

Ames Public Library will be
CLOSED
Thursday, November 28, and
Friday, November 29.

CRIMINAL JUSTICE Book Sale

Nov. 15-17, Library Open Hours

Stop by Literary Grounds
for great deals on books about
Criminal Justice. Select
books are half price
on Sunday.



Ames Public Library BOOK SALE

Thursday, Nov. 7: 5:30 - 8:30pm Admission \$2

Free admission and early entry starting at 5pm for donors to the Ames
Public Library Friends Foundation at the \$20 level and above.

Friday, Nov. 8: 9am - 6pm Free admission

Saturday, Nov. 9: 9am - 6pm Free admission

Sunday, Nov. 10: 12 - 5pm* Admission \$1 & everything is free!
(Auditorium only)

* Please note new times for Sunday.

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

Veterans Day Service

Monday, November 11
11am-12pm, Auditorium

Join us as we honor our
veterans at the annual
Veterans Day program.

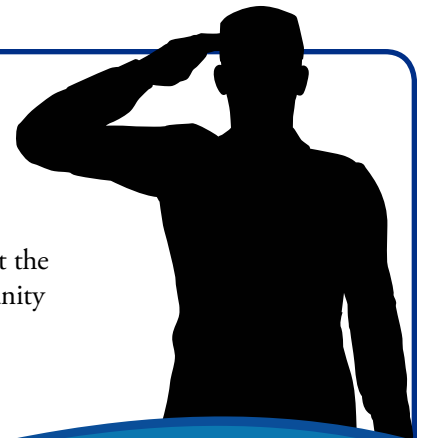
*Provided in partnership with
Ames Public Library and the Ames
Patriotic Council.*

Flag Etiquette

Saturday, November 16
12-1pm, Auditorium

All ages are invited to come see a presentation about the
importance of flags. Children will have the opportunity
to learn about flag etiquette.

*Provided in partnership with Ames Public Library,
Ames/Gilbert Girl Scouts, and Ames American Legion
Auxiliary Unit #37.*



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For more locations, see the Bookmobile
Schedule at the end of this newsletter!

Ames Public Library Hours

Monday-Thursday: 9am - 9pm

Friday & Saturday: 9am - 6pm

Sunday: 1pm - 5pm



NaNoWriMo

National • Novel • Writing • Month

NaNoWriMo Write-In

Tuesdays, 6:30-8:30pm

Nov. 5: Board Room

Nov. 12, 19, 26: Auditorium

National Novel Writing Month (NaNoWriMo) is a nonprofit event that encourages teens and adults to tackle the challenge: write 50,000 words of a novel during the thirty days of November. Launched in 1999, NaNoWriMo inspires its 300,000+ participants with pep talks, a huge and supportive online community, and a host of web-based writing tools.

Join us at the Ames Public Library for our weekly write-ins, where participants can gather to support each other and work on their novels.

NaNoWriMo Workshop

Saturdays, November 2 & 23

2-4pm, PEO Room

All ages are invited to two writing workshops as part of NaNoWriMo.

The first session will focus on starting the writing process. Learn how to begin and organize ideas, how to set deadlines when working on a large piece, and ways to respond to writer's block.

The second session will focus on editing strategies. Come learn about working with global concerns (content and organization), working with local concerns (grammar and sentence structure), and editing strategies (peer review, reading aloud, etc.).



All ages are invited to experience games, crafts, music, stories, and more from around the world. Volunteers will share items from their cultures in a fun and educational way. Children and adults can take advantage of this "safe space" to ask people about their cultures and gain inter-cultural understanding.

Provided in partnership with Ames Public Library and YWCA Ames-ISU.

Author Event

Cheryl Stritzel McCarthy

Wednesday, November 20

7pm, Auditorium

Come to the Library for an evening with author Cheryl Stritzel McCarthy. Her memoir, *Many Hands Make Light Work*, is the rollicking true story of a family of nine children growing up in the college town of Ames, Iowa in the '60s and '70s. Inspiring, full of surprises, and laugh-out-loud funny, this utterly unique family championed diversity and inclusion long before such concepts became cultural flashpoints.

