

Mark your calendar for these February programs!

February 1—28: Warm-Up @ Your Library Winter Library Challenge Continues

There is still time to sign up for the 2019 winter library challenge! Stop in and pick up your Warm-Up bingo card and free book bag just for joining.

- Read different genres and formats, listen to books, try out databases and other services, or attend library programs to fill the squares.
- Complete bingos to win prizes. First bingo earns a free book; second bingo earns a library themed mug; and a third bingo earns an item purchased for the library, by the library, in your honor. Black out bingos will earn a special JKPL goodie bag.
- Adults and teens 13 years old and older with a James Kennedy Public Library card are eligible to participate.
- The winter library program will run thru February 28 and bingos may be submitted until March 8.



February 2018: Love My Library Giving Tree Fundraiser Continues!

Do you “Love Your Library”? Then consider participating in this annual fundraising activity that will improve the collection and services the library is able to offer.

- Library staff have identified books and materials, furnishings, equipment, programs, supplies, and more that the library needs.
- Select one or more items and donate the funds needed for purchase. Or purchase the items yourself and donate them to the library.
- Donations will be written on a heart and hung on the library “Giving Tree.” Where appropriate the library will attach a tag or book plate acknowledging the donation and the donor will be the first to check it out.
- Some items are listed on the bulletin board in the entry to the library and the complete list can be viewed at the circulation desk or from the home page of the library’s website (www.dyersville.lib.ia.us).
- Not finding something you want to “love”? Bring your ideas to a librarian!



Friday, February 1: Build-A-Basket Fundraiser begins

It is time for the JKPL Annual Build-A-Basket Fundraiser! Pick something you love like candles, cooking, or cats and build a basket of items around that theme. Or pick a favorite book and build a basket around that book. Create your basket and donate it to the library by March 10. The baskets will be auctioned off in a silent auction that runs March 11 to April 7. The library will provide you an empty basket if you need one. All funds raised are used to support library programs, collections, and services.



February 1—28: Color Me Happy @ Your Library. Stop in the library anytime during the month of February to participate in this fun and relaxing program for all ages. The library will provide coloring pages, colored pencils and markers and you provide your talent! Materials will be available to pick up at the front desk or in the Creation Station and you can take them anywhere in the library to color. When you are finished, bring them back to the desk. Completed pages will be displayed in the library. All participants will have their name entered into a drawing to win a JKPL Family Coloring Book, which is also available to purchase for \$5.00.



February 1—28: Get Puzzled @ Your Library. Stop in the library this month to help us put together a new jigsaw puzzle. This month’s puzzle is *Friends in Winter*. The puzzle is located on the table under the skylight and everyone is welcome to add a piece or two or more! Everyone who works on the puzzle is encouraged to put their name into a drawing to win the puzzle.

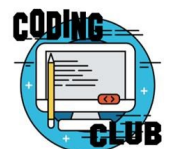
Fridays February 1, 8, 15, & 22: Card and Game Party from 1:00—3:30 pm. Join us Friday afternoons in February for cards, games and snacks! Come meet, teach, and play with other players. Refreshments provided.



Saturday, February 2: Coding Club @ 10:00 am

Join the Western Dubuque High School Programming Club for three sessions to see how easy it is to get started with coding.

- Sessions include a short presentation then step-by-step instruction on design of a simple application.
- Sessions will be held on Saturdays, February 2, March 2, and April 6 at 10:00 am.
- Participants are welcome to bring their own computer, tablet or other device. Otherwise the library will provide on a first come, first serve basis.
- This program is recommended for ages 12 and up. Younger participants are welcome if accompanied by an adult or older sibling.
- Additional sessions may be added if there is interest.



Saturday, February 2: Scrabble® Tile Coasters DIY @ 11:00 am

Come make a pair of wooden 4x4 inch square coasters from Scrabble® tiles. Coasters, cork backings, and tiles will be provided by the library. Each participant will take home 1 pair (2 individual) coasters. Cost is \$5 per person to cover craft supplies. Registration required as class is limited to 10 participants and payment is due at registration. For ages 14 and up.



Saturday, February 2: Family Movies @ Your Library presents "WALL-E" @ 2:00 pm. WALL-E, a robot left behind to clean up Earth after the humans have left, discovers another robot and the two become friends, but when a spaceship arrives to take his new friend away, WALL-E sets off on an adventure across the galaxy to save her. Rated G. (98 min.)

