
Fear No Evil by James Patterson
Criminal Mischief by Stuart Woods
January 17: All branches CLOSED

Fairmont Friends of the Library Book Sale
The Book Cave is Open! The Friends of the Marion County Public Library (Fairmont) will be taking walk-ins to browse the book sale room. The book sale room is open every Tuesday and Friday from 10 a.m.—2 p.m.

STEAM: Circuit Scribe ( Tween, Teen)
Come out to create paper circuits with Circuit Scribe! Work at your own pace while learning how circuits work on Tuesday, January 11 at 4:30 p.m. This event is designed for tweens and teens in grades 4-12. Registration is required as supplies are limited. Sign up at mcpls.org/events.

Teen Anime Club
Come hang out for an after-hours anime viewing! Each week we will watch an anime or animated show. Bring your friends, socialize, and maybe find a new favorite series! The first and the third Wednesday of the month (the 5th and the 19th) at 5:45 p.m.

Discover 3D Printing: Beginner & Intermediate Design Day
This 3D Printing class is perfect for anyone from about 10-100 years old! For those who have never done a 3D program with us before, you will get a crash course of the basic design tools and get to practice by creating a 3D Snowflake. For our veteran 3D designers, you will have the choice to also create a snowflake, or use the hour to create your own unique design. Join us on Tuesday, January 4 at 4:30 p.m.

Discover Sewing: Thrifted Sweater Pillow Cases (Teen, Adult)
Join us to create a cute sweater throw pillowcase either 3:00 p.m. or 4:30 p.m. on Tuesday, January 18. You will need to bring an old or thrifted sweater with you that measures at least 18” across. Come and socialize while creating something wonderful to take home with you. All other materials are provided. This class is designed for beginners and pro sewers alike. Registration is required for each individual who like would to attend this event and space is limited. Sign up at mcpls.org/events.

Beyond the Book Club: Storming Heaven by Denise Giardina (Adult)
Start off the new year exploring West Virginia’s complicated history with the coal mining industry. This 1988 novel has become
Annadel, West Virginia, was a small town rich in coal, farms, and close-knit families, all destroyed when the coal company came in. It stole everything it hadn’t bothered to buy—land deeds, private homes, and ultimately, the souls of its men and women. Four people tell this powerful, deeply moving tale: Activist Mayor C.J. Marcum. Fierce, loveless union man Rondal Lloyd. Gutsy nurse Carrie Bishop, who loved Rondal. And lonely, Sicilian immigrant Rose Angelelli, who lost four sons to the deadly mines. They all bear witness to nearly forgotten events of history, culminating in the final, tragic Battle of Blair Mountain—when the United States Army greeted 10,000 unemployed pro-union miners with airplanes, bombs, and poison gas. It was the first crucial battle of a war that has yet to be won.

Multiple copies of the text are available in our physical collection. An eAudiobook version is available on Hoopla, and an eBook version is available on Libby.

This event is linked to Beyond the Book Club Presentation about the Mine Wars in West Virginia scheduled on January 31 at 5:30 p.m. WVU Professor William Hal Gorby will explain what led to the Mine Wars and document the key moments that occurred from Paint Creek to Cabin Creek, Matewan, Blair Mountain, and even more local events in the Fairmont region in the 1920’s.

Beyond the Book Presents: The West Virginia Mine Wars (Adult)

In the early 20th century, miners across the Mountain State began organizing a series of strikes and organizing campaigns known as the "Mine Wars" in an attempt to unionize and bring better conditions to the mining towns, primarily in the southern-most counties of West Virginia. WVU Professor William Hal Gorby will explain what led to the Mine Wars and document the key moments that occurred from Paint Creek to Cabin Creek, Matewan, Blair Mountain, and even more local events in the Fairmont region in the 1920’s.

Join us Monday, January 31 at 5:30 p.m. for a fascinating exploration of local and state history of the Mine Wars. Sign up at mcpls.org/events.

This event is linked to Beyond the Book Club discussion of Storming Heaven by Denise Giardina on Monday, January 24 at 5:30 p.m.

Tabletop Game Group (Teens & Adults)

January 5, 12, 19, 26: 5:00 p.m.

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

Contact Dan Ward at 304-366-1210 extension 128 for more information.
January 17: All branches CLOSED

Fairview Book Sale
Stop in daily during regular business hours to shop our book sale. Books and DVDs are available for all ages. Buy one item or fill a whole bag for only $3.00! New donations coming in all the time. Stop in for some great reads and fantastic movies!

