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#### LIBRARY HOURS

Monday-Thursday: 9am-9pm  
Friday & Saturday: 9am - 6pm  
Sunday: 1pm - 5pm

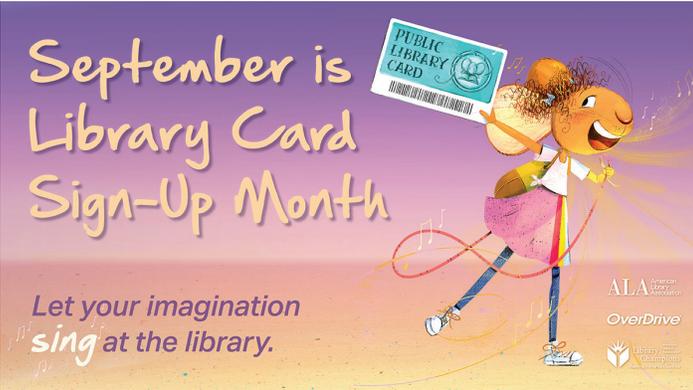
The Library & Bookmobile will be  
**CLOSED**  
 Monday, September 5  
 for Labor Day.



**September 1-30, Downtown Ames**

Ames Public Library is one of several Downtown Ames locations hosting artwork for *Out*, an art exhibit created by the Octagon Center for the Arts featuring local LGBTQIA+ artists. Visit the Library's Entryway to see one of the featured works of art and find out where to see the others.

*Out* is sponsored by the Octagon Center for the Arts, the Center for LGBTQIA+ Student Success, Margaret Sloss Center for Women and Gender Equity, Wheatfield Cooperative, London Underground, Amy and Jason Popillion, The Women's and Gender Studies Program at Iowa State University, Tana Fisher and Dave Svoboda, and Dawn Budd.



**Tuesdays in September  
 1:30-3:30pm, PEO Room**

Learn the computer skills you're interested in! Computers are provided for all classes. You can guarantee your spot in a specific class by preregistering at the Library's Adult Services Desk or by calling (515) 239-5646 extension 4.

Our September series focuses on computer basics:

- September 6: Intro to Computers
- September 13: Intro to Web Browsers
- September 20: Intro to Computer Files
- September 27: Intro to E-mail

Watch for classes about Microsoft Office in November!

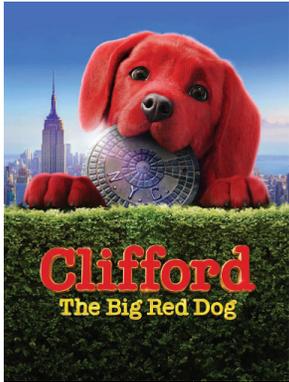


**Thursday, September 8  
 10am-1pm, Auditorium**

Join the Mainstream Living community for a monthly movie screening and related activity! Selected movies are appropriate for adults who are neurodivergent and/or have an intellectual disability. Movies with Mainstream is open to all ages!

This month, we'll watch *Clifford the Big Red Dog* with a dog-themed activity to follow.

*Presented in partnership with Ames Public Library and Mainstream Living.*





**Sunday, September 11**  
**4pm, Storytime Room**

German Storytime is a chance for children and families to immerse themselves in stories, songs and all things fun about German culture. Come learn and engage in this bilingual storytime experience.



**Thursdays starting September 15**  
**4-6pm, Teen Space**

Need a brain break? Teens are invited to hang out, stay cool, and play videogames on our big screen!

