



# LIBRARY BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING

Hoffman Community Room - James  
Kennedy Public Library  
Monday, April 20, 2026  
6:00 PM

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## AGENDA

### CALL TO ORDER – ROLL CALL

### APPROVAL OF AGENDA

### APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA

1. Correspondence and Communication
2. Approve Minutes: March 10, 2026
3. Approve Librarian's Report: March 2026
4. Approve Bills: April 2026
5. Approve Claims Report: March 2026
6. Approve Credit Card Claims: March & April 2026
7. City Budget Report: March 2026
8. Library Budget Report: March 2026
9. Trust Account Bank Statement: March 2026
10. Trust Account Report: March 2026
11. Trust Account Expenditure Report: March 2026
12. Trust Account Income: March 2026
13. Report of Programs and Attendance: March 2026
14. WhoFi Program Overview: March 2026
15. Schedule of Programs and Activities: April 2026
16. Schedule of Upcoming Programs and Activities
17. Quarterly Contract Use Statistics by Residence Area

- [18.](#) Quarterly Contract Use Statistics by Group
- [19.](#) Grant Report: LTC Grant Received
- [20.](#) Friends of the JKPL Report
- [21.](#) JKPL Endowment Report: February 2026 Summary
- [22.](#) Strategic Planning Report
- [23.](#) Executive Committee Report
- [24.](#) Finance Committee Report
- [25.](#) Fundraising, Marketing and Public Relations Committee Report
- [26.](#) Furnishings, Art, and Facilities Committee Report
- [27.](#) Personnel Committee Report
- [28.](#) Policy Committee Report

#### **ACTION ITEMS**

- [29.](#) Consider Approval of JKPL Fees
- [30.](#) Consider Approval of Donations, Gifts, and Memorials Policy
- [31.](#) Consider Approval of Policy on Citizen Input and Citizen Conduct at Library Board Meetings
- [32.](#) Consider Approval of Collection Development Policy
- [33.](#) Consider Approval of Statement of Concern

#### **MEETINGS AND TRAININGS**

- [34.](#) City Council Meeting Attendance: May 2026
- [35.](#) Recently Attended Meetings and Training
- [36.](#) Upcoming Meetings and Training
- [37.](#) Trustee Training

#### **ORAL PRESENTATIONS**

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

James Kennedy Public Library  
Board of Trustees  
Minutes of the March 10<sup>th</sup>, 2026 Regular Meeting

The regular monthly meeting of the Board of Trustees of the James Kennedy Public Library was held on Tuesday, March 10<sup>th</sup>, 2026 in the Hoffman Room. Present: Beth Gudenkauf, Beth Derr, Alex Wiezorek, Melissa Kane, Alycia Willenbring, Danelle Schroeder and Library Director Shirley Vonderhaar. Absent: Catherine O’Hea, Monika Steffen, and Sally Kelly.

1. President Alex Wiezorek called meeting to order at 6:01 pm.

2. Consider Approval of Agenda

Schroeder MOVED “Approval of Agenda,” seconded by Kane.  
Ayes: Gudenkauf, Derr, Wiezorek, Kane, Willenbring, and Schroeder  
Nays: None  
Motion CARRIED

3. Consider Approval of Agenda Consent Calendar

- Correspondence & Communication
- Approve Minutes of Previous Meeting: February 10, 2026 Regular Meeting
- Approve February Librarian’s Report
- Approve Bills:
  - March Bills
  - Claims Report for February
  - February & March Credit Card Claims
- Budget Reports
  - February City Report
  - February Library Report
- Trust Account Reports
  - February Bank Statement
  - February Balance Report
  - Trust Account Expenditure Report
  - February Donations
- Program Reports
  - February Report of Programs and Attendance
  - February WhoFi Program Overview
  - March Schedule of Events
  - Schedule for Upcoming Programs
- Grant Report – Nothing to Report
- Friends of the Library Report – They still have tickets available for their bus trip fundraiser. The friends brought in \$1187 from their book sale in January and will be having a one-day book sale on March 28<sup>th</sup> as well. They approved the request of \$5600 to help fund our summer activities. They will send out their postcards for the membership drive this fall.
- JKPL Endowment Report – reviewed fund statement and endowment distribution letter. We have registered for Great Give Day on May 20.
- Strategic Planning Report – Nothing to Report
- Committee Reports
  - Executive Committee – nothing to report

- Finance Committee – The City of Dyersville is requesting the JKPL board to accommodate a lower budget for FY27 due to anticipated tax changes after FY27. Our budget request for FY27 was \$592,649 and they are including \$576,785 in the City budget. The Finance Committee is also recommending approval of Trust Account Budget Amendment
- Fundraising, Marketing and Public Relations Committee – discussed notes from March meeting
- Furnishings, Art & Facilities Committee – nothing to report
- Personnel Committee – nothing to report
- Policy Committee – Recommending approval of polices

Kane MOVED “Approval of Agenda Consent Calendar,” seconded by Derr.  
 Ayes: Gudenkauf, Derr, Wiezorek, Kane, Willenbring, and Schroeder  
 Nays: None  
 Motion CARRIED

4. Consider Approval of Trust Account Budget Amendment request for FY26
 

Finance Committee MOVED to approve “Trust Account Budget Amendment request for FY26.” No second needed.  
 Ayes: Gudenkauf, Derr, Wiezorek, Kane, Willenbring, and Schroeder  
 Nays: None  
 Motion CARRIED
5. Consider Approval of Confidentiality of Library Records Policy
 

Policy Committee MOVED to approve “Confidentiality of Library Records Policy.” No second needed.  
 Ayes: Gudenkauf, Derr, Wiezorek, Kane, Willenbring, and Schroeder  
 Nays: None  
 Motion CARRIED
6. Consider Approval of Donations, Gifts, and Memorials Policy
 

Policy Committee MOVED to approve “Approval of Donations, Gifts, and Memorials Policy.” No second needed.  
 Ayes: Gudenkauf, Derr, Wiezorek, Kane, Willenbring, and Schroeder  
 Nays: None  
 Motion CARRIED
7. Consider Approval of Continuity of Operations Plan
 

Policy Committee MOVED to approve “Approval of Continuity of Operations Plan.” No second needed.  
 Ayes: Gudenkauf, Derr, Wiezorek, Kane, Willenbring, and Schroeder  
 Nays: None  
 Motion CARRIED
8. Meetings and Training
  - City Council Attendance: April 6: Beth Derr
  - Upcoming: Public Libraries of Dubuque County Agency – March 19
  - Recently Attended

- Trustee Training: The board completed the 1-page board assessment. Board members may complete the self-assessment and Tech Savy checklist independently.

9. Oral Presentations – Organizational Chart included for review

10. Adjournment

Derr MOVED to adjourn, seconded by Schroeder. Meeting ADJOURNED by Wiezorek at 6:56 pm.

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Beth Gudenkauf, Secretary

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Date

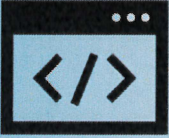
# JAMES KENNEDY PUBLIC LIBRARY MONTHLY REPORT

## Librarian's report to the Board of Trustees

Month: March-26  
 YTD: July-25 to March-26  
 Previous YTD: July-24 to March-25

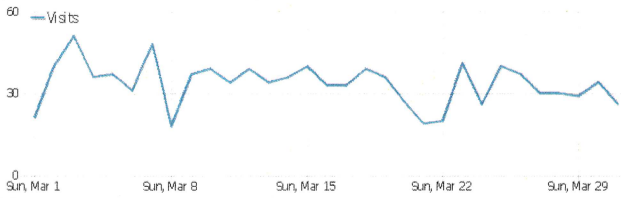
	Library visits		Items loaned		Library cards issued		
					City resident	Total	
Month	5384	(↓ 3.8%)	7485	(↓ 6.8%)	14	20	(↓ 13%)
YTD	44483	(↑ 1.7%)	68968	(↓ 1%)	145	223	(↓ 5.5%)

### Website traffic




Visits: 1041

Average visit duration: 1:21




### Computer use




Month	Hours		Month	Sessions	
	YTD	Prev. YTD		YTD	Prev. YTD
191	1846	1900	448	3792	3897

### Wifi use



Month	Sessions		Month	Visits		Month	Unique visitors	
	YTD	Prev. YTD		YTD	Prev. YTD		YTD	Prev. YTD
1094	9562	934	8095	345	1745			


### Meeting room use



Month	YTD	Prev. YTD
74	677	569

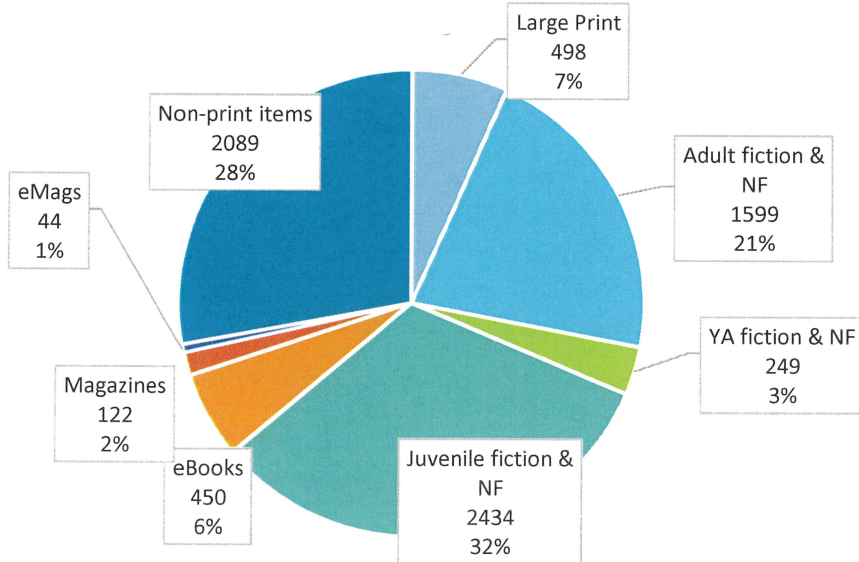
### Online Learning

Sessions: 31  
 YTD: 814

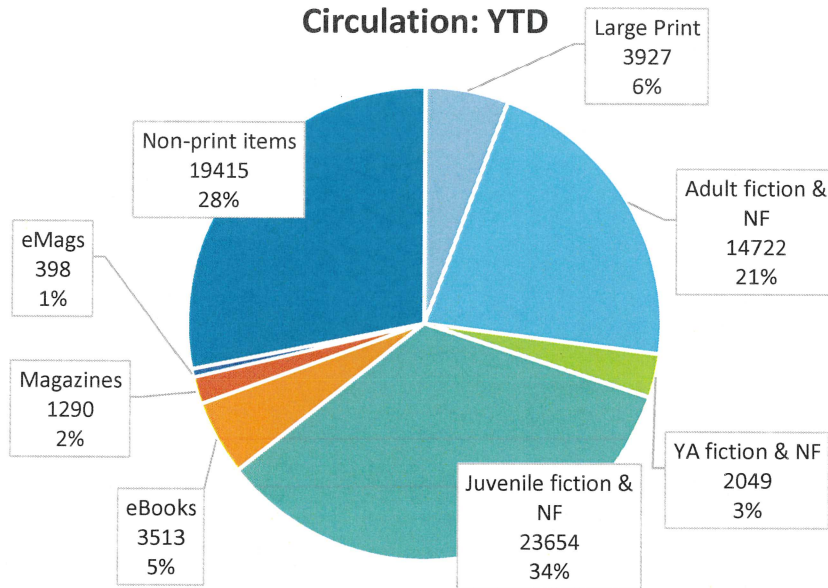


Circulation

Circulation: Month



Circulation: YTD



Non-print items	Month	YTD
eAudio	778	6199
Adult & YA audio	78	801
Juvenile audio & kits	7	181
Adult & YA video	580	6224
Juvenile video & DVD	270	2818
Games, LoT, etc.	376	3192
	<b>2089</b>	<b>19415</b>