Sunday, February 3: Doodle Off! @ 2:00 pm

Show off your skills in the fine field of doodling! Participants will face off in a series of rounds where they will be given a random topic to doodle and given only one minute to make their drawing. A judge will pick their favorites to move on to the next round. The winner of the event will earn a gift card. For ages 12 and up. Registration is requested. This event is sponsored by TACKL.



Monday, February 4: 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 2019 All Iowa Reads book *This Blessed Earth: A Year in the Life of an American Family Farm* by Ted Genoways. 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, February 4: Lifelong Learners @ 6:30 pm

Are you a creative or imaginative person looking for a group to share your passions with? Are you looking for encouragement, new ideas, or like-minded companions? Consider joining this monthly gathering for imaginative people who can learn from, and feed off each other's creativity. Participants are encouraged to bring books they are reading or things they are currently working on - whether that is a painting, a scrapbook, or a poem - and will have the opportunity to share with the group. There will also be a "swap" table for items participants no longer need. Facilitated by volunteers Mary Kenyon and Sue Engelbrecht, this group meets on the 1st Monday of each month at 6:30 pm and is open to ages 17 and up. Registration encouraged but not required.



Tuesdays and Thursdays, February 5—28: Strength Training for Older Adults at 10:00 am. Older adults of any age and fitness level are participating in this 12 week exercise program made possible by a partnership between the Geri-Fit® Company and the James Kennedy Public Library. This series of classes runs January 15—April 4. Participants must already be registered in order to attend. If there is interest, additional sessions will be offered in the future.



Tuesday, February 5: 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.

Wednesdays, February 6, 13, 20, & 27: Story Time @ 9:30 am & 6:30 pm. Parents and caregivers are encouraged to sign up and bring their preschoolers to the Spring 2019 sessions of Preschool Story Time. Story Time is open to 3, 4 and 5 year olds who have not been in Kindergarten. Programs will run February 6 through April 24. Registration is required as space is limited.



Wednesdays, February 6, 13, 20, & 27: Wee Read @ 10:30 am. Parents and caregivers are encouraged to sign up and bring their preschoolers to the Spring 2019 sessions of Wee Read. Wee Read is for children under 3 and their caregiver. Programs will run February 6 through April 24. Registration is required as space is limited.



Wednesdays, February 6, 13, 20 & 27: Sit and Stitch from 1:00—3:00 pm. Bring your hobby or craft and join other crafters for lots of laughs, food, great company and experienced help at this weekly gathering. New members are welcome to join at any time.

Wednesdays, February 6, 13, & 20: Crazy 8s Math Club: 3rd-5th Grade @ 4:30 pm

Join the James Kennedy Public Library and Bedtime Math for Crazy 8s Math Club, where you will build stuff, run and jump, make music and make a mess! It is a totally new kind of recreational math club that is not homework, homework help, tutoring or TAG.

- This session is for 3rd-5th graders.
- This session meets at 4:30 pm on Wednesdays for 8 sessions from February 6—April 3. ****NOTE: There will be no session on February 27.**
- Each meeting will last 1 hour.
- Registration is required and is for the entire 8 sessions. Registration is limited to 16 participants.



Thursdays, February 7, 14, and 21: Crazy 8s Math Club: K-2nd Grade @ 4:30 pm

Join the James Kennedy Public Library and Bedtime Math for Crazy 8s Math Club, where you will build stuff, run and jump, make music and make a mess! It is a totally new kind of recreational math club that is not homework, homework help, tutoring or TAG.

- This session is for K-2nd graders.
- This session meets at 4:30 pm on Thursdays for 8 sessions from February 7—April 4. ****NOTE: There will be no session on February 28.**
- Each meeting will last 1 hour.
- Registration is required and is for the entire 8 sessions. Registration is limited to 16 participants.



Friday, February 8: Building Creativity One Block at a Time: a LEGO® program from 3:30—5:00 pm. This month's theme is "Valentine's Day". 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 series at the library sponsored by DuTrac Community Credit Union.



Saturday, February 9: Math and Gaming in Dungeons & Dragons @ 2:00 pm

Join Dr. Jacob Heinrich from Loras College as we look at using probability to design characters in Dungeons & Dragons that can get things done. We'll focus on the rules of D&D 5th edition; but the math involved can be applied to all editions as well as other role playing games. This program is intended for ages 10 and up, but younger children can attend if they have an adult present to help with the math involved.



Saturday, February 9: Mystery Dinner Theatre, A Dinner to Die For @ 6:30 pm

The JKPL welcomes back the Die-Laughing Murder Mystery Troupe for *A Dinner to Die For, Murder is served, ... Or How the 'Summer of Love' Became the Winter of Discotheques*. This time, they're doin' it in the sixties... Fun, laughs...a girls group...a black panther... an enormous southern Senator...The perfect 60's housewife...brownies...we'll take you to the moon with dinner and fun!



