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EVENTS AT THE



AMES PUBLIC LIBRARY

LET'S TALK ABOUT IT

The spring series of Let's Talk About It book discussions will begin in January. This spring, the reading selections will follow the theme of "Significant Others: Gender, Creativity and Partnership" and will feature works by Truman Capote, Harper Lee, Zelda Fitzgerald, and F. Scott Fitzgerald.

Let's Talk About It meets one Tuesday evening each month to discuss a work chosen from the semester's theme and to learn more about the author.

Registration is required for this book group. Please call (515) 239-5656 or visit the Library's Information Desk to sign up or to learn more.

LIBRARY CLOSED:
Wednesday, December 24
Thursday December 25
After 5pm Wed., Dec. 31
Thursday, January 1

TEEN MURDER MYSTERY PARTY



Friday, December 5

4-5pm, Farwell T. Brown Auditorium

Teens are invited to a murder mystery party at the Library. You are the suspect in the death of the court jester. Did you do it, or was it your neighbor or your friend? Unravel the mystery as you play this game of live Clue all over the Library.

DOULAS PROGRAM

Saturday, December 6

11am, Community Room

Certified doula Tracey Terribilini will present information about doulas, trained and experienced professionals who provide continuous physical, emotional, and informational support to mothers before, during, and just after birth.

THE DIGITAL TELEVISION TRANSITION

Monday, December 8

7pm, Farwell T. Brown Auditorium

The digital television (DTV) transition is underway. Are you ready? Join Ames Public Library and Iowa Public Television for a free presentation about digital TV and get answers to all your DTV questions.



REEL CONNECTIONS

Reel Connections Roundup:

Ride the High Country

Tuesday, December 9

7pm, Farwell T. Brown Auditorium

Mosey on in to the Library for a series of legendary western movies this winter. We'll continue the roundup with a free showing of *Ride the High Country* starring Joel McCrea and Randolph Scott and directed by Sam Peckinpah. (1962, 93 minutes)



March of the Penguins

Monday, December 15

7pm, Farwell T. Brown Auditorium

Come to the Library for a free showing of *March of the Penguins*. Narrated by Morgan Freeman, *March of the Penguins* is an amazing, awe-inspiring, true-life tale touched with humor and alive with thrills. Breathtaking photography captures the drama of devoted parent penguins who, in the face of the fierce polar winter, take turns guarding their egg and trekking to the ocean in search of food. (2005, 85 minutes, MPAA Rating G)



WINTER READING PROGRAM

Good Stories, Good Nights

December 26 - February 28

Don't let the kids have all the fun this winter! Adults are invited to join Ames Public Library's winter reading program and earn a chance to win a prize. Entry forms will be available at the Library and Bookmobile starting December 26.

Library sponsorship of a program does not constitute endorsement of the program's content or the views expressed by the participants. If your organization is interested in co-sponsoring a program, please contact Mary Logsdon at 239-5633 or mlogsdon@amespubliclibrary.org.

Christmas Special

Monday, December 15
10 and 10:45am, Story Room

Join us for a storytime special featuring Christmas stories for the whole family.

Family Movie Night

Fred Claus

Thursday, December 18
6:30pm, FTB Auditorium

Enjoy a free showing of *Fred Claus*. (2007, 116 minutes, MPAA Rating PG)



Celebrate Winter Holidays

Tuesday, Dec. 23, 10:30am, Story Room

Come to the Library for a storytime featuring some of the holidays celebrated during the winter.

Make & Take Holiday Crafts

Tuesday, December 23
2-4pm, FTB Auditorium

Families are invited to make ornaments and holiday crafts to take home and enjoy.



THE BOOKMOBILE



Bookmobile Schedule

MONDAY

Sawyer School, 4:30 - 8:30pm

TUESDAY

St. Cecilia School, 1:30 - 4:00pm
Mitchell School, 6:00 - 8:00pm

WEDNESDAY

Edwards School, 1:30 - 4:00pm
Old Orchard Laundromat, 5:30 - 8:00pm

THURSDAY

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

FRIDAY

University Village Laundromat, 4:30 - 8:30pm

**The Bookmobile will be
OUT OF SERVICE
December 22 - January 2**

Weekly Storytimes (No Storytimes Dec. 24 - Jan. 3)

BabyTalk

Tuesdays: 11:05am, Story Room
Wednesdays: 11:05am, Story Room
Thursdays: 2pm, Story Room

Bring your baby to the Library for this 20-minute program including action songs, stories, signs, and more. This program is especially for prewalkers (newborns to around a year old) and their families.

