

**Mark your calendar for these March programs!**

**Wednesday, March 1 - 31: Get Puzzled @ Your Library.** Do you enjoy relaxing while putting together a jigsaw puzzle? Would you like to get out of the house and share the fun (and frustration) with someone else? Stop in the library this month to help us put together a new jigsaw puzzle. This month's puzzle is *Story Time* in celebration of Read Across America! The puzzle will be located on the table under the skylight and everyone is welcome to add a piece or two or more! To add to the fun, everyone who works on the puzzle is encouraged to put their name into a drawing to win the puzzle!

***Wednesdays, March 1, 8, 15, 22 & 29: Wee Read and Story Time***

Parents and caregivers are encouraged to sign up and bring their preschoolers to the Spring 2017 sessions of Preschool Story Time and Wee Read. Story Time is open to 3, 4, and 5 year olds who have not been in Kindergarten. Wee Read is for children under 3 and their caregiver. Programs run February 1 through April 28. Registration is required as space is limited. Programs being offered are: Wee Read: Wednesdays at 10:30 am and Story Time: Wednesdays at 6:30 pm.



**Wednesdays March 1, 8, 15, 22 & 29: Sit and Stitch @ 1:00 pm.** Join other crafters at this weekly gathering to share crafting and conversation. Gatherings are every Wednesday from 1:00-3:00 pm. New members are welcome to join at any time! Bring your hobby or craft and come for lots of laughs, food, great company and experienced help!

**Wednesday, March 1: Zentangle Class with Diane Kramer @ 6:00 pm.** Third session in a three-part series. Must have signed up and participated in first class to be eligible to attend this one.

***Thursday, March 2: Read Across America Event @ 6:30 pm***

Everyone is invited to celebrate Dr. Seuss at the library with a showing of *Daisy-Head Mayzie*, *The Hooper-Bloob Highway* and *Pontoffel Pock and His Magic Piano*. All three cartoons are part of the Collector's Edition DVD, *Hats Off to Dr. Seuss*. The DVD, which includes 5 classic Seuss television specials, the documentary, *In Search of Dr. Seuss*, a sing-along, and interactive puzzles, will be given away as a door prize. Everyone will leave with a Dr. Seuss bookmark. Popcorn and soda will be provided. All ages welcome.



**Saturday, March 4: Family Movies @ Your Library presents "Dr. Seuss' The Cat in the Hat" @ 2:00 pm.** It starts with two kids on a cold, cold, wet day. Their mom is at work, and they've no games to play. Then in walks the fun in the form of a Cat who pulls out the laughs from the brim of his hat. Things really get wild when the Cat and his crew (who go by the names of Thing One and Thing Two) take over the house of Conrad and Sally in this fine family film that's right up your alley! Rated PG. (82 min.). *Please note this is the live-action version.*

***Sunday, March 5 thru Saturday, March 11: Teen Tech Week***

Teen Tech Week is a time for libraries to showcase all of the great digital resources and services that are available to help teens succeed in school and prepare for college and 21st century careers. The theme this year is "Be The Source of Change". To celebrate, teens are encouraged to come pick up a bingo sheet containing different tech-based services the library offers. Teens must try each service to complete a square. Each completed bingo earns a chance to win a \$20 Dyersville Dollars certificate. Bingo sheets can be picked up starting on Sunday, March 5 at the library or printed online. Completed bingos must be turned in by 4:00 pm on March 12. Winner will be drawn on Monday, March 13. This program is limited to those age 13-18.



Find the latest information on library events and programs at [www.dyersville.lib.ia.us](http://www.dyersville.lib.ia.us)  
Contact the library directly at 563-875-8912 or [librarian@dyersville.lib.ia.us](mailto:librarian@dyersville.lib.ia.us)

***Sundays, March 5 & 12: Beginning Wood Carving Class @ 1:00 pm***

Members of the local Bear Creek Carving Club are offering a two-part beginning woodcarving class at the library. The fee is \$30.00 per person and includes all equipment and materials. Participants may keep equipment for their personal use. No experience is needed; however students must be at least 12 years old. One parent or adult must be present in the class for anyone under the age of 16. A signed liability waiver is required of all participants. Registration is required as space is limited.