Books will be available for purchase and signing.



**U.S. Census 2020
Job Recruitment Application Sessions**
Wednesdays & Fridays, November 1-22
Location Varies

Want to earn extra income while helping our community? The results of the 2020 Census will help determine our city and state's representation in congress, as well as how certain funds are spent for schools, hospitals, roads, and more.

The U.S. Census Bureau is recruiting thousands of people across the country to assist with the 2020 Census count. To learn more or fill out an application, stop in at one of the U.S. Census 2020 sessions at the Library or visit 2020census.gov/jobs.

COMING SOON: BLACK LIVES MATTER
Fashion, Liberation, and the Fight for Freedom

Exhibit: December 4-16, Library Lobby

Reception: Thursday, December 5
at 6pm, Library Lobby

Presentation: Thursday, December 5
at 7pm, Auditorium

Explore the history of the Black Lives Matter movement and its relationship to politics, activism, and fashion through an exhibit created by Iowa State University students.

Provided in partnership with Ames Public Library and Iowa State University College of Human Sciences Department of Apparel, Events, & Hospitality Management.

Regular Book Discussions

028: Real Reads

2nd Thursday of Each Month at 7pm, Board Room

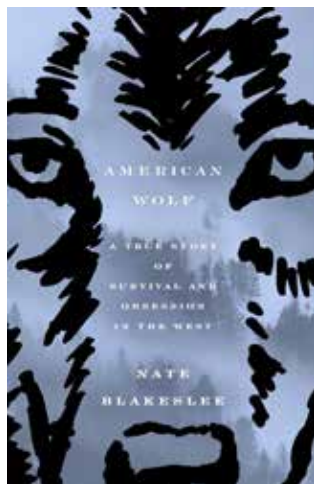
028 focuses on recently published, popular nonfiction on a variety of topics.

November 14

American Wolf: A True Story of Survival and Obsession in the West
by Nate Blakeslee

December 12

Code Girls: The Untold Story of the American Women Code Breakers of World War II
by Lisa Mundy



Supported by the Ames Public Library Friends Foundation.

Great Books 1

3rd Sunday of Each Month
2-4pm, Board Room

Come discuss classic short stories and essays recommended by the Great Books Foundation.

Call (515) 239-5646 ext. 4 to register or learn more.

Supported by the Ames Public Library Friends Foundation.

Great Books 2

1st Sunday of Each Month
2-4pm, Board Room

View from the Margins

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

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.

Books @ Noon

Wednesday, November 20 at 12pm, Rotary Room
(Date changed for the holidays)

Share what you've read recently—fiction or nonfiction—and hear about what everyone else is reading. Be prepared to give a brief description and your opinion about one or two books you've listened to or read.

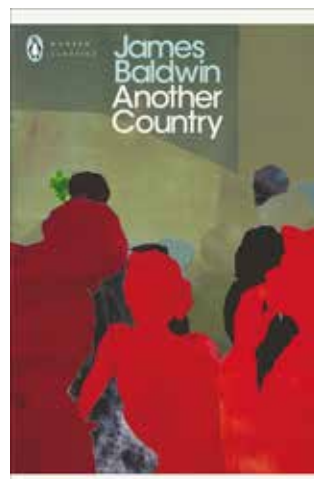
Mystery Lovers Book Club

1st Wednesday of Each Month at 12pm, Rotary Room

Mystery readers, come talk about books by a selected author.

November 6: Martha Grimes

December 4: Carola Dunn



Registration required.
Call (515) 239-5646 ext. 4 to register or learn more.

Join us to reflect on the following titles:

November 10:
Here Comes the Sun
by Nicole Dennis-Benn

December 8:
Another Country
by James Baldwin

Supported by the Ames Public Library Friends Foundation.



Climate Crisis: Facts To Action — *The Living Soil* (1h 10min)

Monday, November 4, at 6:30pm in Rotary Room

Gather with community members to learn from experts not only why the climate is in crisis, but different ways we can mobilize to reduce greenhouse emissions and sequester carbon. Come watch a 60-minute documentary, which features innovative farmers and soil health experts throughout the U.S.