Music

Downloads: 3  
Total YTD: 29

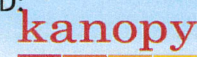


Video (film and TV)

Downloads: 14  
YTD: 117



Visits: 230  
YTD: 1635



Languages

Sessions: 86  
YTD: 488



Genealogy

Visits: 336  
YTD: 3839



World Culture

Visits: 0  
YTD: 30



Hobbies

Sessions: 61  
YTD: 244



Sessions: 0  
YTD: 0



Collection

**Items purchased**

Month:	220
YTD:	1965

**Items donated**

Month:	131
YTD:	528
Prev. YTD:	1096

**Items withdrawn**

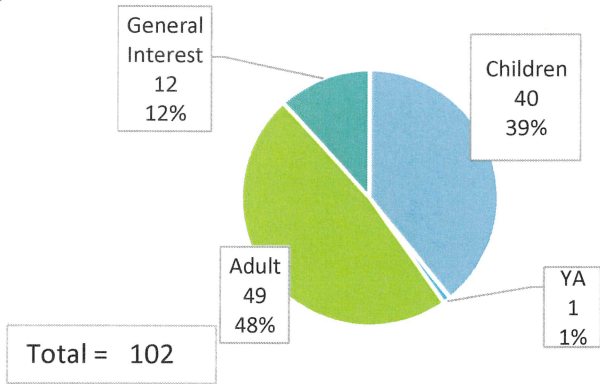
	Month	YTD
Books	114	1723
Audio	0	3
Video	57	511
Other	22	105
<b>Total</b>	<b>193</b>	<b>2342</b>

**Summary of additions**

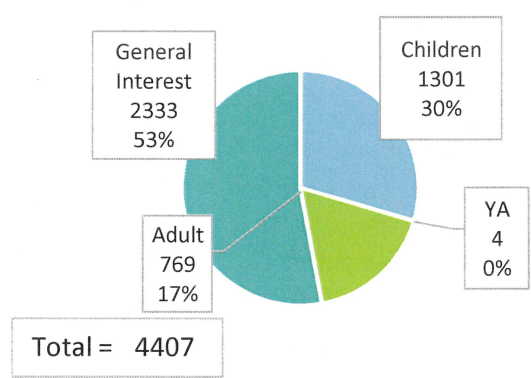
	Large print	Adult fiction	Adult & YA NF	YA fiction	Juvenile fiction	Juvenile NF	eBook & eAudio	Adult & YA audio	Juvenile audio	Adult & YA video	Juvenile video	CDs, games, misc.	Total
Current month	15	83	22	19	77	45	21	2	0	38	24	5	351
Previous month	17	87	32	16	92	10	0	1	2	24	14	6	301
Current YTD	129	693	246	159	612	118	106	32	4	255	63	76	2493
Previous YTD	180	795	302	148	610	135	79	40	5	277	108	73	2752

Programs

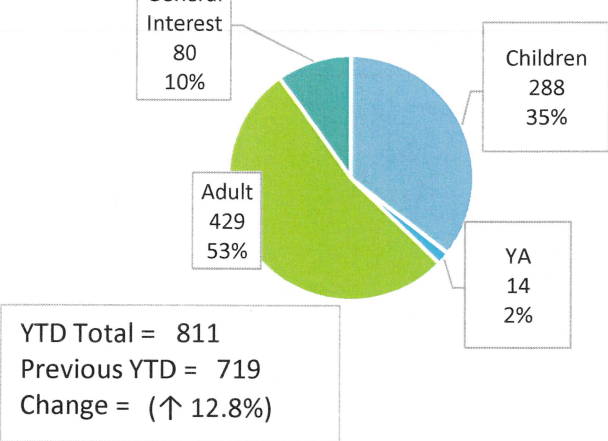
Monthly programs



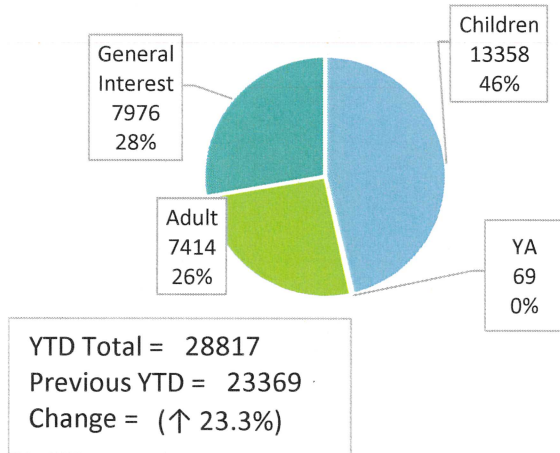
Monthly attendance



YTD programs



YTD attendance





Dyersville, IA

# Expense Approval Register

Item 4.

Packet: APPKT02190 - Apr 2026 Library Bills

Vendor Name	Payable Number	Description (Item)	Account Number	Account Name	Amount
<b>Fund: 001 - GENERAL FUND</b>					
<b>Department: 410 - LIBRARY</b>					
HANSEL CLEANING SERVICES ...	03.06.26	Cleaning Services	001-5-410-4-64322	CONTRACTED SERVICES	250.00
HANSEL CLEANING SERVICES ...	03.13.26	Cleaning Services	001-5-410-4-64322	CONTRACTED SERVICES	250.00
HANSEL CLEANING SERVICES ...	03.20.26	Cleaning Services	001-5-410-4-64322	CONTRACTED SERVICES	250.00
HANSEL CLEANING SERVICES ...	03.27.26	Cleaning Services	001-5-410-4-64322	CONTRACTED SERVICES	250.00
HANSEL CLEANING SERVICES ...	04.03.26	Cleaning Services	001-5-410-4-64322	CONTRACTED SERVICES	250.00
FAREWAY STORES INC	00434937	Supplies - Magic Eraser	001-5-410-4-65060	OFFICE SUPPLIES	14.99
VONDERHAAR, SHIRLEY	04.08.26	Program Supplies	001-5-410-4-65060	OFFICE SUPPLIES	18.98
COMPLETE OFFICE OF WISC...	111965	Cleaning Supplies	001-5-410-4-65060	OFFICE SUPPLIES	37.14
AMAZON	1FJL-NJNM-6P9C	Supplies	001-5-410-4-65060	OFFICE SUPPLIES	38.83
AMAZON	1FJL-NJNM-6P9C	Programs	001-5-410-4-65060	OFFICE SUPPLIES	55.98
BLACKSTONE PUBLISHING	2229110	CD Processing	001-5-410-4-65060	OFFICE SUPPLIES	2.95
DEMCO EDUCATIONAL CORP	7777717	Book Supplies	001-5-410-4-65060	OFFICE SUPPLIES	77.04
DEMCO EDUCATIONAL CORP	7788190	DVD Supplies	001-5-410-4-65060	OFFICE SUPPLIES	101.66
TELEGRAPH HERALD	03.13.26	Subscription - 1 yr	001-5-410-4-67701	BOOKS/FILMS/RECORDS/SU...	423.25
MANCHESTER PRESS	04.07.26	Subscription - 1 yr	001-5-410-4-67701	BOOKS/FILMS/RECORDS/SU...	70.00
CASCADE PIONEER-ADVERTI...	04.07.26	Subscription - 1 yr	001-5-410-4-67701	BOOKS/FILMS/RECORDS/SU...	70.00
DYERSVILLE COMMERCIAL	04.07.26	Subscription - 1 yr	001-5-410-4-67701	BOOKS/FILMS/RECORDS/SU...	70.00
OVERDRIVE	06497CO26093008	Electronic Media	001-5-410-4-67701	BOOKS/FILMS/RECORDS/SU...	492.22
OVERDRIVE	06497CO26101421	Electronic Media	001-5-410-4-67701	BOOKS/FILMS/RECORDS/SU...	577.97
AMAZON	19WK-VPCW-DRWN	Returned Books	001-5-410-4-67701	BOOKS/FILMS/RECORDS/SU...	-19.48
AMAZON	1FJL-NJNM-6P9C	Books	001-5-410-4-67701	BOOKS/FILMS/RECORDS/SU...	428.54
AMAZON	1FJL-NJNM-6P9C	Books	001-5-410-4-67701	BOOKS/FILMS/RECORDS/SU...	162.00
AMAZON	1FJL-NJNM-6P9C	Books	001-5-410-4-67701	BOOKS/FILMS/RECORDS/SU...	51.38
AMAZON	1FJL-NJNM-6P9C	Books	001-5-410-4-67701	BOOKS/FILMS/RECORDS/SU...	830.58
AMAZON	1FJL-NJNM-6P9C	Books	001-5-410-4-67701	BOOKS/FILMS/RECORDS/SU...	218.31
AMAZON	1FJL-NJNM-6P9C	DVDs	001-5-410-4-67701	BOOKS/FILMS/RECORDS/SU...	349.45
AMAZON	1FJL-NJNM-6P9C	Games	001-5-410-4-67701	BOOKS/FILMS/RECORDS/SU...	229.47
AMAZON	1FJL-NJNM-6P9C	Library of Things	001-5-410-4-67701	BOOKS/FILMS/RECORDS/SU...	526.89
AMAZON	1GND-39GD-DPVR	Returned Books	001-5-410-4-67701	BOOKS/FILMS/RECORDS/SU...	-15.95
AMAZON	1MJN-TYQL-99MJ	Library Of Things return	001-5-410-4-67701	BOOKS/FILMS/RECORDS/SU...	-35.99
AMAZON	1V9D-X93K-DFLR	Books returned	001-5-410-4-67701	BOOKS/FILMS/RECORDS/SU...	-17.60
CENTER POINT PUBLISHING	2227825	Books	001-5-410-4-67701	BOOKS/FILMS/RECORDS/SU...	25.97
BLACKSTONE PUBLISHING	2229110	Audio Books	001-5-410-4-67701	BOOKS/FILMS/RECORDS/SU...	31.49
CENTER POINT PUBLISHING	2234954	Books	001-5-410-4-67701	BOOKS/FILMS/RECORDS/SU...	108.43
CENTER POINT PUBLISHING	2235294	Books	001-5-410-4-67701	BOOKS/FILMS/RECORDS/SU...	23.25
CENTER POINT PUBLISHING	2238055	Books	001-5-410-4-67701	BOOKS/FILMS/RECORDS/SU...	24.00
CENTER POINT PUBLISHING	2238279	Books	001-5-410-4-67701	BOOKS/FILMS/RECORDS/SU...	26.62
INGRAM LIBRARY SERVICES	92557119	Books returned	001-5-410-4-67701	BOOKS/FILMS/RECORDS/SU...	-75.27
INGRAM LIBRARY SERVICES	95032373	Books	001-5-410-4-67701	BOOKS/FILMS/RECORDS/SU...	621.51
INGRAM LIBRARY SERVICES	95096782	Books Returned	001-5-410-4-67701	BOOKS/FILMS/RECORDS/SU...	-10.34
CENGAGE LEARNING	999102468164	Books	001-5-410-4-67701	BOOKS/FILMS/RECORDS/SU...	97.46
CENGAGE LEARNING	999102472607	Books	001-5-410-4-67701	BOOKS/FILMS/RECORDS/SU...	22.74
CENGAGE LEARNING	999102489262	Books	001-5-410-4-67701	BOOKS/FILMS/RECORDS/SU...	74.72
CENGAGE LEARNING	999102526269	Books	001-5-410-4-67701	BOOKS/FILMS/RECORDS/SU...	18.19
CENGAGE LEARNING	999102527296	Books	001-5-410-4-67701	BOOKS/FILMS/RECORDS/SU...	26.64
CENGAGE LEARNING	999102558441	Books	001-5-410-4-67701	BOOKS/FILMS/RECORDS/SU...	22.10
MANGO LANGUAGES	INV018236	Reference & Data Base - 1 yr	001-5-410-4-67701	BOOKS/FILMS/RECORDS/SU...	200.00
<b>Department 410 - LIBRARY Total:</b>					<b>7,246.12</b>
<b>Fund 001 - GENERAL FUND Total:</b>					<b>7,246.12</b>
<b>Fund: 002 - LIBRARY TRUST FUND</b>					
<b>Department: 410 - LIBRARY</b>					
FAREWAY STORES INC	00135697	Kids Can Cook	002-5-410-4-67700	LIBRARY TRUST EXPENDITURE	3.49

