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## Jack Dalton

### A Celebration of Train Songs

Sunday, May 1  
2pm, FTB Auditorium

Roll on over to the library for a celebration of train songs performed by local musician Jack Dalton.



## SPECIAL EVENTS...

### Is There a Theocracy in Our Future (and What About Established Religion)?

Wednesday, May 4  
7pm, FTB Auditorium

Mary Sawyer, Professor of Religious Studies at ISU, will examine indicators that variously jeopardize and protect the religious clause of the First Amendment.

Sponsored by Alliance for Global Justice and Ames Public Library.

### Peak Oil and the Road Ahead

Tuesday, May 10  
7pm, FTB Auditorium

Join Ames Public Library for an informative lecture by Michael Kirby on Peak Oil and alternative energy.

## MEET JERRI...

Ames Public Library is pleased to introduce Jerri Heid, our new Youth Services Specialist. Jerri has two adult children and a grandchild.

Jerri comes to us from the Clive Public Library where she built the core youth collection, developed children's programs, and won the Governor's 2004 Above and Beyond award for her contributions as chairwoman of the metro's annual Toddler Festival.

With 14 years of public library experience and a wealth of knowledge and expertise in serving children and families, Jerri is looking forward to connecting Ames children to the world of ideas. Be sure to stop by the youth area and say hello!



## MEET THE NEW BOARD MEMBERS...

Please join us in welcoming the newest additions to the Library Board of Trustees:

**Bob Anderson** is a retired professor emeritus of electrical and computer engineering. He was Vice Provost for Extension at ISU. He is also an APL volunteer who has helped us use our volunteer tracking software more effectively.

**Kevin Mungons** is an associate pastor at Campus Baptist Church. He has eight children ranging from a new baby to teenagers and is a long-time library user and volunteer. Kevin also served with distinction on the ACCESS board for the City of Ames.

**Deb Sondall** is the Youth & Shelter Services Mentoring Program Coordinator for central Story County. She has worked as a student assistant at the public library in Boone, the Stewart Public Library in Grinnell and the Bowen Science Library at Grinnell College.

**Melody Warnick** is a free-lance writer and mother of a 3-year-old. She has lived in Ames less than a year and is already an APL fan. She worked at Brigham Young University Library as an undergraduate student and was a book sale volunteer at her local public library in Utah.

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### Confronting the New World Order

Sponsored by the local branch of the John Birch Society and Ames Public Library

#### **America's Economic Decline**

Thursday, May 5, 7pm, FTB Auditorium

William F. Jasper examines the causes of the decline of America's basic industries and the outsourcing of high-paying jobs and discusses ways to protect our economic base and national independence. (2004, 59 minutes followed by discussion)

### Other Voices / Other Views

Sponsored by Alliance for Global Justice, Ames High Progressive Club, and Ames Public Library

#### **Henry Wallace**

Wednesday, May 11  
7pm, FTB Auditorium

This film profiles Henry A. Wallace's journey from Vice President of the U.S. to political pariah. During a presidential bid on a third-party ticket in 1948, Wallace was branded a communist sympathizer and questioned by the House Un-American Activities Committee.

(2004, 57 minutes followed by discussion)

#### **America's Lost Landscape:**

##### **The Tallgrass Prairie**

Wednesday, May 25  
7pm, FTB Auditorium

This documentary tells the story of one of the world's great ecosystems and its transformation from natural landscape to farmland. Once a prominent feature in North America, the tallgrass prairie has been reduced to the vanishing point.

(2005, 60 minutes followed by discussion)

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# FREE COMIC BOOK DAY

Saturday, May 7

Mayhem Collectibles and Ames Public Library are joining forces to bring Free Comic Book Day to the citizens of Ames. Stop by the library for a free comic book or zoom over to Mayhem at 2532 Lincoln Way in campustown.

The Bookmobile will be at Mayhem from 1-4pm with freebies and loads of comics, manga, and anime to check out, so remember to bring your library card. Smyles the library's super dog will be available for crime fighting and photos. Visit both Mayhem and the Bookmobile and receive a special freebie while supplies last.