Our soils support 95 percent of all food production, and by 2060, our soils will be asked to give us as much food as we have consumed in the last 500 years. They filter our water. They are one of our most cost-effective reservoirs for sequestering carbon. They are our foundation for biodiversity. And in the last 150 years, we've lost half of the basic building block that makes soil productive. The societal and environmental costs of soil loss and degradation in the United States alone are now estimated to be as high as \$85 billion every single year.

Provided in partnership with Ames Public Library, the Ames Climate Action Team, and The Green Umbrella at Iowa State University. Supported by the Ames Public Library Friends Foundation.

Redefining Math

**Wednesday, November 13
7pm, Auditorium**

Do you hate math? Do you dread helping your child with math homework?

Teens and adults are invited to a workshop to learn about mathematics and how your negative experiences impact your learning.

The workshop will be presented by Michael Young, an Associate Professor of Mathematics at Iowa State University, and Juergen Kritschgau, a fourth year Mathematics PhD student at Iowa State University.

Psychology in Everyday Life: Psychology & Law

**Monday, November 18
7pm, Auditorium**

Explore some basic psychological principles that you can apply to everyday life.

A panel of Iowa State University Graduate students will discuss how biases and other psychological processes impact various procedures at different levels of the law. They will also discuss ways that psychology has been directly applied to policies and procedure changes in the field.

Provided in partnership with Ames Public Library and ISU Graduate Students in Psychology.



Big Bluestem Audubon Society Presentation: American Kestrel Conservation

**Thursday, November 21
7pm, Auditorium**

Join us for a presentation discussing four topics regarding American Kestrels: their biology, Dallas County Conservation Board's conservation efforts, the American Kestrel Partnership, and the Genoscape Project ("Full Cycle Phenology"). Following the presentation, we will invite audience input about advancing conservation efforts for this species.

The presenter, Mark A. Bowman, earned a PhD within the Pathology Department of the University of Florida College of Medicine. He has spent time working in a hospital laboratory, serving as a teacher and professor, and now focuses on wildlife conservation after retirement. Mike Havlik is a passionate naturalist, gonzo birder, and amateur musician. He is currently employed by the Dallas County Conservation Board.

Provided in partnership with Ames Public Library and the Big Bluestem Audubon Society.



Technology Help

Computer Basics

Tuesdays, November 5-26
2-4pm, PEO Room

Drop into any of our computer classes! 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.

November 5: Microsoft Word

November 12: Microsoft PowerPoint

November 19: Microsoft Excel

November 26: Free Office Software



Apple Users Group

Every Friday, 10am-12pm, The Studio

Come to the Library to get support and improve your use of Apple technology—iPhone, iPad, and Mac specifically. Participants can bring questions or issues they have with using Apple devices.

1-on-1 Tech Tutor

Need help using the library's e-books or streaming services? Schedule a one-on-one technology help appointment. Library staff will introduce you to the Library's online resources, help you set up your accounts and devices, and offer troubleshooting to make our e-resources work for you!

Visit the Library's Adult Services Desk or call (515) 239-5646 ext. 4 to schedule an appointment.

Get into Genealogy

Genealogy Plus

DNA Test Results Complete...Now What?

3rd Wednesday of Each Month

10am-12pm, Auditorium

Many people take a DNA test, but do not know how to interpret those results and use them to find biological relatives. Speaker Dennis Allen will help us understand the various tests, "matches," and how to use DNA to find your kinfolk.

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

Genealogy Help Session

4th Wednesday of Each Month

10am-12pm, Danfoss Room

Stop into a monthly meetup to get help with your genealogy research, genealogy software and writing your family story.

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

Get Creative

Crochet & Knitting Group

2nd & 4th Saturdays of Each Month

10am-12pm, PEO Room

All ages are invited to hang out and knit or crochet. Please bring your own materials.

Art Club

3rd Tuesday of Each Month

1-3pm, Board Room

Discuss art, artists, and creativity. This is a great opportunity to share your work and get some suggestions and gentle critiques. Feel free to bring an art project to work on (using non-messy materials).



