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LIBRARY HOURS

Monday-Thursday: 9am-9pm Friday & Saturday: 9am - 6pm

Sunday: 1pm - 5pm



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www.AmesPL.org/ Summer2024



SUMMER READING CHALLENGE August 22, 2024 All Ages

Do you love free stuff? Are you between the ages of 0 and 120? Then join our Summer Reading Challenge and earn prizes for tracking your reading!

Three ways to play:

- 1. Visit amespubliclibrary.beanstack.com
- 2. Download the Beanstack Tracker app
- 3. Pick up a Summer Reading Challenge game board at the Library or Bookmobile

Free Summer Meals for Kids & Teens

Having a full stomach of good food is important! Eat a free lunch weekdays from 11:30am-12:30pm at the Library. (No Free Summer Meal July 4.)

Sponsored by Chevron-REG and Mary Greeley Medical Center. Supported by the Ames Public Library Friends Foundation.

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Check out these fun events for the whole family featuring professional entertainers! Supported by Ames Public Library Friends Foundation.

Science Heroes with Talewise

Tuesday, July 9 10am, Auditorium 1pm, Sawyer Elementary School

Join Science Heroes on a treasure-hunting adventure deep within the jungle!

Along the way, the audience helps the performer conduct



exciting science experiments that bring this story to life! Experiment with chemical reactions, air pressure, physical explosions, and more!

Absolute Science Laser Show

Tuesday, July 16 10am, Auditorium 1pm, Sawyer Elementary School

Come see fun, extreme, absolute science! There will be chemistry, lasers, and learning.

Don't miss this exciting show for all ages!



Balloon Storytelling with Twisted Bokay

Tuesday, July 23 10am, Auditorium

Theatre and balloon art come together with this highly interactive show for families.



Audience volunteers
will dress as balloon characters while the audience
provides the sound effects in an unforgettable
storytelling experience!

Cold-Blooded Redhead Reptile Zoo

Tuesday, July 30 10am, Auditorium

Come to the Library to meet Cold-Blooded Redhead Lindsey McDermott and her reptiles/invertebrates. She will bring several of her



various lizards, snakes, arachnids, and more to the library to get up close and personal with attendees! Come and learn, discuss, and understand these coldblooded animals.

COMING UP:

Terrific Tuesday with Magician Rick Eugene Brammer

Tuesday, August 6, 10am, Auditorium

Magic Class (Registration required at AmesPL.org/events)

Tuesday, August 6, 1:30pm, Auditorium



Kids in 1st - 5th grade are invited to have a blast with the Library!

Olympics

Thursday, July 11 1:30pm, Auditorium

Join us for an afternoon of fun and games inspired by the world Olympic events. Activities include crafts, medals, and fun competitions to test your competitive edge.

Insects of Summer

Thursday, July 25 1:30pm, Auditorium

Special guest Dr. Matt O'Neal, ISU Professor of Entomology, will show you his insect collections and teach you what stings and what doesn't. Attendees will see insect specimens up close and make some insect art!

KIDS CHESS CLUB

Thursday, July 18 1:30pm, Danfoss Room

Come play chess! Whether you are just a beginner or already an expert, all kids in grades

Drop in and learn how to play or make new friends with other chess lovers.

Supported by the Ames Public Library Friends Foundation.





Wednesdays, July 10, 17, & 24 at 2pm Thursdays, July 11, 18, & 25at 10am Storytime Room

Children of all ages are invited to drop in and read with an APL-Youth volunteer. Readers can practice their skills reading to a teen or older child. Pre-readers can enjoy being read to.

We will have lots of books to choose from, but you can bring a favorite if you like!

POKÉMON CLUB

Sunday, July 14 2-4pm, Auditorium

Calling all school-aged Poké-Kids! Come learn how to play the Pokémon Trading Card Game and use a Library-supplied deck to battle other players.



You can bring your decks to talk and strategize with other players, but card trading will not be allowed.

Don't want to play? Come to watch others, enjoy Poké-art activities, chat with other kids, and build a supportive community of friends!

Kids ages 8 and under need to bring a caregiver along to help.

Caregivers: not sure what Pokémon is all about? This is a great opportunity to learn along with your kids!

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TODDLER STORYTIME

Mondays and Wednesdays 10:30am, Storytime Room

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

BABY TIME

Tuesdays at 1:30pm Wednesdays at 11am Thursdays at 6:30pm 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!



