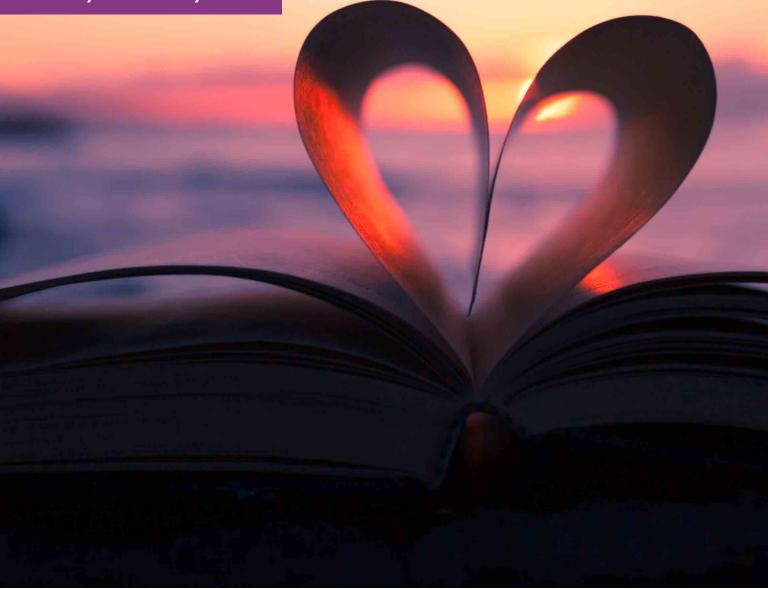
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Ames Public Library and Bookmobile will be CLOSED

Monday, February 20.





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LIBRARY HOURS

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

Sunday: 1pm - 5pm



Sunday, February 5 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).



Thursdays, 4-6pm, Teen Space

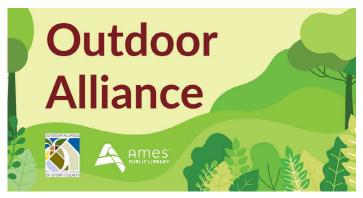
Need a brain break? Teens are invited to hang out and play videogames in the Teen Space! A virtual reality system will be available to try out too.



Friday, February 3, 1-4pm, Auditorium

Come celebrate the recent book publications of four alumni of the Creative Writing and Environment program at Iowa State University. There will be readings and a panel discussion at the Library from 1-4pm. At 4pm, head over to Dog-Eared Books for a book signing and reception.

Presented in partnership with Ames Public Library, Ames Public Library Friends Foundation, Humanties Iowa, ISU Committee on Lectures, ISU Department of English, ISU MFA Program in Creative Writing and Environment, and the Pearl Hogrefe Fund.



Tuesday, February 7 7pm, Auditorium or via Zoom

Jim Pease will present "Paddling for Plants and Critters," stories of his paddles on over 2,200 miles of Iowa rivers in the last eight years.

Jim has traveled to many wild places all over the world, but Iowa rivers have always been his home. He'll share his enthusiasm for that home with us.

Jim is the most recent recipient of the Iowa



Natural Heritage Foundations Hagie Award for his many contributions to conservation, education, and outdoor recreation over the years.

Presented in partnership with Ames Public Library, Outdoor Alliance of Story County, and Story County Conservation.



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

Come play chess! Whether you are just a beginner or already an expert, all kids in grades 4-6 are welcome to come have fun after school on the first and third Tuesdays of each month. Drop in and learn how to play or come and face off against a new opponent.

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Wednesday, Feb. 8, 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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Got Homework?

Ames Public Library has free tools for school, including online tutoring through Brainfuse, kidfriendly research tools through Britannica Library, and more! Visit AmesPL.org and go to our family page to get started!



Thursday, February 9 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 **Dolittle** with an animal themed activity to follow.



Presented in partnership with Ames Public Library and Mainstream Living.



Saturday, February 11 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 Librarysupplied 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 Pokéart 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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Sunday, February 12 4pm, Storytime Room

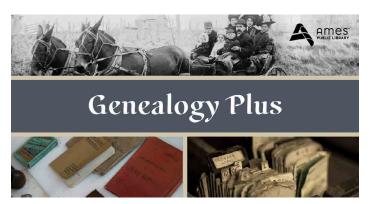
German Storytime is a chance for children and families to immerse themselves in stories, songs, and all things fun about German culture. Come learn and engage in this bilingual storytime experience.



