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LIBRARY HOURS

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

Ames Public Library and Bookmobile will be

CLOSED
Monday, September 2.

Voter Registration at the Library

Sundays, September 8 & 22
2-4pm, In Front of the Library

Representatives from the non-partisan League of Women Voters will be available to register voters at the Library. Come prepared with an Iowa driver's license number, Iowa non-operator ID number, or Social Security number, if you have one.



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

National Voter Registration Day

Tuesday, September 17
9:30-11:30am & 2:30-4:30pm
In Front of the Library

Representatives from the non-partisan League of Women Voters will celebrate National Voter Registration Day by helping interested visitors get registered to vote. Come prepared with an Iowa driver's license number, Iowa non-operator ID number, or Social Security number, if you have one.



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Ames Public Library

Homeschool BOOK CLUB



1st Thursday of Each Month (September 5)
10am, Auditorium

Join Library staff for a monthly book discussion just for families that are homeschooling! 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.

We'll start the fall by sharing about some of the great books you've read recently. Come prepared to tell us about your favorite!

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ROLL OUT WITH A LIBRARY CARD.

September is LIBRARY CARD SIGN-UP MONTH

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Swift Youth Writers Group

2nd Sunday of Each Month
(Starting September 8)
2-4pm, PEO Room

Teens in 6th - 12th grade are invited to escape into creative writing and connect with other teen writers.



Each month, attendees will be led through prompts and exercises to help develop and stretch their creative writing skills. Attendees will be given a chance to share their work and have a chance to support others.

No experience is necessary so all skill levels are encouraged to attend. At the end of the school year, writers will be asked to submit 1 to 3 pieces (depending on genre) for inclusion in an anthology, and a celebratory reading will be held.

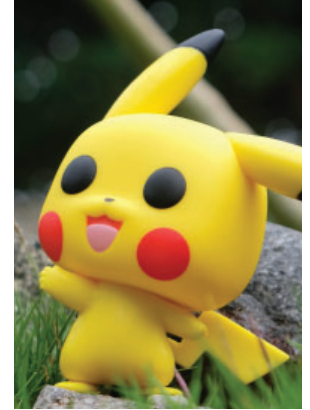
If you have any questions, please reach out to info@ameswriterscollective.org.

Presented in partnership with Ames Public Library and Ames Writers Collective.

Pokémon Club

2nd Sunday of Each Month
(September 8)
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.



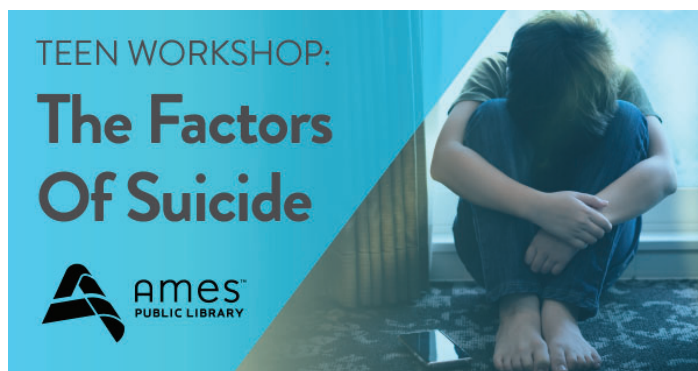
You can bring your decks to talk and strategize with other players, but card trading will not be allowed.

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!

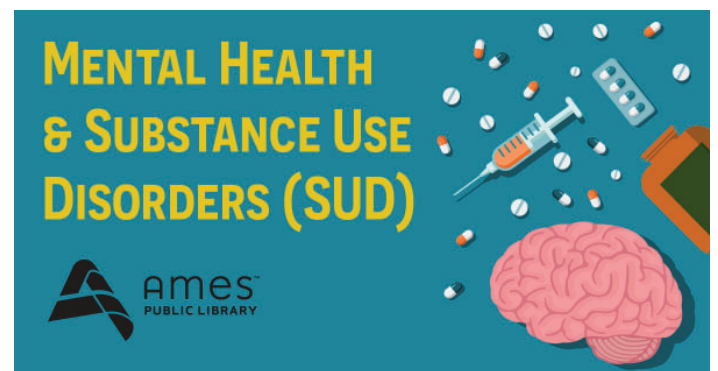
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Monday, September 9
4pm, PEO Room

Teens will learn about risk factors of suicide, protective factors, and how to help a friend they might be worried about. 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 their friends/peers, but also themselves.

