



Marcellus Free Library December 2019

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A message from Director Jake Widrick

On behalf of staff and trustees, I would like to wish all of you a happy and healthy holiday season. As we put the finishing touches on a tremendously busy year, it is fascinating to look back and reflect on all that has transpired. We faced some big challenges this year, including the ransomware attack during the summer, and we wouldn't have succeeded without your unrelenting patience, grace, and constant support. We are fortunate to be part of a community that places so much value in its public library.

My hope is that our appreciation for you continues to make itself evident in all that we do and in the services we offer. Increasing library attendance year over year necessitated the need for a new parking lot, and that new parking lot is now nearly always full. We have seen that there is increased demand for our public meeting spaces and that there will continue to be increased demand for our services. We are looking at creative new ways to accommodate groups on a regular basis and are hopeful that we can get to a point where we no longer have to turn people away due to lack of space.

Thank you for instilling upon us the value that community brings to our library. As always, we truly appreciate your continued support. You make this a great place to work!



**Marcellus Free Library Holiday Open House
Friday, December 6 from 6:00 to 8:00 pm***

Cozy Christmas stories with Miss Martha
for children of all ages.

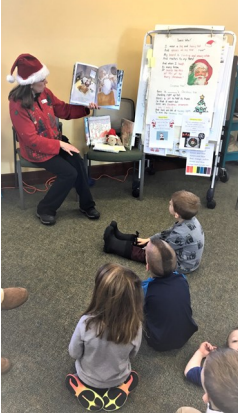
Christmas Craft with Alyson Esposito
for children and adults.

Awesome Art Show and Reception
with Awesome Art Students

Friends Group Books in Gift-Giving Condition Sale
cookies and warm cider for all.

**The library will remain open 9:00 am to 8:00 pm for the Open House. Activities begin at 6:00 pm.*

**Library Holiday Closings: Christmas Eve, December 24, Christmas Day, December 25
New Years Eve, December 31 and New Year's Day, January 1, 2020**



Preschool Story Time for children ages 4 - 6

Tuesdays at 10:30 am, ending December 3

Toddler Story Time for children ages 2 -3 (with an adult)

Wednesdays at 9:30 and 10:15 am ending December 4

Winter Story Time Sessions

Preschool Story Time begins Tuesday, January 21, 2019 and run through April 21.

Toddler Story Times begin Wednesday, January 22, 2019 and runs through April

22. Registration is required at marcelluslibrary.org or by phone 315-673-3221.

Please note: There will be no Story Time sessions the week of MCS Winter Break (February 17 - 21) or MCS Spring Break (April 6 - 10). Also, when Marcellus Schools are cancelled due to inclement weather, Story Time is cancelled.

2018 Awesome Art Student Art Show Friday, December 6, 6:00 to 8:00 pm Main Library Gallery Walls

The public is invited to come and see art created by our home schooled art class students during our Holiday Open House. Refreshments will be served. For art lovers of all ages.



Attention - Something new! Pokéman® Club

For grades 3 through 6 - Patron Led

Fridays, December 6, 13, 20 in the Large Tutoring Room
3:45 to 5:00 pm

"Come one, come all! Grades 3 to 6 are invited to join Garrett and Tommy for the Pokémon Club. You will learn the card game Pokéman which involves teamwork simple math and strategy. Have fun and we hope to see you there!"



Read to Doc the Doodle Dog!

Saturday, December 14

11:00 to 12:00 noon

Children's Area of the Library

Yoga with Carrie

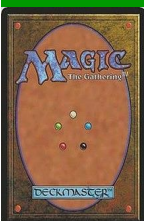
Friday, December 20, 1 to 1:45 pm

Special New Year Session

Friday, January 3

10:30 to 11:15 am - 3 years +

11:30 am to 12 noon - 8 years up *plus adults*. This "grown up" class will focus on stress relief techniques, right brain left brain activation, asanas and relaxation. **Registration is required.** Please bring a yoga mat.



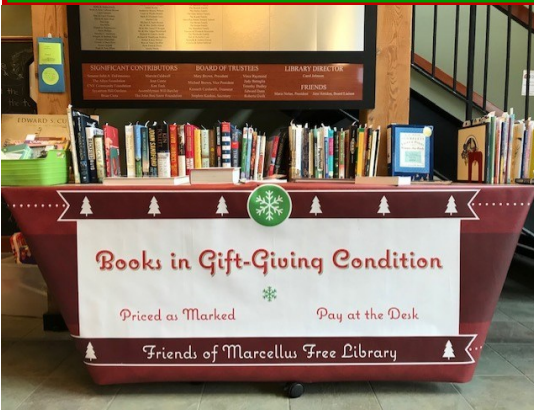
Monday night is Trading Card Game Night at the Library

