Marlborough Public Library

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### Marlborough Statistics for July 2013

- **New Patrons:** 145
- **Total Items Checked Out:** 22,257
- **Children’s Books Circulated:** 7,935
- **Adult Books Circulated:** 5,353
- **Movies Circulated:** 4,576
- **Audiobooks Circulated:** 1,670
- **YA Books Circulated:** 1,437
- **Periodicals Circulated:** 745
- **E-Books Circulated:** 348

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### Letter from the Director

#### New Website Coming Soon!

One of the goals in the library’s long range plan is to create a new website. We will be starting work on this in the fall. We have lots of news, events, programs and services to tell you about and the website will help us do that and more. We also want to make the website easy to use on mobile devices.

We have lots of resources that we want you to try out and tell us how useful they are. The website will be the place to provide links to them. We are excited about new resources, such as Mango Languages, which will allow you to learn a new language or to improve your English if that is not your native language.

If there is any feedback you would like to pass along as we get started on this important project, please let us know. You can e-mail any of our staff or me directly. We welcome your comments!

#### Summer Reading for All Ages Was a Success!

Our 2013 Summer Reading Programs were an incredible success! **956** patrons of all ages participated in our three programs by reading, logging and attending special events.

Our Summer Reading Kickoff in June invited children, teens and adults to register together while enjoying refreshments and being wowed by Illusionist Scott Jameson!

Our Children’s Summer Reading Program invited children through grade 5 to read and log their hours for chances to enter raffles for some great prizes such as Red Sox Tickets, courtesy of our Friends, and a Kindle Fire. 597 children registered and 6,979 hours were logged! The Children’s program wrapped up with a performance by Awesome Robb and ice cream from Trombetta’s Farm.

Our Teen program was unique and exciting this year – teens from grades 6-12 received an instant scratch ticket at the time of checkout, and won a small prize or a chance to enter the drawing for our Grand Prize, an iPod Touch! Teen events such as Yoga, Henna, Comic Book and Digital Photography Workshops were a great way for teens to explore and connect. The teen numbers were also very impressive this year: 79 teens officially registered, and 269 teens participated in all! Additionally, 50 teens volunteered their time to help out around the library and contributed 373 hours.

Our Adult program began anew this year with bi-weekly chances to win gift cards for logged reading. Events such as Trivia Nights and Repurposed Book Planters also drew sizeable crowds. 90 Adults registered for the program and logged a whopping 1,731 hours and 95,514 pages!

Thank you to everyone who participated in our three Summer Reading Programs. We hope you had a great time and that you’ll read with us again next year!
Online Safety for Families

On Tuesday October 1st we welcomed Greg Page, CEO of the Merrimack Analysis Group, who gave a presentation about “Online Safety for Families.” He covered topics such as the dangers of children chatting with strangers, homes being burglarized during vacations because of status updates and Facebook “check-ins,” as well as the victimization of seniors by scammers who steal information from web profiles and some of the ways that passwords and password reset questions can lead to accounts being hacked.

Online safety is a year-round concern and there are many resources that can help navigate the potentially dangerous digital world. In the library we have a number of books including Lol–omg! : What Every Student Needs to Know about Online Reputation Management, Digital Citizenship, and Cyberbullying by Matt Ivester (004.678 Ive), Living with the Internet and Online Dangers by Corey Sandler (004.678 San), and Using the Internet Safely for Seniors for Dummies by Linda Criddle (LP 005.8 Cri). Websites such as commonsense.org can also be very useful for learning about online safety and digital citizenship. Please come visit us at the reference desk to find more good resources for learning how to stay safe online.

December Social Hour

We’re not reading a book for December, but please join us for a social hour to debut the 2014 book list and share recommendations with fellow book club members.

Mon., December 16 at 6:30pm or Thurs., December 19 at 10:30am

Writing Group for Adults

Interested in writing and sharing your stories/poetry? Join our adult writing group every third Friday of the month. Writers are encouraged to stop by for a few hours, share their work, and critique their peers’ stories/poetry. If interested, please sign-up by emailing Jess Bacon at jbacon@cwmars.org. Space is limited to 15 writers, so sign up now!