Presented in partnership with Ames Public Library and YSS.



Monday, September 9
5:30pm, PEO Room

During this free course, attendees will learn about the basic functions of the brain, how substances affect the brain, and addiction.

We will discuss why substance use disorders and mental health disorders commonly occur together.

Presented in partnership with Ames Public Library and YSS.



**Monday, September 9
6:30-8:30pm, Auditorium
or Online via Zoom**

Come learn more about Iowa's own "Rosie the Riveters" with local historian and author Linda McCann.

Rosie the Riveter was the term given to the women who went to work during WWII. Most of the women went with hopes that it would bring their husband or family members home sooner.

Many women from Iowa went to the west coast to work in plants that manufactured airplanes, tanks, and battleship, but many did the same work here in Iowa. McCann shares memories from some of these women in her book *Rosie the Riveters of Iowa*.

Books will be available for purchase.

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

LEGO® Builders

**2nd and 4th Tuesday of Each Month
(September 10 & 24)
4pm, Storytime Room**

Children in grades 1-5 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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HEY TEENS!

Looking for somewhere to hang out after school? Stop by the Library's **Teen Space:** Monday-Thursday 4-8pm, Fridays 4-6pm, Saturdays 1-6pm, and Sundays 1-5pm.

TAG: Teen Advisory Group

**2nd Wednesday of Each Month (Sept. 11)
5-6pm, Board Room**

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

Hey 6th-12th graders, help plan exciting Library events for teens, share what you're reading, make new friends, and eat some food!

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**Thursday, Sept. 12
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 *Kung Fu Panda 4* with a panda themed activity to follow.

Presented in partnership with Ames Public Library and Mainstream Living.

Teen Videogames

Thursdays
(Starting September 12)
4-6pm, 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.



Parenting Circle

2nd Friday and 4th Saturday of Each Month
(September 13 & 28)
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, these monthly meetups connect families to each other and to resources and answers about birth and parenthood.

Fiber Arts Meetup

2nd Saturday of Each Month
(September 14)
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.

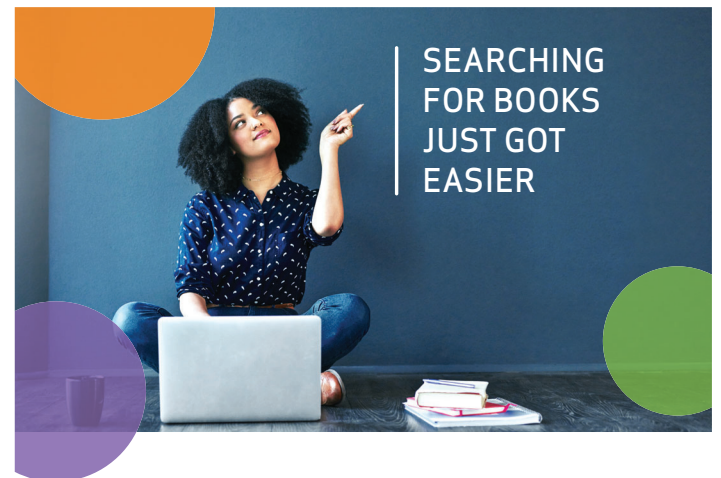


Kids Chess Club

1st and 3rd Tuesday of Each Month
(Starting September 17)
4pm, Storytime Room

Come play chess! Whether you are just a beginner or already an expert, all kids in grades 1-5 are welcome to come have fun. Drop in and learn how to play or make new friends with other chess lovers.

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NoveList Plus is free with your Ames Public Library card, and it makes finding a new book as simple as 1-2-3.