## COMICS & MORE...

Get graphic! Check out your favorite comic books, graphic novels, manga, and anime at Ames Public Library. From the *X-Men* to *Yu-gi-oh!* to *Megatokyo*, we have something for everyone. Remember to stop by the DVDs for new movies based on your favorite old-school superheroes.

## THE BOOKMOBILE...



Your Neighborhood Branch

### MONDAY

Edwards School, 1:30 - 4:00pm  
Sawyer School, 4:30 - 8:30pm

### TUESDAY

Mitchell School, 6:00 - 8:00pm

### WEDNESDAY

Old Orchard Laundromat, 5:30 - 8:00pm

### THURSDAY

Gilbert Elementary School, 3:30 - 7:30pm

### FRIDAY

St. Cecilia School, 1:30 - 4:00pm  
University Village Laundromat, 4:30 - 8:30pm

## Summer Activities for Children: June 13 - July 22

Plan your summer adventure at Ames Public Library and the Bookmobile. We're dreaming up a summer full of fun for all ages. Let us take you to the land of dreams and dragons...with stories, music, films, and fun. **All programs are free.**

For more information about library activities for children, visit our web page at [www.amespubliclibrary.org](http://www.amespubliclibrary.org) or call (515) 239-5644.



### Little Jesters: Storytime for Children Ages 2 & 3 and Parents

Tuesdays, Wednesdays, & Thursdays  
10:05-10:25 or 11:05-11:25am

### Royal Guards: Storytime for Children Ages 4 Through Those Entering Kindergarten

Tuesdays, 10-10:30 or 11-11:30am  
Wednesdays & Thursdays, 1:30-2pm  
Fridays, 10-10:30am

### Castle Keepers: Activities for Children Entering Grades 1-3

Wednesdays & Thursdays  
10-10:45am, 11-11:45am, or 1:30-2:15pm

### Dream Team: Activities for Children Entering Grades 4 & Up

Tuesdays, 1:30-2:15pm

**Please pre-register for the above programs at the Youth Services Desk.**

### Baby Talk: Storytime for Children Ages 6-24 Months and Parents

Mondays June 13, June 27, & July 11  
9:30-9:45, 10-10:15, or 10:30-10:45am

No pre-registration necessary.

### Family Film Night

Tuesdays, 7pm

No pre-registration necessary.

### Summer Reading

Add daring to your independent reading this summer and earn treasures as you read.

Children ages preschool through middle school may pick up a reading folder for the summer reading program at the Youth Services Desk or on the Bookmobile beginning June 1.



## FUN FOR KIDS...

### Baby Talk Storytime

For Parents and Babies Ages 6-24 Months

**Monday, May 2 & Monday, May 16**  
9:30-9:45, 10:00-10:15, or 10:30-10:45am

### Davidson Storytelling Room

Youth Services staff will share ways to use action rhymes, songs, and books with very young children.

### Parent-Child Craft Storytime

**Thursday, May 12**

10:30-11:15am or 1:30-2:15pm

### FTB Auditorium

Parents and children ages 4-6 are invited to join us for a storytime and related craft activity on the topic of picnics. Please pre-register at the Youth Desk or by calling (515) 239-5644.

### Saturday Storybreak

**Saturday, May 14**

10:30-10:50 or 11:30-11:50am

### Davidson Storytelling Room

This 20-minute program of songs, stories, and fingerplays on the theme "Outdoors Again" is planned for parents and children ages 2-5.



## Saturday, May 14

Go wild about books at Ames Public Library! Take an interactive tour of Judy Sierra's children's book *Wild About Books* starting at the Bookmobile in front of the library and continuing inside from noon to 3pm. Don't be afraid to visit the live creepy crawlies courtesy of the ISU Insect Zoo.

### Animal Antics

**1pm, FTB Auditorium**

Meet and learn about real wild animals at 1pm in the Farwell T. Brown Auditorium presented by Blank Park Zoo's Animal Antics program.



