

### **Upcoming Events for August and beyond:**

Note: There are no on-site programs scheduled for August or September. We might look at some combination of in person / virtual for the later months, assuming the Covid-19 numbers drop.

**Adult Summer Library Program Continues!** Everyone 18 and older with a JKPL card is encouraged to participate in this year's Summer Library Program which continues through August 31. Registration is ongoing and adults are welcome to join throughout the summer. This year participants are encouraged to register and track participation for the program at [dyersvillelibrary.readsquared.com](http://dyersvillelibrary.readsquared.com) or on the READsquared app. If you prefer, a paper log is available to pick up at the library via curbside or appointment. Participants will receive a bookbag, bookmark, and coupon for a free book just for registering. Using the READsquared or the paper log, participants will keep track of books read or listened to, programs viewed, activities completed, and library services used to earn prizes. For each item completed, the participant's name will be entered into a drawing for prizes. Many prizes this summer will be gift certificates to local businesses and Dyersville Dollars to support our local economy. Prizes are awarded for submitting 4 or 8 activities and participants completing at least 12 activities, which must include reading at least 4 books, will earn a special gift and have their name entered into a drawing for a special "Book Lovers" Basket. All prize entries must be submitted by September 11, 2020 and plans are in the works for how and when books can be selected and all prizes picked up. Sponsored by the Friends of the James Kennedy Public Library.

**August 1-31: Happy Birthday Up-Cycling Greeting Cards for Birthdays.** This was one of our most popular up-cycled cards so far. So in honor of my birthday August 25th I am continuing this for another month. Please no cards for me. Librarian Ann Boeckenstedt has created a video on the library Facebook page to show you how to use the fronts of donated greeting cards combined with glue and cardstock to make entirely new greeting cards. The library has some kits ready for you to pick up by appointment or via curbside service. Each kit includes a birthday themed greeting card front with coordinating cardstock. All you need is glue. Kits available while supplies last. Need an envelope? We can provide you one, just ask!

**August 1-31: Get Puzzled @ Your Library.** While we aren't able to work on a puzzle together here at the library yet, why not share what you are doing at home! Post a picture or description of your jigsaw puzzle, in progress or finished, to the library's Facebook page, or email [librarian@dyersville.lib.ia.us](mailto:librarian@dyersville.lib.ia.us), or call the library at 563-875-8912 with the name and/or description of the puzzle you are working on at home. And remember we have puzzles to check out if you need one! Everyone who shares in some fashion will get their name entered into a drawing to win a 1000 piece puzzle! Drawing will be held in early September.

**Monday, August 3: Books for Lunch Virtual Book Discussion @ 12:00 noon.** This group gathers on the first Monday of each month. This month the group will discuss *The Library Book* by Susan Orlean. New members are welcome to join at any time. Copies of the book are available to borrow from the library via curbside service or by appointment. If you are interested in joining, and have not previously

participated in the Books for Lunch group, please email [librarian@dyersville.lib.ia.us](mailto:librarian@dyersville.lib.ia.us) before 10:00 am on Monday, August 3 and an invitation will be emailed to you to join the discussion via Zoom.

**Monday, August 4: Learn To Play “Sneaky Snacky Squirrel Game”.** Join Paul as he covers how to play the popular game Sneaky Snacky Squirrel Game, a children’s game where you try to fill your log with acorns before the other players do. This will be a prerecorded video posted to the library’s Facebook page.

**Tuesday, August 4: Virtual Dungeons and Dragons Players Club @ 6:00 pm.** Join us for this monthly gaming event for D and D players which is going virtual! To join in, you must have a Discord account, a Roll20 account and must message staff member Paul at [Pzurawski@dyersville.lib.ia.us](mailto:Pzurawski@dyersville.lib.ia.us) by 2:00 pm on August 4 to get the server invite. All ages and skill levels welcome. New players are welcome at any time.

**Wednesdays, August 5, 12, 19, 26: Virtual Sit and Stitch from 1:00-3:00 pm.** Grab your tablet, phone or computer along with your hobby and/or craft and join other crafters in this fun Zoom gathering. There is lots of laughs, great company, conversation, and even some crafting! New members are welcome to join at any time. Contact Shirley at [svonderhaar@dyersville.lib.ia.us](mailto:svonderhaar@dyersville.lib.ia.us) for an invitation to attend.

**Tuesday, August 11: Inspirational Fiction: A Novel Approach to Faith Virtual Book Club @ 7:00 pm.** Join us for this book club that features a variety of books that weave religious faith into the characters and storylines. For this month we will be reading *The Sky Beneath My Feet* by Lisa Samson and we will meet via Zoom to connect and discuss. Books are available to borrow from the library via curbside service, by appointment, or digitally using BRIDGES or Freading. Participants will be emailed a link to join the discussion so if you are not on the email list for this book club please contact the library by 5:00 pm on Monday, August 10 so a link can be sent to you.