- 1 Go to AmesPL.org/databases and log in to NoveList Plus using your Library card number
- 2 Check the "Recommended Reads Lists" or search by genre, age level, and more.
- 3 Choose a book and request it from the Library. **Happy reading!**

NoveList

International Community Meetup

3rd Tuesday of Each Month
(September 17)
5pm, Auditorium

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

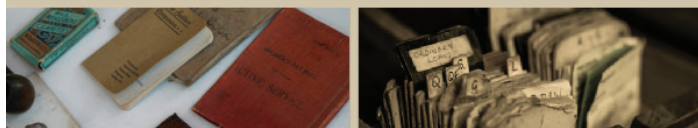
This month, enjoy a free Halal meal together and decorate bookmarks with your name written in another language.



Presented in partnership with Ames Public Library and Iowa State University's International Students and Scholars Office.



Genealogy Plus



Using Google Tools for Genealogical Research

Wednesday, September 18
10am-12pm, Auditorium or via Zoom

Speaker — Mary J. Lohr

Google is much more than a search engine!

This presentation will describe some of the other Google tools and applications that can be used in your genealogy journey.



Thursday, September 19, 5-8pm
Library Lobby (and Downtown Ames)

Downtown businesses will feature musicians performing on the sidewalk and within stores. Stop by the Library and enjoy some live music by Irmi's Recorder Studio!

Presented in partnership with Ames Public Library and Downtown Ames.

Music Sale: Sept. 19-22, Library Lobby

Find great deals on CDs and other music-related items for sale in the Literary Grounds Bookstore all day Thursday through Sunday.

Presented in partnership with Ames Public Library and Downtown Ames.



Thursday, September 19
7pm, Rotary Room

Lucas Young, Senior Planner with the Mid-Iowa Planning Alliance for Community Development and Story County Housing Trust Administrator, discusses how the Story County Housing Trust is working to improve affordable housing in Story County.

Learn how the Story County Housing Trust is assisting households and developing new, affordable units.

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

Ames Repair Café



Saturday, September 21, from 10am-4pm

(Items for repair must be at the Library by 3:30pm)

Ames Public Library

515 Douglas Avenue, Ames

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.

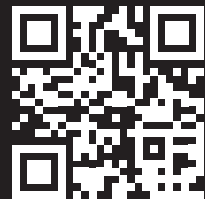
If volunteers are unable to repair your item, or parts are required, they'll help you find a local repair shop that can help. (If you have replacement parts, you can bring them with your broken item.)



Screen Printing Station (11am-3pm, Under the Grand Staircase)

Bring a clean shirt or tote bag and we will screen print the Ames Repair Café, Ames Seed Library, or Smart Watersheds logo on it for you!

**Headlight
Repair sign up:**



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WHAT CAN YOU BRING FOR REPAIRS?

- Sewing & Mending
- Computers & Laptops
- Portable Electronics
- Jewelry & Accessories
- Small Home & Kitchen Appliances
- Garden Tools
- Bikes
- Instruments
- Small Engine Repair
- Headlight Repair (sign up required)



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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.

Teen Anime Club

3rd Friday of Each Month (September 20)
4-6pm, Teen Space

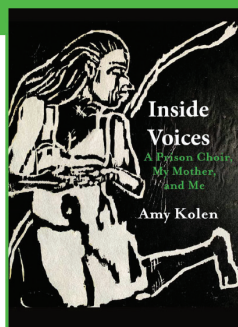
Join our monthly meetup to watch some anime, talk about your favorite manga, or create your own art and manga. Open to 6th-12th graders. Anime watched is considered to be rated G to PG-13.



AUTHOR EVENT

Amy Kolen

Author of
INSIDE VOICES: A Prison Choir, My Mother, and Me



Tuesday, September 24
7-8:30pm, Rotary Room
or Online via Zoom

Join author Amy Kolen for a discussion of her memoir: *Inside Voices: A Prison Choir, My Mother, and Me*.

Amy's essays have been published in several anthologies, including *Best American Essays, 2002*, and have appeared in a variety of publications. Amy was born in Ames and graduated from Ames High School in 1969. Holding an MFA in Nonfiction Writing from the University of Iowa, she sang with the Oakdale Community Choir for four years.

Books can be purchased online from Dog-Eared Books ahead of time at dogearedbooksames.com and picked up at the event. A small selection of books will also be available for purchase at the event.

Join us after the presentation for a free screening of the award-winning documentary *The Inside Singers* by Daniel Kolen, a film about the prison choir Amy discusses in her book.

Presented by the Iowa Center for the Book and Ames Public Library in partnership with Dog-Eared Books.