December 2, 9, 16, 23, 30 6:00 to 8:00 pm

Monday, December 16 at 6:00 pm

Safe Place to Game Night with Cameron and TCG Player





**Friends of Marcellus Library
Wednesday, December 4 at 11:30 am
Decorating the Library for the Holidays**

Books in Gift Giving Condition Sale

The Friends are having their annual Books in Gift Giving condition sale in the lobby through the month of December. These items are in "like new" condition and make excellent gifts for everyone on your shopping list. You can also support the library throughout the year when you shop at Amazon by going to smile.amazon.com and selecting "Marcellus Free Library" as your charity of choice. The AmazonSmile

Foundation will donate 0.5% of all your eligible purchases to the library. Donations of books to the Paulette Quinn Book Nook will resume after January 5, 2020.

Wednesday, January 22 at 11:30 am will be the next Friends meeting. Friends will be helping the library by "reading the shelves." Happy Holidays and Best Wishes for the New Year from the Friends of Marcellus Library.



**The Annual 2 by 2 Barbershop Quartet Holiday Concert and
Christmas Carol Sing-a-long
Sunday, December 8 at 2:00 pm
Friends Community Room**

Featuring the talents of local musicians: Charlie Smith, Dean Ellinwood, Dave Bailey and Dave Takach with accompanist Sally Bailey. Christmas carol sing-a-long will conclude the performance. Refreshments served. For all ages.

**Make a Festive Holiday Porch Pot
led by Mark Moncavage of Sparrow Flowers and Gardens
Wednesday, December 11: 6:00 to 8:00 pm
Registration is required - space is limited**

Each participant must bring in a 12 to 14 inch container to hold the greens (no ceramic please) and any personal decoration you would like to add to your pot. You will create a festive pot that will last throughout the winter months. Please bring clippers if you own them. **PLEASE** commit to coming if you register for the workshop.



**Paper Crafts with Alyson
Wednesday, December 4 at 6:45 pm and Friday, December 6 at
1:00 pm and 2:15 pm.** Please register with Alyson directly:
315-604-6467 or aly.esposito3440@gmail.com.
Free. Adults only.

Alyson will be leading our craft table at the library's **Holiday Open House** on Friday, December 6, 6:00 to 8:00 pm. Stop by and make this beautiful wooden Christmas tree ornament! For everyone.





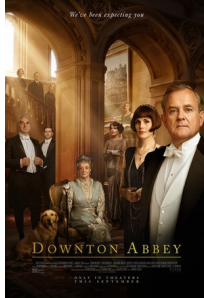
Library Hours

Monday 9 am to 8 pm
 Tuesday 9 am to 8 pm
 Wednesday 9 am to 8 pm
 Thursday 9 am to 8 pm
 Friday 9 am to 5 pm
 Saturday 10 am to 2 pm
 Sunday 1 to 5 pm

**CLOSED: Christmas Eve & Day
New Year's Eve and Day**



**Marcellus Free Library Board of Trustees Meeting
Thursday, December 5 at 7:00 pm
Open to the public.**



**Movie Afternoon for Adults
Thursday, December 19
1:00 pm
Downton Abbey - the movie
Friends Community Room**

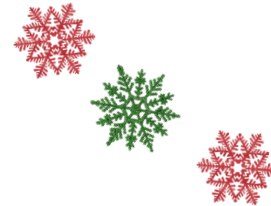


**Rotary Club of Marcellus & Helio Health host: Save a Life
Free Narcan Training
Thursday, December 12 at 5:30 pm
Marcellus Free Library Community Room
PLEASE RSVP to Helen Shaffer at 315-247-5682
Pizza and water provided by the Marcellus Rotary**

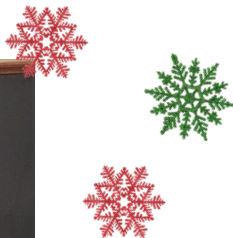


**Marcellus Free Library Book Club
Wednesday, December 4 at 6:30 pm
The Library Book by Susan Orlean**

**Wednesday, January 8, at 6:30 pm
My Grandmother Asked Me to Tell You She's
Sorry - Fredrick Backman**



**Read to Reilly!
Wednesday, December 11
6:30 to 7:30 pm
Children's Area**



Utilize our drive-up dropbox during the winter months. Located in the new parking lot.



Thank you to the wonderful, supportive community of Marcellus for making 2019 another fantastic year at the Marcellus Free Library!

Director Jake Widrick, library staff, Board of Trustees, volunteers and the Friends group wish all of our patrons a Happy Holiday season and a joyous New Year.