Expense Approval Register

Vendor Name	Payable Number	Description (Item)	Account Number	Account Name	Amount
FAREWAY STORES INC	00182655	Kids Can Cook	002-5-410-4-67700	LIBRARY TRUST EXPENDITURE	22.86
FAREWAY STORES INC	00183825	Kids Can Cook	002-5-410-4-67700	LIBRARY TRUST EXPENDITURE	34.68
FAREWAY STORES INC	00436149	Program Supplies	002-5-410-4-67700	LIBRARY TRUST EXPENDITURE	20.66
BENTON-HERMSEN, KIMSHI...	03.02.26	Kids Can Cook	002-5-410-4-67700	LIBRARY TRUST EXPENDITURE	25.55
REISTER, SCOTT	03.11.26	Reister Program	002-5-410-4-67700	LIBRARY TRUST EXPENDITURE	800.00
HALLINAN LAGAN, CONSTAN...	03.13.26	Program Stipend	002-5-410-4-67700	LIBRARY TRUST EXPENDITURE	200.00
BENTON-HERMSEN, KIMSHI...	04.07.26	Kids Can Cook	002-5-410-4-67700	LIBRARY TRUST EXPENDITURE	34.00
VONDERHAAR, SHIRLEY	04.08.26	Fundraising	002-5-410-4-67700	LIBRARY TRUST EXPENDITURE	63.46
OVERDRIVE	06497CO26113365	Love My Library - Libby	002-5-410-4-67700	LIBRARY TRUST EXPENDITURE	27.50
AMAZON	1FJL-NJNM-6P9C	Book Donations	002-5-410-4-67700	LIBRARY TRUST EXPENDITURE	757.48
AMAZON	1FJL-NJNM-6P9C	Adopt A Book	002-5-410-4-67700	LIBRARY TRUST EXPENDITURE	49.95
AMAZON	1FJL-NJNM-6P9C	Summer Reading Program S...	002-5-410-4-67700	LIBRARY TRUST EXPENDITURE	13.80
AMAZON	1FJL-NJNM-6P9C	StoryWalk Books	002-5-410-4-67700	LIBRARY TRUST EXPENDITURE	232.28
AMAZON	1FJL-NJNM-6P9C	Love My Library	002-5-410-4-67700	LIBRARY TRUST EXPENDITURE	67.31
CENTER POINT PUBLISHING	2234954	Hoffman Memorial	002-5-410-4-67700	LIBRARY TRUST EXPENDITURE	26.62
KANOPY INC	499205-PPU	Streaming Services	002-5-410-4-67700	LIBRARY TRUST EXPENDITURE	48.00
HOOPLA BY MIDWEST TAPE	508661122	Streaming Services	002-5-410-4-67700	LIBRARY TRUST EXPENDITURE	971.40
PLAYAWAY PRODUCTS	527836	Launchpad Tables - LTC Grant	002-5-410-4-67700	LIBRARY TRUST EXPENDITURE	1,790.14
VICTORYXR	9414	VR Service - 1 yr license	002-5-410-4-67700	LIBRARY TRUST EXPENDITURE	944.00
CENGAGE LEARNING	999102468164	Hoffman Memorial	002-5-410-4-67700	LIBRARY TRUST EXPENDITURE	22.74
CENGAGE LEARNING	999102489262	Hoffman Memorial	002-5-410-4-67700	LIBRARY TRUST EXPENDITURE	24.04
CENGAGE LEARNING	999102527296	Hoffman Memorial	002-5-410-4-67700	LIBRARY TRUST EXPENDITURE	23.39
ONE STEP HERITAGE PRINTI...	N240920	StoryWalk Supplies	002-5-410-4-67700	LIBRARY TRUST EXPENDITURE	259.35
ONE STEP HERITAGE PRINTI...	N240947	Story Walk Laminating	002-5-410-4-67700	LIBRARY TRUST EXPENDITURE	35.00
<b>Department 410 - LIBRARY Total:</b>					<b>6,497.70</b>
<b>Fund 002 - LIBRARY TRUST FUND Total:</b>					<b>6,497.70</b>
<b>Grand Total:</b>					<b>13,743.82</b>

**Fund Summary**

Fund	Expense Amount
001 - GENERAL FUND	7,246.12
002 - LIBRARY TRUST FUND	6,497.70
<b>Grand Total:</b>	<b>13,743.82</b>

**Account Summary**

Account Number	Account Name	Expense Amount
001-5-410-4-64322	CONTRACTED SERVICES	1,250.00
001-5-410-4-65060	OFFICE SUPPLIES	347.57
001-5-410-4-67701	BOOKS/FILMS/RECORDS...	5,648.55
002-5-410-4-67700	LIBRARY TRUST EXPENDI...	6,497.70
<b>Grand Total:</b>		<b>13,743.82</b>

**Project Account Summary**

Project Account Key	Expense Amount
**None**	2,909.41
410AB	31.49
410AF	-17.60
410AN	412.59
410DVD	349.45
410EM	1,070.19
410GAMES	229.47
410LP	470.12
410PF	1,347.00
410PN	218.31
410R	200.00
410SUB	633.25
410TAAB	49.95
410TGRANT	1,790.14
410TMEM	96.79
410TPROG	3,739.88
410YAF	162.00
410YAN	51.38
<b>Grand Total:</b>	<b>13,743.82</b>

The above presented claims, which included those covering the invoices attached, were presented and approved by the Board at the above dated meeting. You are directed to pay the same and include in the financial report.

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President, Board of Trustees

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Secretary, Board of Trustees

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Date

**James Kennedy Public Library  
March 2026**

**Utilities and Contractual**

<b>Check issued to:</b>	<b>Purpose</b>	<b>Amount</b>
Black Hills	Gas / Heat	1,021.14
Alliant Energy	Electricity	1,422.68
Access Systems	Copier contract	182.08
<b>Total</b>		<b>\$2,625.90</b>

**Miscellaneous Bills**

<b>Check issued to:</b>	<b>Purpose</b>	<b>Amount</b>
Giant Wash	Floor Mats	44.10
Ace	LED light	12.31
Pitney Bowes	Machine lease	31.86
Preferred Health Choices	HRA admin fee	15.00
<b>Total</b>		<b>\$103.27</b>

<b>March 2026 Budget</b>	
March 2026 Claims submitted	4,808.92
Utility and Contractual from Bills above	2,625.90
Miscellaneous Bills from above	103.27
Total wages and benefits	34,585.27
<b>Total March expenses</b>	<b>\$42,123.36</b>

- **Should match with City Expenditure Report, not including Trust Account Expenditures.**

**Credit Card Claims for March & April 2026**

<b>Date</b>	<b>Vendor</b>	<b>Items</b>	<b>Amount</b>
3/31/2026	Meta	Facebook marketing	32.51



Dyersville, IA

# Budget Report Account Summary

Item 7.

For Fiscal: 2025-2026 Period Ending: 03/31/2026

		Original Total Budget	Current Total Budget	Period Activity	Fiscal Activity	Variance Favorable (Unfavorable)	Percent Remaining
<b>Fund: 001 - GENERAL FUND</b>							
<b>Expense</b>							
<a href="#">001-5-410-4-60100</a>	SALARIES	341,663.00	341,663.00	26,626.60	258,116.88	83,546.12	24.45 %
<a href="#">001-5-410-4-61100</a>	FICA	21,183.00	21,183.00	1,597.08	15,558.98	5,624.02	26.55 %
<a href="#">001-5-410-4-61200</a>	MEDICARE	4,954.00	4,954.00	373.51	3,639.06	1,314.94	26.54 %
<a href="#">001-5-410-4-61300</a>	IPERS	32,253.00	32,253.00	2,430.65	23,424.89	8,828.11	27.37 %
<a href="#">001-5-410-4-61500</a>	GROUP INSURANCE	45,536.00	45,536.00	3,532.61	37,215.90	8,320.10	18.27 %
<a href="#">001-5-410-4-61700</a>	SUI	246.00	246.00	24.82	331.56	-85.56	-34.78 %
<a href="#">001-5-410-4-62100</a>	DUES	850.00	850.00	0.00	541.00	309.00	36.35 %
<a href="#">001-5-410-4-62300</a>	MEETINGS/TRAINING	2,500.00	2,500.00	0.00	299.56	2,200.44	88.02 %
<a href="#">001-5-410-4-63710</a>	ELECTRICITY	12,000.00	12,000.00	1,422.68	11,448.00	552.00	4.60 %
<a href="#">001-5-410-4-63711</a>	GAS HEAT	3,000.00	3,000.00	1,021.14	3,477.77	-477.77	-15.93 %
<a href="#">001-5-410-4-63730</a>	TELEPHONE	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00 %
<a href="#">001-5-410-4-63750</a>	MAINTENANCE	8,000.00	8,000.00	12.31	1,848.13	6,151.87	76.90 %
<a href="#">001-5-410-4-64080</a>	INSURANCE PREMIUM	10,500.00	10,500.00	15.00	161.67	10,338.33	98.46 %
<a href="#">001-5-410-4-64110</a>	LEGAL FEES	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00 %
<a href="#">001-5-410-4-64200</a>	ELECTIONS	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00 %
<a href="#">001-5-410-4-64316</a>	CONTRACTS	0.00	0.00	1,451.08	3,632.03	-3,632.03	0.00 %
<a href="#">001-5-410-4-64322</a>	CONTRACTED SERVICES	13,600.00	13,600.00	1,000.00	9,526.00	4,074.00	29.96 %
<a href="#">001-5-410-4-65060</a>	OFFICE SUPPLIES	20,500.00	20,500.00	630.03	7,010.68	13,489.32	65.80 %
<a href="#">001-5-410-4-67210</a>	FURNITURE/FIXTURES	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00 %
<a href="#">001-5-410-4-67274</a>	CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS/EQUIPM	0.00	10,000.00	0.00	0.00	10,000.00	100.00 %
<a href="#">001-5-410-4-67701</a>	BOOKS/FILMS/RECORDS/SUBSCRIP	42,000.00	42,000.00	1,985.85	38,486.49	3,513.51	8.37 %
	<b>Expense Total:</b>	<b>558,785.00</b>	<b>568,785.00</b>	<b>42,123.36</b>	<b>414,718.60</b>	<b>154,066.40</b>	<b>27.09%</b>
	<b>Fund: 001 - GENERAL FUND Total:</b>	<b>558,785.00</b>	<b>568,785.00</b>	<b>42,123.36</b>	<b>414,718.60</b>	<b>154,066.40</b>	<b>27.09%</b>
<b>Fund: 002 - LIBRARY TRUST FUND</b>							
<b>Expense</b>							
<a href="#">002-5-410-4-67700</a>	LIBRARY TRUST EXPENDITURE	40,000.00	40,000.00	4,887.98	34,984.03	5,015.97	12.54 %
	<b>Expense Total:</b>	<b>40,000.00</b>	<b>40,000.00</b>	<b>4,887.98</b>	<b>34,984.03</b>	<b>5,015.97</b>	<b>12.54%</b>
	<b>Fund: 002 - LIBRARY TRUST FUND Total:</b>	<b>40,000.00</b>	<b>40,000.00</b>	<b>4,887.98</b>	<b>34,984.03</b>	<b>5,015.97</b>	<b>12.54%</b>
	<b>Report Total:</b>	<b>598,785.00</b>	<b>608,785.00</b>	<b>47,011.34</b>	<b>449,702.63</b>	<b>159,082.37</b>	<b>26.13%</b>

