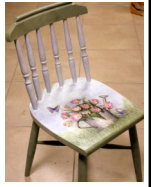


## Mark your calendar for these September programs!

### **September 1: Chair-ity Fundraiser Begins!**

Put your creative talents to work for this biennial fundraiser for the library! Pick up a wooden chair from the library, paint or otherwise decorate it any way you like, and return it to the library by October 14. If you have a wooden chair or other item you want to use you can, but it must be wooden please! Donations will be displayed in the library and a silent auction will be held October 15 to November 11. All proceeds will be used to improve the library's services and collections.



### **September 1—30: September is Library Card Sign-up Month!**

September is a time when the American Library Association and libraries across the country remind everyone that a library card is the smartest card you can own. The Incredibles are the honorary chairs for this month so to celebrate we'll be having Incredibles and superhero themed programs and contests all month! Come sign up for a library card in September and receive a library magnet, ruler, and an Incredibles bookmark designed special for this month. We are also hosting four opportunities this month for patrons of all ages to show their love for the library and for The Incredibles and win prizes!



1. The Incredibles are the honorary chairs for this month. The Incredibles remind families, students, and people of all ages that signing up for a library card is a great step toward a truly super lifestyle so we want you to tell us what's super about our library. Stop by the library and fill out a slip and get your name entered into a drawing for an Incredibles themed prize.
2. Join our Incredibles coloring contest for kids! Get an Incredibles coloring sheet from the library, color it, and return it to the library. Every sheet will be displayed in the library and the artist will get their name entered into a drawing for an Incredibles themed prize.
3. Come take a superhero selfie! Come stand behind our superhero photo wall and take a picture. Submit a copy of the picture to the library and all participants will be entered into a drawing to win an Incredibles themed prize.
4. The puzzle for the monthly Get Puzzled program is *Disney Pixar*, which features The Incredibles. This 1,000 piece 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!

**September 1—30: 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 will be *Disney Pixar* to celebrate Library Card Sign-up Month. 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!

**Saturday, September 1: Family Movies @ Your Library presents "The Incredibles" @ 2:00 pm.** The adventures of a superhero crime fighter and his family, who return to adventuring after spending years living "normal" lives. Rated PG. (115 min.)



**Monday, September 3:** Library closed for Labor Day

**Tuesday, September 4: 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, September 5, 19, & 26: 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. Programs run September 5—November 14. *Please note that no sessions will be held on September 12.* Registration is required as space is limited.



**Wednesdays, September 5, 19, & 26: Wee Read @ 10:30 am.** Wee Read is for children under 3 and their caregiver and is offered on Wednesdays at 10:30 am. Programs run September 5—November 14. *Please note that no sessions will be held on September 12.* Registration is required as space is limited.



**Wednesdays September 5, 12, 19 & 26: 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!

**Fridays, September 7, 14, 21, 28: Genealogy Drop-In Hours from 4:00—5:00 pm**

Have genealogy questions? Or just want to know more about how to trace your family history? Then stop by the library between 4:00-5:00 pm on Fridays in September and get help from librarian Ann Boeckenstedt. She can help with websites such as Ancestry or Family Search as well as how to access vital statistics, census records, and cemetery records. Or get help getting your ancestry chart started and tracing your family roots. Bring your questions and Ann will do her best to answer them!



**Friday, September 7: Tween Nerf War @ 6:30 pm**

Why should teenagers have all the fun? Kids ages 9-12 are invited to sign up for our first ever Tween Nerf War! All participants must have a signed parental waiver. Registration requested as 10 people are required to hold the program but participation is limited to 20. Walk-ins are welcome if space allows. Participants must provide their own Nerf guns and ammo. Absolutely no modifications to darts or guns to increase range or hitting power will be allowed.



**Saturday, September 8: Quidditch For Muggles @ 3:00 pm**

Grab your Nimbus 2000 and watch out for the Bludgers, it's time to catch the Golden Snitch! Fans of Harry Potter are invited to join Carnegie-Stout Public Library, the Dubuque County Library, and the James Kennedy Public Library for an afternoon of Muggle Quidditch! This event will be held at Eisenhower Elementary School in Dubuque. Each library is putting together their own team and this event is open to anyone age 16 or older. A minimum of 10 is needed to form a team but there is a maximum of 25 players. Registration is required and participants must register at the JKPL by September 6. Players are encouraged to bring their own brooms. Spectators welcome!