- Cost is \$50 per person or a table of 8 for \$350.
- This event will be held at the Dyersville Golf & Country Club
- Doors open at 5:30 pm and the show starts at 6:30 pm.
- The meal, catered by J&D Mart, includes Caesar salad, beef brisket, parmesan peppercorn chicken, parsley red potatoes, green beans almondine, roll, milk and coffee. A vegetarian option is available if requested when tickets are purchased.
- Dessert is provided by First Avenue Bakery.
- **Seating is limited and Last date to purchase tickets is February 4*******
- Snow date is February 16.

Monday, February 11: Book Flicks @ Your Library presents "The Hate U Give" @ 6:30 pm. Starr witnesses the fatal shooting of her childhood best friend Khalil at the hands of a police officer. Now, facing pressure from all sides of the community, Starr must find her voice and stand up for what's right. Based on the book by Angie Thomas. Rated PG-13. (135 min.)

Tuesday, February 12: 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 Hope of Refuge* by Cindy Woodsmall. Copies of each book are available to borrow from the library.

Friday, February 15: Coffee and Creating @ Your Library from 9:30—11:30 am. Come enjoy coloring, crafting, creating, chatting and enjoying coffee or other morning beverages in the library's Creation Station on the third Friday of each month. The library provides miscellaneous coloring and craft supplies along with coffee and the makings for other hot beverages. No registration needed. Participants are welcome to come and go as time allows. This program is open to adults 18 and older.



Friday and Saturday, February 15 & 16: Teddy Bear Sleepover & Pajama Storytime

What would your favorite stuffed animal do if left alone at the library all night? We will find out at our midwinter Teddy Bear Sleepover! Kids of all ages are invited to bring their teddy bear or other stuffed animal to the library, leave them overnight, and then come back the next day to see what they got up to when no one was looking. (rescheduled from January)

- Stuffed animals may be dropped off in the Hoffman Community Room on Friday, February 15 anytime from 3:00—6:00 pm (the library itself closes at 5:00 pm).
- Kids can come back Saturday morning at 9:30 am for a pajama story time with donuts, and to pick up their stuffed animal friend.
- Each animal will return home with a photographic journal of their library hijinks.



Saturday, February 16: Family Movies @ Your Library presents "Wild Hearts Can't Be Broken" @ 2:00 pm. Thrilled by a performance she sees at a fair, young Sonora tries to land a spot as a daredevil who rides horses off of high dives. Rated G. (93 min.)

Saturday, February 16: Nerf War @ Your Library 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.



Sunday, February 17: Book Tasting for Adults @ 2:00 pm

Are you hungry for a good book? Join us for this fun 'book tasting' event where you can sample some of the best books published in 2018! Books available to "taste" will be selected from the Best Books lists created by various organizations. Refreshments provided, including mulled wine and hot spiced cider. (Rescheduled from January)



Monday, February 18: Books for Lunch Movie presentation of "First Man" @ 12:00 noon. A look at the life of the astronaut, Neil Armstrong, and the legendary space mission that led him to become the first man to walk on the Moon. Rated PG-13 (140 min.)

Monday, February 18: Cricut with Christopher for St. Patrick's Day Decorations @ 6:30 pm

Come learn about the Cricut Maker from local expert Lisa Christopher and make a special shamrock project for St. Patrick's Day. Participants should be 14 or older. Children 8 and up are welcome if accompanied by an adult.



Monday, February 18: 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, February 19: Adulting Class: Cooking with Becca Miller @ 6:30 pm

Being an adult means that you have to know certain skills that are often taught the hard way. The library is holding a series of adulting classes to help you learn those skills from local experts! In this first session, local restaurant owner Becca Miller will teach some basic cooking recipes anyone can make. Got an idea for a session topic? Let us know! For ages 13 and up. Registration is recommend as the class is limited to 15 due to space and supplies.



Thursday, February 21: The BookEaters Book Club @ 6:30 pm. This reading discussion group is for kids ages 9-12 and meets the third Thursday of each month. For this meeting the group will discuss *Wonderstruck* by Brian Selznick. Copies of each book are available to borrow from the library. Registration requested. Snacks provided.

Friday, February 22: Final Friday Tech featuring Microsoft Office from 3:00—5:00 pm. Final Friday Tech is held on the last Friday of each month. This month's topic is how to use Microsoft Office. Come in with your questions about how to use Office, Excel, Publisher and more. Other technology questions are welcome as well. The library has a few laptops available to use but guests are encouraged to bring their own, if they have one.