James Kennedy Public Library FY26 Operating Budget								
	Revised				Received		% Expended	
ESTIMATED REVENUES:	Dec-25	February	March	April (est)	to date	Difference	To date	
Dubuque County Library Agency	8,500.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	8,500.00		
Fees from copier, R/P, etc.	3,500.00	202.08	324.43	300.00	3,111.39	388.61		
Open Access	8,500.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	9,272.81	-772.81		
Access Plus / ILL	1,200.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1,266.29	-66.29		
Direct State Aid	2,100.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	2,023.90	76.10		
<b>TOTAL:</b>	<b>23,800.00</b>	<b>202.08</b>	<b>324.43</b>	<b>300.00</b>	<b>15,674.39</b>	<b>8,125.61</b>		
					15,674.39	8,125.61		
<b>ESTIMATED EXPENDITURES:</b>								
<b>PERSONAL SERVICES</b>							Remaining	
Wages	343,000.00	25,810.90	26,626.60	25,645.50	258,116.88	84,883.12	75.5%	
FICA	21,266.00	1,546.51	1,597.08	1,590.02	15,558.98	5,707.02	73.5%	
Medicare	4,974.00	361.71	373.51	371.86	3,639.06	1,334.94	73.5%	
IPERS	32,379.00	2,364.95	2,430.65	2,420.93	23,424.89	8,954.11	72.6%	
SUI	343.00	58.84	24.82	25.65	331.56	11.44	134.8%	
Group Insurance	45,000.00	10,330.47	3,532.61	3,600.00	37,215.90	7,784.10	81.7%	
Meetings and training	1,000.00	-89.00	0.00	0.00	299.56	700.44	12.0%	
Dues and memberships	850.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	541.00	309.00	63.6%	
<b>TOTAL:</b>	<b>448,812.00</b>	<b>40,384.38</b>	<b>34,585.27</b>	<b>33,653.96</b>	<b>339,127.83</b>	<b>109,684.17</b>	<b>75.5%</b>	
					339,127.83	109,684.17		
<b>CONTRACTUAL SERVICES:</b>								
Utilities (telephone)		0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	NA	
Electricity	15,000.00	1,402.09	1,422.68	1,000.00	11,448.00	3,552.00	95.4%	
Gas / Heat	3,000.00	833.80	1,021.14	100.00	3,477.77	-477.77	115.9%	
Insurance (bldg)	10,500.00	56.67	15.00	10,300.00	161.67	10,338.33	1.5%	
Legal Fees		0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	NA	
Custodial services	13,000.00	1,000.00	1,000.00	1,250.00	9,000.00	4,000.00	69.2%	
Window cleaning	600.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	526.00	74.00	87.7%	
Service / Maintenance Cont	8,000.00	483.04	1,451.08	0.00	3,632.03	4,367.97	45.4%	
<b>TOTAL:</b>	<b>50,100.00</b>	<b>3,775.60</b>	<b>4,909.90</b>	<b>12,650.00</b>	<b>28,245.47</b>	<b>21,854.53</b>	<b>60.0%</b>	
					28,245.47	21,854.53		
<b>SUPPLIES:</b>								
General library supplies	9,000.00	1,176.58	371.09	272.61	4,606.78	4,393.22	51.2%	
Program fees & supplies	1,500.00	213.49	44.91	74.96	1,409.18	90.82	56.4%	
Marketing & advertising	1,000.00	0.00	214.03	0.00	994.72	5.28	99.5%	
Maintenance and Repairs	8,000.00	906.96	12.31	0.00	1,848.13	6,151.87	23.1%	
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>19,500.00</b>	<b>2,297.03</b>	<b>642.34</b>	<b>347.57</b>	<b>8,858.81</b>	<b>10,641.19</b>	<b>43.2%</b>	
					8,858.81	10,641.19		
<b>BOOKS AND MATERIALS</b>								
Adult fiction	6,000.00	372.44	0.00	-17.60	5,914.56	85.44	73.9%	
Adult nonfiction	4,500.00	497.42	284.96	412.59	3,452.68	1,047.32	69.1%	
YA fiction	2,000.00	173.58	165.17	162.00	1,423.87	576.13	71.2%	
YA nonfiction	1,000.00	203.87	0.00	51.38	401.02	598.98	40.1%	
Juvenile fiction	7,000.00	211.79	65.30	1,347.00	5,439.60	1,560.40	64.0%	
Juvenile nonfiction	3,373.00	2,548.15	117.53	218.31	3,333.16	39.84	83.3%	
Large Print	3,000.00	417.99	282.63	470.12	1,848.20	1,151.80	52.8%	
Electronic media (ebooks, e	8,000.00	878.39	694.42	1,070.19	6,012.05	1,987.95	60.1%	
Reference & electronic data	3,000.00	0.00	0.00	200.00	1,519.21	1,480.79	50.6%	
Periodicals and newspapers	4,000.00	0.00	0.00	633.25	3,004.76	995.24	75.1%	
Audiobooks (CD, playaway)	1,500.00	159.14	116.94	31.49	1,324.97	175.03	66.2%	
Software & Gaming	1,500.00	69.00	0.00	229.47	917.75	582.25	45.9%	
DVDs	4,500.00	302.41	258.90	349.45	3,644.88	855.12	72.9%	
SS / Creation Station / LoT	1,000.00	107.99	0.00	490.90	249.78	750.22	12.5%	
<b>TOTAL:</b>	<b>50,373.00</b>	<b>5,942.17</b>	<b>1,985.85</b>	<b>5,648.55</b>	<b>38,486.49</b>	<b>11,886.51</b>	<b>64.1%</b>	
					38,486.49	11,886.51		
<b>TOTAL EXPENDITURES:</b>	<b>568,785.00</b>	<b>52,399.18</b>	<b>42,123.36</b>	<b>52,300.08</b>	<b>414,718.60</b>	<b>154,066.40</b>	<b>71.9%</b>	
<b>TOTAL REVENUES:</b>	<b>23,800.00</b>	<b>202.08</b>	<b>324.43</b>	<b>300.00</b>	<b>15,674.39</b>	<b>8,125.61</b>	<b>65.9%</b>	
<b>ACTUAL ASKING</b>	<b>544,985.00</b>	<b>52,197.10</b>	<b>41,798.93</b>	<b>52,000.08</b>	<b>399,044.21</b>	<b>145,940.79</b>	<b>72.2%</b>	
					399,044.21			

James Kennedy Public Library FY26 Operating Budget								
	Revised	FY25 Exp.	Mar 25	Total FY25	Budget	Amount	Ov/Und	
ESTIMATED REVENUES:	Dec-25	thru Mar 25	Expenses	expenses	Projection	Ov/Und	Budget	
Dubuque County Library Agency	8,500.00	0.00	0.00	0.00				
Fees from copier, R/P, etc.	3,500.00	1,560.68	308.79	2,415.77				
Open Access	8,500.00	8,324.01	0.00	8,324.01				
Access Plus / ILL	1,200.00	1,193.29	0.00	1,193.29				
Direct State Aid	2,100.00	2,060.42	0.00	2,060.42				
TOTAL:	23,800.00	13,138.40	308.79	13,993.49				
		13,138.40		13,993.49				
ESTIMATED EXPENDITURES:								
PERSONAL SERVICES								
Wages	343,000.00	163,354.50	24,939.65	244,399.90	229,257.84	28,859	1.13	
FICA	21,266.00	9,862.12	1,499.06	14,745.39	14,223.28	1,336	1.09	
Medicare	4,974.00	2,306.64	350.58	3,448.69	3,326.84	312	1.09	
IPERS	32,379.00	14,908.72	2,290.33	22,295.60	21,651.33	1,774	1.08	
SUI	343.00	204.24	24.95	315.75	221.87	110	1.49	
Group Insurance	45,000.00	27,023.94	3,319.75	36,983.19	32,881.89	4,334	1.13	
Meetings and training	1,000.00	1,484.18	49.00	1,533.18	968.04	-668	0.31	
Dues and memberships	850.00	200.00	25.00	856.00	198.60	342	2.72	
TOTAL:	448,812.00	219,344.34	32,498.32	324,577.70	303,299.86	35,828	1.12	
		219,344.34		324,577.70				
CONTRACTUAL SERVICES:								
Utilities (telephone)		0.00	0.00	0.00	Zero	0	NA	
Electricity	15,000.00	5,726.85	1,631.21	9,595.12	8,952.75	2,495	1.28	
Gas / Heat	3,000.00	664.34	614.08	2,612.79	762.79	2,715	4.56	
Insurance (bldg)	10,500.00	328.00	15.00	414.67	8,305.40	-8,144	0.02	
Legal Fees		0.00	0.00	0.00	Zero	0	Nothing	
Custodial services	13,000.00	4,350.00	750.00	8,150.00	6,938.65	2,061	1.30	
Window cleaning	600.00	368.00	0.00	368.00	600.00	-74	0.88	
Service / Maintenance Cont	8,000.00	1,226.66	2,093.33	3,684.15	2,663.65	968	1.36	
TOTAL:	50,100.00	12,663.85	5,103.62	24,824.73	25,557.53	2,688	1.11	
		12,663.85		24,824.73				
SUPPLIES:								
General library supplies	9,000.00	4,401.89	513.51	6,036.03	6,563.42	-1,957	0.70	
Program fees & supplies	1,500.00	211.17	0.00	431.31	734.40	675	1.92	
Marketing & advertising	1,000.00	489.39	0.00	565.03	866.13	129	1.15	
Maintenance and Repairs	8,000.00	1,988.54	251.56	3,007.72	5,289.16	-3,441	0.35	
TOTAL	19,500.00	7,090.99	765.07	10,040.09	13,772.22	-4,913	0.64	
		7,090.99		10,040.09				
BOOKS AND MATERIALS								
Adult fiction	6,000.00	4,485.23	0.00	4,656.40	5,779.44	135	1.02	
Adult nonfiction	4,500.00	2,011.51	140.81	2,351.42	3,849.50	-397	0.90	
YA fiction	2,000.00	860.55	53.86	1,502.68	1,145.35	279	1.24	
YA nonfiction	1,000.00	415.23	48.81	563.31	737.13	-336	0.54	
Juvenile fiction	7,000.00	2,784.33	351.76	4,132.87	4,715.93	724	1.15	
Juvenile nonfiction	3,373.00	2,718.32	0.00	2,718.32	3,373.00	-40	0.99	
Large Print	3,000.00	1,011.41	0.00	1,011.41	3,000.00	-1,152	0.62	
Electronic media (ebooks, e	8,000.00	3,156.17	679.21	4,482.91	5,632.36	NA	NA	
Reference & electronic data	3,000.00	19.06	0.00	19.06	3,000.00	-1,481	0.51	
Periodicals and newspapers	4,000.00	3,672.04	0.00	3,672.04	4,000.00	-995	0.75	
Audiobooks (CD, playaway)	1,500.00	973.35	207.87	1,278.71	1,141.80	NA	NA	
Software & Gaming	1,500.00	539.99	0.00	1,101.65	735.25	183	1.25	
DVDs	4,500.00	2,222.27	802.91	3,918.14	2,552.29	1,093	1.43	
SS / Creation Station / LoT	1,000.00	484.34	0.00	534.30	906.49	-657	0.28	
TOTAL:	50,373.00	25,353.80	2,285.23	31,943.22	39,981.79	-1,495	0.96	
		25,353.80		31,943.22				
TOTAL EXPENDITURES:	568,785.00	264,452.98	40,652.24	391,385.74	384,318.78	30,400	1.08	
TOTAL REVENUES:	23,800.00	13,138.40	308.79	13,993.49	22,345.67	-6,671	0.70	
ACTUAL ASKING	544,985.00	251,314.58	40,343.45	377,392.25	362,918.62	36,126	1.10	
		171,689.54	40,343.45	297,086.52				



Date 3/31/26  
 Primary Account  
 Enclosures

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\*\*\*CHECKING ACCOUNT\*\*\*

