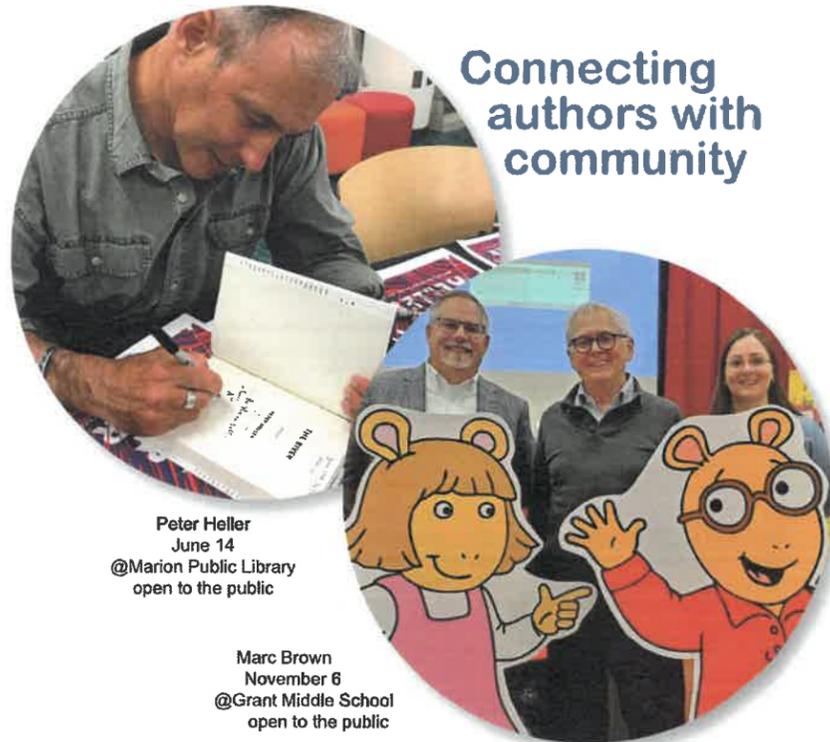


Marion Public LIBRARY

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 Monday-Thursday 9 a.m.-8 p.m.
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 Sunday 1-4 p.m.
 (Labor Day-Memorial Day)

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 740-499-3066 86 South High Street, LaRue, OH 43332
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Connecting authors with community

Peter Heller
 June 14
 @Marion Public Library
 open to the public

Marc Brown
 November 6
 @Grant Middle School
 open to the public

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classes were introduced in Fall 2019
The community's response was overwhelmingly positive



kickoff of our adult lifelong learning program



Top Programs for 2019:
 2019 saw the start of the ALL (adult lifelong learning) program. The selection of programs was well received and 2020 programming will include an extensive list.

Community partnerships and grants



Tri-Rivers RAMTEC Robotics Programs and Summer Camps



Marion Council on Aging Grant for Large Print/Audio Book Collections



My First Library Card received ongoing support from Marion Community Foundation, Marion Noon Kiwanis and Marion Rotary Club



BookMarks of Marion Public Library donations now total \$50,000

Special Thanks: to organizations that partnered with the Library to add to and improve our services. These and many more partners helped create a better Marion Public Library in 2019. We look forward to growing these partnerships as they allow the Library to provide so many new and innovative services that greatly impact our patrons. Thanks again!



Downtown Trunk or Treat in the heart of our community



Marion Technical College Aspire classes met in the Library



Marion Palace Theatre Dragons Love Tacos School Program



Let's Read 20 and OhioHealth Marion General drive the "Book & Bib" program for newborns

Our family Summer Reading Club had a successful year engaging over 900 kids



Summer fun: Marion Rotary Foundation and the Marion Star/Gannett Foundation made it possible to create additional engaging opportunities to visit Marion Public Library during the summer.

Connecting social:

facebook.com/implio 3998 Likes twitter: @MarionPublicLib 962 Followers instagram: @MarionPublicLib 928 Followers

For more program information and updates, visit MarionLibrary.org or call 740-387-0992



This new program was originally held in our large meeting room and quickly outgrew the space. It found its natural home in the open space of the Kids area. United Way of Marion County found the program worthy of a grant to continue its community impact.

Music Time



Speaking Volumes 2019:
This annual fundraiser was headlined by bestselling science fiction author John Scalzi. He shared anecdotes and discussed his friendship with Will Wheaton, another legend in sci-fi pop culture. The top three sponsors were: Kit Fogle-Merrill, OhioHealth Marion General and Stifel.

Speaking Volumes

October 25
with
John Scalzi

New York Times
bestselling
author



Some of our favorite programs of 2019



345,584
items
available
for checkout



331,499
total
circulation



25,864
public
computer
access



31,752
new
items



3,998
facebook
likes



71,324
total
downloads



736
library
programs



13,464
program
attendance