**Thursdays, August 6 & 20: Pop-Up @ the Farmer’s Market from 2:00—4:00 pm.** The JKPL will be reaching out to the community by visiting the Dyersville Farmer’s Market on the 1st and 3rd Thursdays of August. Visitors will be able to get library card applications, find out more about what the library has to offer, and select a free book to keep from the pop-up library. For the safety of the community and staff, staff working the pop-up library will wear a mask and hand sanitizer will be provided. The JKPL Pop-Up Library is sponsored in part by a grant from the Dyersville Area Community Foundation and partnership with the Dyersville Campaign for Grade Level Reading and the Friends of the JKPL. (Weather and Covid-19 permitting.)

**Thursdays, August 6 & 20: Take-and-Make @ the Farmer’s Market from 2:00—4:00 pm.** Stop by the JKPL Pop-up Library at the Commercial Club Park and pick up a fun Take-and-Make Activity Kit. Each week will feature a variety of crafts and activities that will be appropriate for ages 3-10. Kits will be available while supplies last. (Weather and Covid-19 permitting.)

**Saturday, August 8: Pop-up at Downtown Saturday Night - Backyard BBQ from 6:30-8:30 pm.** The James Kennedy Public Library will be reaching out to the community by “popping up” at Downtown Saturday Night! Visitors will be able to find out what the library has to offer, ask questions, and select one free book to keep. The JKPL Pop-Up Library is sponsored in part by a grant from the Dyersville Area Community Foundation and partnership with the Dyersville Campaign for Grade Level Reading and the Friends of the JKPL. The JKPL Fundraising Committee will also be on hand selling freezer pops to support the special collections and services of the library. (Covid-19 and weather permitting.)

**Saturday, August 8: TACKL Fun and Games @ Downtown Saturday Night from from 6:30-9:00 pm.** The Teen Advisory Council to the Kennedy Library (TACKL) is hosting a fundraising game stand at Downtown Saturday Night. Join us for fun, prizes and to support the library! TACKL will be running several different children’s games for a small fee. Games will include a bean bag toss, spin the wheel, Plinko and much more. The better you do in the game, the greater the prize you can win! All the money raised will go to TACKL, which supports the young adult collection and teen programming at the Library. (Covid-19 and weather permitting.)

**Saturday, August 15: Pop-Up @ the Dyersville Downtown Market from 8:00 am - 12:00 noon.** Weather permitting the James Kennedy Public Library will be reaching out to the community by participating in this special summer event. Visitors will find out more about what the library has to offer, and select a free book to keep from the pop-up library. For the safety of the community, staff working the pop-up library will wear a mask and hand sanitizer will be provided. The JKPL Pop-Up Library is sponsored in part by a grant from the Dyersville Area Community Foundation and partnership with the Dyersville Campaign for Grade Level Reading and the Friends of the JKPL. (Covid-19 and weather permitting.)

**Monday, August 17: JKPL Writing Group @ 6:30 pm.** This monthly writing group is for writers of all types whether it be poetry, memoir, fiction, or nonfiction. Meetings will allow time for members to read their work to the group. Feedback will be given, if desired. Optional writing exercises and writing prompts will be shared.

**Tuesday, August 18: Virtual Paranoia @ 6:00 pm.** Join us for a wacky game of Paranoia, a role playing game set in a hilarious cyberpunk world. To join in, you must have a Discord account, a Roll20 account and must message staff member Paul at [Pzurawski@dyersville.lib.ia.us](mailto:Pzurawski@dyersville.lib.ia.us) by 2:00 pm on August 20th to get the server invite. All ages and skill levels welcome. New players are welcome at any time.

**Saturday, August 22: Building Creativity One Block at a Time: a LEGO® program from 9:00am – 5:00 pm.** Make a LEGO® creation at home, take a picture, and tag both the library AND DuTrac Community Credit Union on social media to be entered for a chance to win a LEGO® set! This month’s theme is “Imagine Your Story.” Pictures of creations must be posted between 9:00am-5:00 pm on August 22. This LEGO® program is part of a monthly LEGO® building block program at the library sponsored by DuTrac Community Credit Union.

**Monday, August 24: Learn To Play HiveMind.** Join Paul as he covers how to play the popular game Hivemind, a game where you have to try and guess how others will answer different trivia questions! This will be a prerecorded video posted to the library’s Facebook page.

