

## October 2009



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### Confessions of a Bibliophile

Join us for this fun reading discussion series with scholar Allison McNeese!

We will read a delightful series of books *about* books...from a history of libraries to book collecting to personal accounts of how reading has shaped peoples' lives.

Books to be discussed and dates of the discussion are as follows:

*Library: An Unquiet History* by Matthew Battles – October 1

*Ex Libris: Confessions of a Common Reader* by Anne Fadiman – October 15

*Used and Rare: Travels in the Book World* by Lawrence & Nancy Goldstone – October 29

*The Yellow-Lighted Bookshop: A Memoir, a History* by Lewis Buzbee – November 19

*Ruined by Reading: A Life in Books*, by Lynne Sharon Schwartz – December 3

*So Many Books, So Little Time* by Sara Nelson – December 17

**Call the library for more details or to sign up!**

### October 18 – 24 is Teen Read Week Read Beyond Reality @ Your Library!

The James Kennedy Public Library will celebrate Teen Read Week by displaying and encouraging teens to read some of the 25 books nominated to be in the Teens' Top Ten of the year. Young people from teen book groups in fifteen school and public libraries around the country nominate and choose their favorite books of the previous year to create this list. For our celebration, area teens ages 13 to 18 are invited to read any of the books on the list and fill out a BRIEF form (three sentences or less) as to why they liked/hated the book. For each form they turn in on or before October 31, their name will be entered into a drawing for prizes. Reading lists and forms are available now at the library or on the library website at [www.dyersville.lib.ia.us](http://www.dyersville.lib.ia.us).



**Fridays in October: Senior Wii Bowling League from 1:30 to 4:00 pm.** Adults 50 and older are invited to participate in our fun Wii Bowling League. Participants may sign up as teams (of up to 4) or individuals (and be placed on teams.) The league will be held on October 2, 9, 16, and 23rd. Spectators are welcome. Refreshments will be served and prizes will be awarded.

### **Saturday, October 3: Family Movies @ Your Library presents "Monsters vs Aliens" @ 2:00 pm.**

When Susan Murphy is unexpectedly clobbered by a meteor full of outer space gunk, she grows to 49-feet-11-inches tall and is instantly labeled a "Monster" named Ginormica. The military jumps into action, and she is captured and held in a secret government compound filled with other "monsters" like herself. Their confinement time is cut short however, when a mysterious alien robot lands on Earth and the motley crew of Monsters is called into action to save the world from imminent destruction. Rated PG.

**Monday, October 5: Books for Lunch Book Discussion @ 12:00 noon.** This group gathers on the first Monday of each month to discuss different books selected by the group. This month the group will be discussing *Dewey: the Small-Town Library Cat Who Touched the World* by Vicki Myron. 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. The book to be discussed in November is *Little Heathens: Hard Times and High Spirits on an Iowa Farm during the Great Depression* by Mildred Armstrong Kalish.

**Tuesday, October 6: Tuesday Nite @ the Movies showing of "Forever Strong" @ 7:00 pm.** Based on a true story, Rick Penning learns what team work is and finds where his values should be as he joins a rival rugby team. Rated PG-13.

**Wednesdays, October 7, 14, 21, & 28: Sit and Stitch @ 1:00 pm.** Join other crafters at this weekly gathering to share crafting and conversation. New people are welcome to join at any time. All ages and crafting interests welcome. Refreshments provided by the members. Gatherings are every Wednesday from 1 – 3 pm.

**Sunday, October 11: Sunday Movies @ Your Library presents "Sugar" @ 2:00 pm.** This is the inspirational story of Miguel Santos, a gifted pitcher struggling to make it to the big leagues of American baseball. Nicknamed "Azúcar" (Spanish for "sugar"), 19-year-old Miguel travels from his poor but tight-knit community in the Dominican Republic to play minor league baseball in the United States - where anything is possible. He finds himself in a small Iowa town, where he struggles with the culture, the language, and the pressure of knowing that only his success can rescue his family. Rated PG-13

All movie events are  
sponsored by the Friends  
of the James Kennedy  
Public Library.  
Popcorn and beverages  
are provided!

**Monday, October 12: Book Flicks presents "The Curious Case of Benjamin Button" @ 7:00 pm.** Based on the short story by F. Scott Fitzgerald, this movie tells the bizarre story of Benjamin Button who is born as an old man and ages in reverse until he becomes a baby. In his 50s he falls in love with a 30-year-old woman and must come to terms with what will be the ultimate result of his relationship. Rated PG-13.