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

Children in grades 3-5 are invited to get creative and build with lots of LEGO®! We'll provide the bricks while the kids provide the imagination. All LEGO® will remain at the Library, so bring a camera to capture a photo of your build. Please leave your own LEGO® at home so they don't get mixed up with the Library's.

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Wednesday, February 15 10am-12pm, Auditorium or via Zoom

Register at amespubliclibrary.org/events to receive the Zoom link by e-mail.

Topic — We Pronounce it ne-VAY-duh: Tales and History of Eastern Story County

Speaker — Linda Wright

Learn more about the persons, events, and stories that are woven into the history of Nevada, Iowa, the Story County seat. Linda will also describe some resources that are available for genealogical research.

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







Thursday, February 16, 7pm, Auditorium

The public is invited to hear William Gutowski, climate scientist and professor in the Department of Geological and Atmospheric Sciences. Gutowski advocates that together we can respond to expected climate change in a way that fits the concerns, motivations, and especially the values of the communities that scientists interact with.

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



Saturday, February 18 11:15am-12:15pm, Auditorium

Join this inclusive and welcoming community of families that are growing. Whether you are pregnant, adopting, just delivered or have young children at home, join us as we support each other and grow together. Facilitated by Certified Nurse Midwife Megan Sloat, these monthly meetups will connect families to each other and to resources and answers about birth and parenthood.

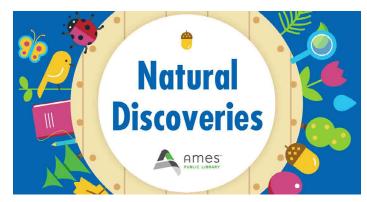
This month, we'll focus on "Becoming a Big Sibling" and getting children involved in the new-baby experience. Big siblings will learn what to expect when baby arrives, how to be a big helper for caregivers, and feel empowered to be baby's first teacher.

Presented in partnership with Ames Public Library and Aurelia Childbirth.



Friday, February 17 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.



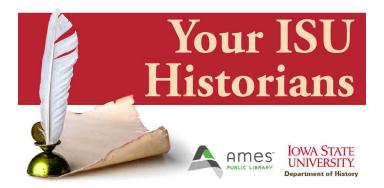
Sunday, February 19 2pm, Storytime Room

Join ISU's Environmental Education Club for storytime, a craft, and fun activities based on a different ecological theme each month. Children of any age can come explore and learn more about our environment.

This month's event will be all about reptiles.

Presented in partnership with Ames Public Library and the ISU Environmental Education Club.

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Tuesday, February 21 7pm, Auditorium or via Zoom

Topic — Violence and Justice in the American Southwest

Speaker — Brian Behnken

Brian Behnken explores how police agencies and extralegal actors perceived and controlled Mexicans and Mexican Americans in the American Southwest between 1830 and 1930. In particular, he explains the formation of self-defense groups and advocacy organizations along with efforts to push state and territorial governments to professionalize law enforcement to halt abuse.

Presented in partnership with Ames Public Library, Ames History Museum, and Iowa State University Department of History.



Saturday, February 25 2-3:30pm, Auditorium

Jubilee Gospel Choir provides a space to sing and play instruments together. The group will focus on gospel music, but other genres derived from gospel—like jazz and R&B—may be explored.

Jubilee Gospel Choir is open to any person who enjoys listening, singing, and/or playing gospel music. No prior experience required.

Presented in partnership with Ames Public Library, the Ames Chapter of the NAACP, and Iowa State University Office of Institutional Diversity, Equity and Inclusion.



Tuesday, February 21 4-6pm, Teen Space

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



Tuesday, February 28 7pm, Auditorium or via Zoom

Topic — Notable Women in Ames History

Speaker — Kathy Svec, Museum volunteer

This presentation will introduce you to a group of remarkable women from different time periods of Ames history.

Capable, brave, and visionary, these individuals with their unique talents had a profound impact on our community, on our state, and for some, their efforts resonated nationally. They were leaders, marking a path for others to follow.

Taken as a group, they cannot help but inspire! We are pleased to bring deserved attention to these individuals once again.

Presented in partnership with Ames Public Library and Ames History Museum.



Tuesday, February 28, 4-6:30pm, PEO Room

The Teen Advisory Group (TAG) is excited to host an Exploding Kittens Tournament for teens. Exploding Kittens is a quick-to-learn game that keeps everyone on their toes. The tournament will use a ladder system with points awarded based an individual's performance during each game. Stop in for a match or two, or stay for the whole tournament!

For more information reach out to our Teen Librarian, Ethan, at eatwell@amespubliclibrary.org.

