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MAY 2023

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will be **CLOSED**
Monday, May 29.

The Bookmobile will be
closed May 29 - June 2.



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LIBRARY HOURS

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

STUDY SPACE

Need somewhere quiet to get ready for tests? We reserved space just for study time. Drop in any of the following times, or ask about our regular study rooms!

Monday, May 1:

2-8:45pm, Danfoss Room

Tuesday, May 2:

9am-8:45pm, Rotary Room

Wednesday, May 3:

9am-8:45pm, Danfoss Room

Thursday, May 4:

9am-8:45pm, Rotary Room

Fri.-Sat., May 5-6:

9am-5:45pm, Rotary Room

Sunday, May 7:

1-4:45pm, Rotary Room

Monday, May 8:

4:30-8:45pm, Rotary Room

Tuesday, May 9:

9am-8:45pm, Danfoss Room

Wednesday, May 10:

9am-8:45pm, Rotary Room

Thursday, May 11:

9am-5pm, Danfoss Room



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FRESH CONVERSATIONS



1st Monday of Each Month 12pm, PEO Room or via Zoom

Fresh Conversations is a free nutrition education program designed to support healthy aging and independence, especially for Iowans aged 60 and older.

Join us and discuss current nutrition and health topics, taste low-cost healthy recipes, and discover new ways to stay active and independent.

On May 1, we'll talk about walking and muscles.

Presented in partnership with Ames Public Library and Aging Resources of Central Iowa. Funded by USDA's Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP).

Checkmate Chess Club



Tuesday, May 2 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.

Drop in and learn how to play or come and face off against a new opponent.

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A COMMUNITY CONVERSATION ABOUT MENTAL HEALTH

**Tuesday, May 2
6:30-8:30pm, Auditorium or Online**

Topic: Navigating Mental Health/Substance Use Systems

The community is invited to a conversation hosted by the City of Ames that will include local mental health service providers describing their services and how to access them. In addition, information will be provided about:

- accessing 2.1.1 for mental health and substance use resources;
- the committal process for mental health and substance use treatment; and
- the Central Iowa Community Services Mental Health Region and what they offer.

The event will be livestreamed on the City of Ames YouTube channel (AmesTelevision or AmesChannel12) and saved to the video archives on the City of Ames website.

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



**Thursdays, May 4 & 11
4-6pm, Teen Space**

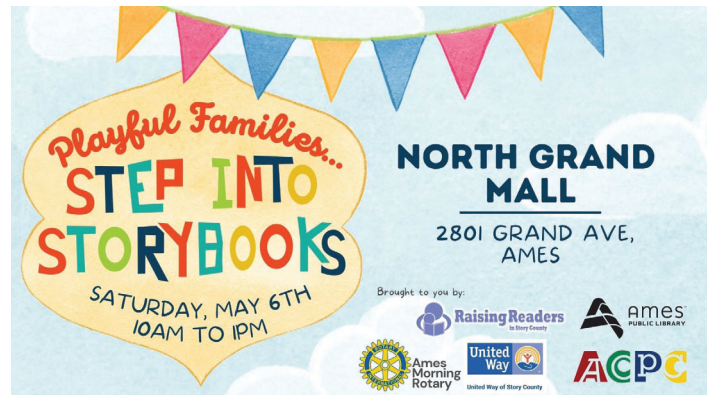
Need a brain break? Teens are invited to hang out and play videogames in the Teen Space!



**Wednesdays in May
10am-12pm, 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.

- May 3: Microsoft Word
- May 10: Microsoft PowerPoint
- May 17: Microsoft Excel
- May 24: Free Office Software
- May 31: Microsoft Publisher



**Saturday, May 6
10am-1pm, North Grand Mall
(2801 Grand Avenue, Ames)**

Families are invited to a free event filled with activities for young children! Visit stations inside North Grand Mall to enjoy fun social and emotional learning centered on favorite storybooks.

Each child age 0-5 will receive a free book to take home!

Presented in partnership with Ames Public Library, Ames Community Preschool Center (ACPC), Ames Morning Rotary, Raising Readers in Story County, and United Way.



**Sunday, May 7
3-4pm, Board Room**

Proud Place Ames is a safe space for LGBTQIA+ teens to share common experiences, hang out, craft, and learn together. For more information, e-mail our teen librarian, Ethan, at eatwell@amespubliclibrary.org. No registration is required.