Upcoming Meeting Dates:
October 18 and November 15. No December meeting.
All meetings are 9:30am-12pm
Teen Services

Marlborough is teaming up with Shrewsbury!

WANT TO BE ONE OF THE FIRST TEENS IN THE ENTIRE WORLD TO READ ALLEGIANT?

MIDNIGHT RELEASE PARTY
@ The Shrewsbury Public Library
10:30PM-12:15AM - starts 10/21
Admission: $8 - which includes a NEW copy of Allegiant by Veronica Roth to keep, as well as all snacks and craft supplies at event!
Register starting Oct. 2nd to claim one of only 15 spots at this special event, generously sponsored by the Friends of the SPL.
Event will feature an epic round of CAPTURE THE FLAG - Marlborough VS. Shrewsbury Teens!

Operation Otaku
Every other Tuesday, 5-6:30pm. Ages 13+
See Calendar on Pages 8-10.

Musings: Teen Writers
Enjoy writing? Interested in creating your own stories? This is the group for you!
We meet the 2nd Thursday of every month. Grades 7-12.
Oct. 10th, Nov. 14th, Dec. 12th @ 6:30-8pm

B.L.T. Teen Book Group
Calling all teens! If you like to talk about books, then join us each month (except Dec.) for fun discussion and a snack.
Ages 13+
Oct. 29th @ 7-8pm
Nov. 26th

Cocoa House
Sat., Dec. 28th, 2-4pm
Cocoa House returns with a variety of hot cocoa choices and snacks, a laptop station of 10 laptops for you to borrow, great music from local teens, and selections of the hottest teen reads for you to enjoy. Open mic for the brave and stay tuned for special guests! Those who register have a chance to win a $50 Amazon gift card. Must be present to win!

D.I.Y.: Holiday Nail Art
Mon., Dec. 23rd, 3-4pm
Join us to try out different nail art designs perfect for the winter holidays. Supplies will be provided, but bring your favorite nail polish if you’re inspired.

D.I.Y.: Steampunk Accessories
Mon., Dec. 30th, 2-3:30pm
Back by popular demand! Join us to make steampunk accessories to show your creativity and inventiveness!

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For the latest information, follow us on Facebook at www.facebook.com/TeensMPL
This fall, we are thrilled to offer several new programs and special events.

Certified Kids’ Yoga Instructor Mandy Roberge will be back this fall to lead a 3-part yoga series (Oct. 16, 23, and 30 at 4-5pm) for children in grades K to 5. Classes include a fun, lighthearted warm-up, comprehensive instruction in basic yoga postures, and an art activity.

If you love words and creative writing, join the Writing Club (Oct. 22 at 4-5:15pm) and share your ideas with other kids. Bring a story or poem you are working on, or just bring your ideas and questions about writing. We will also play some fun and creative games. This program will take place once per season and is recommended for children in grades 3 to 5. Registration is required.

We have also begun offering a new 3rd and 4th Grade Book Club (Oct. 28, Nov. 25, and Dec. 16 at 4-5pm)! Each month, read the selected book and then come to the event for a fun discussion, great snacks, and a craft. Books are at the third and fourth grade reading level, but younger or older kids who read the book are also welcome to join the group. Registration is required.

On Saturday, Oct. 19, put on your Halloween costume and come to the library for a Halloween Spooktacular (2:30-3:30pm)! The party will include a craft, a movie, and popcorn.

Remember to check our online calendar for the most up-to-date information about these and other programs!