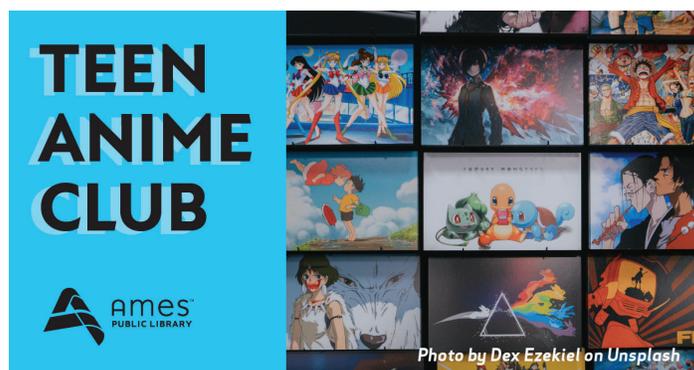


**Wednesday, September 14**  
**5-6pm, Board Room**

*Register at [amespubliclibrary.org/events](https://amespubliclibrary.org/events)*

Help plan exciting Library events for teens, share what you're reading, make new friends, and eat some food! To register e-mail Ethan, our Young Adult Librarian, at [eatwell@amespubliclibrary.org](mailto:eatwell@amespubliclibrary.org) or fill out a TAG application on our website.

*Supported by the Ames Public Library Friends Foundation.*



**Friday, September 16**  
**4-6pm, Teen Space**

Join our monthly meetup to watch some anime, talk about your favorite manga, or create your own art and manga.

Open to 6<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> graders. Anime watched is considered to be rated G to PG-13.





**Saturday, September 17  
10:30am, Storytime Room**

Get ready for Talk Like a Pirate Day with a special family storytime all about pirates!

Author Charlotte Gunnufson will read her book, *Prince and Pirate*, a tale of two little fish with big personalities. Then we'll learn some pirate lingo and enjoy pirate crafts and activities.

## National Voter Registration Day

**Tuesday, September 20  
11:30am-4:30pm, Library Lobby**

Register to vote at Ames Public Library! Representatives from the non-partisan League of Women Voters will be available to register voters from 11:30am-4:30pm in the Library's lobby. Come prepared with an Iowa driver's license number, Iowa non-operator ID number, or Social Security number, if you have one.



**Tuesday, September 20  
4-6pm, Teen Space**

Drop in and try out some of your STEAM skills during our monthly Maker Challenge. Open to 6<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> graders.



**1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday of Each Month  
Starting September 20  
4-5pm, Storytime Room**

Come play chess! Whether you are just a beginner or already an expert, all kids in grades 4-6 are welcome to come have fun after school on the first and third Tuesdays of each month. Drop in and learn how to play or come and face off against a new opponent.





## Genealogy Plus



**Wednesday, September 21**  
**10am-12pm, Auditorium or via Zoom**

*Register at [amespubliclibrary.org/events](https://amespubliclibrary.org/events)*

Topic: Underground Railroad in Iowa  
Speaker: Allie Shambaugh-Miller

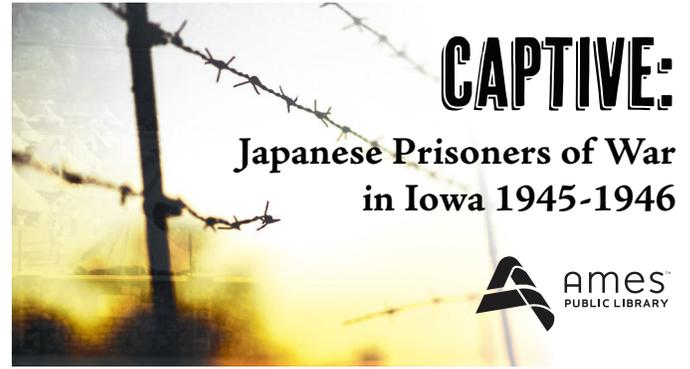
Iowa and the Midwest are often left out of narratives about the Underground Railroad, yet the state played a central role in the fight against slavery.

In this presentation, you will learn about the flight of enslaved African Americans from Missouri and other slave states into abolitionist towns in southern Iowa. From here, many freedom seekers traveled north to free states and Canada, although some settled in Iowa cities such as Des Moines for their entire lives.