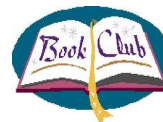


***Monday, March 6: Build-A-Basket Fundraiser Silent Auction Begins***

Organizations, businesses, and individuals have donated some amazing baskets again this year for the 5th Annual Build-A-Basket Fundraiser! Some of the donations received, as of the printing of this newsletter, include a Crocheted Christmas Basket, a SpecCast Farm Replicas basket with 8 different farm replicas, baskets of fiber crafts donated by the members of Sit 'n Stitch, book themed baskets, and a special basket for mom. Photos and descriptions of the baskets are posted on the library website at [www.dyersville.lib.ia.us](http://www.dyersville.lib.ia.us) so be sure to check there or stop in the library to see all of the different possibilities. If you cannot get to the library during the auction, you can bid by emailing [librarian@dyersville.lib.ia.us](mailto:librarian@dyersville.lib.ia.us) by 1:00 pm on Sunday, April 2. The silent auction starts March 6 and ends promptly at 3:00 pm on Sunday, April 2. All proceeds will be used to support library services and collections.



***Monday, March 6: Books for Lunch Book Discussion @ 12:00 noon.*** This group gathers on the first Monday of each month. This month the group will discuss the book *Pigs Must Fly* by Edna Flanagan. Bring your lunch, if you wish. Dessert and beverages are provided by the participants or the Friends of the Library. New members are welcome to join at any time! Copies of the book are available to borrow from the library.



***Monday, March 6: Book Flicks @ Your Library presents "The Queen of Katwe" @ 6:30 pm.*** The astonishing true story of Phiona Mutesi, a teenager from the slums of Kampala, Uganda, who becomes an international chess champion. Based on the book by Tim Crothers. Rated PG. (124 min.)



***Tuesday, March 7: Dungeons and Dragons Players Club @ 6:00 pm.*** Join us for this monthly gaming event for D and D players! This group meets the first Tuesday of every month at 6:00 pm. The Library has materials available but feel free to bring your own. All ages and skill levels welcome. New players are welcome at any time.

***Friday, March 10: Retro Video Game Night for Teens from 6:00 pm to 8:00 pm***



As part of Teen Tech Week, the library is hosting a retro game night with old school gaming systems such as the Nintendo Entertainment System, Sega Genesis and games like Pac-Man, Pong, Street Fighter, and more. For those who have completed 6th-12th grade. Pizza will be provided by Casey's General Store.

***Saturday, March 11: Building Creativity One Block at a Time: a LEGO® program from 2:45 to 4:30 pm.*** This month's theme is "In the wild". This program is for all ages but children under 7 must be accompanied by an adult or older partner. This LEGO® program is part of a monthly LEGO® building block program at the library sponsored by DuTrac Community Credit Union. Each month there is a theme to help inspire creativity. Photos of the creations are displayed in the children's area of the library and the actual creations are displayed at DuTrac for two weeks after each program. All children who participate have their name entered into a quarterly drawing for a special LEGO® related prize provided by DuTrac. Refreshments provided. *Program will start after the St. Patrick's Day parade has ended.*



***Tuesday, March 14: Inspirational Fiction: A Novel Approach to Faith book discussion series @ 7:00 pm.*** Join us the second Tuesday of every month at 7:00 pm for this book discussion series featuring a variety of books that weave religious faith into the characters and storylines. New members welcome at any time. For this meeting we will read and discuss *The Baker's Wife* by Erin Healy. Copies of each book are available to borrow from the library.

**Saturday, March 18: Coloring for Adults from 10:00 am to 1:00 pm.** Come relax and relieve stress by coloring! Coloring for Adults is offered monthly at various times and days. The library provides coloring sheets, colored pencils and light refreshments. No registration needed. Participants are welcome to come and go during the program. This program is open to adults 18 and older.



**Saturday, March 18: Family Movies @ Your Library presents "Moana" @ 2:00 pm.** In ancient Polynesia, when a terrible curse incurred by the Demigod Maui reaches the island of an impetuous Chieftain's daughter, she answers the Ocean's call to seek out the Demigod to set things right. Rated PG. (113 min.)

**Sunday, March 19: Mathematics in Gaming @ 2:00 pm**



Join Dr. Jacob Heidenreich as he talks about the mathematics behind the popular card game, *Magic: the Gathering*. He'll explain the probability and statistics underlying the game, interesting math puzzles, and other fun facts that will enrich your appreciation of the game. Bring your *Magic* decks if you have any, otherwise loaner decks will be available. The game is appropriate for ages 10 and up, but the math will be at a higher level.

**Monday, March 20: JKPL Memoir Project @ 6:30 pm.** Join us for this monthly writers' group that focuses on writing about personal stories and family history. No previous writing experience is necessary, please come and learn with us! This group will meet the third Monday of each month. Suggested topics to

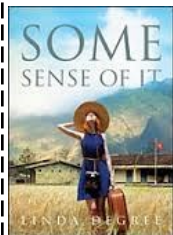


write about are presented at each meeting. Participants are invited, but not required to share their writing. Our March meeting will feature "Writing Memoir for Publication" with veteran author Mary Potter Kenyon, whose memoir writing has been featured in magazines, five published books, and 20 anthologies, including five *Chicken Soup* books. Mary's presentation will give concrete ideas on breaking into publication with your essay writing and other short pieces. All are welcome!



