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Checkmate Chess Club

1st and 3rd Tuesday of Each Month
4pm, 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.

Supported by the Ames Public Library Friends Foundation.

Homeschool Book Club

Thursday, October 6
10am, Auditorium

Join Library staff for a monthly book discussion just for families that are homeschooling or learning remotely!

This year, we have selected a diverse collection of books that mirror our world, with a special focus on stories about historically excluded identities and groups of people.

Families are invited to read the book of the month (together or independently), then come to the Library for a discussion and related activities.

This event and books are geared for school-age kids or middle-grade reading level, but all ages are welcome to attend.

October 6 discussion:

We’ll start the fall by sharing about some of the great books you’ve read recently. Participants can also pick up a copy of next month’s selection, *In the Footsteps of Crazy Horse*.

A Community Conversation About Suicide: Facts, Hope, and Resources

Tuesday, Oct. 4, 6:30-8:30pm, Auditorium

Join the City of Ames and Ames Public Library for a community conversation about suicide and mental health.

Presented in partnership with Ames Public Library and the City of Ames.

WRITING YOUNG ADULT STORIES AS A YOUNG ADULT:
Camryn Garrett on Advocacy, the Creative Process, and Film

Wednesday, October 5, 5:30-7pm, Online (or viewing in the Rotary Room)
Register at www.wmc.dso.iastate.edu/fall-2022-speaker-series-event

Join ISU’s Writing and Media Services for a virtual speaker series event in conversation with young adult author and filmmaker, Camryn Garrett (*Full Disclosure, Off the Record, Friday I’m in Love*). We will talk about her advocacy work as a novelist and filmmaker, her path to publication, and what it means to listen to and amplify the stories of young, Black women.

Presented by the Iowa State University Writing and Media Center in partnership with Ames Public Library, Center for LGBTQIA+ Student Success, Dog-Eared Books, Iowa State University Library, Margaret Slou Center for Women and Gender Equity, MFA program in Creative Writing and Environment, Office of Multicultural Student Affairs, and Women’s and Gender Studies Program.
Thursdays, 4-6pm, Teen Space

Need a brain break? Teens are invited to hang out and play videogames in the Teen Space!

Stop by Literary Grounds in the Library's Lobby during Witches Walk for frighteningly good deals on gently used books and more! Enjoy $1 off everything in the bookstore (except book bundles and items marked $1).  

Presented in partnership with Ames Public Library and Downtown Ames.

Saturday, October 8
10am-4pm, Library Auditorium and In Front of the Library

Drop in to a free Repair Café at the Library! Volunteers will help repair broken items to give them a longer life cycle. There is no charge for repairs at the Repair Café.

If they're unable to repair your item, or parts are required, they'll help you find a local repair shop that can help. (If you have replacement parts, you can bring them with your broken item.) Repair volunteers can also teach basic maintenance.

What can you bring for repairs?
- clothing;
- jewelry;
- bicycles;
- small home and kitchen appliances that can fit in your car like microwaves, food processors, and blenders;
- some furniture;
- laptops, computers;
- musical instruments;
- anything with small engines and motors (like lawn mowers);
- wheelchairs;
- audio and video equipment like amplifiers, receivers etc.

The Repair Café aims to reduce waste, share tools and resources, and help build self-reliance skills in our community. If you have any questions or would like to volunteer, please e-mail AmesRepairCafe@gmail.com.

Tuesday, October 11
4-6pm, Teen Space

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

Witches Walk 2022
Thursday, October 6
6:00 - 8:00PM
Downtown Ames
LEGO® BUILDERS

2nd and 4th Tuesday of Each Month
4pm, Storytime Room

Children in grades 3-5 are invited to get creative and build with lots of LEGO®! We'll provide the bricks while the kids provide the imagination.

All LEGO® will remain at the Library, so bring a camera to capture a photo of your build. Please leave your own LEGO® at home so they don't get mixed up with the Library’s.

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Movies with MAINSTREAM

Thursday, October 13
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 Encanto with a magic-themed activity to follow.

Presented in partnership with Ames Public Library and Mainstream Living.

TAG TEEN ADVISORY GROUP

Wednesday, October 12
5-6pm, Board Room

Register at 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 or fill out a TAG application on our website.

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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.
Did You Know...