The stories of freedom seekers and conductors buried in Woodland Cemetery in Des Moines will further exemplify the role of central Iowa in the Underground Railroad.

Participate in person or online. Please register online or call (515) 239-5646 ext. 4 to learn more.

*Presented in partnership with Ames Public Library and the Story County Genealogical Society.*



**Thursday, September 22**  
**7pm, Auditorium or via Zoom**

Between 1943 and 1946 tens of thousands of German prisoners of war were detained in Iowa at two main camps, one in Algona and one in Clarinda. These prisoners of war provided valuable labor that helped Iowa farmers meet their War Food Administration goals.

In January 1945 the success of the farm labor program at Camp Clarinda seemed to be in jeopardy, when local residents learned that the German POWs were leaving to be replaced by Japanese prisoners captured in the South Pacific. Only two prisoner of war camps in the United States housed the fewer than 6,000 Japanese soldiers taken captive during the war: Fort McCoy, Wisconsin and Camp Clarinda, Iowa.

This presentation by Chad Timm will focus on the experiences of Japanese POWs at Camp Clarinda between January 1945 and January 1946, highlighting the role the Japanese played in alleviating local labor shortages.

*Presented in partnership with Ames Public Library and the Ames History Museum.*

**Ames Public Library's**

# BLACK BOOK NOOK

Looking for excellent books and films featuring Black voices and stories? Check our Black Book Nook!

The Black Book Nook collection fosters education and community engagement with Black history, thought, literature, and culture. This collection was created in partnership with the Iowa State University Office of Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion | Office of Equal Opportunity.

Visit our Special Collections web page to browse the Black Book Nook.



**Wednesday, September 28**  
**10am-12pm, PEO Room**

Run into a brick wall? Not sure where to start researching your roots?

Stop by this monthly meetup of local genealogists to get help with research, software and writing your family story.

*Presented in partnership with Ames Public Library and the Story County Genealogical Society.*

# **BREAKING NEWS**

## **Local Media On Life Support**



**Wednesday, September 28**  
**6:30-8pm, Auditorium**

Join the League of Women Voters of Ames & Story County for a panel discussion about the decline in local media and its impact on our community and—ultimately—our democracy.

Representatives from local radio and print media, an ISU professor of journalism, and a community public relations officer will discuss the problems faced and possible solutions.

*Presented in partnership with Ames Public Library and the League of Women Voters of Ames & Story County.*



**Thursday, September 29**  
**7pm, Auditorium or via Zoom**

No one likes to have hard conversations, but sometimes having those conversations can save a life. Experts from Your Life Iowa will share tools for raising difficult topics like suicide, and resources for getting help for yourself or your loved ones.

*Presented in partnership with Ames Public Library and Your Life Iowa.*



## **Skills for Bridging the Divide**

**Saturday, October 15**  
**10am-12:30pm, Auditorium**

In our current polarized political environment, many people avoid or dread political conversations with friends or family members whose politics differ from their own. They worry, rightly so, that any attempts at political discussions will devolve into arguments and acrimony, and result in hurt feelings or anger.

Braver Angels Skills for Bridging the Divide Workshops teach skills for having respectful conversations that clarify differences, search for common ground, and affirm the importance of the relationship. They also give participants a safe environment to practice those skills.

Watch for a Families and Politics Workshop coming November 12.

*Presented in partnership with Ames Public Library and Braver Angels.*





**Tuesdays, 11am-2pm, 1<sup>st</sup> Floor Study Room**  
**Thursdays, 4-7pm, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor Study Room**  
**Fridays, 11am-2pm, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor Study Room**

Ames Public Library is partnering with The Bridge Home to provide easy access to critical services in our community.

Staff from The Bridge Home will be available in the Library to assist individuals and families on the verge of—or experiencing—homelessness with apartment searching, appointment scheduling, job applications, and more.

Staff members will also be available to connect community members who are experiencing homelessness with vital services.