### "You're Beary Special"

### Preschool Storytime Special

For Preschool Children and Their Parents

**Tuesday, May 17**

9:45-10:05, 10:15-10:35, 10:45-11:05am

### Davidson Storytelling Room

Join us for a special Preschool Storytime and meet Miss Jerri. Parents attend with their children. Pre-registration is not required.



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## KEEP THEM MOVING...

### Managing Your Items on Hold

**Each month**, nearly 10,000 items are put on hold for library users.

**Each month**, 2,000 are not picked up. Most of these items are in high demand and have many people waiting in line to check them out. Our goal is to get everyone the items they want as quickly as possible.

If you have an item on hold and no longer want it, please cancel your hold. This lets us give the item to the next person in line or get it back on the shelf for someone else to find.

To encourage customers to pick up or cancel their holds, **we will begin charging 50¢ for each expired hold starting May 1.**

To avoid expired holds and the new fee:

1. Check out your holds before the hold expiration date.
2. Cancel your holds before the hold expiration date:
  - a. On Your Account online at [www.amespubliclibrary.org](http://www.amespubliclibrary.org)
  - b. By calling (515) 239-5646
  - c. By emailing [circ@amespubliclibrary.org](mailto:circ@amespubliclibrary.org)

## A SPECIAL GIFT...

In February, Ames Public Library received a generous gift from former library trustee Merritt Bailey. Mr. Bailey passed away on March 15. He was a wonderful library supporter and a great asset to our community.

Mr. Bailey asked that one-third of the gift be spent on popular paperbacks; one-third on poetry for all ages, including poetry on CD; and one-third on titles by Iowa authors.

## GIFTS TO THE LIBRARY...

- From Anonymous for Youth Services Department
- From United Nations Association for adult programming
- From ISU Russian Speaking Student Association
- From Gladys Colwell in memory of Margaret Smith for Youth Services Department
- From Mrs. Walter Goeppinger in memory of Margaret Smith for Youth Services Department
- From Jay Simser in memory of Margaret Smith for Youth Services Department
- From Russ Cross: *Historic Rio Grande Valley: An Illustrated History* by Marjorie Johnson
- From Mr. and Mrs. Robert W. Dyas in memory of Margaret Smith for Youth Services Department
- From Eva H. Lettow for Home Delivery

## DEAR FRIENDS...



Greetings Friends of the Ames Public Library! It seems hard to believe another successful spring book sale has come and gone (earning over \$9,400 in gross receipts). Now it's time to get ready for summer reading!

Besides getting our book sale and summer reading list ready, the Friends Board has been busy funding successful activities like "Rock the Library" and the APL Unplugged series. Additional programs your Friends memberships support include paperback books for the children's summer reading program, building and maintaining our digital AV collection (CDs, DVDs and a cleaning machine to make these items last longer!) and continuing to build the library's general collection. Thanks to your contributions, the Ames Public Library was able to maintain its state accreditation!

Change seems to be the "thing" around the library right now. Since Susan North's retirement, Nancy Schroeder has become the book sale coordinator. Some of you may also have seen Nancy around Literary Grounds, the Friends used book store. She helps out by selecting and pricing the gently used books that are sold there.

Speaking of selling books, the Friends have begun using online book sales to generate more income from some of the great books you donate. The Friends are grateful to two very special volunteers, Jim and Erik Charter, who list the books online for us. I would also like to thank all the volunteers who made the book sales this year such a great success.



Special thanks to Barbara and Fred Brown and Mike Christianson who come in to sort the donated books.

This year the Friends Board hired an accountant to keep track of all our income and expenses and guide us in making informed financial decisions. The board has decided to "invest in the future of your library" by purchasing several certificates of deposit to be used for future library projects.

Thanks, Friends, for all your great support! You help to make our great library even better. Don't miss the Friends of the Ames Public Library **Annual Membership Meeting Monday, May 2, at 7pm in the library's second floor Board Room.** All members are welcome to join the Friends Board in discussing plans for the future and electing a new slate of officers.