BUSINESS MONEY MARKET		Number of Enclosures	4
Account Number	617571	Statement Dates	3/02/26 thru 3/31/26
Previous Balance	108,646.83	Days in the statement period	30
4 Deposits/Credits	10,370.12	Average Ledger	111,982.03
1 Checks/Debits	4,887.98	Average Collected	111,902.81
Service Charge	.00	Interest Earned	59.78
Interest Paid	61.72	Annual Percentage Yield Earned	0.65%
Current Balance	114,190.69	2026 Interest Paid	173.26

ACTIVITY IN DATE ORDER

Date	Description	Amount	Balance
3/05	Deposit/Credit	3,256.45	111,903.28
3/12	Deposit/Credit	1,342.49	113,245.77
3/23	Transfer from x7571 to x5358 March claims	4,887.98-	108,357.79
3/24	Deposit/Credit	139.40	108,497.19
3/27	Deposit/Credit	5,631.78	114,128.97
3/31	Interest Deposit	61.72	114,190.69

DAILY BALANCE INFORMATION

Date	Balance	Date	Balance	Date	Balance
3/02	108,646.83	3/05	111,903.28	3/12	113,245.77
3/23	108,357.79	3/24	108,497.19	3/27	114,128.97
3/31	114,190.69				

INTEREST RATE SUMMARY

Date	Rate
3/01	0.650000%

## TRUST ACCOUNT REPORT for March 2026

## Fidelity Bank and Trust

Balances February 28, 2026

Budgeted

\$ 9,903.95

Bank Account

\$108,646.83

## Deposits

March 3, 2026

Mystery Dinner tickets	\$ 2,800.00	
Mystery Dinner donations	\$ 8.00	
Candy / Snack Sales	\$ 30.00	
Can cooperage	\$ 9.00	
Love My Library	\$ 385.00	
Conscience Box	\$ 4.70	
Friends booksale / donation	\$ 19.75	\$ 3,256.45

March 12, 2026

Adopt-a-book / Alm	\$ 10.00	
Norma Jean Warner Trust	\$ 941.69	
Love My Library	\$ 350.00	
Candy / Snack sales	\$ 8.00	
Conscience Box	\$ 3.30	
Friends booksale / donation	\$ 29.50	\$ 1,342.49

March 24, 2026

Blind Date with a Book	\$ 10.00	
Glasses	\$ 15.00	
Adopt-a-book / Loecke	\$ 39.95	
Bear Creek Carvers donation	\$ 9.00	
Charlotte Ronek donation	\$ 25.00	
Candy / Snack sales	\$ 14.00	
Conscience Box	\$ 2.20	
Friends booksale / donation	\$ 24.25	\$ 139.40

March 27, 2026

Strings Club donation	\$ 20.00	
Friends donation / Summer events	\$ 5,609.33	
Conscience Box	\$ 1.20	
Friends booksale / donation	\$ 1.25	\$ 5,631.78

March 31, 2026

Interest	\$ 61.72	\$ 61.72	\$ 10,431.84
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## Debits:

March 23, 2026

Kanopy	\$ 39.00	
Hoopla	\$ 898.11	
Love My Library 2025 projects (Games)	\$ 298.15	
Shirley Vonderhaar / Brew Ha Ha for Mystery Night	\$ 1,167.00	
J & D Catering for Mystery Night	\$ 1,034.00	
Candy and snacks for fundraiser	\$ 91.44	
Credit for returned puzzle - Puzzle fundraiser	\$ (12.48)	
Craft supplies (funded by donations)	\$ 89.03	
Adult books (funded by donations)	\$ 647.72	
Legos (DuTrac donation)	\$ 24.88	
Refreshments (Friends)	\$ 11.98	
Reiser books (Friends)	\$ 239.19	
Hoffman Memorial	\$ 26.39	
Kids Can Cook ingredients	\$ 112.20	
Busy box / active learning toys (LTC grant)	\$ 207.99	
Facebook Marketing	\$ 13.38	\$ 4,887.98

Balances March 31, 2026

\$ 5,015.97	\$114,190.69
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## Trust Account Income &amp; Expenditure Report FY26

as of 7/1/2025		in account	New Deposits					
Amount in MidWest One		\$11,415.35						
Amount in Fidelity		\$101,989.82						
<b>INCOME:</b>						<b>EXPENDITURES:</b>		<b>REMAINING:</b>
<b>DONATIONS &amp; CONTRIBUTIONS:</b>								
Remaining from Fundraisers prior to FY23		\$5,185.54						\$1,608.19
Fundraising total from FY24 - Chair-ity / Wreath, Book Art, Build-a-Basket, Plant, Merch, Quilt & Garage Sale		\$5,550.97						
<i>Estimated for Kanopy: \$600</i>				Jul-25	Kanopy	\$49.00		\$221.00
				Mar-26	Kanopy	\$39.00		
<i>Estimated for Hoopla: \$7000</i>				Jul-25	Hoopla	\$763.93		-\$154.97
				Mar-26	Hoopla	\$898.11		
<i>Estimated for Facebook / Meta: \$200</i>				Jul-25	Facebook ads	\$15.44		\$128.25
				Mar-26	Facebook ads	\$13.38		
<i>Estimated for annual hotspots \$1500</i>				Dec-25	Hot spots	\$1,522.60		-\$22.60
Fundraising Events	Brought forward							\$28,310.17
Chairity & Wreath-it-up								\$518.03
Cookie Walk	FY24	\$1,721.16						\$5,064.49
Soup Fundraiser	FY24	\$938.03						\$2,712.90
Love My Library 2025	FY25	\$3,227.00		Aug-25	LML/ebks & bks	\$165.96		\$1,794.14
				Mar-26	LML / Games	\$298.15		
Love My Library 2026	Feb-26		\$1,100.00	Feb-26	Mailing	\$1,871.17		-\$36.17
	Mar-26		\$735.00					
Book Art Fundraiser	FY25	\$100.58						\$283.58
Mystery Dinner	FY24	\$807.14						\$2,211.14
Ticket sales	Mar-26		\$2,800.00	Mar-26	Performers	\$1,167.00		\$607.00
Donations	Mar-26		\$8.00	Mar-26	J & D / Catering	\$1,034.00		
Build-a-basket	FY25	\$2,243.00						\$2,243.00
Snack & Candy Sales	FY23 & 24	\$478.72						\$804.20
	Mar-26		\$52.00	Mar-26	Candy / snacks	\$91.44		
Merchandise sales								\$40.00
Glasses	Mar-26		\$15.00					
Plant Sale	FY25	\$752.00						\$752.00
Dairy Queen Fundraiser	Previous	\$753.53						\$753.53
Country Junction / STEM	Previous	\$500.00						\$500.00
Randy's Market - Roundup	Previous	\$651.09						\$651.09
Quilt Fundraiser	FY25	\$20.00						\$30.00
DTSN fundraiser	FY23 & 24	\$126.00						\$18.99
Burrito Breakfast	FY23 & 24	\$1,629.00						\$2,976.06
O So Good Partnership	FY23&24	\$2,295.00						\$6,295.00
Garage Sale Fundraiser	FY24/Purse	\$1,900.00						\$2,512.51
Puzzle Fundraiser (Textile)	FY25	\$800.35						\$800.35
Puzzle Fundraiser (Fuse)								\$801.94
Puzzle Tables (Textile)	Oct-25		\$900.00					\$1,195.16
Puzzle Tables (Textile)	Jan-26		\$900.00					\$1,017.32
Textile Brewing donation	Feb-26		\$100.00	Mar-26	puzzle credit	-\$12.48		
Blind Date with a book	Nov-25		\$110.00					\$855.00
	Mar-26		\$10.00					
<b>Donations</b>	Total Brought forward							\$18,324.24
Unspecified donations brought forward		\$118.50		Nov-25	Xmas Parade	\$97.44		-\$6.81
BA Scherrman	Previous	\$10,818.75						\$12,009.75
Donation for crafts	Jan-23	\$25.00		Sep-25	craft supplies	\$15.74		\$9.26
Suzzette Giomo - as needed	Dec-23	\$380.73		Mar-26	craft supplies	\$89.03		\$291.70
Suzanne Giomo - as needed	Dec-23	\$875.45		Mar-26	Adult fiction	\$647.72		\$227.73
Bear Creek carvers	Feb-25	\$13.00						\$13.00

Bear Creek carvers	Mar-26		\$9.00					
DuTrac - LEGO® program	Jan-26		\$400.00		Feb-26	LEGOS®	\$59.97	\$340.03
					Mar-26	LEGOS®	\$24.88	
Strings Club donation	Mar-26		\$20.00					
Can cooperage	Mar-26		\$9.00					
Charlotte Ronck	Mar-26		\$25.00					
Miscellaneous Donations Total Remaining								\$15,953.96
Lion's Club - LP	FY24 LML		\$0.71		Aug-25	Large Print	\$195.16	\$0.84
Conscience Box	Remaining		\$2,222.59					\$2,528.58
	Mar-26		\$11.40					
History Books & Coins	Remaining		\$1,964.74					\$2,024.74
Meeting Room Donation	Remaining		\$614.76					\$678.51
Adopt-a-book donations	Remaining		\$68.87					\$118.82
	Mar-26		\$49.95					
Friends total remaining								\$3,046.70
Friends - bksale	Remaining		\$576.36					\$1,388.11
	Mar-26		\$74.75		Mar-26	refreshments	\$11.98	
Friends - FY24 SRP carryover			\$1,327.37		Aug-25	Books	\$937.11	\$390.26
Use for SRP in 2026								
Friends - FY25 SRP	Mar-25		\$1,295.19		Aug-25	Children's SRP	\$500.00	\$795.19
Use for SRP in 2026								
Reiser bk disc	Oct-25		\$1,500.00		Nov-25	Reiser bks	\$36.36	\$946.45
					Mar-26	Reiser bks	\$239.19	
Hallinan stipend	Mar-26		\$200.00					
SRP - Total	Mar-26		\$2,217.33					
Acrylic Art Class	Mar-26		\$792.00					
NEI3A - Wellness Lunches	Mar-26		\$2,400.00					
TACKL	Remaining		\$354.87					\$403.67
Bequests & Specified donations - Total Remaining								\$22,363.23
Memorials or In Honor of								
Virgie Hoffman (Schrandt)	Nov-25		\$60.00		Dec-25	Books	\$29.59	\$1.62
					Jan-26	Books	\$28.79	
Virgie Hoffman (family)	Nov-25		\$200.00		Mar-26	Books	\$26.39	\$173.61
Norma Jean Warner Trust	Mar-26		\$941.69					
Memorials or "In Honor Of" - Total Remaining								\$8,535.84
<b>GRANTS:</b>								\$9,737.31
1000 Books (DRA & Friends)	Remaining		\$58.12					\$42.61
StoryWalk® Grant / DRA	Remaining		\$0.00		Aug-25	SW laminating	\$35.99	\$899.61
Kids Can Cook - DACF	Remaining		\$4,607.83					\$4,241.44
					Mar-26	KCC ingredients	\$112.20	
ALA / LTC Grant - 2025	May-25		\$10,000.00		Jan-26	Play table	\$6,890.00	\$1,685.45
					Mar-26	Busy box	\$207.99	
DACF / 26 SLP books	Sep-25		\$1,500.00					\$2,868.20
Friends match	Oct-25		\$1,500.00		Dec-25	SRP Books	\$131.80	
<b>INTEREST DEPOSITS</b>								
remaining from previous years			\$4,918.84					\$4,946.36
	Mar-26		\$61.72					
<b>TOTAL Available</b>			\$113,405.17	\$110,830.93	<b>EXPENDITURES:</b>		\$98,630.06	\$114,190.69

