

Closed February 16

The Library and Bookmobile will be closed on Presidents' Day, Monday, February 16.

Romance Book Sale

February 13-15

During Library's Open Hours

Literary Grounds in the Library's Lobby

Stop by Literary Grounds for great deals on romance books! There will also be a selection of books commemorating Presidents' Day.



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Tech Talk

Tuesdays at 2pm in The Studio

Bring your device and learn how to check out free electronic books from the Library for your e-reader, tablet, or smart phone.

On February 3 and 17, we'll talk about e-books for iPads and Android devices.

On February 10 and 24, we'll talk about e-books for Kindle.

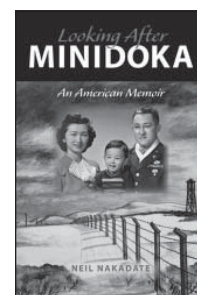
An Evening with the Author: Neil Nakadate

Tuesday, February 10 at 7pm, Rotary Room

Neil Nakadate will read from and discuss *Looking After Minidoka*, his memoir of three generations of his family—a gathering of history, memories, and personal reflection.

During World War Two over 110,000 Japanese Americans were removed from their homes and incarcerated by the U.S. government. In *Looking After Minidoka* these “internment camp” years become a prism for understanding a family's American experience from immigration through the twentieth century.

Books will be available for purchase and signing.



Crochet & Knitting Group

Saturdays, February 14 and 28 at 11am, The Studio

All ages are invited to crochet and knit at the Library. All skill levels are welcome, from beginner to expert. Bring your supplies/projects if you have them.

Genealogy PLUS

Wednesday, February 18 at 10am, Farwell T. Brown Auditorium

Join us for a free series of classes to explore genealogy resources and skills. This month, we'll explore how to use newspapers to find your ancestors.

Sponsored by Story County Genealogical Society and Ames Public Library.

Inkspots

Wednesday, February 18 from 1:30-3pm, The Studio

Inkspots is a writers' group that meets monthly to discuss and gently critique members' writing. For more information, visit the Library's Adult Services Desk or call 239-5646.

APL Unplugged: Jerry Barlow

Saturday, February 28 at 2pm, Farwell T. Brown Auditorium

Enjoy a free concert with Celtic fingerstyle guitarist Jerry Barlow. Barlow is a virtuoso musician, a warm and accessible performer, and a world-class storyteller. His repertoire is composed of a synthesis of traditional music from the British Isles and his own original Celtic-inspired compositions.

Winter Reading Program for Adults

"Plow through Some Books" • January 2 - February 28, 2015

Don't let the kids have all the fun! Join the Library's Winter Reading Program for your chance to win a prize! Go to www.amespubliclibrary.org or visit the Library to sign up.

Book Discussions

Mystery Lovers Book Club

Wednesday, February 4 at 12pm, The Studio

Mystery lovers are invited to the Mystery Lovers Book Club on the first Wednesday of each month to talk about books by a selected author. This month, we'll discuss books by **Mary Higgins Clark**. (Next month's author will be Deborah Crombie.)

MiXed LIT

Tuesday, February 10 at 7pm, Olde Main Brewing Co.

Love satire? Join us for a series of meetups to talk about great books that poke fun at the human condition. This month, we'll talk about *The Screwtape Letters* by C.S. Lewis.

Next month's book will be Kurt Vonnegut's *Breakfast of Champions*.

Great Books

Sunday, February 15 at 2pm, Dale H. Ross Board Room

The Great Books group discusses literary classics using the anthology *Great Conversations 6*, from the Great Books Foundation. This month's selection is "The Man Who Could Work Miracles" by H.G. Wells.

To sign up for this series, visit the Library's Adult Services Desk or call (515) 239-5646.

Book Discussion: *The House Girl*

Tuesday, February 24 at 1pm, Heartland Senior Services (205 South Walnut Avenue)

Join library staff for a discussion of *The House Girl* by Tara Conklin. This unforgettable story of love, history, and a search for justice is set in modern-day New York and 1852 Virginia.

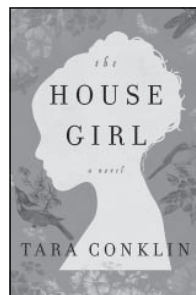
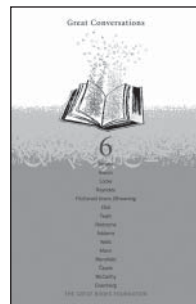
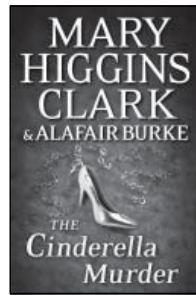
Weaving together the story of an escaped slave in the pre-Civil War South and a determined junior lawyer, *The House Girl* follows Lina Sparrow as she looks for an appropriate lead plaintiff in a lawsuit seeking compensation for families of slaves. In her research, she learns about Lu Anne Bell, a renowned prewar artist whose famous works might have actually been painted by her slave, Josephine.

