



MARIETTA READS!

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Full STEAM Towards Your Dream

Marietta Reads! is supporting a theme of using reading to fuel our future dreams and aspirations. STEAM is an acronym that represents specific areas of learning and working:

- Science
- Technology
- Engineering
- Art
- Mathematics

While our talents and interests may lay the track, reading and motivation combine to build the steam that moves our dreams forward.

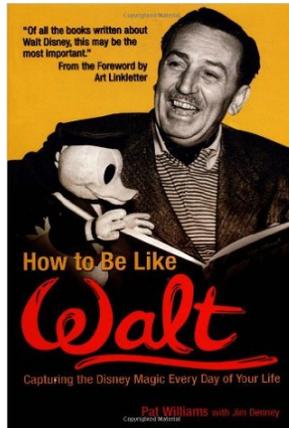


No matter what a child's dreams may be, reading is fundamental to making them a reality.

- *Exploring the ins and outs of an idea on a deeper level
- *Practicing jargon that is specific to a subject
- *Learning from experts in the field
- *Discovering options that they never knew existed!

MARIETTA READS! One Book

"How to Be Like Walt: Capturing the Disney Magic Every Day of Your Life" by Pat Williams and Jim Denney is this year's One Book. From synchronizing sound to images in *Steamboat Willy* to the cutting edge technology used by the modern-day Imagineers, Disney's life and the multimedia industry he revolutionized epitomize the concepts of STEAM and staying dedicated to your vision even in the face of hardships.



The One Book is available through local libraries and bookstores, and Marietta residents young and old are encouraged to join in reading it throughout the year.

Classrooms across the city will also be participating in reading and STEAM lessons connected to this and other books about attitude and accomplishments of the father of the Disney entertainment empire.

MARIETTA READS! With Your Support

Marietta Reads! funds a variety of school and community events. These include providing the One Book to each classroom in the district and underwriting Reading Bowl participation by Marietta High School students.

This support comes completely through donations, as Marietta Reads! Does not utilize funds from Marietta City Schools.



On October 31, Marietta Square played host to our 13th annual Kickoff to introduce the One Book, highlight community partners, and spotlight local schools. This event raised \$610 through ticketed activities and book sales.

Zaxby's also contributed to the earnings on that day by donating 10% of their sales. Thanks to their generosity and your patronage, Marietta Reads! raised an additional \$950.

Please consider making a donation at the website listed above and staying abreast of future opportunities for fundraising in the community.

MARIETTA READS! For the Holidays



As the holiday break approaches, it is a perfect time to explore good books on your own and as a family. Some ideas for making reading a part of your holiday routine might include:

- *Invite family or friends to share their favorite book from this year.
- *Ask visiting loved ones to bring a book that tells a story or gives information about where they live.
- *Check out books about your family traditions and other from around the world.
- *Wrap a box with a new book and hot cocoa to be unwrapped and enjoyed as a family.
- *Collect brochures from the different places you travel to become an informed tourist.
- *Visit local bookstores and libraries for free holiday-themed family storytimes and activities.
- *Write letters to loved ones who cannot be near. Writers are readers, and readers are writers!