@ the Park

Mondays, July 8-22, at 10am

Join the Bookmobile and your Library friends for stories and fun activities at a park near you!

July 8: Sawyer School (4316 Ontario St.)

July 15: Tahira & Labh Hira Park (3622 Woodland Street)

July 22: Miracle Park - Walnut Shelter (2500 Duff Avenue)

FAMILY STORYTIME

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.

BEDTIME STORIES

Thursdays at 7:30pm, Storytime Room

Join us for a cozy version of our weekly Family Storytime. PJs optional!

STORYBOOK SCIENCE

Fridays, 10am Auditorium

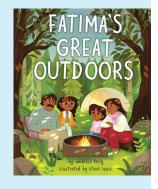
Families are invited to get hands-on with a fun science activity for all ages!



What combines reading, walking, and fresh air? **A StoryWalk**?!

Visit Moore Memorial Park to read the pages of a picture book spread out along the walking path.

The book changes seasonally, so be sure to stop back throughout the year!



The StoryWalk® Project was created by Anne Ferguson of Montpelier, VT and developed in collaboration with the Kellogg-Hubbard Library. StoryWalk® is a registered service mark owned by Ms. Ferguson.



All ages are welcome to watch a movie and enjoy free popcorn at the Library!

Elemental

Wednesday, July 10 6:30pm, Auditorium

(2023; MPAA Rating PG; 1h 41m)



Friday, July 19 2:30pm, Auditorium

(2023; MPAA Rating PG; 2h 15m)





PARENTING CIRCLE

 2^{nd} Friday and 4^{th} Saturday of Each Month (July 12 & 27) 9:30-10:30am, Teen Space

Parenting babies and toddlers is full of challenges. Join this welcoming community of families as we support each other and grow together through the



early years of pregnancy, postpartum and parenthood.

Facilitated by experienced mothers and a Certified Nurse Midwife, these monthly meetups will connect families to each other and to resources and answers about birth and parenthood.



Monday, July 8 3:30pm, Danfoss Room

Teens will choose from a variety of activities designed to help them to begin to build resilience and create a self-care plan.

The goal of these activities is to help teens become suicide aware and identify what steps they can take to prevent suicide in not only themselves, but also their friends/peers.

Provided in partnership with Ames Public Library and YSS.

TAG: TEEN ADVISORY GROUP

2nd Wednesday of Each Month (July 10) 5-6pm, Board Room

Register at AmesPL.org/events or e-mail eatwell@amespubliclibrary.org

Help plan exciting Library events for teens, share what you're reading, make new friends, and eat some food!

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TEEN VIDEOGAMES

Thursdays 3:30-6pm, Teen Space

Need a brain break? Teens are invited to hang out and play videogames in the Teen Space! A virtual reality system will be available to try out too.





Tuesday, July 16 1:30-3pm, Danfoss Room

Register at AmesPL.org/events

The Listening Instruments Invention Workshop allows participants to play with various materials to invent new ways of experiencing the sounds in their environment. It concludes with a listening walk that allows participants to experience the world through their creation. The workshop engages with the soundscape and helps participants become curious, focused listeners.

Register to guarantee your spot.

Participants should dress for being both indoors and outdoors.

Presented in partnership with Ames Public Library and Ames Public Library's Teen Advisory Group (TAG).

TEEN ANIME CLUB

3rd Friday of Each Month (July 19) 3:30-6pm, 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.



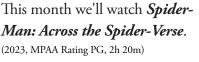




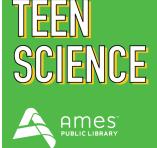


Tuesday, July 23 5pm, Teen Space

Stop into the Teen Space for a movie or two during this summer with some snacks! This month we'll watch **Spider-**Man: Across the Spider-Verse.









Tuesday, July 30 11:30am, Storytime Room

Are you a teen who likes reptiles? Do you want to pet or hold some reptiles?

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We welcome

program proposals

via our website

www.AmesPL.org.

Online

Entry/

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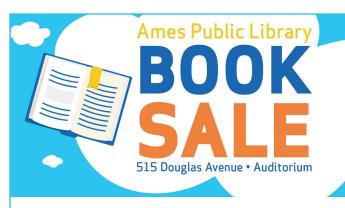
Baby Time

1:30pm, Storytime Room

Conversation Circles

Spanish: 7-8:30pm

Board Room or via Zoom



Find great deals on thousands of used items, including books, movies, music, and more!