**Wednesdays, 11am-12pm**  
**1<sup>st</sup> Floor Study Rooms**

Ames Public Library is partnering with Lutheran Service in Iowa (LSI) to provide families with easy access to critical services in our community.

Staff from LSI will be available in the Library to assist individuals and families with free parent education, resources, and support.

A certified LSI Parent Educator can help you learn what to expect in your child's growth and development from pregnancy to birth to age five, so you can give them a great start to a bright future!

# Conversation Circles



*at Ames Public Library*

## English

**Mondays, 12:30-1:30pm, Danfoss Room**

Gather for casual conversations in English. The focus of this group is to help English Language Learners gain confidence and fluency in a comfortable and fun setting. Library staff will pair native and non-native speakers and provide themes, questions, and topics for conversation.

**Spanish: Tuesdays, 7-8:30pm**

**NEW!** **German: Wednesdays, 7-8pm**

**Russian: Saturdays, 3-4pm**

**French: Saturdays, 4-5:30pm**

**Board Room or Zoom**

Gather (in person or online) for casual conversations in different languages. Chat in your native language or get comfortable speaking in another language.



# STORYTIMES & MORE

**STARTING SEPTEMBER 11**

## Baby Time

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

Bring your pre-walker to the Library for stories, songs, and baby sign language. Join with other caregivers and older siblings for 20 minutes of fun and learning.

Feel free to bring a stuffed animal or doll for the older sibling to learn along with you. Babies and caregivers are welcome to stay and play after the event!

## Toddler Storytime

Mondays and Wednesdays  
10:30am, Storytime Room

Families are invited for a storytime filled with music, stories, and fun!

## Family Storytime

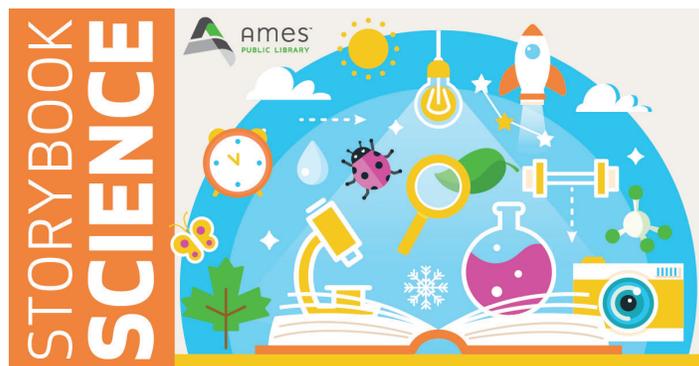
Tuesdays, Thursdays, and Saturdays  
10:30am, Storytime Room

Children of all ages and their grown-ups are invited to enjoy stories, songs, and movement activities while building early literacy skills.



**Tuesdays starting September 13  
11am-12pm, Youth Makerspace**

Drop in and enjoy this process-focused craft or activity meant for children and their grown-ups.



**Fridays starting September 16  
10:30am, Auditorium**

Families are invited to get hands-on with a fun science activity for all ages!



## After School Adventures

**Thursdays starting September 22 at 3:30pm, Auditorium**

Kids in kindergarten through fifth grade are invited to the Library for a wide variety of fun activities after school on Thursdays! Our activities could include art, science, games, and more! We will also provide a small snack.

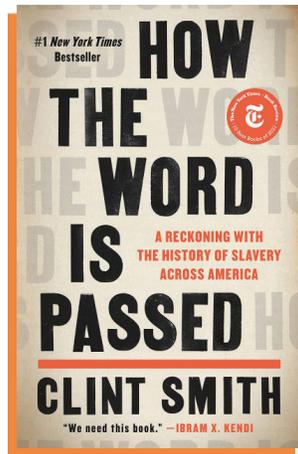
# BOOK GROUPS

## 028: Real Reads

2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday of Each Month  
7pm, Board Room or via Zoom  
Register at [amespubliclibrary.org/events](https://amespubliclibrary.org/events)