**Friday, March 24: Game Night @ Your Library @ 6:00 pm.** Come meet and make friends with some of your fellow game lovers at our monthly game night at 6:00 pm on the 4th Friday of every month. Bring your favorite game (card game, board game, role playing game, or video game) and meet, teach, and play with others! All ages welcome.

**Sunday, March 26: Visit with Iowa Author Linda Degree @ 1:30 pm**



Join Delhi, Iowa author Linda Degree (Deutmeyer) as she visits the library to talk about her book, *Some Sense of It*. The book tells the story of Margie, a teacher who is working on teaching the issues of war and peace to the children in her classroom as well as the people in her community. Margie's story is told through letters from her to her friends and family. Copies of the book will be available to purchase from the author.

**Monday, March 27: Open Mic Night @ 6:00 pm**

The James Kennedy Public Library is hosting a NEW monthly open mic night at local restaurant Brew & Brew on the fourth Monday of each month. Performers are encouraged to sign up for ten minute time slots and show off their talents. Poetry, music, readings and comedy are just a few examples! All ages are welcome to come and watch, but performers are limited to age 13 and up unless they have an adult companion. Performers can register in advance at either the Library or Brew & Brew with walk-in performances allowed if there is time. Tables for spectators can be reserved by calling Brew & Brew.



**Want to stay current on all the events at the library? Here's how:**

- Sign up for our weekly email newsletter
- Like us on Facebook
- Follow us on Twitter @dyersvillelib
- Follow us on Instagram: jameskennedylibrary



## Check out these upcoming April events!

### April is D.E.A.R. Month (Drop Everything And Read)

D.E.A.R. is a month long celebration of children's author Beverly Cleary, her timeless stories, and the joy of reading. Join us at the JKPL as we celebrate D.E.A.R. month with the Book Jar, a fun way to pick out something different to read.

- The JKPL Book Jar is filled with slips of paper with book titles recommended by staff, Board, friends, and avid readers.
- Different colored slips will indicate different kinds of books - children's, teens, fiction, non-fiction, classics, etc.
- Participants pick a slip out of the jar and check out the book title they select.
- All participants are entered into a drawing for a book related prize.
- Readers are also encouraged to write a brief review of the book they read and, if they do so, will be entered into a drawing for a second prize.



### Yard Sign Fundraiser begins Saturday, April 1

To celebrate National Library Week, April 9-15, and raise money to support the library's services and collections, the James Kennedy Public Library is selling yard signs that say "I Love My Library" during the month of April. Signs are 18" x 24", vinyl, reusable, come with a ground stake and are \$10.00 each. Already have one of these signs? Now's the time to put it up. Put a sign in your yard and let everyone know you love the library!



### Nerf War Saturday, April 8 from 6:00-8:00 pm

Bring your Nerf gun and ammo and head to the library for this bi-monthly Nerf War! Participants must be 13 or older and anyone under 18 must have a signed parental waiver. Registration requested as 10 people are required to hold the program and a max of 20 is allowed. Walk-ins welcome, if space allows. Participants must provide their own Nerf guns and ammo but no modifications to darts or guns to increase range or hitting power will be allowed.



### Movies:

The library shows a variety of movies each month. Please check our scheduled list of events, the library's website, or Facebook page to confirm what is showing as times and days can change. Popcorn and soda is provided to all movie attendees. Popcorn donated by Farmer's Shipping.

### DASH for the STASH April 1-30

Stop by the library anytime during the month of April to participate in *DASH for the STASH* where you will learn about investing and may earn an entry into a drawing to win a \$1,000 IRA! The *DASH for the STASH* contest is played much like a scavenger hunt, but instead of collecting objects, individuals collect information about saving and investing and leave answers to quiz questions.

- ⇒ To enter the contest, visit the JKPL and locate the four investor education topic posters (and one rules poster).
- ⇒ Read each poster and then access the quiz question.
- ⇒ The easiest way to participate is to use a smartphone or mobile device to scan each poster's QR code, but you also will be able to use a laptop or desktop computer.
- ⇒ One statewide winner will be chosen in a random drawing of eligible participants who logged the correct answer for all four posters.
- ⇒ Participants must be ages 18-63 with earned income for 2016.
- ⇒ The winner will receive a \$1,000 contribution to an existing or new Individual Retirement Account (IRA).