Toddler Time

Tuesdays: 9:30, 10am, 1:30pm, Story Room
Wednesdays: 9:30, 10am, Story Room
Thursdays: 6:30pm, FTB Auditorium
Fridays: 9:30am, FTB Auditorium

Join Dewey Bear and Youth Services staff for 20 minutes of action rhymes, songs, and books perfect for the 3-year-old or younger child accompanied by an adult.

Russian Storytime

Saturdays: 12pm, Davidson Storytelling Room

All ages are invited to this half hour of stories and music presented entirely in Russian.

Family Storytime

Tuesdays: 10:30am, 4pm, Story Room
Wednesdays: 10:30am, 2:45pm, Story Room
Saturdays: 11am, Story Room

This 30-minute program includes stories, activities, and songs. Parents are welcome to attend with their child.

Family Craft Storytime

Thursdays: 10am, 2, 7pm, FTB Auditorium
Fridays: 10am, FTB Auditorium

This weekly, half-hour storytime is followed by a related craft activity. Families with children of any age are encouraged to stay for all activities.



- Dec. 4 & 5: *C is for Cookie*
- Dec. 11* & 12: *Star Light, Star Bright* (*Dec. 11 at 7pm: Win tickets to *Pied Piper*)
- Dec. 18 & 19: *Snuggle Up Together*

WOW! Wild on Wednesdays

Art All Around

Wednesday, December 3, 2:45-3:45pm, Farwell T. Brown Auditorium

First, second, and third graders are invited to enjoy a snack, listen to stories, and create their own works of art using a variety of materials, styles, and themes. This month, we'll create picture frames.

Chattin' with Cathy & *The Polar Express*

Wednesday, December 10, 2:45pm, Farwell T. Brown Auditorium

First, second, and third graders, come chat about books, enjoy snacks, and participate in fun activities. This month's program will feature *The Polar Express* and other stories by Chris Van Allsburg. The program will be followed by a free showing of *The Polar Express* animated film.



Super Science Fun

Wednesday, December 17, 2:45-3:45pm, Farwell T. Brown Auditorium

First, second, and third graders are invited to enjoy a snack and do activities related to computers and science. This month, we'll learn about cool inventions and how things work.

Homeschool Program

Friday, December 12 at 10am, Community Room

Homeschoolers are invited to a special program about using the Library's online catalog, deciphering the Dewey Decimal System, and finding an item in the Library.

Winter Reading Program

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Pick up your winter reading program at Ames Public Library or the Bookmobile.

Oh What a Night

Wed., Dec. 31, 12-5pm, FTB Auditorium

Celebrate New Year's Eve at the Library with storytelling, puppetry, and a special visit from IPTV's Dan Wardell.

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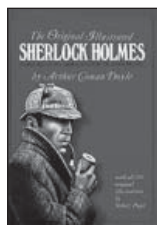
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BOOK GROUPS

Mystery Lovers Book Club

Wednesday, December 3
12pm, Community Room

Mystery lovers are invited to this book club to talk about books by a selected author. This month, we'll discuss books by Sir Arthur Conan Doyle. The author for the January meeting will be Nancy Pickard.



Great Books

Sunday, December 14
2pm, Farwell T. Brown Auditorium

Discuss literary classics with materials from the Great Books Foundation. This month, we will be discussing "Six Characters in Search of an Author" by Luigi Pirandello from *Great Conversations 3*.

To sign up for this series, call (515) 239-5656 or visit the Library's Information Desk.

Chick Lit

Monday, December 15
7pm, Board Room

Join the Chick Lit Book Club and talk about a blend of chick lit and more serious literature. For this month's meeting, read *Like Water For Chocolate* by Laura Esquivel.



Let's Talk About It

Tuesday, December 16
7pm, Community Room

Read and discuss a work chosen from the semester's theme, "Exploring the West...Whose West?," and learn more about the author.

This month's selection is *On Gold Mountain: The One-Hundred-Year Odyssey of a Chinese-American Family* by Lisa See.

To sign up for this series, call (515) 239-5656 or visit the Library's Information Desk.



Books @ Noon

Wednesday, December 17
12pm, Founders Suite

Share what you've read recently and hear about what everyone else is reading.

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

If you are interested in volunteer opportunities at Ames Public Library, please contact Sarah at sbohlke@amespubliclibrary.org or (515) 239-5663.

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Check out some books with bite and earn your chance at a prize this winter. Pick up your winter reading program at Ames Public Library or the Bookmobile starting December 26.

EVENTS FOR TEENS

Teen Roleplaying Club

Monday, December 1 and
Monday, December 8
6-8:30pm, Founders Suite

Join the Teen Roleplaying Club and play some Dungeons and Dragons at the Library! All supplies are provided.