ECO-EATS: Reducing Food Waste with Garden Produce



Thursday, September 26
6-8pm, Auditorium

Join the Iowa State University Dietetics program to learn how to make the most of your fresh fruits and vegetables!

Learn techniques to take full advantage of each bit of produce, and find out how to forage in your own backyard.

Whether you're growing your own produce or shopping in our local markets, you can find ways to create healthy, sustainable habits at home.

Presented in partnership with Ames Public Library and Iowa State University Food Science and Human Nutrition.



Saturday, September 28
2-4:30pm, Auditorium

It is hard to make friends as an adult! Join us for a round of speed friend-matching and casual socializing.

There will be guided one-on-one conversations followed by time to hang out, play games, and chat. Light refreshments will be provided.

Everyone 18 or older is welcome.

Supported by the Ames Public Library Friends Foundation.



Sunday, September 29

2-4pm, Auditorium

Register at www.AmesPL.org/events

Reserve a seat with other community members to take part in CultureALL's Open Book project.

The event will begin with an opening that prepares participants for a story-sharing process. Then participants will hear from two of three fellow Iowans—JJ Singh Kapur, Abe Goldstien, and Abena Sandkofa Imhotep—as they share their identities and defining personal moments. Presentations will be followed by facilitated discussion.

Doors will open at 1:45pm to invite fellowship and to enjoy light refreshments.

Find out more at www.AmesPL.org/event/open-book

Presented by Ames Public Library, Ames Area Religious Leaders Association, and CultureALL and sponsored by the Ames Public Library Friends Foundation.



Calling local Iowa authors!

(and readers curious about our local talent)

Ames Public Library is hosting an Author Fair on Saturday, October 12, from 2-5pm. The event includes the opportunity to sell and sign your books, chat with readers, and network with other authors.

If you'd like to participate, please apply at www.AmesPL.org/AuthorFair by September 17.

Coming Soon:

BEYOND THE LAWN: Lightning Talks for Biodiversity at Home

Thursday, October 3

6:30-8:30pm, Library Auditorium

Conversation Circles

English: Mondays
12:30-1:30pm, Auditorium

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

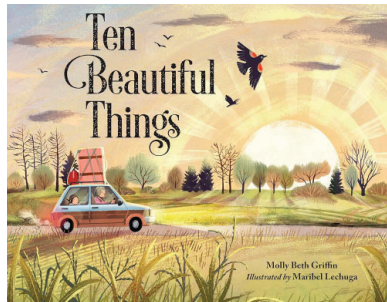
Board Room or via Zoom

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



Iowa is full of beautiful things! Celebrate our state and *Ten Beautiful Things* by Molly Beth Griffin with a photo contest.

Ten Beautiful Things is a picture book about searching for beautiful things during a car ride to Iowa, and it's Iowa's 2024 "Great Read from Great Places" selection for youth!



Visit www.AmesPL.org/IowaCenterForTheBook to send in a photo you have taken of something beautiful in Iowa. Winning entries will be displayed on the Iowa Center for the Book website, on Ames Public Library's social media, and at Ames Public Library's special exhibit November 1-30.

Photo submissions are due September 30, 2024.

Ten Beautiful Things author Molly Beth Griffin will visit Ames Public Library Wednesday, November 13, at 10am. Join the event in-person or via Zoom at www.AmesPL.org

Presented by the Iowa Center for the Book and Ames Public Library.

Book It to the Brewery!

Though Merriam-Webster defines "trivia" as "unimportant matters," the Ames Public Library Friends Foundation (APLFF) couldn't disagree more! That's why APLFF is hosting a fundraiser trivia night at Alluvial Brewery on Wednesday, October 16.

Channel your inner Cliff Clavin, check out your favorite Ames Public Library trivia books and mark your calendars for an evening of competition, camaraderie, and a craft beer specially brewed for the event.



Registration and raffle details coming soon!




Mary Greeley
MEDICAL CENTER

Behavioral Health at the Library

Mondays, 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.



UnityPoint Health
Eyerly Ball

COMMUNITY MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES

Mondays, 1:30-3:30pm
2nd Floor Study Room

Staff from UnityPoint Health - Eyerly Ball will be available in the Library to connect you with mental health services.