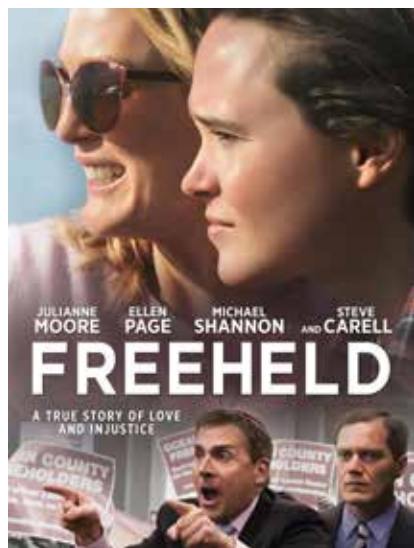


SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
<div><div>KEY</div><div><div>Colors:</div><div>All Ages/Mix</div><div>Family Event</div><div>Teen Event</div><div>Adult Event</div></div><div><div>Symbols:</div><div>Registration Required</div><div>Off Site</div><div>Entry Price</div></div></div> <div>Sign up to receive <i>Page One</i> by e-mail at amespubliclibrary.org.</div>		<div>NATIVE AMERICAN HERITAGE MONTH</div>			<div>1</div> <div><div>Toddler Time</div><div>10am, Storytime Room</div><div>Apple Users Group</div><div>10am-12pm, The Studio</div><div>U.S. Census 2020 Job Recruitment</div><div>10am-2pm, Board Room</div><div>Family Storytime</div><div>10:30am, Storytime Room</div><div>Maker Morning</div><div>11am-12pm, Youth Makerspace</div></div>	<div>2</div> <div><div>Conversations in Russian</div><div>10am, The Studio</div><div>Write in the Heart of Iowa</div><div>10am-12pm, Rotary Room</div><div>Saturday Play Date: KidsFit Club</div><div>10:30am, Storytime Room</div><div>Teen Advisory Group</div><div>11am-12:30pm, Board Room</div><div>NaNoWriMo Workshop</div><div>2-4pm, PEO Room</div><div>Conversations in French</div><div>4pm, The Studio</div></div>
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If you are a person with a disability who requires special assistance, please call (515) 239-5646 in advance of a program.

Ames Public Library connects you to the world of ideas through diverse and inclusive resources and programs. We welcome program proposals via our website at bit.ly/APLprogram.

Movie Night



LGTBQA Movie

Night:

Freeheld

(MPAA Rating:

PG-13)

1h 43m

Monday, Nov. 11

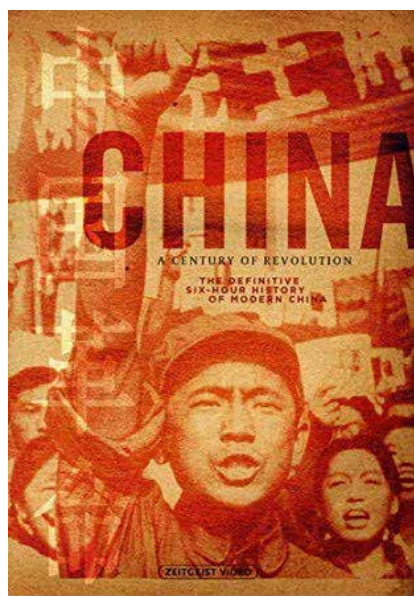
6:30pm

Rotary Room

Diagnosed with terminal cancer, decorated New Jersey detective Laurel Hester (Julianne Moore) wishes to leave her pension

benefits to domestic partner Stacie Andree (Ellen Page). Denied by local county officials, Laurel receives help from hard-nosed colleague Dane Wells (Michael Shannon) and activist Steven Goldstein (Steve Carell), who unite to rally fellow police officers and ordinary citizens to support the couple's fight for equality.

Provided in partnership with Ames Public Library and LGBTQ Committee of Story County Democrats.



Asia in Film

China, A Century

of Revolution:

Part 2 -

The Mao Years

Tuesday, Nov. 26

6:30pm

Rotary Room

This powerful program takes a remarkable first-hand look at China's tumultuous history, examining its social, political and cultural upheaval through eyewitness accounts,

rare archival film footage and insightful commentary.

