

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

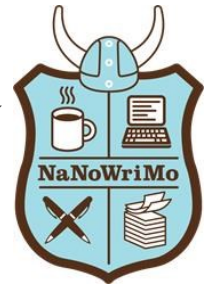
***November 1—11: The Chair-ity Silent Auction Continues!***

Be sure to stop in and BID before it is too late! A dozen wooden items have been donated, including a Dr. Seuss themed chair, a hobby horse, a chair with pillows, and a magazine rack. Voting for the Most Creative, Children's Choice, and Overall Favorite continues until November 4 with the ribbons being on display with the winning wreaths from November 5—11. Bidding in the silent auction also continues until 3:00 pm on November 11, so be sure to bid on your favorites.

***November 1—30: 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 Autumn*. 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!

***November is National Novel Writing Month (NaNoWriMo)!***

NaNoWriMo is a fun, informal approach to creative writing, with participants working towards the goal of writing a 50,000 word novel by 11:59 pm on November 30. This year the JKPL is registered as a *Come Write In* space, where writers can work on their writing either independently or in a group. Writers are welcome to register on the official NaNoWriMo website but registration is not required. While the "official" goal is to write a novel, the JKPL wants to encourage writing of all kinds so please consider joining no matter what you enjoy writing. If there is interest, the JKPL will host a special session in December or January for participants to share their writings and writing experiences; and in February there will be a special program on what to do next which will talk about editing and getting published.



***NaNoWriMo Kick-Off: Thursday, November 1 @ 6:00 pm***

Jump-start your November writing project with this brief introduction to NaNoWriMo, meet other writers, enjoy refreshments and WRITE! All writers welcome. Refreshments provided.

***NaNoWriMo Come Write In***

Writers are invited to utilize the Hoffman Room for open writing. Bring your headphones, writing tools, snacks, and whatever else you need for a relaxed writing session. Some writing prompts will be available. Come and go as you please. Refreshments provided. Dates scheduled are:

Monday, November 5 from 5:00 to 8:00 pm	Monday, November 12 from 10:00 am to 12:00 noon
Friday, November 16 from 2:00 to 5:00 pm	Tuesday, November 20 from 5:00 to 8:00 pm
Monday, November 26 from 10:00 am to 12:00 noon	Thursday, November 29 from 5:00 to 8:00 pm
Friday, November 30 from 10:00 am to 5:00 pm	



***Saturdays, November 3, 10, 17, & 24: Learn to Draw Comics and Graphic Novels @ 11:00 am.*** Join local artist Hannah Goldsmith for a four part series that will teach the basics of drawing comic book characters and graphic novels. Supplies will be provided but feel free to bring your own drawing materials. For ages 13-18 only. Registration is required and participation is limited to 12.

***Saturday, November 3: Family Movies @ Your Library presents "Cats & Dogs" @ 2:00 pm.*** A secret war between cats & dogs escalates when a human scientist develops a serum to eliminate all human allergies to dogs. Rated PG. (87 min.)

***Sunday, November 4: Sunday Movies @ Your Library presents "Mamma Mia: Here We Go Again" @ 2:00 pm.*** Five years after the events of *Mamma Mia!*, Sophie prepares for the grand reopening of the Hotel Bella Donna as she learns more about her mother's past. Rated PG-13 (114 min.)

***Monday, November 5: 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 *The Little Paris Bookshop* by Nina George. 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.





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**Monday, November 5: Lifelong Learners Creativity Group - Fiber Art @ 6:30 pm.** Join us for this bi-monthly group for imaginative people who can learn from, and feed off each other's creativity. This group meets on the 1st Monday of every other month and is open to ages 17 and up. Registration is requested but walk-ins welcome if space allows. This month Margie Meehan of Tipperary Fiber n Art Studio in Hopkinton will discuss her art and guide participants in a simple fiber art project. There is a \$10.00 materials fee for the project. *This gathering was originally scheduled for October but postponed due to weather.*

**Tuesday, November 6: 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, November 7 & 14: Story Time @ 9:30 am and 6:30 pm.** Story Time is open to 3, 4 and 5 year olds who have not been in Kindergarten and is offered on Wednesdays at 9:30 am or 6:30 pm. Registration is required.

**Wednesdays, November 7 & 14: Wee Read @ 10:30 am.** Wee Read is for children under 3 and their caregiver and is offered on Wednesdays at 10:30 am. Registration is required as space is limited.