Sunday, June 30: 12:30 to 3:30pm Admission \$2

Free admission and early entry starting at 12pm for donors to the Ames Public Library Friends Foundation at the \$20 level and above

Monday, July 1: 9am to 6pm Free admission

Tuesday, July 2: 9am to 6pm Free admission

Wednesday, July 3: 9am to 2pm
Last day! Admission \$1, and everything is free!
(Auditorium only)

Make sure to stop by the Literary Grounds Bookstore for a sale featuring vintage and collectible books. \$1 off everything in the store (except book bundles and items marked \$1).

Presented by the Ames Public Library Friends Foundation. Proceeds from the Book Sale are used to enhance Library programs and services.

Ames Public Library will be **CLOSED**Thursday, July 4.

The Bookmobile will be CLOSED July 1-5.

Come see the Bookmobile in the Ames 4th of July parade!

BOOKMOBILE @ THE PARK

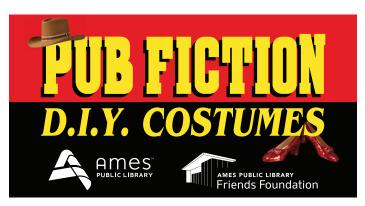
Mondays, July 8, 15, & 22 from 9:30-11am

Join the Bookmobile and your Library friends at a park near you!

July 8: Sawyer School (4316 Ontario St.)

July 15: Tahira & Labh Hira Park (3622 Woodland Street)

July 22: Miracle Park - Walnut Shelter (2500 Duff Avenue)



Wednesday, July 10 6:30-8pm, Danfoss Room

Get ready for Ames' most literary pub crawl! Brainstorm costume ideas with our literature experts, get tips on mixing and matching from Overflow Thrift Store, and bring old costume props and items to swap with other participants.



The Ames Public Library
Friends Foundation's annual Pub Fiction fundraiser is
coming up on August 8th, so don't wait!

You can also shop with a personal shopper at Overflow Thrift Stores the week of July 15th.

Provided in partnership with Ames Public Library, Ames Public Library Friends Foundation, and Overflow Thrift Store.



Thursday, July 11 10am-1pm, Rotary Room

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 *Migration* with a bird themed activity to follow in the Danfoss Room.



Presented in partnership with Ames Public Library and Mainstream Living.

FIBER ARTS MEETUP

2nd Saturday of Each Month (July 13) 10am-12pm, Rotary Room

Crafters of all ages are invited to join fellow fiber arts enthusiasts and work on their projects.

Knit, crochet, embroidery, or any other fiber craft is welcome!

Please bring your own materials.





${f 3}^{\rm rd}$ Tuesday of Each Month (July 16) 5pm, Auditorium

Join fellow international residents on the third Tuesday of each month for fun activities and culture-sharing.



Wednesday, July 17 6-7:30pm, Danfoss Room

Do you know someone struggling with substance use and need information about how to help?

For resources and discussion, come to this presentation from Community Outreach Specialist Jenn McEvoy about the realities of alcohol and opioid use disorder.

She will discuss the signs and symptoms, statistics, and consequences of substance use. You will learn about what increases the risk of developing these disorders, what detox looks like, and how to get help.

Presented in partnership with Ames Public Library and Community and Family Resources.





Go exploring outside with a Park Pack from your local library! Each backpack is filled with guidebooks, tools, and ideas for learning about a different topic.



Saturday, July 20 10:30am-12pm, Auditorium

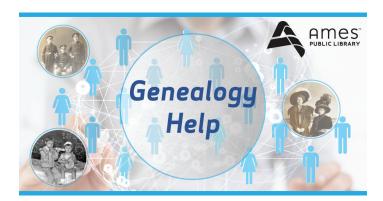
Register at AmesPL.org/events

Would you love to grow sweet, juicy summer fruits at home?

Join ISU Department of Horticulture experts to learn about strawberry care, then put together a strawberry hanging basket to take home. A hanging basket is accessible and low-maintenance for home growers, and it helps keep your tasty treats out of reach of backyard critters!

Registration is required and limited to 25 participants. Strawberry plants and all supplies for the hanging basket will be provided.

Presented in partnership with Ames Public Library and Iowa State University Department of Horticulture. Supported by the Ames Public Library Friends Foundation.