"The Mao Years" (1949-1976) examines the turbulent era of Mao's attempts to forge a "new China" from the war-ravaged and exhausted nation.

Provided in partnership with Ames Public Library, Asiatic Philharmonia Society, and the Durbin-Zheng Family. Supported by the Ames Public Library Friends Foundation.

Writing Groups

Inkspots

3rd Wednesday of Each Month

1:30-3pm, Rotary Room

This writers' group meets monthly to discuss and gently critique members' writing. For more information, please visit the Library's Adult Services Desk or call (515) 239-5646 ext. 4.

Write in the Heart of Iowa

1st and 3rd Saturday of Each Month

10am-12pm, Rotary Room

Write in the Heart of Iowa is a community critique group dedicated to helping writers reach their goals. This drop-in writing group is open to writers of all genres. Bring up to 5 pages (double-spaced) of your manuscript, bring a pen, and be ready to critique.



Conversations in...

American Sign Language

1st Thursday of Each Month

at 6:30pm, Danfoss Room

English:

Mondays at 11:30am, Auditorium

French:

Saturdays at 4pm, The Studio

Russian:

Saturdays at 10am, The Studio

Spanish:

Tuesdays at 7pm, The Studio

Gather for casual conversations in different languages. Chat in your native language or get comfortable talking in another.

Looking to Learn a Language?

Learn online with the Library's subscription to Little Pim, Mango Languages, and Transparent Language!

Just for Teens



**Teen Movie
& Oreos:
Avengers:
Endgame**
(2019, MPAA
rating: PG-13)
3h 2m

**Wednesday
November 27
4-7pm
Teen Space**

Teens are invited to enjoy a movie and snacks in the Teen Space.

TEEN SLIME of the Month

**Wednesday, November 6
4-5:30pm, Teen Space**

Teens, come make a different slime each month! This November, stop by and make a Pumpkin Spice Slime.

Teen Craft of the Month

Block Printing

**Wednesday, November 20
4-5:30pm, Teen Space**

Teens, come make a fun craft each month! Block printing is one of the oldest forms of printmaking. Carve and ink a foam printing plate to create your own 4" x 6" designs.

Teen Advisory Group (TAG)

**1st and 3rd Saturday of Each Month
11am-12:30pm, Board Room**

Help plan exciting library events for teens, share what you're reading, and make new friends. There's free pizza, too!

Supported by the Ames Public Library Friends Foundation.

Teen Writers' Workshop

2nd Sunday of Each Month, 2-4pm, The Studio

6th-12th graders, join author David Zimmerman for writing exercises designed to finesse your creative writing skills.

Provided in partnership with Ames Public Library and Iowa State University's Master of Fine Arts in Creative Writing and Environment.

Meetups for Gamers

Play Games Ames

**4th Saturday
of Each Month
2-5pm
Auditorium**

Play Games Ames is a fun and social environment to interact through friendly competition. All ages are welcome to play, chat, or watch. Experienced board gamers will be on hand to teach you how to play a variety of games.

Provided in partnership with Ames Public Library and Play Games Ames.



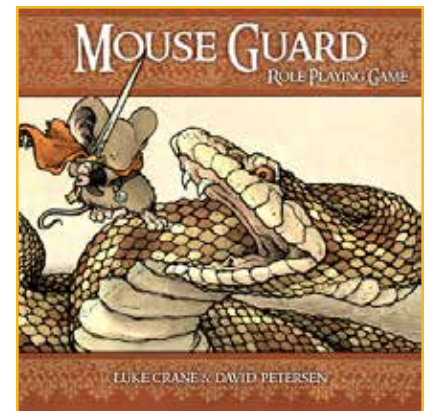
Tabletop RPG

**4th Saturday of
Each Month
2-5pm
Auditorium**

All ages are invited to join a Mouse Guard Role Playing Game.

In this game, players are part of an elite squad of patrol mice who protect and assist their fellow mice. Players will actively help to create a unique story involving their characters. Cooperation, problem solving, imagination, and a sense of exploration are encouraged!