Sponsored by Heartland Senior Services and Ames Public Library.

Books at Noon

Wednesday, February 25 at 12pm, The Studio

Drop in to share what you've read recently—fiction or nonfiction—and hear about what everyone else is reading. Be prepared to give a brief description and your opinion about one or two books you've listened to or read.



Events for Teens

Winter Reading Program for Teens "Plow through Some Books"

January 2 - February 28, 2015

Go to www.amespubliclibrary.org or visit the Library to sign up.

Teen Advisory Group (TAG)

Thursday, February 5

5:30-6:30pm, Volunteer Workroom

Saturday, February 21

11am-1pm, Volunteer Workroom

Get involved and join TAG! Help plan exciting library events for teens, share what you're reading, and make new friends. There's free pizza, too!

Chess 101: Class and Tournament

Sunday, February 8, Danfoss Room

Training at 1pm

Tournament from 1:45-5pm

Calling all teen and tween chess fans! Do you want to learn to play chess or brush up your chess skills? Join us for a monthly Chess 101 meetup. We'll start with a half hour of training and tips, and then we'll play!

We'll wrap up the series with tips on openings. Find out how a good opening can give you an early advantage and look at one of the most famous openings.

Sponsored by the Student Chapter of the National Association of Interpretation at Iowa State University.



Teen Roleplaying Game Association (TRGA)

Saturday, February 14

1-5pm, Danfoss Room

Teens in grades 6 through 12 are invited to the Teen Roleplaying Game Association, a group dedicated to a wide exploration of games, including *Dungeons and Dragons*, *Star Wars: Age of Rebellion*, *Pathfinder*, and *Magic: The Gathering*.

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Regular Storytimes

Baby Time

Tuesdays at 1:30pm
Wednesdays at 11:05am
Thursdays at 6pm
Storytime Room

Bring your prewalker for 20 minutes of books, songs, baby sign language, and more.

Milk & Book-ies

Thursdays at 6:30pm, Storytime Room

Stop in for 30+ minutes of fun that includes milk and cookies. We'll have music, books, rhythm instruments, STEM (science, technology, engineering, and math) activities, and more, all to enhance your child's literacy skills.

Special Events for Families



Play With Me!

Saturday, February 7 at 10:30am, Storytime Room

All ages are invited to come to the Library for fun! We'll play and learn through books, songs, crafts, and games!



Read With Me!

Saturday, February 14 at 10:30am, Storytime Room

Families, come boost your reading skills through crafts, sing-a-longs, books, and more.



Sing and Dance With Me!

Saturday, February 21 at 10:30am, Storytime Room

Get your blood pumping at our monthly dance parties. Explore with rhythm and motion, instruments, crafts, and more!



Talk and Write With Me!

Saturday, February 28 at 10:30am, Storytime Room

Use your imagination and creativity to tell stories of all kinds! We'll use puppets, books, iPads, and more to help us with our story-making.

Chess 101: Class and Tournament

See "Events for Teens."

Circle Time

Tuesdays at 1pm
Wednesdays at 10:30am
Storytime Room

Join Dewey Bear and library staff for 20-25 minutes of music, books, and interactive early literacy activities for toddlers and preschool-aged children accompanied by an adult.

Storytime PLUS

Fridays, February 13 & 27
10:30am, Storytime Room

Local moms with experience in education will share theme-based stories, music, and more.

The Mothering Circle

Thursday, February 5 & 19
10-11:30am, Teen Space

New mothers and your babies, birth to age 1, come share the story of your parenting journey and receive support, guidance, and inspiration. This group is flexible – to address your own needs, concerns, and wishes.

The Mothering Circle is facilitated by a mental health therapist/now stay-at-home mom.

Mother Connection

Wednesday, February 11
6pm, Storytime Room

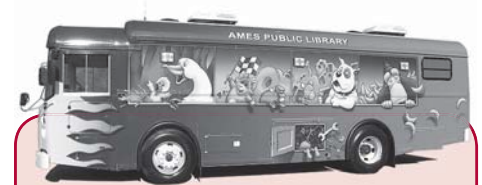
New mothers and their children are invited to connect with other families. Share your story, get advice from other parents, and receive support.



Grand Stories

Thursday, February 12
10am, Storytime Room

Grandparents have fun with kids, too! Every month, grandmas Laura and Cathie will lead a variety of fun activities for newborn babies through preschoolers and their grandparents.



Bookmobile Schedule

MONDAY

Sawyer School, 4:30-8:00pm

TUESDAY

St. Cecilia School, 2:00-4:00pm

Old Orchard Laundromat, 5:00-6:15pm

Mitchell School, 6:45-8:00pm

WEDNESDAY

Edwards School, 1:45-3:30pm

Fareway on Stange, 5:00-8:00pm

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Monday-Thursday: 9am - 9pm

Friday & Saturday: 9am - 6pm

Sunday: 1pm - 5pm



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