**Wednesdays November 7, 14, 21 & 28: Sit and Stitch from 1:00—3:00 pm.** Join other crafters at this weekly gathering to share crafting and conversation. Gatherings are every Wednesday and 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!

**Wednesdays, November 7 & 14: Crazy 8s Math Club: 3rd-5th Grade @ 4:30 pm.** Join the James Kennedy Public Library and Bedtime Math for Crazy 8s Math Club. This session is for 3rd-5th graders. Participants must already be registered to attend. *Please note that the October 31 session was moved to the 14th.*



**Thursdays, November 8 & 15: Crazy 8s Math Club: K-2nd Grade @ 4:30 pm.** Join the James Kennedy Public Library and Bedtime Math for Crazy 8s Math Club. This session is for Kindergarten- 2nd graders. Participants must already be registered to attend. *Please note that the November 1 session was moved to the 15th.*



**International Games Week is November 4-11!**

IGW is an initiative run by volunteers from around the world to reconnect communities through their libraries around the educational, recreational, and social value of all types of games. To celebrate, the JKPL is holding a couple of special programs at the library. Also, everyone who checks out a game from the library or plays a game in the library during the week is invited to sign up for games related prizes. Sponsored by Dyersville Comics and Games.

**Rock Band Game Night Friday, November 9 @ 6:30 pm**

Come to the library and rock out! Come play Guitar Hero and Rock Band and see who can get the highest score! For ages 10+. Refreshments provided.

**Game On Afternoon: Saturday, November 10 from 1:00—4:00 pm**

Bring your favorite board, card, or handheld video game to the JKPL to meet and play with some of your fellow game lovers. Participants will be entered for door prizes donated by Dyersville Comics and Games. All ages welcome. Refreshments provided.

**Sunday, November 11: Chair-ity Silent Auction Closing Reception from 2:00—4:00 pm.** Join us for refreshments and your last chance to bid on a chair. All proceeds will be used to improve the library's services and collections. Bidding ends promptly at 3:00 pm.



**Monday, November 12: NaNoWriMo Come Write In from 10:00 am to 12:00 noon**

**Monday, November 12: Book Flicks @ Your Library presents "The Darkest Minds" @ 6:30 pm.** Imprisoned by an adult world that now fears everyone under 18, a group of teens form a resistance group to fight back and reclaim control of their future. Based on the book by Alexandra Bracken. Rated PG-13. (105 min.)

**Tuesday, November 13: 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 *Pie Town* by Lynne Hinton. Copies of each book are available to borrow from the library.

**November 12—December 16: Layette Quilt Display and Raffle**

The JKPL is partnering with the Dyersville Layette Ladies to share with you the work and talent of the Layette Ladies as well as raise some funds for both organizations. Several quilts made by the group will be on display at the library from November 12 thru December 16. During this time you will be able to purchase raffle tickets to win the quilt of your choice!



- Raffle tickets are 1 for \$2.00, 3 for \$5.00 or 10 for \$10.00.
- One winner will be able to select their favorite quilt out of those on display to keep.
- The winner of the raffle will be drawn on Monday, December 17. Need not be present to win.
- Proceeds from this fundraiser will be split evenly between the Layette Ladies group and the JKPL.

**Wednesday, November 14: 1000 Books Before Kindergarten Awards Ceremony and Story Time @ 6:30 pm**

Children who are participating in 1000 Books Before Kindergarten are being recognized at this family event. There will be a short family story time followed by a brief award ceremony. Achievement certificates and trophies will be handed out. Cookies and lemonade provided. The 1000 Books Before Kindergarten program is funded by a grant from the Dubuque Racing Association and the Friends of the JKPL.



**Thursday, November 15: The BookEaters Book Club @ 6:30 pm.** This reading discussion group for kids ages 9-12 meets the third Thursday of each month. For this meeting the group will discuss *Rules* by Cynthia Lord. Copies of each book are available to borrow from the library. Registration requested. Snacks provided.

**Friday, November 16: Coffee and Creating @ Your Library from 9:30—11:30 am.** Come relax and relieve stress by coloring or creating simple crafts in the library's Active Learning Smart on the third Friday of each month. The library provides miscellaneous craft and coloring supplies along with coffee and the makings for other hot beverages. Join us this month as we create something special for the holidays. Participants are welcome to come and go as time allows. This program is open to adults 18 and older.