A Game Master will be available to help new players and guide the story.





Tween Roleplaying Club

**2nd Saturday of Each Month
2-4pm, Danfoss Room**

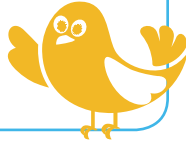
2nd-6th graders are invited to play a tween-friendly version of *Dungeons and Dragons* at the Library.

If you are new to the group, please come 30 minutes early to create your character.

ALAS para volar ¡Ames Library Amigos - Spanish!

Children ages 5-9 are invited to sign up for a weekly program to learn and practice Spanish through songs, books, games, and more!

Sign up online at www.amespubliclibrary.org for sessions on Tuesdays or Thursdays at 6pm this November.



Bookland

Saturday, Nov. 9, 10am-12pm
Sunday, Nov. 10, 1-3pm
Youth Services Area

Enjoy activities for the whole family
that bring books to life!

Every child will receive a free book.

Provided in partnership with Ames Public Library and Iowa State University's Preparing Tomorrow's Teachers Learning Community. Supported by United Way of Story County and the Ames Public Library Friends Foundation.



Saturday Play Date

Saturdays at 10:30am, Storytime Room

Join other children and their adult caregivers and play with us as we learn through books, songs, crafts, and games!

Nov. 2: KidsFit Club

Join us one Saturday each month for a KidsFit Club day with Hy-Vee's nutrition and exercise experts. This month, we'll have a healthy snack and fun activities that are all about thanks!



Provided in partnership with Ames Public Library and Lincoln Center Hy-Vee.

Nov. 9: No Program

Make sure to come and checkout Bookland at the Library!

Nov. 16: Write with Me

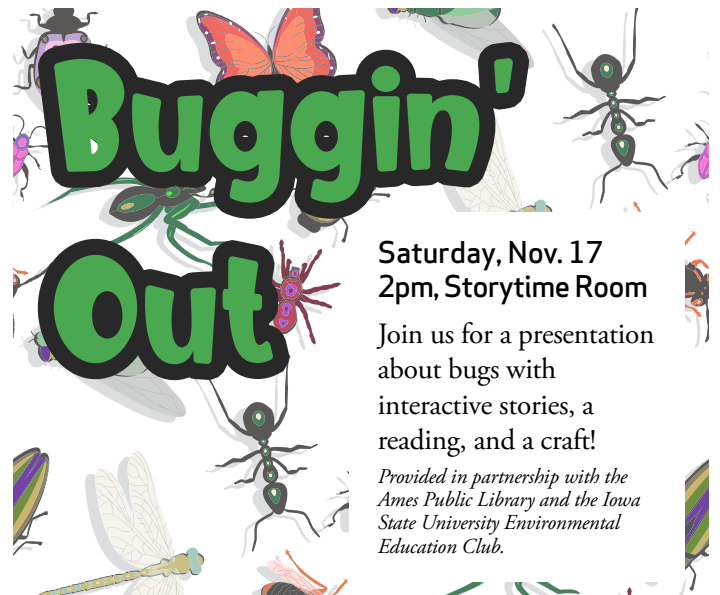
Use your imagination and creativity to tell stories of all kinds!

Nov. 23: Read with Me

Come enjoy some fun stories and boost your reading skills.

Nov. 30: App with Me

Try out apps for all ages with your family on the Library's iPads.



Buggin' Out

Saturday, Nov. 17
2pm, Storytime Room

Join us for a presentation about bugs with interactive stories, a reading, and a craft!

Provided in partnership with the Ames Public Library and the Iowa State University Environmental Education Club.



1st Thursday of Each Month
10am, PEO Room

Ames Public Library and ISU Extension & Outreach are teaming up to bring you a school year of Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math (STEM)! This event is perfect for homeschool families. Activities are geared for K-5 students, but all ages are welcome!

This month, come learn about the topic – Explore our Body: Sound All Around.