Little Rembrandts: Snowy Owl (Tween)
Join us as we create this adorable snowy owl on Saturday, January 8 at 12:00 p.m. This program is free and open to children aged 8 to 13 years olds.

All materials are provided. Registration is required, as space is limited. Participate online or in-person!

Sign up at mcpls.org/events.

Brick Builder’s Club (Tween)
Do you love building with LEGOs? Do you want some fun competition? Join us at the Fairview Public Library for the Brick Builders club on Saturday, January 15 at 12:00 p.m.

This event is suitable for children aged 7-13. We will create new and exciting builds every month. Race to see who will build the biggest, strongest, most original creations! Different building themes each month! All materials are provided.

Space is limited, so register early! Sign up at mcpls.org/events.

Just Craftin’ Around (Adult)
Join the Fairview staff as they help you create a Homemade Sugar Scrub to help battle that winter skin on

Tuesday, January 18 at 4:00 p.m.: This is an adult class (ages 18 and up), and all materials will be provided. Register early as space is limited.

Sign up at mcpls.org/events.

Speaking of Books: All the Light We Cannot See (Adult)
Join us at the Fairview Public Library in person or online as we discuss All the Light We Cannot See by Anthony Doerr on Tuesday, January 4 at 4:00 p.m.

Marie-Laure lives with her father in Paris near the Museum of Natural History, where he works as the master of its thousands of locks. When she is six, Marie-Laure goes blind and her father builds a perfect miniature of their neighborhood so she can memorize it by touch and navigate her way home. When she is 12, the Nazis occupy Paris and father and daughter flee to the walled citadel of Saint-Malo, where Marie-Laure’s reclusive great-uncle lives in a tall house by the sea. With them they carry what might be the museum’s most valuable and dangerous jewel. --Amazon

Tree Tapping with Keith (Adult)
Join the Fairview Public Library and Keith Hubbard as we learn how to make delicious maple syrup from start to finish on Saturday, January 29 at 12:00 p.m. Keith gives us tips and tricks to make the job easier, including best times to begin, types of utensils to use, and how to store. We will end by having some homemade pancakes and maple syrup!

This class is free and open to ages 17-up. Registration is required. Sign up at mcpls.org/events.
January 17: All branches CLOSED

Snowman Saturday Story Time
Parents if you have to miss story time during the week, this is the perfect time to bring the littles! Enjoy stories, music and crafting during the winter chill in the warmth of the library on Saturday, January 22 at 11:00 a.m.

All materials will be provided by the Mannington Public Library. Please register early as spots are limited. Event is open to children of all ages. Sign up at mcpls.org/events.

Crafty Kids’ Club
Get ready for Valentine’s Day with these one-of-a-kind coasters that you make and decorate yourself on Tuesday, January 18 at 3:00 p.m. You can paint any design, and personalize them in anyway!

All materials needed will be provided by the Mannington Public Library. Please register as spots will fill up fast! Geared towards age 8 and up Sign up at mcpls.org/events.

My Hero Bibliotheca! Anime Club (Teen)
Come relax after school and watch anime movies and shows on Thursday, January 13 at 3:00 p.m. We’ll hang out, talk about what we’re watching, and what to watch next. Bring your friends, socialize, and maybe find a new favorite series!

Novel Ideas: Teen Group
This month, as painting is quite popular with our teens, we will learn how to paint this beautiful Birds on a Branch twilight scene on Thursday, January 27 at 3:00 p.m. Perfect gift to give a friend or parent for Valentine Day.

Cover2Cover Book Club: Carrying Albert Home (Adult)
Elsie Lavender and Homer Hickam (the father of the author) were high school classmates in the West Virginia coalfields, graduating just as the Great Depression began. When Homer asked for her hand, Elsie instead headed to Orlando where she sparked with a dancing actor named Buddy Ebsen (yes, that Buddy Ebsen). But when Buddy headed for New York, Elsie’s dreams of a life with him were crushed and eventually she found herself back in the coalfields, married to Homer.

Pick up a copy of Carrying Albert Home: The Somewhat true Story of a Man, His Wife, and Her Alligator by Homer Hickam and register to join us to discuss the book on Thursday, January 20 at 1:30 p.m.
### Bookmobile Schedule

For more information on our homebound and outreach services or bookmobiles, contact MCPLS Outreach Services Manager Abby Haught at 304-366-1210, extension 129, or at ahaught@mcpls.org.

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Staff Picks

Here are just a few recommendations by MCPLS staff members! For more recommendations, feel free to ask staff what they suggest.

Also available on Hoopla or Libby as e-book and/or e-audiobook, as well as our physical collection.
### JANUARY 2022

**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/2uydBHI**

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