Presented by the Ames Public Library's Teen Advisory Group (TAG).



**Wednesday, May 10
5-6pm, Board Room**

Register at amespubliclibrary.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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**Tuesday, May 9
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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Did you know...

You can stay up-to-date on Ames Public Library's special events with our weekly *Page One* e-mail newsletter! Sign up at www.AmesPL.org/PageOne



**Thursday, May 11
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 *Spirit Untamed* with a horse themed activity to follow.



Presented in partnership with Ames Public Library and Mainstream Living.



**Saturday, May 13
11:30am, Storytime Room**

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



**2nd and 4th Sunday of Each Month
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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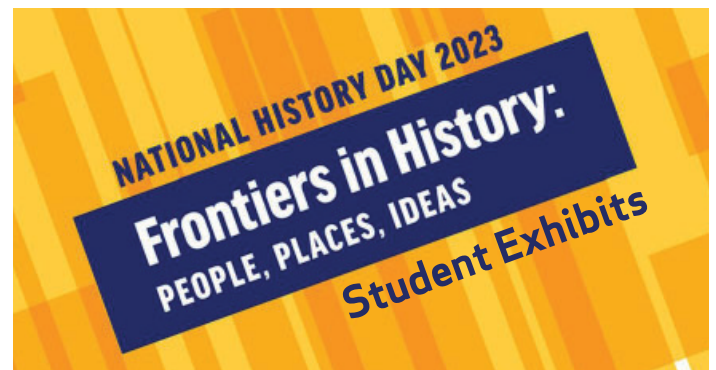


May 15-19, in Downtown Ames

515 Week is a spring celebration in Downtown Ames for those who live, work, and play in the 515 area code, beginning on 5/15. This year the celebration is extended throughout the entire week including family-friendly activities, live music, specials and sales, and more!

Stop by Literary Grounds in the Library's Lobby for 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 Friends Foundation and Downtown Ames. Proceeds are used to enhance Ames Public Library's collections, programs, and services.



**Monday, May 15
5-6pm, Auditorium**

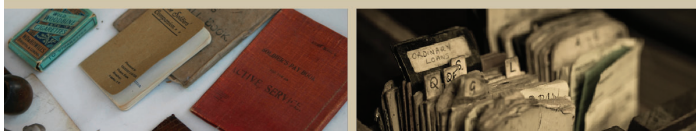
Join Ames Middle School students as they celebrate and demonstrate their projects from National History Day.

National History Day is a national competition that asks students to research a topic of their choice, make a historical argument related to the annual theme, and present their evidence as a website, film documentary, exhibit, performance, or research paper.

Presented in partnership with Ames Public Library and Ames Community School District.



Genealogy Plus



Wednesday, May 17, 10am-12pm
Library and Archives Research Center
State Historical Building of Iowa
(600 E. Locust Street, Des Moines)

Topic — Trip to the Iowa State Historical Society in Des Moines, Iowa

Meet at the State Historical Society of Iowa promptly at 10am. Visitors will get to tour the facility and learn about genealogy resources.

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



German Storytime

Sunday, May 21
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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ANNUAL LECTURE SERIES:

Bread for my Enemies



Tuesday, May 24, 7pm, Online via Zoom

Register at www.ameshistory.org to receive the Zoom link by e-mail.

**Topic — Bread for my Enemies:
The Friendship Train in Iowa**

Speaker — David Mills, Assoc. Prof., US Army Command/General Staff College, Ft. Leavenworth, KS

After World War II ended, the French began rebuilding their ravaged nation and were in great need of everyday necessities. A Washington newspaper-man's suggestion that America come to their aid with a "Friendship Train" caught fire. The train went from Los Angeles to New York, adding cars along the way. It came through Ames in November 1947 and locals responded wholeheartedly as did all Iowa towns on the route.

Learn the history of this humanitarian effort from David Mills, Associate Professor, US Army Command/General Staff College, Fort Leavenworth, Kansas. His program was first presented as part of the State Historical Society of Iowa's Iowa History 101 series.

The presentation will also be played live on a screen in the Rotary Room.

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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 pre-appointment forms.



Mondays (except May 29), 9:30am-12:30pm & 1:30-3:30pm, Rotary Room

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

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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.