## Memorials, Fundraisers, and Donations – March 2026

From:	<b>Mystery Dinner Fundraiser Ticket Sales</b>
Donation:	\$2,800.00
Fund:	Library Trust Account
Restrictions:	Fundraiser for library collections & services
From:	<b>Mystery Dinner Fundraiser Donations</b>
Donation:	\$8.00
Fund:	Library Trust Account
Restrictions:	Fundraiser for library collections & services
From:	<b>Candy / Snacks Fundraiser</b>
Donation:	\$52.00
Fund:	Library Trust Account
Restrictions:	Fundraiser for library collections & services
From:	<b>Brian Alm</b>
Donation:	\$10.00
Fund:	Library Trust Account
Restrictions:	Adopt-a-book donation
From:	<b>Norma Jean Warner Trust</b>
Donation:	\$941.69
Fund:	Library Trust Account
Restrictions:	Bequest for library needs
From:	<b>Merchandize Sales Fundraiser (Glasses)</b>
Donation:	\$15.00
Fund:	Library Trust Account
Restrictions:	Fundraiser for library collections & services
From:	<b>Bear Creek Carving Club</b>
Donation:	\$9.00
Fund:	Library Trust Account
Restrictions:	Donation for library collections & services
From:	<b>Cathy Loecke</b>
Donation:	\$39.95
Fund:	Library Trust Account
Restrictions:	Adopt-a-book donation
From:	<b>Strings Club</b>
Donation:	\$20.00
Fund:	Library Trust Account
Restrictions:	Donation for library collections & services
From:	<b>Friends of the JKPL</b>
Donation:	\$5,609.33
Fund:	Library Trust Account
Restrictions:	Donation for spring and summer activities
From:	<b>Blind Date with a Book Fundraiser</b>
Donation:	\$10.00
Fund:	Library Trust Account
Restrictions:	Fundraiser for library collections & services

From: **Love My Library Fundraiser**  
Donation: \$735.00  
Fund: Library Trust Account  
Restrictions: Fundraiser for library collections & services

**Love My Library Donations:**

Anonymous	General / As needed	\$50.00
Beth & Jim Derr	General / As needed	\$50.00
Diane Their	All Creatures sn 6 DVD	\$35.00
F.L. Krapfl, Inc	Print books	\$100.00
Sharon Osterhaus	General / As needed	\$150.00
Carol Pettinger	General / As needed	\$100.00
Midwest One Bank	General / As needed	\$100.00
Auto Tech Inc.	General / As needed	\$100.00
Dan & Sue Tauke	General / As needed	\$50.00

## James Kennedy Public Library Monthly Program Report

Report for the Month of March 2026

Adult Crafternoon (1st Monday of each month) – Coffee Filter Art (A) March 9, 2026 Time for preparation & performance –1 hrs (pd) Supplies: Coffee filters	In person/Onsite Attendance: 1
Books for Lunch Book Club (1st Monday) – (A) <i>The Life Impossible</i> March 2, 2026 Time for preparation & performance – 1.5 hr (pd) Supplies: Books borrowed via ILL, available electronically; Computer, OWL and Zoom software Refreshments	Hybrid (In person & zoom) Participants: 10
Bingo Party - (3 <sup>rd</sup> Monday of each month) (A) March 16, 2026 Time for preparation & performance – 3 hr (pd) Supplies: Bingo cards and machine; Donated items & library swag for prizes	In person / Onsite Participants: 5
Building Creativity one Block at a Time (LEGO® program) (Monthly) (C) March 21, 2026 Time for preparation & performance – 1.5 hrs (pd) Supplies: Legos and snacks	In person / Onsite Participants: 4
Cricut with Christopher (Offered irregularly) – Not held this month	
Dungeons & Dragons Club (Monthly) (GI): March 7, 2026 Time for preparation & performance – 2.5 hrs (pd) Supplies: D & D Stranger Things set	Hybrid / Discord Participants: 6
Ellen Kennedy Living Center Program – (4th Friday) (A) : Chicken Soup reading March 23, 2026 Time for preparation & performance – 1.25 hr (pd) Supplies: None	In person / Offsite Participants: 5
Euchre Party (Fridays of each month) (A) March 6, 13, 20, 27, 2026 (5 sessions) Time for preparation & performance – 1.25 hr (pd) Supplies: Decks of cards, suit die, scrap paper, refreshments	In person / Onsite Participants: 28
Game Night (4 <sup>th</sup> Saturday of each Month) (GI): March 28, 2026 Time for preparation & performance – 3 hrs (pd) Supplies: Games and snacks	In person / Onsite Participants: 3
Genealogy with Ann (Monthly) (A) March 2, 2026 Time for preparation & performance – 2 hrs (pd) Supplies: None	In person / Onsite Participants: 1
Health & Wellness 365 (Monthly) (A) : March 26, 2026 Time for preparation & performance – 1 hr (pd) 1 hr (vol) Supplies: Presentation and snack provided by Colleen of NEI3A	In person / Onsite Participants: 7
Inspirational Fiction: A Novel Approach to Faith Book Club (2 <sup>nd</sup> Tues of each month) (A) March 10, 2026 Time for preparation & performance – 2.25 hrs (pd) Supplies: ILL books, Computer, OWL, & Zoom software	Hybrid (In person & Zoom) Participants: 5

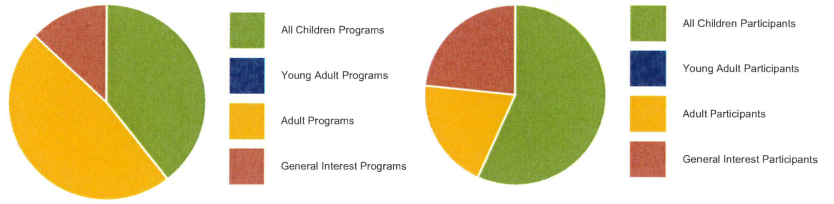
JKPL Writing Group (4 <sup>th</sup> Tuesday of each Month) (A) March 24, 2026 Time for preparation & performance – 1.25 hrs (pd) Supplies: None	In person / Onsite Participants: 4
Mercy One Senior Care Program (Monthly) (A): Read Stories March 27, 2026 Time for preparation & performance – 1.25 hrs (pd) Supplies: None	In person / Offsite Participants: 8
Sit 'n' Stitch (Wednesdays of each month) (A) March 4, 11, 18, & 25, 2026 (4 sessions) Time for preparation & performance – 1 hr (pd) 8 hrs (vol) Supplies: Refreshments and Craft supplies provided by participants; Zoom room set up upon request.	Hybrid (In person & Zoom) Participants: 49
Strength Training for Older Adults (Mondays & Thursdays @ 9:30 and 10:30) (A) March 2, 5, 9, 12, 16, 19, 23, 26 & 30, 2026 (18 sessions / 2 each day) Time for preparation & performance – 18 hrs (pd) Supplies: GeriFit DVDs, projection system, water (if needed) Participants supply stretch band, weights and water for own use	In person / Onsite Participants: 175
Strings Club (4 <sup>th</sup> Monday of each month) (A) March 23, 2026 Time for preparation & performance – .25 hr (pd) 2 hrs (vol) Supplies: Program is facilitated by volunteer Gary Bramel	In person / Onsite Participants: 7
<i>Superman</i> – All-Abilities Movie Event (A) March 2, 2026 Time for preparation & performance – .5 hr (pd) Supplies: None	In Person / Onsite Participants: 0
Read Across America Day Craft Kit (C) March 2, 2026 Time for preparation & performance – .5 hr (pd) 1 hrs (vol) Supplies: Reused supplies from previous activity	Passive Participants: 20
Early Out Afternoons – Paper / Yarn Weaving (C) March 4, 2026 Time for preparation & performance – 1.5 hr (pd) Supplies: Yarn and paper	In person / Onsite Participants: 10
A New Lens on Dementia (A) March 3, 2026 Time for preparation & performance – 3 hr (pd) 1 hr (vol) Supplies: Alison Vanderpool donated her time to present	In Person / Onsite Participants: 2
Storytime Symphony A Musical Journey Down the Mississippi River (PreK) March 7, 2026 Time for preparation & performance – 3.5 hr (pd) 7.75 hr (vol) Supplies: 6 members of the Dubuque Symphony Orchestra presented	In Person / Onsite Participants: 28
<i>The Rental Family</i> – Movie Event (GI) March 7, 2026 Time for preparation & performance – 1 hr (pd) Supplies: Popcorn, snacks, and soda	In Person / Onsite Participants: 4
Fun and Games with Paul: Dungeons & Dragons (A) March 9, 2026 Time for preparation & performance – 1 hr (pd) Supplies: None	In person / Onsite Participants: 0

<p>Book Talks @ Xavier – 2<sup>nd</sup> &amp; 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade (C)  March 11, 2026 (2 sessions)  Time for preparation &amp; performance – 1.5 hrs (pd)  Supplies: Coloring packets, books</p>	<p>In person / Offsite  Participants: 40</p>
<p>Early Out Afternoons – LEGO® Club (C)  March 11, 2026  Time for preparation &amp; performance – 1 hr (pd)  Supplies: LEGOS®</p>	<p>In person / Onsite  Participants: 10</p>
<p>Mock-a-Movie for Teens (YA)  March 13, 2026  Time for preparation &amp; performance – 2.5 hr (pd)  Supplies: Movie and snacks</p>	<p>In person / Onsite  Participants: 4</p>
<p>St. Patrick’s Day Parade (GI)  March 14, 2026  Time for preparation &amp; performance – 6.25 hrs (pd) 11 hrs (vol)  Supplies: Giveaways for parade attendees  Volunteers to ride / drive in the parade</p>	<p>In person / Offsite  Participants: 2000</p>
<p>Dubuque County Reads Book Discussion (A)  March 16, 2026  Time for preparation &amp; performance – 1.5 hr (pd)  Supplies: Books and snacks</p>	<p>In person / Onsite  Participants: 2</p>
<p>Early Out Afternoons – Gumball Sticker Art (C)  March 18, 2026  Time for preparation &amp; performance – .75 hr (pd)  Supplies: Mini gumball machines, stickers, etc.</p>	<p>In person / Onsite / Kits  Participants: 0  Kits: 38</p>
<p>Create with Audrey – Decorate a Coaster: An All Abilities Program (A)  March 19 &amp; 20, 2026 (2 sessions)  Time for preparation &amp; performance – 3.5 hrs (pd)  Supplies: Coaster kits</p>	<p>In Person / Onsite  Participants: 8</p>
<p>Bear Creek Carvers Open House &amp; Demo (GI)  March 21, 2026  Time for preparation &amp; performance – 1 hr (pd) 32 hr (vol)  Supplies: Group brought examples and carved on site  Eight carvers shared their talents</p>	<p>In person / Onsite  Participants: 44</p>
<p>OutReads (Storytimes at area schools and daycares) (PreK)  March 3, 5, 10, &amp; 24, 2026 (10 sessions)  Time for preparation &amp; performance – 5.5 hrs (pd)  Supplies: Books</p>	<p>In person / Offsite  Participants: 205</p>
<p>Fun with VR (GI)  March 22, 2026  Time for preparation &amp; performance – 1.5 hrs (pd)  Supplies: Metaquest Headsets &amp; activities</p>	<p>In person / Onsite  Participants: 3</p>
<p>Dubuque County Reads Storytime (PreK)  March 25, 2026  Time for preparation &amp; performance – 1 hrs (pd)  Supplies: Books</p>	<p>In person / Onsite  Participants: 7</p>
<p>Story Time (Weekly at 10:30 am and 6:30 pm) (PreK)  March 4, 11, 18, &amp; 25, 2026 (7 sessions)  Time for preparation &amp; performance – 6 hrs (pd)  Supplies: Library books, songs, etc.</p>	<p>In person / Onsite  Participants: 98</p>