New School Year, New Programs

Fall Children’s Programs

WEEKLY PROGRAMS

BABY TIME
Join Geralyn for an interactive lap-sit for babies and young toddlers, birth to age 2. Stories, songs, rhymes, movement. Drop-in.
Mondays, 10:00-11:00 am

PRESCHOOL PALS
Children ages 3-6 and their caregivers are invited to join Tricia for stories, songs, and a craft. Drop-in.
Wednesdays, 10:00-10:45 am

PJ STORY TIME
Put on your pajamas and join Meredith for bedtime stories and songs. Ages 3-7 with a caregiver. Drop-in.
Thursdays, 6:30-7:00 pm

TODDLER TIME
Fun stories and songs with Tricia for ages 18 months to 3 years and their caregivers. Drop-in.
Fridays, 10:00-10:45 am

MONTHLY PROGRAMS

AMERICAN GIRL CLUB
Every month, we’ll read about a different American Girl, make crafts and eat snacks. Ages 6-11. Dolls are encouraged but not required.

Group 1: Oct 8, Nov 5, Dec 10
Group 2: Oct 15, Nov 12, Dec 17
@ 4:00-5:00 pm

ART CLUB
The art club is for kids who love being creative. Each month there will be a different art medium to explore. Ages 6-11.

Oct. 29, Nov. 19, Dec. 17
@ 4:00-5:00 pm

DROP-IN CRAFT
Join Amy for a fun craft on the third Saturday of each month!

Oct. 19 @ 2:30-3:30pm

LEGO CLUB
Drop in for building fun with our huge Lego collection! Ages 5-11.

Oct. 12, Nov. 9, Dec. 14
2:00-3:30 pm

READ TO A DOG
Build reading confidence and have fun with a gentle therapy dog. To sign up to read to Christopher, call or stop by the Children’s Room.

Oct. 5, Nov. 2, Dec. 7
@ 10:00 am-12:00 pm

MAD SCIENCE
Are you mad for science? Then join Debby for some fun science experiments! This program is recommended for grades 1-3. Registration is required.

@ 4:00-5:00 pm

MUGGLE SUPPORT GROUP
If you love to read fantasy, join us to discuss a different fantasy novel each month. Registration is required. Recommended for ages 10 and up.

Oct. 7, Nov. 4, Dec. 9
@ 7:00-8:00 pm

NEW
New Section: Biographical Picture Books

Want to read beautifully illustrated books about fascinating people? Take a look at the biography shelf at the end of the picture book section. While these books are not new, you may not have seen them before, since they used to be buried among the rest of the biographies.

The Watcher
by Jeanette Winter
Follow Jane Goodall from her childhood in London, to her years observing chimpanzees in the forests of Gombe, Tanzania, to her worldwide effort to save chimps and their habitat. (J PIC BIO GOODALL)

Fifty Cents and a Dream
by Jabari Asim
A lyrical introduction to the life, achievements and spirit of Booker T. Washington, a former slave who became an inspiring educator. (J PIC BIO WASHINGTON)

Sonia Sotomayor
by Jonah Winter
This biography of U.S. Supreme Court Judge Sonia Sotomayor shows how she overcame childhood adversity through her own and her mother’s hard work and determination. Text in both English and Spanish. (J PIC BIO SOTOMAYOR)

Meet Toto the Tornado Kitten!

Join us for a visit from Toto, a feline survivor of the tornado that hit western MA in the summer of 2011. Picture book author Jonathan Hall will bring Toto to the Bigelow Auditorium on Saturday, November 23 at 2 pm. We will hand out free tickets at the Children’s desk starting at 1 pm.

Children of all ages can meet Toto and hear Jonathan read his book, Toto the Tornado Kitten. Bring a favorite stuffed animal to brush and groom while you’re waiting to pet Toto! Jonathan will also be signing copies of his picture books. All proceeds from his book sales are donated to animal rescue groups like the Animal Rescue League of Boston, who helped save Toto in 2011.

www.totothetornadokitten.com

Vacation at the Library

Did you have fun at our summer programs? Well, we will be offering exciting activities during school-year vacations, too. Come watch a movie and make a New Year’s craft during winter break. In February, our theme for school vacation week will be folk and fairy tales. Stop by for a craft, a movie, and more!