028 focuses on recently published, popular nonfiction on a variety of topics

September 8: **How the Word is Passed: A Reckoning with the History of Slavery Across America** by Clint Smith



October 13: **The Lady From the Black Lagoon: Hollywood Monsters and the Lost Legacy of Milicent Patrick** by Mallory O'Meara

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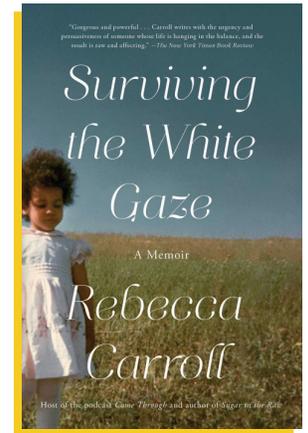
## View from the Margins

2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Each Month  
2-4pm, Board Room or via Zoom  
Register at [amespubliclibrary.org/events](https://amespubliclibrary.org/events)

Check out this book discussion group exploring social and cultural topics through the lens of fiction and nonfiction.

The goal is to encourage deep reflection and nuanced discussion about how the topics' impacts manifest and resonate in modern society.

September 11: **Surviving the White Gaze** by Rebecca Carroll



October 9: **We Cast a Shadow** by Maurice Carlos Ruffin

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## Mystery Lovers Book Club

1<sup>st</sup> Wednesday of Each Month  
12pm, Rotary Room

Mystery readers, come talk about books by a selected author or on a theme!

September 7: Camilla Lackberg  
October 5: Walter Mosley

## Great Books 1

Sunday, September 18  
2-4pm, Board Room or via Zoom  
REGISTRATION FULL

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# THE BOOKMOBILE



## MONDAY

Mitchell School:  
2:30-3:30pm (3521 Jewel)

Sawyer School:  
5-8pm (4136 Ontario)

## TUESDAY

St. Cecilia School:  
3-4pm (Hoover & 30th Street)

## WEDNESDAY

Edwards School:  
2:30-3:30pm (820 Miller)

Fareway on Stage: 5-8pm (Stange & Bloomington)

## THURSDAY

ISU Campus: 11am-1pm (Near Parks Library)