The Library has growing World Language Collections, including adult and youth books, movies, and music in multiple languages.

Check them out for free with your Ames Public Library card!

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German Storytime

Sunday, October 16
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.

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Genealogy Plus

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How Iowa's Proposed Constitutional Amendment Could Impact Public Safety

Thursday, October 20
7pm, Auditorium

The November election will present a ballot proposition to amend the Iowa Constitution to require "strict scrutiny" in any court challenge to gun regulations.

The League of Women Voters of Ames & Story Country and Ames Public Library invite the public to learn about this amendment that will be on our ballot in November.

John Klaus, retired Ames City Attorney, will compare the proposition with the Second Amendment to the U.S. Constitution, provide historic and legal context, and examine the impact on public safety.

Provided in partnership with the League of Women Voters of Ames & Story County.

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Teen Anime Club

Friday, October 21
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 6th-12th graders. Anime watched is considered to be rated G to PG-13.

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Presented in partnership with Ames Public Library and the Story County Genealogical Society.
Middle School Career Fair

Monday, October 24
5-7pm, Auditorium

You’re invited to the inaugural Story County Middle School Career Fair for 6th-8th graders. We’ll have different businesses and organizations for participants to visit and engage with.

The event will provide learners and caregivers early access to information to help them start envisioning their postsecondary future.

This event is free and open to all Story County middle school students. The first 50 attendees will receive a gift card. All participants will have a chance to enter a raffle drawing.

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Friday, October 28
10am-2pm, Downtown Ames

Stop by the Library during the Trick-or-Treat event in Downtown Ames for a treat and a free book for young children (while supplies last)! Costumes are welcome.

Provided in partnership with Ames Public Library and Altrusa International of Ames, Inc.

Trick-or-Treat at the Library

Monday, October 31, 9am-9pm, Library

Visit the Library in costume on Halloween for a treat!

Genealogy Help

Wednesday, October 26
10am-12pm, Danfoss 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.

IowaWORKS

Mondays (except October 10)
9:30am-12:30pm & 1:30-3:30pm, The Studio

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

Come by to speak with an IowaWORKS Career Planner for individualized, one-on-one career services. Career Planners can assist with resumes, mock interviews, filing for unemployment, and more.

Virtual appointments available upon request.
Conversations 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
**German:**
**Wednesdays, Oct. 12 & 19, 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.

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**The Bridge Home**

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.

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**Empowering Individuals, Strengthening Families, Building Communities.**

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

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

Preschool-age children and their grown-ups are invited to enjoy stories, songs, and movement activities while building early literacy skills.

STORYTIMES & MORE

Tuesdays
11am-12pm, Youth Makerspace

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

Fridays
10:30am, Auditorium

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

Thursdays, 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.
028: Real Reads
2nd Thursday of Each Month
7pm, Board Room or via Zoom
Register at amespubliclibrary.org/events

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

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

November 10: *The Daughters of Kobani: A Story of Rebellion Courage, and Justice* by Gayle Tzemach Lemmon

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Mystery Lovers Book Club
1st Wednesday of Each Month
12pm, Rotary Room

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

October 5: Walter Mosley
November 2: Linda Fairstein

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Great Books 1
Sunday, October 16
2-4pm, Board Room or via Zoom
REGISTERATION FULL

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View from the Margins
2nd Sunday of Each Month
2-4pm, Board Room or via Zoom
Register at 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.

October 9: *We Cast a Shadow* by Maurice Carlos Ruffin
November 13: *Sag Harbor* by Colson Whitehead

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Nikole Hannah-Jones, Pulitzer Prize-winning creator of the 1619 Project and a staff writer at *The New York Times Magazine*, will be speaking at CY Stephens Auditorium November 2. You can get ready for her visit by checking out her book from Ames Public Library and reading her articles for free using our *New York Times* online subscription!
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 Stange: 5-8pm (Stange & Bloomington)

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

Research your GENEALOGY like the pros.

Your Ames Public Library card gets you free access to Ancestry Library Edition (in Library only) and Heritage Quest—no subscription needed! Make connections, find the stories of your ancestors, and fill out your family tree. You can also access Family Search locked records from Ames Public Library’s computers or Wi-Fi.

Visit www.AmesPL.org/databases to get started.

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