Friday, February 22: Game Night @ Your Library @ 6:00 pm. Bring your favorite game (card game, board game, role playing game, or video game) and meet, teach, and play with others! Game night is held on the 4th Friday of every month. All ages welcome.

Saturday, February 23: Beginning Editing and Publishing from 10:30 am—3:30 pm.

Are you a writer looking for what to do next? Did you participate in NaNoWriMo and now want to work on editing and publishing? This program is just for you! The morning session with Jane DeShaw will focus on how to get started with editing your work. In the afternoon, Mary Kenyon will talk about getting published. Come to one or both sessions. Bring a bag lunch and plan to stay all day. Beverages and snacks provided. Registration requested as space is limited. Walk-ins welcome if space allows.



Sunday, February 24: Mini Golf @ Your Library

Come to the library for this special two-part event. For one day only, we'll turn the library into a mini-golf course!



Making Your Library into a Miniature Golf Course from 2:00—4:00 pm

Everyone is invited to come and help turn the library into a miniature golf course. Participants may work individually or in teams to create one hole.

- Challenge your creativity to turn plastic cups, blocks, boxes, books, stuffed animals, and more into obstacles.
- Bring your own supplies or use what the library has available.
- Participants will design their hole from 2:00—4:00 pm and set it up in the library by 5:00 pm.
- Winning design will receive \$50.00 in Dyersville Dollars. Winners selected by golfers who vote during the 5:00—8:00pm event.
- Registration is requested but not required. Walk-ins welcome if space allows (only 9 holes will be constructed).
- All ages welcome but those under age 10 must be accompanied by an adult.

Miniature Golf from 5:00—8:00 pm

Come in and tee off between the stacks and navigate our obstacles. Golfers will vote for their favorite hole. All ages welcome but those under age 6 must be accompanied by an adult. Join us for fun, refreshments and door prizes!

Monday, February 25: Strings Club @ 6:00 pm. Do you have a ukulele, guitar or other string instrument that you would like to play more often? Do you want to grow your skills by jamming with others? Join this new monthly club facilitated by Sue Engelbrecht and Gary Bramel. Teen and adult musicians of all skill levels welcome. NOTE: This is not a class but a jam session so participants should know basic chords. Registration requested. Walk-ins welcome as space allows.



Tuesday, February 26: Internet Safety Class @ 6:30 pm. As part of national Safer Internet Day, the library will be hosting a class on basic methods you can use to protect yourself on the internet. This session will cover information on basic programs, what to avoid, and potential fixes for problems. Refreshments provided.



Thursday, February 28: Let's Talk @ 6:30 pm. Do you want to talk about the books you are reading but not have to read a specific book? Then this book club is for you! Mark your calendars for the 4th Thursday of each month and come hear about what others are reading or share your favorites. If time and interest allows, library staff will "book talk" a few of their favorites. Refreshments provided.