**Friday, November 16: NaNoWriMo Come Write In from 2:00—5:00 pm.**

**Saturday, November 17: Family Movies @ Your Library presents "The Incredibles 2" @ 2:00 pm.** Helen is called on to lead a campaign to bring Supers back, while Bob navigates the day-to-day heroics of "normal" life at home with Violet, Dash and baby Jack-Jack, whose superpowers are about to be discovered. Their mission is derailed, however, when a new villain emerges with a brilliant and dangerous plot that threatens everything. Rated PG. (111 min.)

**Sunday, November 18: Scrapbooking: How to Make Holiday Cards from 2:00—4:00 pm**

Thinking of someone special this Christmas? Come to the library and create three unique Christmas cards that no one else will be sending out! All the materials needed for you to get creative will be provided. This program is limited to ten participants so call the library to sign up soon! Presented by scrapbooker Joyce Meldrem.



**Monday, November 19: Books for Lunch Movie presentation of "Chicago" @ 12:00 noon.** At a time when crimes of passion result in celebrity headlines, nightclub sensation Velma Kelly and spotlight seeking Roxie Hart both find themselves sharing space on Chicago's famed Murderess Row! But in Chicago, there's only room for one legend! Rated PG-13 (113 min.)

**Monday, November 19: 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, November 20: Building Creativity One Block at a Time: a LEGO® program from 5:00 -7:00 pm.**

This month's theme is "Family at Thanksgiving". 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. 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.

**Tuesday, November 20: NaNoWriMo Come Write In from 5:00—8:00 pm.**

**Thanksgiving Hours:**

Wednesday, November 21: Library closing at 5:00 pm  
Thursday, November 22: Library closed for Thanksgiving





**Friday, November 23: 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.

**Saturday, November 24: Small Business Saturday!**



**Refueling Station from 9:30 am to 4:30 pm.** Need a break from shopping? Stop in the library and relax with cider, punch, cookies or popcorn! Grab a few moments of down time by working on the puzzle, coloring, reading or just relaxing.

**Game On from 10:00 am—1:00 pm.** Looking for something for your children to do while you shop? Bring them to the library to enjoy board, card, or console games! Members of TACKL (Teen Advisory Group) will be available to play games or just hang out with your kids. No registration is required but children must have completed Kindergarten or be accompanied by an older teen. Refreshments provided.

**Saturday, November 24: Family Movies @ Your Library presents "The Secret Life of Pets" @ 2:00 pm.** Two mismatched mutts get lost in NYC due to their feuding, and must find their way home. During their journey, they encounter a vicious bunny who plans to lead a group of abandoned pets on a mission of revenge against humanity. Rated PG (90 min.)

**Monday, November 26: NaNoWriMo Come Write In from 10:00 am to 12:00 noon.**

**Tuesday, November 27: Trash or Treasure? @ 6:30 pm**

As the saying goes, "One man's trash is another man's treasure". Do you have treasure hiding in your house? Or is it really just trash? Come to this special event where Heidi Huisman from Savvy Salvage will evaluate items and show you how to research items you own. Up to twenty participants may bring in one item each to be evaluated. Registration is NOT required but if you want to be sure your item is evaluated, please contact the library to save your place. Heidi will also bring in some fun junk of her own to demonstrate how something usual can become an unusual decor piece in your home.



**Thursday, November 29: NaNoWriMo Come Write In from 5:00—8:00 pm.**



**Friday, November 30: NaNoWriMo Come Write In from 10:00 am to 5:00 pm.** Join us for your last chance to "write in" at the library. Writers are invited to utilize the Hoffman Room for an open writing session. Bring your headphones, writing tools, snacks, and whatever else you need for a relaxed writing session. Some writing prompts will be available. Come and go as you please. This is the last NaNoWriMo event for November. Watch the schedule for December when writers are invited to share their experiences and results. Refreshments provided.

**Friday, November 30: Final Friday Tech featuring Freegal from 3:00—5:00 pm.** Did you know that you can download three songs to keep for FREE every week with your full service JKPL card? And starting December 1, you will be able to stream up to 5 hours per day of music on your phone, computer or device? Come to this month's Final Friday Tech to learn more about how Freegal can meet your music needs and save you money! Final Friday Tech is held on the last Friday of each month. Each month has a featured topic related to computers and technology but guests are welcome to stop in with any technology question and see if library staff can help you find the answer. The library has a few laptops available but guests are encouraged to bring their own, if they have one.