**Tuesday, October 13 : Classic Movies @ Your Library presents "The Wizard of Oz" @ 2:00 pm.** Join Dorothy, Toto, Scarecrow, Tin Man, and the Cowardly Lion in one of the greatest fantasy films of all times! Not rated.

**Tuesday, October 13 : Books Build Bridges @ 7:00 pm.** This monthly book club for girls (ages 9-13) and their moms meets on the second Tuesday of each month at 7:00 pm. This month the group will be discussing *Our Only May Amelia* by Jennifer Holm. New members are welcome to join at any time. Please call the library for more details on this monthly gathering.

**Wednesday, October 14: Family Movies presents "Spy Kids" @ 2:00 pm.** When two of the world's top secret agents, Gregorio and Ingrid Cortez, are kidnapped it's up to their children to save them. Carmen and Juni take on evil technowizard Fegan Floop to save their parents in this family adventure. Rated PG. (No School Day)

**Thursday, October 15: Confessions of a Bibliophile—discussion of "Ex Libris: Confessions of a Common Reader" by Anne Fadiman @ 7:00 pm.** This is the second meeting for our fun fall reading discussion series with scholar Allison McNeese! We are reading a delightful series of books about books. In this book, the author chronicles her lifelong love affair with books and shares how each stage of her life has been influenced by literature. Copies of the book are available to check out. This series is made possible by a grant from Humanities Iowa. New participants welcome to join at any time!



**Saturday, October 17: Family Movies @ Your Library presents "Imagine That" at 2:00 pm.** Eddie Murphy stars as a successful financial executive who has more time for his blackberry than his seven-year-old daughter. When he has a crisis of confidence and his career starts going down the drain, however, he finds the solution to all his problems in his daughter's imaginary world. This fun and funny fantasy is rated PG.

**Monday, October 19: Acupuncture 1-2-3 @ 7:00 pm.** Joel Thielen, licensed acupuncturist, will present this program on acupuncture. Audience members will learn what acupuncture is and what it can do for them.

**Saturday, October 24: Halloween Movies @ Your Library presents "Scooby-Doo: the mystery begins" @ 2:00 pm.** What brings best friends together? For Daphne, Velma, Fred, Shaggy and Shaggy's spunky pup Scooby-Doo, it's a mystery! This feature-length live-action original movie takes you back to when four teenage sleuths (plus one dog detective) first met. Unjustly accused of staging a spooky practical joke complete with ghosts, the kids are suspended from Coolsville High. To clear their names, they team to solve the supernatural mystery...and head straight into nonstop laughs and adventure. Not Rated.



**Saturday, October 24: Middle School Mystery Party @ 7:00 pm.** Detectives in grades 6-8 are welcome to help solve a crime at the library. Who would want the star of the high school soccer team... DEAD? Join your fellow detectives at the James Kennedy Public Library, Dyersville in solving the mystery *Death Gets a Red Card*. You must investigate the crime scene and carefully examine the evidence in order to solve the crime. Pick up your permission slips at the James Kennedy Public Library. Signed permission slips must be turned in by October 23, 2009. The date for the mystery is October 24 at 7:00 pm. There will be snacks and prizes. Minimum of 10 participants required for program to be held.

**Sunday, October 25: Halloween Movies @ Your Library presents "Drag Me to Hell" @ 2:00 pm.** Christine Brown is an ambitious L.A. loan officer who denies a home loan to the mysterious Mrs. Ganush, leaving the older woman out on the street. In retaliation, the old woman places the powerful curse of the Lamia on Christine, transforming her life into a living hell. Rated PG-13.

**Monday, October 26: Monday Movies @ Your Library presents "Ghost of Girlfriends Past" @ 7:00 pm.** Connor is a bachelor who finds himself haunted by all of his past girlfriends at his younger brother's wedding. The Ghosts of Girlfriends Past, Present and Future take him on a journey through his romantic history to help him come to a realization about his ways with women. Rated PG-13.

**Tuesday, October 27 : "Ghost Player: Relive the Magic, the Team, the Times, the History" with Joe Scherrman @ 2:00 pm.** No one knew that the blockbuster movie "Field of Dreams" would spawn a baseball team that would travel the world as ambassadors of baseball. Join us for this documentary film chronicling the 18 year history of the team, followed by comments from the director /producer Joe Scherrman. Questions are welcome. Refreshments provided by the Friends of the Library.