Play and Learn on Our New iPad

The Children’s Room now has an iPad for patrons to use! The staff will be happy to show you how to use it. Stop by and check out the variety of educational apps that we have downloaded. You can sign up for a 30-minute turn if you would like to give it a try; just ask at the desk. If someone else is using the iPad, we will add your name to the waiting list.

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Friends of the Library
Upcoming Events - Oct., Nov. and Dec.

Check out our upcoming concert and author events!

Concert of the
2013-2014 Yacyhyn Concert Series
featuring The Zaleski Brothers
Wed., Oct. 9th—7:00PM

America’s Most Dangerous Days: The Cuban Missile Crisis
Wed., Oct. 16th—7:00PM

2013 Fall
One Day Book and Bake Sale
with the Friends Coffee Shop
Saturday, October 26th
from 9am to 4pm

YCS Fall Concert
Wed., Nov. 6th—4PM

Reception for the Arts
Tues., Nov. 12th—6pm

42nd Annual Regional Juried Art Exhibit
Gallery Hours
Tuesday, Nov. 12th thru Sunday, Nov. 17th
Tues., Fri. and Sat.—12 noon to 5 PM
Wed. & Thurs.—12 noon to 8 PM
Sun.—1 PM to 5 PM

Special Program
Wed., Nov. 20th—7:00pm

YCS Holiday Concert
Wed., Dec. 11th—5PM

From Our Music Shelves to Your Player
Check out the new display table at the front of our music section!

Beginning with our current display of music we’ve added over the summer, we will be periodically building new displays of popular albums and hidden gems in our collection. Highlights from our new additions will always be on the end shelf. Meanwhile, the table will show off various themes throughout the year!

As always, if there is something you feel we should have in our music collection, let a staff member know!

New Display: Adult Graphic Novels
This season’s graphic novel display is, “Think Comics are Just for Kids?” The shelves beside our general graphic novel section (located between DVDs and non-fiction, if you haven’t perused it yet) show samples of some of the wide array of graphic novels available to adult readers. The displays include Biographies/Memoirs, Ongoing Series, History, Famous Writers, Staff Recommendations, and Newspaper Comics, providing a jumping-off point for patrons who are interested in trying out Graphic Novels.
# Halloween at Marlborough Public Library!

## Children’s Halloween Spooktacular
Sat., Oct. 19th at 12:30-3:30pm

Please join Amy and Stephanie for this Halloween Spooktacular Event! This is our monthly Saturday drop-in craft and will be combined with a fun, not too frightening, Halloween Movie. We’ll bring the popcorn. Costumes are welcome.

## Teen Halloween Bash
Wed., Oct. 23rd at 6-8pm

Come dressed up for our Costume Contest for the Most Creative and Most Scary! Vote on a scary movie and create tomb cookies and popcorn balls. Grades 6-12.

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Halloween at Marlborough Public Library!

**Children’s Halloween Spooktacular**

Sat., Oct. 19th at 12:30-3:30pm

Please join Amy and Stephanie for the Halloween Spooktacular Event! This is our monthly Saturday drop-in craft and will be combined with a fun, not too frightening, Halloween Movie. We’ll bring the popcorn. Costumes are welcome.

**Teen Halloween Bash**

Wed., Oct. 23rd at 6-8pm

Come dressed up for our Costume Contest for the Most Creative and Most Scary! Vote on a scary movie and create tomb cookies and popcorn balls. Grades 6-12.
Doctor Who
50th Anniversary Party!
A special After-Hours Event, open to all Doctor Who fans! Travel through the TARDIS to enjoy an episode of Doctor Who, make Dalek cupcakes and duct tape bow ties, and answer trivia questions. Enjoy sonic screwdriver drinks (nonalcoholic) and snacks. All ages. Registration is required.

Please Note:
All calendar dates are subject to change. Please see our website calendar for the most current program information.
Go to www.marlboroughpubliclibrary.org and click on “Calendar of Events” on the left.

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