The *DASH for the STASH* program is sponsored by the Iowa Insurance Division and the nonprofit Investor Protection Institute (IPI).



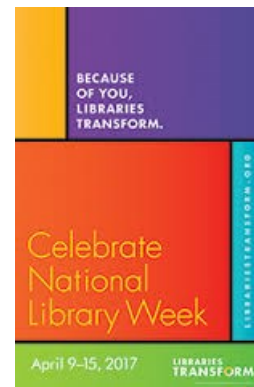
### Build-A-Basket Fundraiser Closing Reception Sunday, April 2 from 2:00-4:00 pm

Join us for one last chance to bid on the baskets donated to the library for the Build-a-Basket Fundraiser. The silent auction will end at 3:00 pm sharp. Come bid on your favorite basket. They make great gifts - for yourself or someone you love! All proceeds will be used to support library collections and services.



### National Library Week: *Libraries Transform!* April 9 - 15

National Library Week is a time to celebrate the contributions of libraries and to promote library use and support. From free access to books and online resources for families to spaces for active learning, libraries offer something for everyone. The theme for 2017 is *Libraries Transform*. Libraries of all types consistently transform lives through free access to technology, digital literacy, career development, and opportunities for community engagement and lifelong learning. Today's libraries are not just about what we have for people, but what we do for and with people. Check back for all events planned to celebrate this special week!



## Check out these upcoming April events!

### Wine and Beer Tasting Fundraiser at Brew & Brew

Mark your calendars because the National Library Week Wine and Beer Tasting Fundraiser supporting the James Kennedy Public Library is back! This April event will be held at Brew & Brew in downtown Dyersville. Date is being finalized. Please check back for more information!



### Social Security: Fact and Fiction Saturday, April 22 @ 2:00 pm

Susan Taylor, Human Sciences Specialist, Family Finance, from Iowa State University Extension and Outreach will present this program on Social Security Retirement and Benefits as part of Money Smart Week. Susan will present correct, unbiased information about how Social Security works, the various components of Social Security, options for claiming strategies to match the goal of not outliving one's resources in retirement and other critical questions. All ages are welcome. Refreshments provided. *Money Smart Week® is a public awareness campaign designed to help consumers better manage their personal finances.*



### Imposter Scams: Money Smart Week Tele-Town Hall Presentation Tuesday, April 25 @ 7:00 pm

Money Smart Week Tele-Town Hall is a statewide event sponsored by the Iowa AARP. As in the past, Iowans can participate directly by calling in on a telephone. Again this year, you will also be able to participate by attending the "live" session at the library. The JKPL will stream this presentation and discussion in the Hoffman Community Room. This year the discussion will be on imposter scams and include the grandparent scam, the IRS scam, MidAmerican scam and more. The Iowa Attorney General will be leading this program with support from staff as well as AARP's state president, Kent Sovern. Everyone is welcome to attend this free Money Smart Week program. Refreshments will be provided.



### Building Creativity One Block at a Time: a LEGO® program Tuesday, April 18 from 3:00 pm to 5:00 pm

This month's theme is "Wizard's world". This program is for all ages but children under 7 must be accompanied by an adult or older partner. This LEGO® program is part of a monthly LEGO® building block program at the library sponsored by DuTrac Community Credit Union. Each month there is a theme to help inspire creativity. Photos of the creations are displayed in the children's area of the library and the actual creations are displayed at DuTrac for two weeks after each program. All children who participate have their name entered into a quarterly drawing for a special LEGO® related prize provided by DuTrac. Refreshments provided.



### Student Art Show April 24 through April 29

The James Kennedy Public Library is pleased to display the artwork of St. Francis Xavier Elementary Grade School students at the library from April 24 through April 29. Stop in anytime to enjoy the artworks created by the students. Everyone welcome. There will be a special reception on Wednesday, April 26 from 5:00 to 8:00 pm for the students displaying their artwork, their families, and anyone who wants to come view the artwork and offer their support. Refreshments provided.



### LIBRARY HOURS

Library hours from Labor Day to Memorial Day (excluding holidays) are:

Monday thru Thursday: 9:00 am to 8:00 pm  
Friday & Saturday: 9:00 am to 5:00 pm  
Sunday: 1:00 pm to 4:00 pm

### The Library website has gone mobile!

The Library has launched a new mobile website that is specifically designed for Smartphone users. It is a pared down version of our regular website and gives users easy access to the library catalog, hours, and upcoming events. To use it you'll have to navigate directly to the new site at [www.dyersville.lib.ia.us/m](http://www.dyersville.lib.ia.us/m)



Check it out today!