**Monday, September 10: Books for Lunch Book Discussion @ 12:00 noon.** Usually this group gathers on the first Monday of each month but this month we are meeting a week later due to the Labor Day holiday! This month the group will discuss *Great Small Things* by Jodi Picoult. 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, September 10: Back to School Pajama Party @ 7:00 pm**

School-aged children and their families are invited to our Back to School Pajama Party! Come in your pjs and watch *The Road Less Traveled* Community Theatre Company present selected scenes from *The Bridge to Terabithia*. Cookies and milk will conclude the program.



**Tuesday, September 11: 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 *Band of Sisters* by Cathy Gohlke. Copies of each book are available to borrow from the library.

**Saturday, September 15: Family Movies @ Your Library presents "Sky High" @ 2:00 pm.** The son of legendary heroes Commander and Jetstream, young Will Stronghold carries huge expectations as he enters a high-tech high school known for molding the heroes of tomorrow. With no apparent superpowers of his own, however, Will seems destined to grow up a mere sidekick. But as he discovers his true strengths, he'll also learn that it takes loyalty and teamwork to truly become a hero! Rated PG. (105 min.)

**Monday, September 17: Fun with 'Bots: Dot and Dash Daycamp from 9:30 am—4:00 pm**

Meet Dot, the brainy robot, and Dash, the fun loving creative robot and join them on an adventure where you will learn how to play and interact with these two unique characters with five different apps. Kids will stay all day and should bring a sack lunch and beverage. This program is for students in Kindergarten—3rd grade. Registration is required. There is a maximum of 20 attendees and a minimum of 10 must be registered by September 10 for this program to be held. This program is made possible by a partnership with the ISU Extension and Outreach, Dubuque County.



**Monday, September 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.

**Monday, September 17: Uke 101 @ 6:30 pm**

Join us for this introduction to playing the ukulele taught by Sue Englebrecht. Uncle Ike's Music in Dubuque will provide loaner ukuleles for people to try out and Sue will teach some basics. Plan to learn and then play! If there is interest, we will explore the possibility of starting a monthly music club for players of all kinds of stringed instruments. All ages and abilities invited but children under the age of 14 require an adult companion. Registration requested.



**Wednesdays, September 19 & 26: 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 kids will practice their ninja skills, create, run and jump, become a pirate, 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 and will meet at 4:30 pm on Wednesdays for 8 sessions from September 19—November 7. Each meeting will last 45—60 minutes. Themes for September are Ninja Training and Planet Party. Registration is required and is for the entire 8 sessions. Attendance is limited to 16 participants.



**Thursdays, September 20 & 27: 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 kids will practice their ninja skills, create, run and jump, become a pirate, 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 Kindergarten—2nd graders and will meet at 4:30 pm on Thursdays for 8 sessions from September 20—November 8. Each meeting will last 45—60 minutes. Themes for September are Ninja Training and Planet Party. Registration is required and is for the entire 8 sessions. Attendance is limited to 16 participants.



**Thursday, September 20: 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 *True Meaning of Smekday* by Adam Rex. Copies of each book are available to borrow from the library. Registration requested. Snacks provided.



**Friday, September 21: 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. Coloring, crafting, creating, chatting and enjoying coffee or other morning beverages are all part of the fun. The library provides coloring sheets, colored pencils, gel pens, markers, and miscellaneous craft supplies, along with coffee and the makings for other hot beverages. Light refreshments may also be provided. No registration needed. Participants are welcome to come and go as time allows. This program is open to adults 18 and older.



**Saturday, September 22: Building Creativity One Block at a Time: a LEGO® program from 2:00—4:00 pm.** This month's theme is "Sports Outing". 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.



**September 23—29: Banned Books Week: Banning Books Silences Stories**

Join us September 23-29 for Banned Books Week! The 2018 theme is *Banning Books Silences Stories*. 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. To celebrate, the library will have a *Name That Banned Book Guessing Jar*. The library is also hosting *Blind Date with a Banned Book*. Stop by the library when you have a few minutes to spare and choose one of the gift-wrapped books on display. Meet your new banned or challenged book and decide if you want to take it home. If not, return it with no hard feelings and try again. Participants should be 15 years old or older as books will be from the YA and adult collections. All who participate in the Guessing Jar and Blind Date with a Banned Book will receive a themed bookmark and have their name entered into a drawing for a themed prize.