**Tuesday, October 27: Tuesday Nite @ the Movies presents "Land of the Lost" @ 7:00 pm.** On his latest expedition, Dr. Rick Marshall is sucked into a space-time vortex alongside his research assistant and a redneck survivalist. In this alternate universe, the trio makes friends with a primate named Chaka who is their only ally in a world full of dinosaurs and other fantastic creatures. They are trying to make it back to our world in one piece in this funny adventure. Rated PG-13.



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check out the library website at [www.dyersville.lib.ia.us](http://www.dyersville.lib.ia.us)  
Or contact us directly at 563-875-8912

**Wednesday, October 28 : High School Book Club@ 7:00 pm.** This monthly book discussion group for high school students resumes. The participants select the books to be discussed. This month's selection has not yet been decided. This group typically meets on the last Wednesday of each month at 7:00 pm. New members are welcome at any time. Please contact the library for more details. Refreshments are provided by the Friends or the participants.

**Thursday, October 29: Confessions of a Bibliophile—discussion of “Used and Rare: Travels in the Book World” by Lawrence and Nancy Goldstone @ 7:00 pm.** This is the third meeting for our fun fall reading discussion series with scholar Allison McNeese! We are reading a delightful series of books about books. This week's book is a travelogue of sorts as the authors share their travels and discoveries in the world of used and rare books. Readers will discover delightful scenery and quirky characters. Copies of the book are available to check out. This series is made possible by a grant from Humanities Iowa. New participants welcome to join at any time!



**Saturday, October 31: Children's Halloween Party@ 10:00 am.** Halloween is here! To celebrate, the James Kennedy Public Library will be hosting a costume and craft party for children of all ages. It will be held Saturday, October 31 at 10 a.m. Halloween themed stories will be read, and then the children's costumes will be judged and treats handed out. After the costume judging, kids will be trick-or-treating at some of the businesses on First Avenue. The trick-or-treating will conclude at about 11 a.m., followed by a simple craft at the library. Children of all ages are encouraged to attend, but we do request that children younger than 6 be accompanied by a parent or other adult. Sponsored by Pamida.

## COMING SOON!!!

**Saturday, November 14, 2009**  
**READ, LEARN, PLAY**  
**NATIONAL GAMING DAY**  
 @ your library

Plan to come to the library on Saturday, November 14 for FUN and GAMES! We will have board games, card games, video games, snacks and more. Watch for more details.

### NOVEMBER MOVIES:

**Transformers : Revenge of the Fallen (PG-13)** - Tuesday, November 3 @ 7:00 pm  
**Battle for Terra (PG)** - Friday, November 6 @ 2:00 pm  
**Ice Age: Dawn of the Dinosaurs” (PG)** - Saturday, November 7 @ 2:00 pm  
**The Proposal (PG-13)** - Sunday, November 8 @ 2:00 pm  
**Twilight (PG-13)** - Monday, November 9 @ 7:00 pm  
**Father Goose (NR)** - Tuesday, November 10 @ 2:00 pm  
**Bring It On: Fight to the Finish (PG)** - Tuesday, November 17 @ 7:00 pm  
**Up (PG)** - Saturday, November 21 @ 2:00 pm  
**The Wiz (G)** - Sunday, November 22 @ 2:00 pm  
**Four Christmases (PG-13)** - Monday, November 23 @ 7:00 pm  
**Home Alone (PG)** - Friday, November 27 @ 2:00 pm  
**Home Alone 2: Lost in New York (PG)** - Saturday, November 28 @ 2:00 pm  
**Home Alone 3 (PG)** - Sunday, November 29 @ 2:00 pm

**High School Mystery Party**  
 High school students are invited to participate in this interactive mystery on Saturday, November 7 starting at 7:00 pm. Food for all, and prizes for the best detectives! Minimum of 10 participants needed for program to be held.

**Christmas is Coming!**



**Saturday, December 5**  
**VISIT FROM SANTA!**

Santa will be at the library from 11 am to 2 pm. While waiting for their turn, children are invited to create Christmas crafts.



**Sunday, December 6**  
**Old Fashion Christmas**  
**1 to 4 pm**  
**Dyer-Botsford Museum**

Join us for an afternoon of traditional Christmas music, readings, and refreshments as we celebrate one of the most wonderful times of the year. The delightful acapella singing group **Just Voices** will perform at 2 pm.

**When you are looking for things to do, remember that your library has a lot to offer —**

Movies	Book clubs and discussion groups	Preschool Story Time and Wee Read
Computer classes	Craft classes and gatherings	Programs for Senior Citizens
	Seasonal programs for people of all ages	

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