Teen Anime & Manga Club

Wednesday, Dec. 3, 4-5pm, Founders Suite
Wednesday, Dec. 17, 4-5pm, APL Zone

Interested in anime or manga? Come and discuss your favorites and participate in activities. Missed a meeting? Keep up to date by visiting aplteenzonemanga.blogspot.com.

Teen Murder Mystery Party

Friday, December 5, 4-5pm, FTB Auditorium
See description on front page.

Crochet and Knitting Group

Saturday, December 13
9:30-11am, Founders Suite

Tweens, teens, and adults are invited to crochet and knit with us. Everyone is welcome, from beginners to experts. Bring your project/supplies if you have them.

Teen Advisory Group (TAG)

Saturday, December 20
11am, Community Room

Want to get involved? Join TAG and have your say. Help plan library events for teens, share what you are reading, and eat some free pizza!

Teen Game Night

Monday, December 22
6:30-8:30pm, Founders Suite

Stop in for a game night at the Library! Bring board games, collectible card games, or roleplaying games or play one of ours. Interested in Dungeons and Dragons? Each game night, we'll have an expert on hand to teach you about D&D 4th edition.



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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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
<p>Good Stories, Good Nights</p> <p>Winter Reading Program for</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Adults • Teens • Children <p>December 26 through February 28</p>	<p>1</p> <p>Teen Roleplaying Club 6pm, Founders Suite</p> <p>Friends of the Ames Public Library Meeting 7pm, Board Room</p>	<p>2</p> <p>Toddler Time 9:30, 10am, 1:30pm Story Room</p> <p>Family Storytime 10:30am, 4pm Story Room</p> <p>BabyTalk 11:05am, Story Room</p>	<p>3</p> <p>Toddler Time 9:30, 10am Story Room</p> <p>Family Storytime 10:30am, 2:45pm Story Room</p> <p>BabyTalk 11:05am, Story Room</p> <p>Mystery Lovers Book Club 12pm, Community Room</p> <p>Art All Around 2:45pm, Auditorium</p> <p>Teen Anime/Manga 4pm, Founders Suite</p>	<p>4</p> <p>Family Craft Storytime 10am, 2, 7pm Auditorium</p> <p>BabyTalk 2pm, Story Room</p> <p>Toddler Time 6:30pm, Auditorium</p>	<p>5</p> <p>Toddler Time 9:30am, Auditorium</p> <p>Family Craft Storytime 10am, Auditorium</p> <p>Teen Murder Mystery Party 4pm, Auditorium</p>	<p>6</p> <p>Doulas Program 11am, Community Room</p> <p>Family Storytime 11am, Story Room</p> <p>Russian Storytime 12pm, Story Room</p>
	<p>7</p>	<p>8</p> <p>Teen Roleplaying Club 6pm, Founders Suite</p> <p>The Digital Television Transition 7pm, Auditorium</p>	<p>9</p> <p>Toddler Time Family Storytime BabyTalk See Above</p> <p>Reel Connections Roundup: <i>Ride the High Country</i> 7pm, Auditorium</p>	<p>10</p> <p>Toddler Time Family Storytime BabyTalk See Above</p> <p>Chattin' With Cathy 2:45pm, Auditorium</p> <p><i>The Polar Express</i> 4pm, Auditorium</p>	<p>11</p> <p>Family Craft Storytime 10am, 2pm, Auditorium</p> <p>BabyTalk Toddler Time See Above</p> <p>Pied Piper Storytime 7pm, Auditorium</p>	<p>12</p> <p>Toddler Time Family Craft Storytime See Above</p> <p>Homeschool Program 10am, Community Room</p>
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<p>21</p>	<p>22</p> <p>Bookmobile Out of Service through January 2</p> <p>Teen Game Night 6:30pm, Founders Suite</p>	<p>23</p> <p>Toddler Time 9:30, 10am Story Room</p> <p>Celebrate Winter Holidays 10:30am, Story Room</p> <p>BabyTalk 11:05am, Story Room</p> <p>Make & Take Holiday Crafts 2-4pm, Auditorium</p>	<p>24</p> <p>Library and Bookmobile CLOSED</p>	<p>25</p> <p>Library and Bookmobile CLOSED</p>	<p>26</p> <p>Winter Reading Program Begins</p>	<p>27</p>
<p>28</p>	<p>29</p> <p>Bookmobile Out of Service through January 2</p>	<p>30</p>	<p>31</p> <p>Oh What a Night 12-5pm, Auditorium</p> <p>Library Closes at 5pm</p>	<p>Hey Book Clubs!</p> <p>Are you looking for multiple copies of a book for your book club to read? Check out Ames Public Library's Book Club Collection! Our selection of book club favorites can be checked out individually or as a set. For more information, call (515) 239-5656.</p>		

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