1st, 3rd, 5th Wednesday, 1st Floor Study Rooms 2nd & 4th Wednesday, 2nd Floor Study Rooms 11am-12pm

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!



STORYTIMES & MORE

Regular Family Events will be on break May 15 - June 4.

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. Each week will feature a new theme.



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 May 4 & 11
4pm, Storytime Room

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

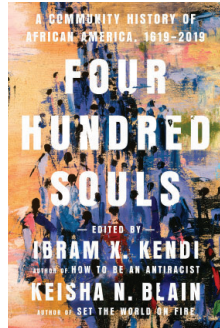
028: Real Reads

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

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

May 11:

Four Hundred Souls:
A Community History of African America, 1619-2019
by Ibram X. Kendi, et. al



June 8:

On Juneteenth
by Annette Gordon-Reed

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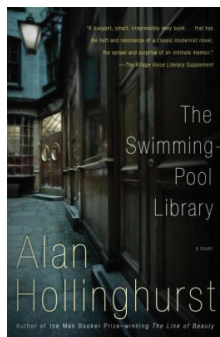
View from the Margins

2nd Sunday of Each Month
2-4pm, Board Room or via Zoom

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.

May 14:

The Swimming-Pool Library
by Alan Hollinghurst



June 11:

I Live a Life Like Yours: A Memoir
by Jan Grue

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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!

May 3: Margaret Truman

June 7: Any mystery with a historical setting

Homeschool Book Club

Thursday, May 4
10am, Auditorium

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.



May 4: **Finding Junie Kim** by Ellen Oh

Totally Graphic Book Club



2nd Friday of Each Month
5pm, Dog-Eared Books

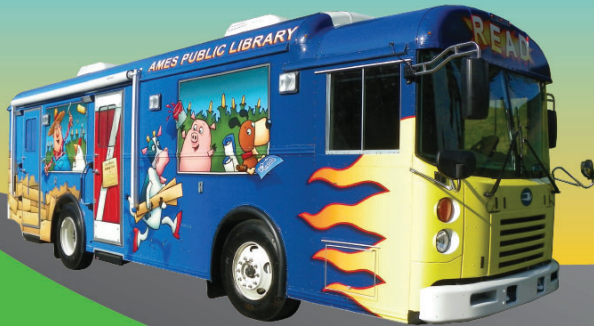
High Schoolers in grades 9-12, join us each month for Capri Suns and snacks and discussions of the graphic novel we'll read each month. Registration is required each month. After registering, pick up a free copy of the book (to keep!) from Dog-Eared Books or borrow one from the Library. Register at dogearedbooksames.com



May 12: **Everything is OK** by Debbie Tung

Presented in partnership with Ames Public Library and Dog-Eared Books.

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

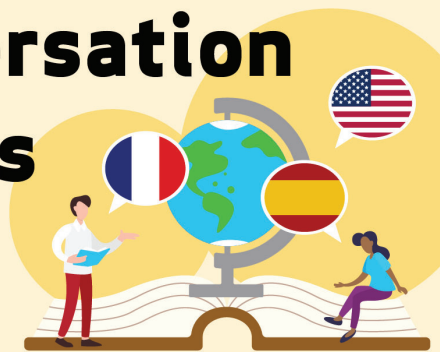
Edwards School:
2:30-3:30pm (820 Miller)
Fareway on Stage: 5-8pm (Stange & Bloomington)

THURSDAY

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

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Conversation Circles



**English: Mondays (except May 29)
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: 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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SUMMER READING CHALLENGE for all ages begins June 1!

Do you love free stuff? Are you between the ages of 0 and 120? Then join our Summer Reading Challenge starting June 1 and earn prizes for tracking your reading!

Three Ways to Play:

1. Visit amespubliclibrary.beanstack.com
2. Download the Beanstack Tracker app
3. Or pick up a Summer Reading Challenge gameboard at the Library or Bookmobile

FREE Events for Everyone

We have a summer full of fun and learning planned for all ages to help you find your voice!

Visit www.amespubliclibrary.org to check our online calendar, sign up for our e-mail newsletter, or follow us on Facebook or Instagram to stay up-to-date.

FREE Summer Meals for Kids & Teens

Having a full stomach of good food is important! Eat a free lunch weekdays starting June 5 from 11:30am-12:30pm in the Library's Auditorium.

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