**2nd Tuesday of Each Month (September 10)
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
(September 4 & 18)
3-5pm, 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 pre-appointment 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.



STORYTIMES & MORE



• No weekly storytimes August 19 - September 8 •

Baby Time

Tuesdays at 1:30pm, Storytime Room
Wednesdays at 11am, Storytime Room
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.

PLEASE NOTE: Saturday, September 14 will be a themed storytime in conjunction with Ames Pridefest.

Bedtime Stories

Thursdays at 7pm, Storytime Room

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



Fridays
(Starting September 13)
10:30am, Auditorium

Families are invited to enjoy a short storytime and get hands-on with a fun related STEM activity for all ages!



@ the Ice Arena

1st Friday of Each Month
(September 6)
11am, Ames/ISU Ice Arena

Join Library staff at the ice arena on the first Friday of each month for a free storytime!

After the storytime, the ice arena will offer skating and children's activities on the ice for a small fee.

BOOK GROUPS

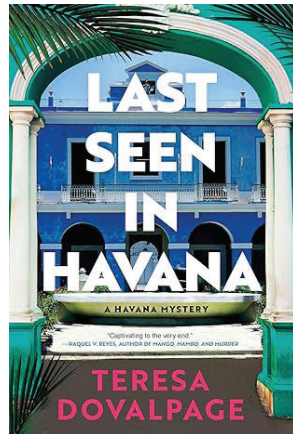
MYSTERY LOVERS Book Group

1st Wednesday of Each Month
12pm, Rotary Room

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

September 4:
Teresa Dovalpage

October 2:
Mysteries featuring
poison



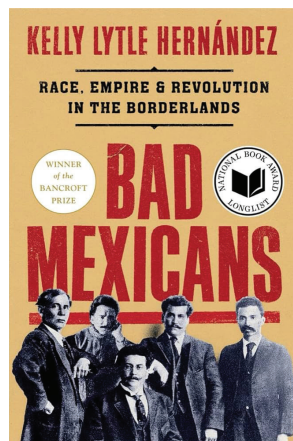
028: REAL READS Book Group

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

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

September 12:
Bad Mexicans: Race, Empire & Revolution in the Borderlands by Kelly Lytle Hernandez

October 10:
A Taste for Poison: Eleven Deadly Molecules and the Killers Who Used Them by Neil Bradbury



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VIEW FROM THE MARGINS Book Group

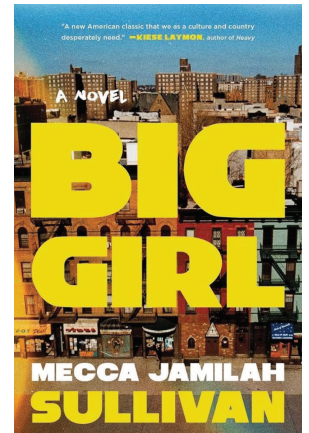
4th Wednesday of Each Month
2pm, Danfoss Room or via Zoom

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

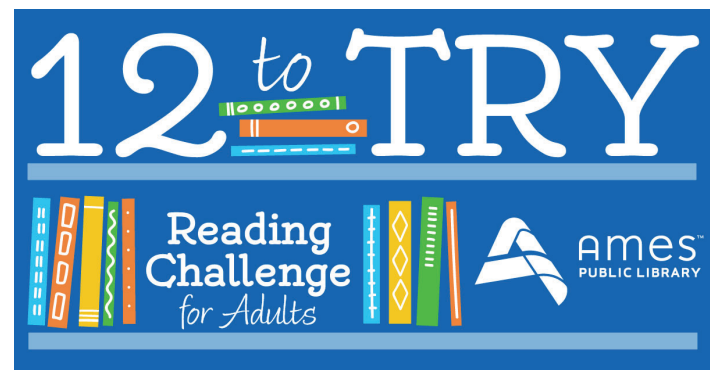
Book selections include fiction and non-fiction from a wide variety of perspectives and marginalized identities.

September 25:
Big Girl by Mecca Jamilah Sullivan

October 23:
They Called Us Exceptional: And Other Lies That Raised Us by Prachi Gupta



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Adults are invited to start autumn right with a new "12 to Try" year-long challenge featuring all new categories! Read your way through 12 books that fit the 12 challenge categories between now and August 31, 2025, and earn a prize.