Lisa M. Hill

President, Friends of the Ames Public Library











Ames Monday-Thursday 9 am - 9 pm  
 Public Friday 9 am - 6 pm  
 Library Saturday 9 am - 6 pm  
 Hours Sunday 1 pm - 5 pm



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"It started in the summer of 2002 when the Springfield librarian, Molly McGrew, by mistake drove her bookmobile into the zoo."  
 - Judy Sierra, *Wild About Books*

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
<b>1</b> Library Open 1-5pm <b>Summer Program Registration Begins</b> APL Unplugged Jack Dalton 2pm, Auditorium Great Books 2pm, Community Room	<b>2</b> <b>Baby Talk Storytime</b> 9:30, 10:00, or 10:30am <b>Story Room</b> Friends Annual Membership Meeting 7pm, Board Room	<b>3</b> "Let's Talk About It" Frank & Friends <i>Our Posthuman Future</i> 7pm, Auditorium 	<b>4</b> "Is There a Theocracy in Our Future?" Teach-In 7pm, Auditorium	<b>5</b> Reel Connections Confronting the New World Order <i>America's Economic Decline</i> 7pm, Auditorium	<b>6</b> 	<b>7</b> Library Open 9am-6pm Free Comic Book Day Ames Public Library & Mayhem Bookmobile at Mayhem 1-4pm
<b>8</b> Library Open 1-5pm <b>Happy Mother's Day!</b> YAK About Books 2pm, Café Diem 	<b>9</b>	<b>10</b> Peak Oil and the Road Ahead 7pm, Auditorium	<b>11</b> Reel Connections Other Voices/Views <i>Henry Wallace</i> 7pm, Auditorium 	<b>12</b> <b>Parent-Child Craft Storytime</b> 10:30am or 1:30pm <b>Auditorium</b>	<b>13</b> 	<b>14</b> Library Open 9am-6pm <b>Saturday Storybreak</b> 10:30 or 11:30am <b>Story Room</b> <b>Wild About Books</b> Noon-3pm Ames Public Library & Bookmobile <b>Animal Antics</b> 1pm, Auditorium
<b>15</b> Library Open 1-5pm	<b>16</b> <b>Baby Talk Storytime</b> 9:30, 10:00, or 10:30am <b>Story Room</b>	<b>17</b> <b>"You're Beary Special"</b> <b>Preschool Storytime</b> 9:45, 10:15, or 10:45am <b>Story Room</b> 	<b>18</b> Books @ Noon Founders Suite Inkspots, 1:30pm Community Room	<b>19</b> Board of Trustees 7pm, Board Room	<b>20</b>	<b>21</b> Library Open 9am-6pm
<b>22</b> Library Open 1-5pm	<b>23</b> Chick Lit Book Discussion <i>Otherwise Engaged</i> 7pm, Community Room	<b>24</b>	<b>25</b> Reel Connections Other Voices/Views <i>America's Lost Landscape: The Tallgrass Prairie</i> 7pm, Auditorium	<b>26</b>	<b>27</b> 	<b>28</b> <b>SUMMER HOURS BEGIN</b> Library Open 11am-4pm
<b>29</b> <b>SUMMER HOURS</b> Library Open 1-4pm	<b>30</b> CLOSED for Memorial Day	<b>31</b> 	<b>"Chick Lit" Book Discussion</b> <b>Monday, May 23, 7pm, Community Room</b> Come to the library, meet friends, and talk about this month's "Chick Lit" book, <i>Otherwise Engaged</i> by Suzanne Finnamore. <i>Otherwise Engaged</i> is the wickedly funny account of an intelligent, rational woman's transformation into the harpy of anxieties that is the bride-to-be. This comic novel chronicles the "happy" couple's year-long engagement. For more information, contact Dawn Hayslett at (515) 239-5633 or <a href="mailto:dhayslet@amespubliclibrary.org">dhayslet@amespubliclibrary.org</a> . 