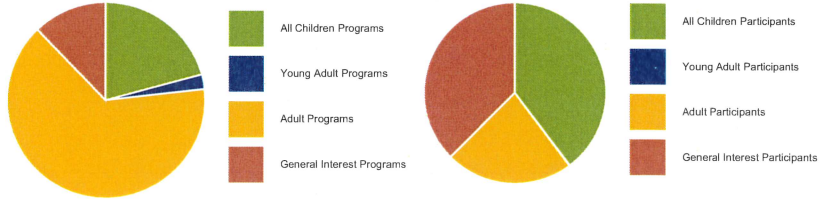
Early Out Afternoons – Book Bingo (C) March 25, 2026 Time for preparation & performance – .5 hr (pd) Supplies: Bingo supplies, books for prizes	In person / Onsite Participants: 0
Kids Can Cook (C) March 5, 12, & 19, 2026 Time for preparation & performance – 6.25 hr (pd) 2 hr (vol) Supplies: Copies and food ingredients; cooking equipment TACKL members were volunteers	In person / Onsite Participants: 33
STEAMFest: Coloring (GI) March 28, 2026 Time for preparation & performance – .5 hr (pd) Supplies: Butcher paper and coloring supplies	In Person / Onsite Participants: 42
STEAMFest: StoryTime (PreK) March 28, 2026 Time for preparation & performance – .5 hr (pd) Supplies: Stories and books	In Person / Onsite Participants: 18
STEAMFest: Magnet Painting (C) March 28, 2026 Time for preparation & performance – 2 hr (pd) Supplies: Paint, magnets, paper	In Person / Onsite Participants: 45
STEAMFest: Games for All Ages (GI) March 28, 2026 Time for preparation & performance – 2.5 hr (pd) 2.5 hrs (vol) Supplies: Games from LoT / Creation Station Run by TACKL volunteer half the time	In Person / Onsite Participants: 86
STEAMFest: Robot Obstacle Course (GI) March 28, 2026 Time for preparation & performance – 2.5 hrs (pd) Supplies: Masking tape, Cue and Dash robots, tablet	In Person / Onsite Participants: 25
STEAMFest: Button Making (GI) March 28, 2026 (2 sessions) Time for preparation & performance – 5 hr (pd) 5 hr (vol) Supplies: Button machine and supplies, copies	In Person / Onsite Participants: 61
STEAMFest: Reverse Coloring & Ink Tracing (A) March 28, 2026 Time for preparation & performance – .5 hr (pd) Supplies: Reverse coloring and Ink Tracing books	In Person / Onsite Participants: 16
STEAMFest: Snap Circuits (GI) March 28, 2026 Time for preparation & performance – 3 hrs (pd) Supplies: Snap Circuit kits from LoT	In Person / Onsite Participants: 17
STEAMFest: Origami Frog Making (GI) March 28, 2026 Time for preparation & performance – 2.5hr (pd) Supplies: Origami paper	In Person / Onsite Participants: 42
STEAMFest: Origami Frog Races (C) March 28, 2026 Time for preparation & performance – 1 hr (pd) Supplies: Paper race track	In Person / Onsite Participants: 21

STEAMFest: Shrinky Dinks (GI) March 28, 2026 Time for preparation & performance – 4 hr (pd) Supplies: Shrinky dink plastic and tools, markers, toaster oven	In Person / Onsite Attendance: 45
Build-a-Basket Closing Reception (A) March 29, 2026 Time for preparation & performance – .5 hr (pd) Supplies: Refreshments	In person / Onsite Participants: 15
Upcycled Greeting Cards (A) March 2026 Time for preparation & performance – 1 hr (pd) Supplies: Donated greeting cards, card stock, tape runner and envelopes	Passive program Kits: 25
StoryWalk® - <i>The Book that almost Rhymed</i> (C) February 2026 Time for preparation & performance – 4.5 hrs (pd) Supplies: Books, laminating, Velcro, etc.	Passive / outdoor program Participants: 100
Kid's Scavenger Hunt: Alphabet Letters (C) March 2026 Time for preparation & performance – .75 hrs (pd) Supplies: Color copies of scavenger hunt form, laminated pictures, stickers and donated Easter themed pencils & bunny ears for prizes	Passive program Participants: 222
Pretend Play Station: School (PreK) March 2026 Time for preparation & performance – .5 hrs (pd) Supplies: Copies, signs (laminated), play sets, etc.	Passive program Participants: 222
Adult Take & Make Craft: Fiddle Key Rings March 2026 Time for preparation & performance – 6.5 hrs (pd) 4 hrs (vol) Supplies: Key rings, beads ... supplies	Passive / Recording / Make and Take Kits distributed: 75 Facebook Views / Engagements: 193/12 YouTube Views: 13
Coloring, Creating & Doing (A) March 2026 Time for preparation & performance – 3.25 hrs (pd) Supplies: Copies of coloring pages and activities	Passive program Kits: 275
Get Puzzled @ Your Library (A) March 2026 Time for preparation & performance - .25 hrs (pd) Supplies: Puzzle	Passive program Participants: 46
Kids Can Craft: Alphabet Letter Robot (C) March 2026 Time for preparation & performance – .5 hr (pd) Supplies: Copies, markers, colors, etc.; Items for prize basket	Passive program Kits: 64
Creation Station Craft: Polka Dot Snail (PreK) March 2026 Time for preparation & performance – 2 hrs (pd) 7 hrs (vol) Supplies: Paper, dot stickers, misc. craft supplies	Passive / Recording / Make and Take Kits distributed: 166 Facebook Views / Engagements: 211/9 YouTube Views: 12
Programs held in February but still hosted and available to view or engage with on social media: March 1-31, 2026 – 2 programs	Facebook Views / Engagements: 32/1 YouTube Views: 8

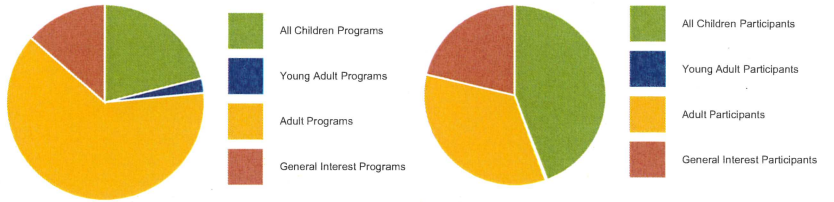
July					
Overview					
All Children Programs	39	39.39%	All Children Participants	2176	56.68%
Young Adult Programs	0	0%	Young Adult Participants	0	0%
Adult Programs	47	47.47%	Adult Participants	766	19.95%
General Interest Programs	13	13.13%	General Interest Participants	897	23.37%
Total Programs	99		Total Participants	3839	



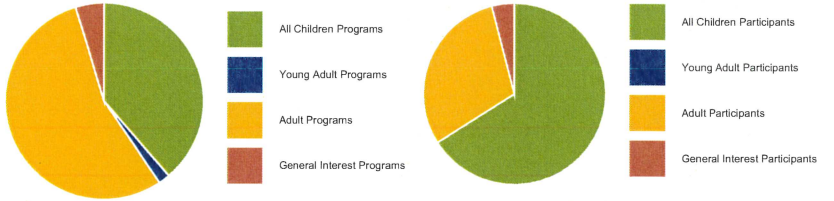
August					
Overview					
All Children Programs	17	20.73%	All Children Participants	1617	39.79%
Young Adult Programs	2	2.44%	Young Adult Participants	3	0.07%
Adult Programs	53	64.63%	Adult Participants	918	22.59%
General Interest Programs	10	12.2%	General Interest Participants	1526	37.55%
Total Programs	82		Total Participants	4064	



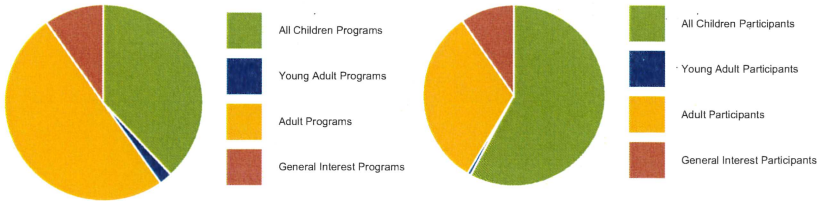
September					
Overview					
All Children Programs	17	20.99%	All Children Participants	1121	44.19%
Young Adult Programs	2	2.47%	Young Adult Participants	8	0.32%
Adult Programs	51	62.96%	Adult Participants	867	34.17%
General Interest Programs	11	13.58%	General Interest Participants	541	21.32%
Total Programs	81		Total Participants	2537	



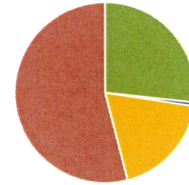
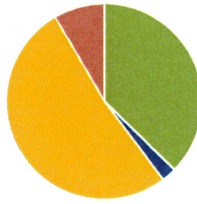
October					
Overview					
All Children Programs	41	38.68%	All Children Participants	2463	65.96%
Young Adult Programs	2	1.89%	Young Adult Participants	0	0%
Adult Programs	58	54.72%	Adult Participants	1121	30.02%
General Interest Programs	5	4.72%	General Interest Participants	150	4.02%
Total Programs	106		Total Participants	3734	



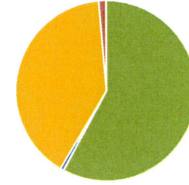
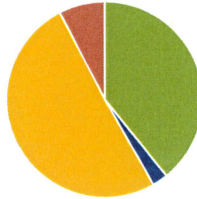
November					
Overview					
All Children Programs	35	38.04%	All Children Participants	1266	57.86%
Young Adult Programs	2	2.17%	Young Adult Participants	13	0.59%
Adult Programs	46	50%	Adult Participants	698	31.9%
General Interest Programs	9	9.78%	General Interest Participants	211	9.64%
Total Programs	92		Total Participants	2188	



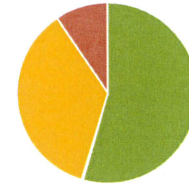
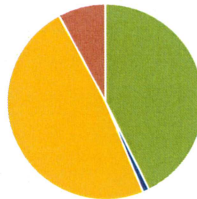
December					
Overview					
All Children Programs	31	37.35%	All Children Participants	1028	26.84%
Young Adult Programs	2	2.41%	Young Adult Participants	22	0.57%
Adult Programs	43	51.81%	Adult Participants	713	18.62%
General Interest Programs	7	8.43%	General Interest Participants	2067	53.97%
Total Programs	83		Total Participants	3830	



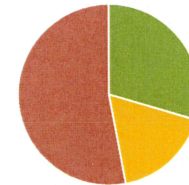
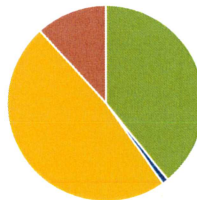
January					
Overview					
All Children Programs	31	39.24%	All Children Participants	1093	57.89%
Young Adult Programs	2	2.53%	Young Adult Participants	12	0.64%
Adult Programs	40	50.63%	Adult Participants	757	40.1%
General Interest Programs	6	7.59%	General Interest Participants	26	1.38%
Total Programs	79		Total Participants	1888	



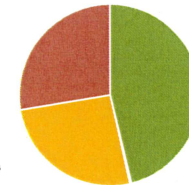
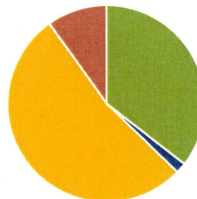
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Overview					
All Children Programs	38	42.7%	All Children Participants	1303	54.45%
Young Adult Programs	1	1.12%	Young Adult Participants	7	0.29%
Adult Programs	43	48.31%	Adult Participants	858	35.85%
General Interest Programs	7	7.87%	General Interest Participants	225	9.4%
Total Programs	89		Total Participants	2393	



March					
Overview					
All Children Programs	40	39.22%	All Children Participants	1301	29.52%
Young Adult Programs	1	0.98%	Young Adult Participants	4	0.09%
Adult Programs	49	48.04%	Adult Participants	769	17.45%
General Interest Programs	12	11.76%	General Interest Participants	2333	52.94%
Total Programs	102		Total Participants	4407	



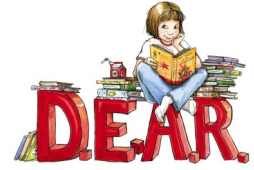
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Overview					
All Children Programs	289	35.55%	All Children Participants	13368	46.29%
Young Adult Programs	14	1.72%	Young Adult Participants	69	0.24%
Adult Programs	430	52.89%	Adult Participants	7467	25.86%
General Interest Programs	80	9.84%	General Interest Participants	7976	27.62%
Total Programs	813		Total Participants	28880	



## Upcoming Events for April

### **D.E.A.R. (Drop Everything And Read) Month: April 1—30.**

April is Drop Everything and Read (D.E.A.R.) month, a national month-long celebration of reading designed to remind folks of all ages to make reading a priority activity in their lives. To celebrate this year, the JKPL will have three activities happening throughout the month of April. Come Drop Everything And Read!