Sign up now at AmesPublicLibrary.Beanstack.org, or pick up a tracking sheet at the Library or Bookmobile!

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 Kildee Food Truck Court)

Visit the
Bookmobile at the
September 14
Farmers' Market!

Trivia Time for Library Lovers

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

Mark your calendars for a special library-themed trivia night October 16 at Alluvial Brewing Company! **Brains & Brews Trivia: Ames Public Library Fundraiser** will feature the brain-teasing trivia you expect from the Alluvial folks as well as a special brew, prizes, and a raffle.

You will be able to register your team of four, six, or eight online. (Stay tuned for more information!) You can also sign up alone to be placed on a team with open spots.

Raffle tickets will be on sale during the event for \$5 per chance or \$20 for five—cash only, so bring some bills. You won't want to miss out on our fabulous raffle prizes!

The \$10 per person entry fee will go directly to the Ames Public Friends Foundation to support materials and programming at the Library. A portion of the beer sales as well as raffle proceeds will also benefit the library.

If you're nervous about your literary chops, don't worry! Alluvial's trivia hosts are planning a wide variety of challenging trivia with a little book-themed trivia sprinkled in. Special thanks to Alluvial's regular trivia hosts—Jordan Baumgardner, Brady Hubbard, and Cody Simons—who are donating their time and expertise for this event.

Contact me at (515) 230-5632 or development@aplff.org for more information.

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Ames Pridefest

Sept. 14, 2024
5th & Douglas



Pridefest Events at the Library

Presented in partnership with
Ames Public Library and Ames Pride

Art Exhibit featuring J Yang

September 1-29
Library Vestibule & Gallery

See artwork by J Yang, an illustrator who grew up in NYC and moved to Ames in 2021.

J works in children's illustration, and fosters rabbits, along with permanent pets shrimp, gecko, and snake. His work often has queer themes, brought to life in a fun and colorful way!

The cover of this issue of *Page One* features J's "Let All the Children Boogie."

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Chalk the Walk

Friday, September 13
5-6pm, In Front of the Library

Teens and families are invited to come and decorate the sidewalks outside the Library in preparation for Pridefest. Participants can write positive affirmations and draw pictures.

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

Pridefest Families Meet-Up

Saturday, September 14
10-11am, Teen Space

Drop in for informal conversation and connection with other parents over doughnuts and coffee.



Pridefest Storytime with J Yang

Saturday, September 14, 10:30am, Storytime Room

Celebrate Pridefest with a storytime featuring artist J Yang and some of the books J has illustrated: *The Good Hair Day* and *If You're A Kid Like Gavin*.

Presented by Ames Public Library, Ames Pride, Dog-Eared Books, and The Octagon Shop. Supported by the Ames Public Library Friends Foundation.

Pridefest Artist Talk: J Yang

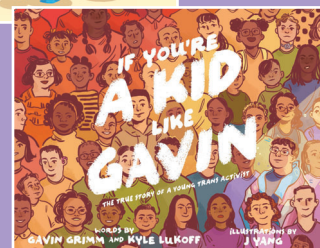
Saturday, September 14
11:10am-12pm, Danfoss Room

Artist J Yang will talk about the process of making a book, finding inspiration for projects, and incorporating inclusive images with Taylor Carlson who writes and illustrates middle-grade graphic novels and is a professor of animation & graphic design at Buena Vista University.

Presented by Ames Public Library, Ames Pride, Dog-Eared Books, and The Octagon Shop. Supported by the Ames Public Library Friends Foundation.

J Yang's books can be purchased online from Dog-Eared Books (dogearedbooksames.com/j-yang) ahead of time and picked up at the Artist Talk.

A small selection of books will also be available for purchase at the event.



Should I Stay or Should I Go?

Saturday, Sept. 14, 11:10am, PEO Room

In light of recent anti-LGBTQ legislation, many Iowans are considering whether to leave the state while other folks are staying. The executive director of Iowa Safe Schools will offer information regarding laws and policies affecting LGBTQ students, then share resources and guidance for families. Rainbow families who face this complex situation will share some of the choices they've considered and resources they've found useful.