**Friday, August 28: You Know You Are From Dyersville Area If.... @ 1:00 pm.** Join us via Zoom for a virtual sharing session. We will be reminiscing and talking about the good old days. Anyone interested in participating should email librarian Ann Boeckenstedt by 10:00 am on Friday, August 28 at [aboeckenstedt.dyersville.lib.ia.us](mailto:aboeckenstedt.dyersville.lib.ia.us) and provide an email address so the link to the Zoom meeting can be emailed to you. If you do not have an email address, or a device to participate on, please call and talk with Ann about an alternative way to participate.

**Friday, August 28: Virtual Game Night featuring “The Resistance” @ 6:00 pm.** Join us as we play a board game over Discord! For this session, everyone will be playing the popular board game The Resistance. In this game, players must figure out who the traitors are among themselves before it’s too late. Librarian Paul Z. will be running the game while the players message in their responses. To play, you must have a Discord account. Please email Paul at [pzurawski@dyersville.lib.ia.us](mailto:pzurawski@dyersville.lib.ia.us) by 2:00 pm on May 11 in order to receive an invite for the game. This event will be limited to 10 players.

**Virtual Visit with author Mary Potter Kenyon** – featuring her new Creativity book! Date, time and details to be determined.

**Monday, September 7: Library closed for Labor Day.**

**Sunday, September 13: Library re-opens on Sundays.**

**Saturday, September 26: Pop-Up @ the Dyersville Downtown Market from 8:00 am - 12:00 noon.** Weather and Covid-19 permitting the James Kennedy Public Library will be reaching out to the community by participating in this special summer event. Visitors will find out more about what the library has to offer, and select a free book to keep from the pop-up library. For the safety of the community, staff working the pop-up library will wear a mask and hand sanitizer will be provided. The JKPL Pop-Up Library is sponsored in part by a grant from the Dyersville Area Community Foundation and partnership with the Dyersville Campaign for Grade Level Reading and the Friends of the JKPL.

**September 27 -October 3: Banned Books Week: Censorship is a Dead End.** Find Your Freedom to Read. Join us September 27-October 3 for Banned Books Week! The 2020 theme is Censorship is a Dead End. Find Your Freedom to Read. Banned Books Week is an annual event celebrating the freedom to read and the importance of the First Amendment. Banned Books Week highlights the benefits of free and open access to information while drawing attention to the harms of censorship by spotlighting actual or attempted bannings of books across the United States.

**October 2020. Costume Swap.** Details pending (will plan if works with Covid-19)

**TeenTober** is a new, nationwide celebration hosted by libraries every October and aims to celebrate teens, promote year-round teen services and the innovative ways teen services helps teens learn new skills, and fuel their passions in and outside the library. TeenTober replaces YALSA’s previous Teen Read Week™ and Teen Tech Week™ celebrations, allowing libraries the flexibility to celebrate all types of literacies according to their library’s schedule. Programming to be decided.

**October 2020: Book Character Pumpkin painting.** Details TBD. (Done at home, displayed and voted on at the library and / or virtually)

**Halloween Programming** – To Be Determined

**Saturday, November 7: The Many Worlds of our Solar System @ 11:00 am.** Come tour the planets and moons of our solar system using planetarium software. All ages welcome. Presented by John M. Heasley of Driftless Stargazing. Previously scheduled. Pending Covid-19 status.

**Saturday, November 14: Journalism In Truth and Fiction with Joseph LeValley @ 11:00 am.** Joseph LeValley spent seven years as a newspaper reporter covering serious crimes such as murder, kidnapping, embezzlement, arson and others. He spent hundreds of hours in courtrooms covering the criminal trials associated with many of these crimes. In this presentation, LeValley will describe some of his encounters with law enforcement, his fascination with the strategies employed by prosecutors and defense attorneys in the courtroom, and the triumphs and tragedies in criminal justice he witnessed. He will also describe how these experiences inspired him to write a series of mystery-thriller novels. Copies of the books will be available for purchase from the author. Previously scheduled. Pending Covid-19 status.

**Wednesday, November 25: Library closes at 5:00 pm ; Thursday, November 26: Library closed for Thanksgiving**

**Saturday, December 12: Around the Farm Table with Inga Witscher @ 12:00 pm.** Join Inga Witscher, dairy farmer and host of the PBS television show Around the Farm Table, for an educational and entertaining cooking demonstration that features Midwestern agriculture and artisan products. All ages welcome. Has been rescheduled due to Covid-19.

**Thursday, December 24 and Friday, December 25: Library closed for Christmas Eve and Christmas Day.**

**Thursday, December 31: Library closes at 5:00 pm for New Year's Eve; Friday, January 1: Library closed for New Year's Day**