Wednesday, July 24 10am-12pm, Danfoss Room

Run into a brick wall? Not sure where to start researching your roots? Stop by this meetup of local genealogists to get help with research, software and writing your family story.

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



Support your local library and shop for gently-used books and more for all ages from Literary Grounds Bookstore during Summer Sidewalk Sales in Downtown Ames July 25-28! Find out more at amesdowntown.org.

Presented by the Ames Public Library Friends Foundation in partnership with Downtown Ames. Proceeds are used to enhance Ames Public Library's collections, programs, and services.



Tuesday, July 30 12-2pm, In Front of the Library

The MICA Mobile Food Pantry is coming to the Ames Public Library! Stop by for shelf-stable food, fresh produce, perishable foods, and information on community resources. All Story County residents are welcome!

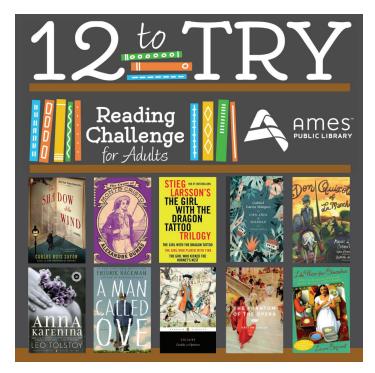
Presented in partnership with Ames Public Library and MICA (Mid-Iowa Community Action).

Looking for grants? Doing some philanthropic research?

Tap into Foundation Directory Online's database of grantmakers and grants for free using your Ames Public Library card.

(Available in-Library only.)

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Shake up your shelf with the "12 to Try" Reading Challenge for adults! You'll get a free prize just for reading a book from each of 12 categories listed.

This month, we're sharing recommendations for works translated from their original language. See some on display on the 2nd floor, on Facebook and Instagram, and online at www.AmesPL.org/12toTry

If you're just starting the 12 to Try Reading Challenge, or if you've got some catching up to do, now's the time! Finish your reads and pick up your prize by August 31.

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New Online Resource

Your Ames Public Library card now gets you free access to Weiss Financial Ratings!



Use it to find information about budgeting, investing in stocks and mutual funds, and managing debt. Check the financial strength of your bank, credit union, or insurance company. Find valuable tips and information on buying a home, saving for your child's education, planning for retirement, protecting yourself from identity theft, and more. You can also research Medigap Plans.

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



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

Chinese: 1st and 3rd Wednesdays of Each Month, 6-7pm

German: 2nd and 4th Wednesdays of Each Month, 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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Changes Beginning July 1

Due to budget priorities, access to Ames Public Library's e-books, e-audio, and e-video from Hoopla and Kanopy will only be available to residents of the City of Ames and rural Story County starting July 1. We encourage residents in neighboring communities to reach out to their local library about access to downloadable digital collections.

In addition, the maximum number of Hoopla checkouts per month will be four per APL account. (This maximum does not include Hoopla Bonus Borrows.)

028: REAL READS Book Group

2nd Thursday of Each Month 7pm, Board Room or via Zoom

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

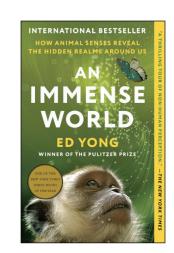
July 11:

An Immense World:

How Animal Senses Reveal the Hidden Realms Around Us by Ed Yong

August 8:

The Country of the Blind: A Memoir at the End of Sight by Andrew Leland



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VIEW FROM THE MARGINS Book Group

4th Wednesday of Each Month
7pm, Danfoss Room or via Zoom

Check out this book group for fresh insights and lively discussion about topics relating to society, identity, and culture.

Book selections include fiction and non-fiction from a wide variety of perspectives and marginalized identities.

July 24: **Hula** by Jasmin `lolani Hakes

August 28: **Look Me in the Eye:**My Life with

Asperger's

by John Elder Robison

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MYSTERY LOVERS Book Group

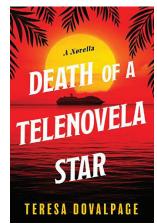
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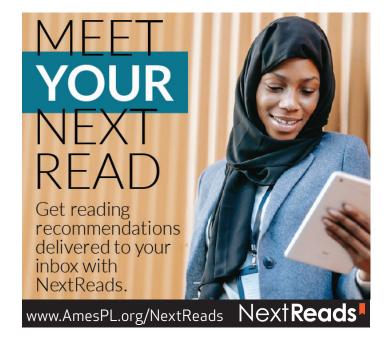
12pm, Rotary Room