February 2019

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<p>Love My Library Fundraiser continues February 1—28</p>	<p>Build-A-Basket Fundraiser begins February 1</p>	<p>Warm-Up Winter Challenge continues February 1—28</p>	<p>Color Me Happy February 1—28</p>	<p>Get Puzzled @ Your Library February 1—28</p>	<p>1 Card & Game Party from 1-3:30pm</p>	<p>2 Coding Club @ 10am Scrabble® Tile Coasters DIY @ 11am <i>WALL-E (G) @ 2pm</i></p>
<p>3 Doodle Off @ 2pm</p>	<p>4 Books for Lunch @ 12 noon Lifelong Learners @ 6:30pm</p>	<p>5 Strength Training @ 10am Dungeons & Dragons @ 6pm</p>	<p>6 Story Time @ 9:30am & 6:30 pm Wee Read @ 10:30 am Sit 'n Stitch @ 1pm Crazy 8s: 3rd-5th @ 4:30pm</p>	<p>7 Strength Training @ 10am Crazy 8s: K-2nd @ 4:30pm</p>	<p>8 LEGO® from 3:30-5pm Card & Game Party from 1-3:30pm</p>	<p>9 Math and Gaming in D&D @ 2pm Mystery Dinner Theatre @ 6:30pm</p>
<p>10</p>	<p>11 <i>The Hate U Give (PG-13) @ 6:30pm</i></p>	<p>12 Strength Training @ 10am A Novel Approach to Faith @ 7pm</p>	<p>13 Story Time @ 9:30am & 6:30 pm Wee Read @ 10:30 am Sit 'n Stitch @ 1pm Crazy 8s: 3rd-5th @ 4:30pm</p>	<p>14 Strength Training @ 10am Crazy 8s: K-2nd @ 4:30pm</p>	<p>15 Coffee & Creating from 9:30-11:30am Card & Game Party from 1-3:30pm Teddy Bear Sleepover Drop-off from 3-6pm</p>	<p>16 Teddy Bear Pajama Storytime @ 9:30am <i>Wild Hearts Can't Be Broken (G) @ 2pm</i> Nerf War from 6-8pm</p>
<p>17 Book Tasting @ 2pm</p>	<p>18 <i>First Man (PG-13) @ 12 noon</i> JKPL Writing Group @ 6:30pm Cricut with Christopher @ 6:30pm</p>	<p>19 Strength Training @ 10am Adulting @ 6:30pm</p>	<p>20 Story Time @ 9:30am & 6:30 pm Wee Read @ 10:30 am Sit 'n Stitch @ 1pm Crazy 8s: 3rd-5th @ 4:30pm</p>	<p>21 Strength Training @ 10am Crazy 8s: K-2nd @ 4:30pm The BookEaters Book Club @ 6:30pm</p>	<p>22 Card & Game Party from 1-3:30pm Final Friday Tech from 3-5pm Game Night @ 6pm</p>	<p>23 Beginning Editing & Publishing from 10:30am-3:30pm</p>
<p>24 Making Your Library into a Mini Golf Course from 2-4pm Mini Golf from 5-8pm</p>	<p>25 Strings Club @ 6pm</p>	<p>26 Strength Training @ 10am Internet Safety Class @ 6:30pm</p>	<p>27 Story Time @ 9:30am & 6:30 pm Wee Read @ 10:30 am Sit 'n Stitch @ 1pm</p>	<p>28 Strength Training @ 10am Let's Talk @ 6:30pm</p>		

UPCOMING EVENTS

Beginning Wood Carving Class Sundays, March 3 & 10 @ 1:00 pm

Members of the local Bear Creek Carving Club are offering a two-part beginning wood carving class at the library.

- The fee is \$35.00 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.

Kobolds Ate My Baby Role Playing Game Friday, March 1 @ 6:00 pm

Join us after-hours for Kobolds Ate My Baby, a role playing game with simple rules and lots of shenanigans. All ages and skill levels welcome. Refreshments will be provided.

Squishy Circuits Saturday, March 9 @ 10:00 am

Join us as we learn about circuits and electricity using Squishy Circuits! Squishy Circuits uses play-doh, some that is conductive and some that is insulative to learn about how electricity can move thru objects. For ages 10 and up.

Building Creativity One Block at a Time: a LEGO® program Saturday, March 16 from 2:45–4:30 pm

This month's theme is "Basketball game". 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 series at the library sponsored by DuTrac Community Credit Union. *Note: this program will begin at 2:45 pm or once the St. Patrick's Day parade has ended.*

Adulting Class: Finances with Don Kramer Tuesday, March 19 @ 6:30 pm

Being an adult means that you have to know certain skills that are often taught the hard way. The library is holding a series of adulting classes to help you learn those skills from local experts! In this second session, Don Kramer, local financial expert, will present tips and tricks for budgeting, talk about the importance of saving money, and give some basic advice for stock trading. For ages 13 and up.

Final Friday Tech featuring Internet Searches Friday, March 29 from 3:00–5:00 pm

Final Friday Tech is held on the last Friday of each month. This month's topic is how to use search engines on the internet. Come in and learn how to better use Google, Bing or your preferred search engine. Other technology questions are welcome as well. The library has a few laptops available to use but guests are encouraged to bring their own, if they have one.

Creation Station S.T.E.A.M Festival Saturday, March 30 from 10:00 am–4:00 pm

Join us at this special event for all ages and discover some of the exciting activities you can try out at the library! There will be several different activities available throughout the day including making washu dominos, doodle bots, crafting with the Cricut, button making, sticker art, robotics, and more. Mark your calendar and plan to spend the day with us!

Let's Plant a Garden! Saturday, March 30 @ 10:00 am

Join us for this special 2 hour program with the ISU Extension and Outreach, Dubuque County where you will learn what to expect your first year of home gardening, how to create a garden plan for your space, and find out how much you can expect the garden to cost your first year (and what your food savings will be!).

- This program is for adults but teens are welcome. Children who have not yet started 8th grade may attend with a parent.
- Registration is requested by March 27 to ensure enough supplies are on hand.
- A minimum of 8 participants is required to hold this class.

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