**Sunday, September 23: Libraries Rock—Adult Summer Library Program Finale @ 2:00 pm.** Everyone who participated in the 2018 Adult Summer Reading Program is invited to this fun finale celebration. Join the other Adult Summer Reading participants for activities, refreshments, socializing and door prizes. Prizes from the reading program will also be available to pick up *AND if the goals are reached ... someone will get pied!*



**Monday, September 24: Books for Lunch Movie Showing of "Won't You Be My Neighbor" @ 12:00 noon.** This documentary paints a portrait of the life and work of children's entertainer Fred Rogers, star of "Mister Rogers' Neighborhood." A former minister, Mister Rogers creatively communicated themes of empathy and acceptance. Rated PG-13 (94 min.)

**Thursday, September 27: Let's Talk @ 6:30 pm**

Are you interested in socializing with other readers? Do you want to talk about the books you are reading but not have to read a specific book. Do you like getting ideas for what to read next from other readers? This new book club is for you! Just pick a book on the monthly theme and come to share, talk, and just have fun! Since September 23—29 is Banned Books Week, for this gathering you are asked to read a Banned Book (list available at the library.) Refreshments provided. *NOTE: If you are interested in this kind of program but not able to attend, part of this gathering will be talking about when people can meet so please talk to a librarian!*



**Friday, September 28: Final Friday Tech featuring Ancestry Library Edition from 3:00—5:00 pm.** 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 to use but guests are encouraged to bring their own, if they have one. This month's topic is the online genealogy and family history database Ancestry.



**Friday, September 28: 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, September 29: Family Movies @ Your Library presents "Megamind" @ 2:00 pm.** The supervillain Megamind finally defeats his nemesis, the superhero Metro Man. But without a hero, he loses all purpose and must find new meaning to his life. Rated PG. (103 min.)

# UPCOMING EVENTS

## Horror Movie Marathon Friday, October 12 @ 7:00 pm

Come join us for our yearly double creature feature! This program is intended for ages 13 and older, however, younger participants are welcome if they have an adult accompany them.

- *A Quiet Place* (PG-13): Humanity has come under attack by aliens that are blind but possess incredible hearing. To survive, a family must live in absolute silence.
- *Annabelle Creation* (R): An orphanage is forced to relocate to a farm where one girl accidentally releases an evil force that begins to possess her.

## Evaluating News: Good, Bad, or Totally Fake? Sunday, October 21 @ 2:00 pm

In a world of 24-hour news cycles, social media, and an internet that is unmonitored, it can be hard to know if the information and news we read and hear is legitimate or not. Join us at this session where you'll learn how to evaluate the information you read and hear so you can know if it is true, false, or biased. Participants will also learn how to use fact checking websites to verify information. Handouts will be provided. This program is geared for adults but teens are welcome.

## Halloween Party Saturday, October 27 @ 10:00 am

To celebrate Halloween, the library will be hosting a costume and craft party for children of all ages. Children's costumes will be judged, treats handed out, and crafts made. After the costume judging, kids will be trick-or-treating at some of the businesses on First Avenue. Children of all ages are encouraged to attend, but children younger than 6 years old should be accompanied by a parent or other adult. Sponsored by Citizens State Bank.

## Want to stay current on all that is going on 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
- \*Follow us on Goodreads



## The Devil Has My Consent: The Salem Witch Trials Saturday, October 13 @ 11:00 am

In 1692 more than 200 people were accused of witchcraft in Salem, Massachusetts and 20 were executed. What happened to create such hysteria? Discover the real story behind the Salem Witch Trials with historian Kathy Wilson. This program is geared for adults and older teens as content is not appropriate for young teens or children. Sponsored by the Friends of the James Kennedy Public Library.

## Demons and Exorcism: A Catholic Perspective Monday, October 22 @ 6:30 pm

Want to learn about the Catholic Church's teachings on demons and exorcism? Join us for a presentation by local Catholic author, speaker, and Theology teacher at Beckman Catholic High School, Anthony Digmann. Topics include: what are demons, where do they come from, and what do they want; the levels of demonic activity and how to deal with them; what is demonic possession and the Rite of Exorcism; what activities open people to demonic activity; and how to be protected from demonic activity. This program is for adults and older teens. Discover more at [www.anthonydigmann.com](http://www.anthonydigmann.com)

## Police Investigating Ghosts Sunday, October 28 @ 2:00 pm

The Police Investigating Ghosts (PIGS) are a paranormal investigation team from Decorah that investigated the library in May. Now they are back to reveal what they found! Join us as the PIGs talk about their history in this field, some of the tools they use, and some of their past discoveries. This program is geared for adults and older teens as content may not be appropriate for young teens or children. Children under the age of 12 must have a parent present with them to attend.

## 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