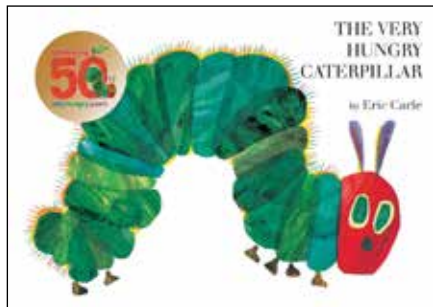
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Milk & Book-ies Specials

The Very Hungry Storytime

Thursday, November 7
6:30pm, Storytime Room

Enjoy a storytime featuring books by Eric Carle. There will be a chance to win tickets to *The Very Hungry Caterpillar and Other Eric Carle Favorites* performed live at Stephens Auditorium Nov. 17.



Author Visit: Katrena Gillis

Thursday, November 14
6:30pm, Storytime Room

Join us for a special Milk & Book-ies featuring Katrena Gillis, author of the book *Settle Down, Jack*.



Monthly Storytimes

Spanish Storytime

Saturday, November 9
11:45am, Storytime Room

Join us for 30 minutes of Spanish stories and song.

Super Heroes from the Bible

Tuesday, November 12
10:30am, Storytime Room

Enjoy a storytime featuring Bible storybooks and a craft.

New Storytime!

Chinese Storytime

Saturday, November 16
11:15am, Storytime Room

Join us for stories and song in a Chinese family storytime.

Sensory Storytime

Friday, November 22
9am, Storytime Room

Families are invited to a special sensory storytime for all children, but especially welcoming to those with autism or other sensory processing disorders.

Expectations and activities will be shared at the beginning to help guide the child and caregiver through the experience.

New Storytime!

Weekly Storytimes & Crafts

Baby Time

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

Bring your pre-walker for books, songs, baby sign language, and more. Join with other caregivers and their pre-walkers and older siblings for 20 minutes of conversation and play.



Family Storytime

Wednesdays, Thursdays, & Fridays
10:30am, Storytime Room

Children of all ages are invited to this interactive program to build listening, language, and literacy skills. Families are welcome to stop into Maker Morning right after Family Storytime for a fun craft activity!

Maker Morning

Wednesdays, Thursdays, & Fridays
11am-12pm, Youth Makerspace

Drop in to this process-focused craft activity for preschoolers and their caregivers. We supply the materials.

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Milk & Book-ies

Thursdays
6:30pm, Storytime Room

Stop in for a fun story, song, and STEM activities along with milk and cookies.



Toddler Time

Mondays, Wednesdays, & Fridays
10am, Storytime Room
Tuesdays at 1pm, Storytime Room

Join us for 20-25 minutes of music and a book, while building early literacy skills perfect for toddlers and their families.

Parents & Parents-To-Be

Best Start Breastfeeding & Next Step Pumping Class

3rd Monday of Each Month
Rotary Room

Breastfeeding: 6-7:30pm
Pumping: 7:30-8:30pm

Join us for a free two-part prenatal class on breastfeeding and pumping. Come to one or both parts. Support persons are encouraged to attend. Please RSVP to AmesBreastfeedingHelp@yahoo.com.

Provided in partnership with Ames Public Library, Mid-Iowa Community Action (MICA), and Women, Infants, and Children (WIC).



Mama Milk Meetup

3rd Thursday of Each Month
6:30pm, The Studio

All nursing moms and moms-to-be are invited to a breastfeeding café. Children are welcome!

Provided in partnership with Ames Public Library, Mid-Iowa Community Action (MICA), and Ames Loving Support.

The Mothering Circle

1st and 3rd Thursday of Each Month
9:15 & 10:30am, Teen Space

All mothers are invited to come together to connect, explore issues, deepen intuition, and share their parenting journeys. We will address the needs and concerns of each mother so she can find compassionate support and inspiration.



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The Bookmobile

Closed November 25-29.

Check out Library materials for **all ages** at any of the Bookmobile's weekly stops:

MONDAY

Sawyer School
5-8pm (4316 Ontario)

TUESDAY

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

WEDNESDAY

Edwards School
1:45-2:45pm (820 Miller Avenue)

Ames Middle School
3-4pm (3915 Mortensen Road)

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

THURSDAY

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

Mitchell School
3-4pm (3521 Jewel Drive)

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