Visit the  
Bookmobile  
at any of its  
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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
	<b>KEY</b> <b>Colors:</b> All Ages/Mix Family Event Teen Event Adult Event <b>Symbols:</b> Registration Required Available Online Off Site			<b>1</b> <b>Out Exhibit</b> September 1-30 Library Entryway & Downtown Ames <b>The Bridge Home</b> 4-7pm, Second Floor	<b>2</b> <b>The Bridge Home</b> 11am-2pm, Second Floor	<b>3</b> <b>Conversation Circles</b> Russian: 3-4pm French: 4-5:30pm Board Room or via Zoom
	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b> <b>Library and Bookmobile CLOSED</b>	<b>6</b> <b>The Bridge Home</b> 11am-2pm, First Floor <b>Computer Classes: Intro to Computers</b> 1:30-3:30pm, PEO Room <b>Conversation Circles</b> Spanish: 7-8:30pm Board Room or via Zoom	<b>7</b> <b>Lutheran Services in Iowa (LSI)</b> 11am-12pm, First Floor <b>Mystery Lovers Book Club</b> 12pm, Rotary Room <b>Conversation Circles</b> German: 7-8pm Board Room or via Zoom	<b>8</b> <b>Movies with Mainstream: Clifford the Big Red Dog</b> 10am-1pm, Auditorium <b>The Bridge Home</b> 4-7pm, Second Floor <b>028: Real Reads</b> 7pm, Board Room or via Zoom	<b>9</b> <b>The Bridge Home</b> 11am-2pm, Second Floor
<b>11</b> <b>View from the Margins</b> 2-4pm, Board Room or via Zoom <b>German Storytime</b> 4pm, Storytime Room	<b>12</b> <b>Toddler Storytime</b> 10:30am, Storytime Room <b>Conversation Circles English:</b> 12:30-1:30pm Danfoss Room	<b>13</b> <b>Family Storytime</b> 10:30am, Storytime Room <b>Kids Create</b> 11am, Youth Makerspace <b>The Bridge Home</b> 11am-2pm, First Floor <b>Baby Time</b> 1:30pm, Storytime Room <b>Computer Classes: Intro to Web Browsers</b> 1:30-3:30pm, PEO Room <b>Conversation Circles</b> Spanish: 7-8:30pm Board Room or via Zoom	<b>14</b> <b>Toddler Storytime</b> 10:30am, Storytime Room <b>Baby Time</b> 11am, Storytime Room <b>Lutheran Services in Iowa (LSI)</b> 11am-12pm, First Floor <b>Teen Advisory Group</b> 5-6pm, Board Room <b>Conversation Circles</b> German: 7-8pm Board Room or via Zoom	<b>15</b> <b>Family Storytime</b> 10:30am, Storytime Room <b>Teen Videogames</b> 4-6pm, Teen Space <b>The Bridge Home</b> 4-7pm, Second Floor <b>Baby Time</b> 6pm, Storytime Room <b>Library Board of Trustees Meeting</b> 7pm, Board Room	<b>16</b> <b>Storybook Science</b> 10:30am, Auditorium <b>The Bridge Home</b> 11am-2pm, Second Floor <b>Teen Anime Club</b> 4-6pm, Teen Space	<b>17</b> <b>Family Storytime Special: Prince and Pirate</b> 10:30am, Storytime Room <b>Conversation Circles</b> Russian: 3-4pm French: 4-5:30pm Board Room or via Zoom
<b>18</b> <b>Great Books 1</b> 2-4pm, Board Room or via Zoom <i>Registration Full</i>	<b>19</b> <b>Toddler Storytime</b> 10:30am, Storytime Room <b>Conversation Circles English:</b> 12:30-1:30pm Danfoss Room	<b>20</b> <b>Family Storytime</b> 10:30am, Storytime Room <b>Kids Create</b> 11am, Youth Makerspace <b>The Bridge Home</b> 11am-2pm, First Floor <b>National Voter Registration Day</b> 11:30am-4:30pm, Lobby <b>Baby Time</b> 1:30pm, Storytime Room <b>Computer Classes: Intro to Computer Files</b> 1:30-3:30pm, PEO Room <b>Teen Maker Challenge</b> 4-6pm, Teen Space <b>Checkmate Chess Club</b> 4pm, Storytime Room <b>Conversation Circles</b> Spanish: 7-8:30pm Board Room or via Zoom	<b>21</b> <b>Genealogy Plus</b> 10am-12pm Auditorium or via Zoom <b>Toddler Storytime</b> 10:30am, Storytime Room <b>Baby Time</b> 11am, Storytime Room <b>Lutheran Services in Iowa (LSI)</b> 11am-12pm, First Floor <b>Conversation Circles</b> German: 7-8pm Board Room or via Zoom	<b>22</b> <b>Family Storytime</b> 10:30am, Storytime Room <b>After School Adventures</b> 3:30pm, Auditorium <b>Teen Videogames</b> 4-6pm, Teen Space <b>The Bridge Home</b> 4-7pm, Second Floor <b>Baby Time</b> 6pm, Storytime Room <b>Captive: Japanese Prisoners of War in Iowa 1945-1946</b> 7pm, Auditorium	<b>23</b> <b>Storybook Science</b> 10:30am, Auditorium <b>The Bridge Home</b> 11am-2pm, Second Floor	<b>24</b> <b>Family Storytime</b> 10:30am, Storytime Room <b>Conversation Circles</b> Russian: 3-4pm French: 4-5:30pm Board Room or via Zoom
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