Presented in partnership with Ames Public Library and TAG.



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

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

Staff from The Bridge Home will be available in the Library to assist individuals and families on the verge of—or experiencing—homelessness with apartment searching, appointment scheduling, job applications, and more. Staff members will also be available to connect community members who are experiencing homelessness with vital services.



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

Ames Public Library is partnering with Lutheran Service in Iowa (LSI) to provide families with easy access to critical services in our community.

Staff from LSI will be available in the Library to assist individuals and families with free parent education, resources, and support.

A certified LSI Parent Educator can help you learn what to expect in your child's growth and development from pregnancy to birth to age five, so you can give them a great start to a bright future!



Mondays (except February 20) 9:30am-12:30pm & 1:30-3:30pm, The Studio

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

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.



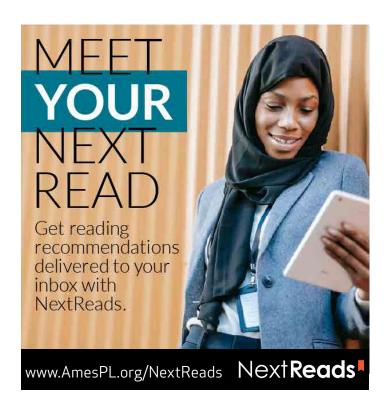
English

Mondays (except February 20) 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.





It's almost time for Ames Public Library's Author Fair! Join us for any portion of the program, or enjoy the entire time.

>> Saturday, March 25, 2023 <at Ames Public Library

Presentation Make Sense of Writing

1-2pm, Rotary Room

Presented by Michaeljulius Idani, University of Iowa College of Liberal Arts and Science Postgraduate Visiting Writer in Fiction and Visiting Assistant Professor

Book Sales and Signing

2:15-4:15pm, Library Auditorium

Readers are welcome to drop in, chat with authors, purchase books, and have books signed.

Authors may request a table to participate in this portion at the following link. Space is limited. https://bit.ly/APLAuthor2023

Presentation After the Writing: The Journey of Publishing

4:30-5:30pm, Rotary Room

Presented by authors Denise Williams, author of *How* to *Fail at Flirting* and many more, and Rachel Mans McKenny, author of *The Butterfly Effect*

STORYTIMES & MORE

No Events February 20

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.



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 at 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.



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

February 9:

Empire of Pain:

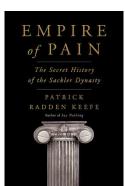
The Secret History of the Sackler Dynasty by Patrick Radden Keefe

March 9:

Four Lost Cities:

A Secret History of the Urban Age by Annalee Newitz

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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.

February 12: **Future Feeling** by Joss Lake

March 12:

All the Water I've Seen is Running by Elias Rodriques

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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!

February 1: Any mystery by a Black author March 1: Ian Rankin



Thursday, February 2 10am, Auditorium

Join Library staff for a monthly book discussion just for families that are homeschooling or learning remotely! This year, we have selected a diverse collection of books that mirror our world, with a special focus on stories about historically excluded identities and groups of people.

Families are invited to read the book of the month (together or independently), then come to the Library for a discussion and related activities. This event and books are geared for school-age kids or middle-grade

Rita Williams-Carcia

reading level, but all ages are welcome.

February 2:

One Crazy Summer by Rita Williams-Garcia

March 2: **RAD American Women A to Z**by Kate Schatz

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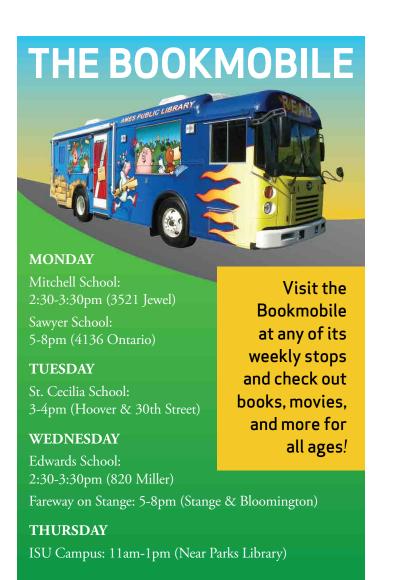
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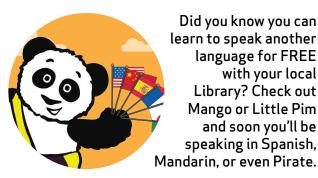


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Metro Opera's

performance of

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via Zoom

Conversation Circles

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