Drag Storytime

Saturday, September 14
1:30pm, Storytime Room

All ages are welcome to a drag storytime featuring Lonika LaBelle Knight.

Drag BINGO for Teens

Saturday, September 14
6-7pm, Auditorium

Teens in grades 6-12 are invited to this after-hours BINGO with a drag queen host, Juanita Voltaire. Snacks and prizes will be provided.

Need a break?

Take time to reset and recharge during a busy day! We'll have meeting rooms set up for quiet, calm, and coloring from 1-5pm on the second floor.

Teens are invited to drop into the Auditorium between 1 and 5pm for their own space to chill and enjoy snacks.

Want to send a message?

We'll have Pride postcards and a list of addresses for your local, state, and national representatives available in the Library's Lobby.



LIBRARY EVENTS SEPTEMBER 2024



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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	
1	2 Library & Bookmobile CLOSED	3 The Bridge Home 11am-2pm, First Floor Conversation Circles Spanish: 7-8:30pm Board Room or via Zoom	4 Mystery Lovers Book Group 12pm, Rotary Room ACCESS at the Library 3-5pm, Second Floor Conversation Circles Chinese: 6-7pm Board Room or via Zoom	5 Homeschool Book Club 10am, Auditorium Community and Family Resources 11am-1pm, Second Floor The Bridge Home 4-7pm, Second Floor	6 Destination Storytime @ the Ice Arena 11am, Ames/ISU Ice Arena 1507 Gateway Hills Park Dr. The Bridge Home 11am-2pm, Second Floor	7 Conversation Circles Russian: 3-4pm French: 4-5:30pm Board Room or via Zoom	
8 Voter Registration 2-4pm, In Front of the Library Pokémon Club 2-4pm, Auditorium Swift Youth Writers Group 2-4pm, PEO Room	9 Toddler Storytime 10:30am, Storytime Room Mary Greeley Medical Center Behavioral Health 11am-1pm, Second Floor Conversation Circles English: 12:30-1:30pm Auditorium UnityPoint Health - Eyerly Ball 1:30-3:30pm, Second Floor Teen Workshop: The Factors of Suicide 4pm, PEO Room Mental Health and Substance Use Disorders (SUD) 5:30pm, PEO Room Rosie the Riveters of Iowa 6:30pm, Auditorium or via Zoom	10 Aging Resources of Central Iowa 9am-12pm, Second Floor Family Storytime 10:30am, Storytime Room The Bridge Home 11am-2pm, First Floor Baby Time 1:30pm, Storytime Room LEGO® Builders 4pm, Storytime Room Conversation Circles Spanish: 7-8:30pm Board Room or via Zoom	11 Toddler Storytime 10:30am, Storytime Room Baby Time 11am, Storytime Room Teen Advisory Group 5-6pm, Board Room Conversation Circles German: 7-8pm Board Room or via Zoom	12 Movies with Mainstream Kung Fu Panda 4 10am-1pm, Auditorium Family Storytime 10:30am, Storytime Room Community and Family Resources 11am-1pm, Second Floor Teen Videogames 4-6pm, Teen Space The Bridge Home 4-7pm, Second Floor Baby Time 6pm, Storytime Room Bedtime Stories 7pm, Storytime Room 028: Real Reads 7-8:30pm, Board Room or via Zoom	13 Parenting Circle 9:30am, Teen Space Storybook S.T.E.M. 10:30am, Auditorium The Bridge Home 11am-2pm, Second Floor Pridefest Chalk the Walk 5-6pm, In Front of the Library	14 Bookmobile at Ames Main Street Farmer's Market 8am-12:30pm, Main St. Fiber Arts Meetup 10am-12pm, Rotary Room Conversation Circles Russian: 3-4pm French: 4-5:30pm Board Room or via Zoom AMES PRIDEFEST Families Meet-Up 10am, Teen Space Storytime with J Yang 10:30am, Storytime room Artist Talk with J Yang 11:10am, Danfoss Room Should I Stay or Should I Go? 11:10am, PEO Room Relaxation Rooms 1-5pm, Library Drag Storytime 1:30pm, Storytime Room Drag BINGO for Teens 6pm, Auditorium	
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