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Contact the library directly at 563-875-8912 or [librarian@dyersville.lib.ia.us](mailto:librarian@dyersville.lib.ia.us)

**LIBRARY HOURS**

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

Monday thru Thursday: 9:00 am—8:00 pm  
Friday & Saturday: 9:00 am—5:00 pm  
Sundays: 1:00—4:00 pm

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

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- \*Follow us on Instagram: jameskennedylibrary
- \*Follow us on Goodreads





# UPCOMING EVENTS

## **A Visit with Santa & Mrs. Claus Saturday, December 1 from 10:00 am—1:00 pm**

Santa and Mrs. Claus will be visiting the library from 10:00 am to 1:00 pm on Saturday, December 1. Children of all ages are welcome to come and talk to Santa. Don't forget to bring your cameras! There will be a few simple crafts to make while you wait.

## **Holiday Music with Strings Attached Monday, December 3 @ 6:00 pm**

Strings Attached, a local musical group, is coming to the library for a holiday concert! The group is composed of Gary Bramel, Joe Schmitt, and Dan & Sue Engelbrecht. Come listen as they perform some of everyone's holiday favorites.

## **Introduction to Programming with Kodable Saturday, December 8 @ 10:00 am**

Celebrate Hour of Code Week with this fun introduction to computer programming. Kids ages 8-12 are welcome to bring their own laptop or tablet to learn some basic coding. If you don't have a table or laptop, the library will have some available. Registration is required. Space is limited to 15. Snacks provided.

## **Old Fashioned Christmas Sunday, December 9 from 1:30—3:30 pm**

The entire family is invited for an afternoon of live music, traditional Christmas carols, cookies, and spiced cider at the Dyer-Botsford House in Dyersville. Santa & Mrs. Claus will make a special appearance, and several prizes will be given out in a drawing. All ages welcome, but children under the age of 10 must be accompanied by an adult. This event is sponsored by the Senior Advisory Committee of the JKPL and the Dyersville Historical Society.

## **Sign up now for this special fitness opportunity! Strength Training for Older Adults**

**Tuesdays & Thursdays, January 15 to April 4 @10:00 am**

Older adults of any age and fitness level are invited to join this 12 week exercise program made possible by a partnership between the Geri-Fit® Company and the James Kennedy Public Library. Most of the exercises will be performed seated in a chair, with no dancing or aerobics involved. Participants should attend as many of the 24 classes as possible and will need their own set of 2 or 3-pound dumbbell weights, a stretch band, and water to drink during the workout. If acquiring this equipment is a hardship, please talk to a librarian. Participants will be exercising to a Geri-Fit® DVD and several different levels of workouts will be offered. Classes will be held twice a week for 45-minutes each time. Upon completion of the 12 week program participants 65 or older will be asked to fill out a survey to help evaluate the program. Space is limited so registration is required.

## **Cookie Walk Fundraiser Saturday, December 1 from 10:00 am—1:00 pm**

Craving some special holiday treats but don't have the time to bake for yourself? Come to the library for our annual Christmas Cookie Walk Fundraiser! Fill a plate of sweet treats (about a dozen items) from a variety of baked goods provided by friends, volunteers, board members, and staff of the library. Plates are \$6.00 for one or \$10.00 for two. Volunteers will be on hand to wrap your tray before you leave. Sponsored by the Fundraising Committee of the JKPL.

## **Used Book Swap December 7—16**

Looking for a good book? Come to the Used Book Swap at the library! This is a fun way to treat yourself to something new to read or share a book you are finished with.

- Just wrap up a gently used/nearly new book from your home library and mark it with a general statement of what it is – novel, romance, children's picture book, biography, etc.
- Bring your gift wrapped book to the library and exchange it for another.
- Everyone who participates will be entered into a drawing for a book lover's prize.
- The Used Book Swap is open all hours the library is open between December 7—16.

## **Tween Ultimate Slime Party Saturday, December 15 @ 10:00 am**

Kids ages 9-12 are invited to the Library for an Ultimate Slime Party! Make a basic slime recipe then make it ultimate with colors, scents, and add-ins. But this is an Ultimate Slime Party, so there is more! Space is limited to 30 participants. First come, first served.

## **It's Electric Daycamp Friday, December 28 from 9:30 am—4:00 pm**

Kids in 3rd-5th grade are invited to come learn about electrical circuits and sculpting materials. Explore a variety of materials that alter light and mimic light patterns to design a replica of the Northern Lights. Then test your engineering skills to program your own circuit using Makey Makey. Kids will stay all day and should bring a sack lunch and beverage. Registration is required. There is a maximum of 20 attendees and a minimum of 10 must be registered by December 26 for this program to be held. This program is made possible by a partnership with the ISU Extension and Outreach, Dubuque County.