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

July 3: Mysteries in Transit— Trains, Planes, Boats, & Automobiles

August 7: Linda Castillo







Mondays, July 1, 8, & 22 11am-1pm, 2nd Floor Study Room

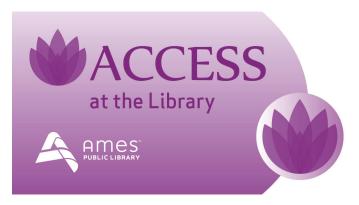
Staff from Mary Greeley Medical Center will be available in the Library to talk about inpatient and outpatient mental health services in the Ames community.



2nd Tuesday of Each Month (June 11) 9am-12pm, 2nd Floor Study Room

Staff from Aging Resources of Central Iowa will be available in the Library to provide information about maximizing the quality of life, independence, health, and safety of older adults.

Get assistance with state applications, such as applying for Medicaid, waiver assistance, food stamps, etc. and continued follow through until the process is complete. Staff can also find resources to safely stay at home or connect to resources to help with a level of care change move (nursing facility, assisted living, etc).



1st and 3rd Wednesdays of Each Month 1-3pm, 2nd Floor Study Room

Staff from ACCESS will be available in the Library to provide services that enhance safety and empower survivors of domestic abuse or sexual assault. If you are dealing with sexual harassment, domestic abuse (emotional or physical), or sexual abuse, we will hold a confidential space where you can get emotional support and tips for safety planning.

We are also available to help with reporting to law enforcement, Civil No-Contact Orders, and more.



Thursdays, 11am-1pm 2nd Floor Study Room

Staff from Community and Family Resources will be available in the Library to provide information about addiction, substance abuse treatment, problem gambling treatment, and mental health therapy.

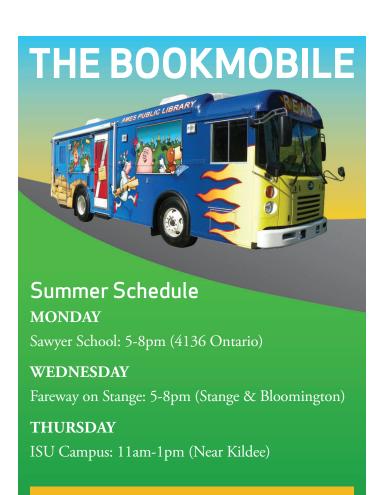
They can also provide assistance in getting started in any of these services including filling out some of the preappointment forms.



Tuesdays: 11am-2pm, 1st Floor Study Room Thursdays: 4-7pm, 2nd Floor Study Room Fridays: 11am-2pm, 2nd Floor Study Room

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.



Stocks Make Great Gifts!

by Cassie Benning Luze, Development Director Ames Public Library Friends Foundation

Have you thought about making your gift to the Ames Public Library Friends Foundation with appreciated stock?

Giving stock instead of cash can benefit you, the donor, as well as the organization you're supporting. If your stock has risen in value since purchase, donating it directly to APLFF can help you avoid capital gains tax and you might also realize an income tax deduction. And often stock gifts result in a larger gift than might occur with cash.

Talk with your financial advisor, and contact us if you'd like to talk about a stock gift. While you're at it, check out our new on-line gift form at Ames Public Library Friends Foundation (aplff.org) We have recently completed a software transition and I think you will like our updated giving process.

And speaking of generosity, our beautiful **new play structure** is now up in our children's area. It's a wonderful place for imaginary and creative play – and made entirely possible by people like you who support our library.



BECAUSE OF YOU LIBRARIES TRANSFORM®

The Bookmobile will be out of service

July 1-5. Come see us in the

Ames 4th of July parade!



The Ames Public Library Friends Foundation would like to thank these sponsors for their support.









Thank you!









The Ames Public Library Friends Foundation presents



THURSDAY, AUG. 8 (515 DOUGLAS AVENUE



Join the most literary pub crawl in Ames!

Dress like your favorite book character (optional) and visit participating downtown Ames businesses, all with different themes and exclusive drink specials for participants!

Get your ticket for \$20 at Ames Public Library's Welcome Desk or online at APLFF.org/events

Participants must be at least 21 years old.



LOCATIONS: The Angry Irishmen • Della Viti Dog-Eared Books • London Underground **Noir** • Time Out • Torrent Brewing Company



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