### **Dyersville Book Scavenger Hunt**

The JKPL has again partnered with local businesses for a scavenger hunt! Can you match the book with the business? Pick up a scavenger hunt form at the library or print one off from the library's website. The scavenger hunt form features pictures of book covers and each participating business in Dyersville has one of the book covers posted in their business window or inside their business. Match the book with the business then turn your completed forms into the library before May 1 to get entered into the prize drawing for one of several gift baskets. You get to choose which basket! Entries with at least ½ of the books / businesses identified correctly will receive one entry into the drawing. Get them all right to earn two entries!

### **Book Jar**

Join us for the return of the Book Jar! During the month of April, the library will have a Book Jar filled with slips of paper with book titles for adults and young adults. Different colored slips will indicate different kinds of books: young adult fiction & graphic novels, general fiction, non-fiction, biography, mystery, romance, paranormal, science fiction/fantasy, inspirational fiction, and suspense. Readers are encouraged to pick a slip out of the jar and check out the book title they select. All participants will be entered into a drawing for a book related prize. Earn an entry into the drawing every time you choose a book and take it home! The prize winner will be drawn May 1. This is a great way to try something new!

### **Reading Recommendations**

JKPL staff, board members, and volunteers are celebrating D.E.A.R. month with videos and social media posts highlighting what they are dropping everything to read. Titles will be posted throughout the month on the library's social media. Want to join in the fun? Please share what book you dropped everything to read!

**Yard Signs: Love Your Library: April 1—30.** The JKPL has yard signs that say "I Love My Library" available for free! Signs are 18" x 24", vinyl, reusable, and come with a ground stake. Yard signs are available while supplies last. Already have one of these signs? Now's the time to put it up. Put a sign in your yard and let everyone know you love the library!



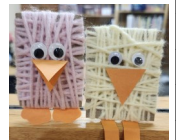
**Children's Pretend Play Station: Auto Shop: April 1—30.** Area families are invited to come to the library and explore what it has to offer in Auto Shop play!



**Children's Scavenger Hunt: Cars: April 1—30.** Area children and their families are encouraged to participate in our "Cars" scavenger hunt to earn a special prize! One prize per child per library visit.

**Kids Can Craft: Cars Poem: April 1—30.** Kids of all ages are invited to stop in the library to write a poem about cars and/or color a car. Every poem or car design that is turned in qualifies the artist for an entry into the drawing for a prize basket. Limit is one entry per day. The winner will be announced in early May.

**Creation Station Craft: Yarn Wrapped Baby Chick: April 1—30.** Stop in and craft in the Creation Station at the library or grab a kit and create at home! This month's craft uses cardboard and yarn to make a baby chick. Kits include how-to instructions, plus all needed supplies except for glue, tape, and scissors. A video demonstration will also be available to view on the JKPL Facebook and YouTube channel. Kits available while supplies last.



**Upcycled Greeting Card Kits: April 1—30.** Want a unique card for someone special? Pick up one of these kits that use the front of an old greeting card combined with glue and cardstock to make an entirely new card. Each card kit includes a greeting card front with coordinating cardstock and an envelope. You will need to supply the glue. If crafting in the library, glue sticks may be borrowed from the desk for in-library use. Kits are available while supplies last.

**Adult Craft Kit: Cloth Wrapped Wreath: April 1—30.** Stop in and craft in the Creation Station at the library or grab a kit and create at home! This month's craft is a cloth wrapped wreath. Kits include how-to instructions plus all needed supplies. A video demonstration will also be available to view on the JKPL Facebook and YouTube channel. Kits available at the front desk while supplies last. This kit is for adults only.

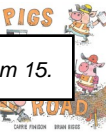


**Coloring, Creating and Doing @ Your Library: April 1—30.** The JKPL is continuing to offer coloring pages, dot to dot, crosswords, sudoku, and other activity pages for you to enjoy at the library or at home. They are intended for adults and teens. Each pack will include at least 10 different items and are available while supplies last. If you want to work on the activities while at the library, colored pencils, markers, and more are available in the Creation Station or to check out from the front desk.

**Get Puzzled @ Your Library: April 1—30.** Stop in the library this month to help us put together a new jigsaw puzzle. This month's puzzle is *Readers' Paradise*. 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. Please stop at the front desk to get your name entered.



**Westside Park StoryWalk®: “Pigs Dig a Road” by Carrie Finison: April 1—30.** Families are invited to walk the StoryWalk® at Westside Park which begins south of the parking lot by the baseball diamond. Walk the trail and read the story to your children. *The StoryWalk® is made possible by the Dubuque Racing Association, Friends of the Library, and the Richard Osterhaus Memorial Fund. The StoryWalk® Project was created by Anne Ferguson of Montpelier, VT and developed in collaboration with the Kellogg-Hubbard Library. Storywalk® is a registered service mark owned by Ms. Ferguson.*



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**Sit & Stitch: Wednesdays, April 1, 8, 15, 22 & 29 from 1:00—3:00 pm.** Grab your hobby or craft and join other crafters at this fun gathering. There are lots of laughs, great company, conversation, and even some crafting! Participants are welcome to attend in person in the Hoffman Room or remotely via Zoom. The Zoom room is opened upon request. New members are welcome to join at any time. If you wish to join virtually, please email [librarian@dyersville.lib.ia.us](mailto:librarian@dyersville.lib.ia.us) by 10:00 am on the date of the gathering and an invitation will be emailed to you.

**Strength Training for Older Adults: Mondays and Thursdays, April 2, 6, 9, 13, 16, 20, 23, 27 & 30 @ 9:30 and 10:30 am.** Older adults of any age and fitness level are invited to join this special exercise program made possible by a partnership between the Geri-Fit® Company and the James Kennedy Public Library. Participants will exercise to a Geri-Fit® DVD and most of the exercises will be performed seated in a chair. There is no dancing or aerobics involved. Classes are held on Mondays and Thursdays and last approximately 45 minutes. For best results, participants should attend as many of the sessions as possible. Each participant will need a set of 2 or 3-pound dumbbell weights, a medium weight stretch band, and water to drink. Space is limited so registration is required.

**Euchre Card Party: Fridays, April 3, 10, 17 & 24 from 1:00—3:30 pm.** Join us Friday afternoons for Euchre in the Hoffman Room. Come meet, teach, and play with other players.

**Building Creativity One Block at a Time: a LEGO® program: Saturday, April 4 from 10:00—11:00 am.** Join us for this monthly LEGO® program that is for children of all ages. Those under the age of 7 must be accompanied by an adult or older partner. Photos of the creations are displayed in the children’s area of the library and on the library’s social media pages. All children who participate have their names entered into a quarterly drawing for a special LEGO® related prize provided by DuTrac. Sponsored by DuTrac Community Credit Union.



Library is closed for Easter: Sunday, April 5



**Books for Lunch Book Discussion: Monday, April 6 @ 12:00 noon.** This group gathers on the first Monday of each month at noon. This month the group will discuss *Braiding Sweetgrass* by Robin Kimmerer. Copies of the book are available to borrow from the library. Participants are welcome to attend in person or remotely via Zoom. The Zoom room is opened upon request. New members are welcome to join at any time. If you plan to attend via Zoom, please email [librarian@dyersville.lib.ia.us](mailto:librarian@dyersville.lib.ia.us) by 10:00 am on the day of the program and an invitation to the Zoom room will be emailed to you.

**Genealogy with Ann: Monday, April 6 from 1:00—3:00 pm.** Staff member Ann will be on hand to help you start, or continue to work on, your five-generation ancestor chart. Ann will also share information on free websites good for genealogy research. Attendees are encouraged to bring their own laptop, if they have one. Some library laptops will be available for use. Appointments with Ann can be made if that is more convenient.

**“Hop”—An All-Abilities Movie Event: Monday, April 6 @ 6:00 pm.** He was destined to be the Easter Bunny, but all he wanted to do was rock! When teenage E.B. leaves for Hollywood in pursuit of his dream to become a rockstar drummer, he meets Fred, an out-of-work slacker with his own lofty goals. Together the two encounter a series of hilarious mishaps and misadventures and in the end help each other recognize the importance of family. Rated PG (96 min.) Refreshments provided. Those under the age of 10 need an adult companion. Please note that this film may be shown with closed captioning enabled, ambient light and potentially other sensory friendly adjustments.



**Early Out Afternoons: Wednesdays, April 8, 15, 22 & 29 from 3:30—4:30 pm.** School’s out early on Wednesdays, so head to the library every week for special activities geared toward kids of all ages! Children under age 7 are welcome, but must attend with a teen or adult companion. The dates and activities are: April 8—Mini Bookcases; April 15—LEGO Club; April 22—Craft Kit Creativity; and April 29—Book Bingo.

**Kids Can Cook: Thursdays, April 9, 16 & 23 from 4:00—5:30 pm.** Kids Can Cook will teach kids ages 10-12 basic kitchen skills and how to make healthy food choices. The first ten minutes of each class will focus on kitchen safety and introductory cooking information, such as how to read a recipe. The remainder of each class will be hands-on learning, cooking, and cleaning up. The menu for April is Shrimp Scampi (9th), Strawberry Spoon Cake (16th), and Sioux City Style Loose Meat Sandwiches (23rd). Registration for each session is required as there is a limit of 12 children per session. A waiver signed by a parent or legal guardian must be on file for a child to attend.



**Family Movies @ Your Library presents “Zootopia 2”: Saturday, April 11 @ 1:00 pm.** Brave rabbit cop Judy Hopps and her fox friend Nick Wilde team up again to crack a new case, the most perilous and intricate of their careers. Rated PG (108 min.).



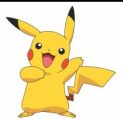
**Dungeons & Dragons Players Club: Saturday, April 11 @ 3:30 pm.** Join us for this monthly gaming event for D & D players that meets in-person or you can join remotely via Discord. This group meets the second Saturday of every month and new players of all ages and skill levels are welcome. The library has materials available but feel free to bring your own. To join via Discord, contact Paul at [Pzurawski@dyersville.lib.ia.us](mailto:Pzurawski@dyersville.lib.ia.us) by 2:00 pm the day of the program to receive the server invite.

**Adult Crafternoon—Diamond Art: Monday, April 13 from 1:00—3:00 pm.** Join us this month for Diamond Art. Choose between a butterfly on a stake or a corner bookmark. This program is intended for adults; however children over the age of 10 may attend with an adult companion.



**Pokémon Club: Monday, April 13 from 4:00—6:00 pm**

Drop in at this new monthly gathering to play Pokémon and meet some fellow fans! Come play, or learn, the trading card game or video games with seasoned players. Meet some friends and do some card trading. All ages welcome; however, those under the age of 10 need an adult companion. This group meets on the 2nd Monday of each month.



**Radon Basics: Monday, April 13 @ 6:30 pm**

Are you concerned about radon or just want to know more? Come to this program and learn the basics about what radon is, how it gets into your home, health risks, why it’s important to protect yourself from radon, and how to effectively reduce radon in your home. You will also learn how to use a radon test kit and what action to take based on your result. Staff from the American Lung Association will present this program virtually. The first 50 attendees will receive a FREE radon test kit (1 per household).



**Inspirational Fiction: A Novel Approach to Faith Book Club: Tuesday, April 14 @ 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 Girl Who Could Breathe Under Water* by Is. Books are available to borrow from the library. Participants are welcome to attend in person or remotely via Zoom. If you want to attend via Zoom and haven't attended before, please email [dschrandt@dyersville.lib.ia.us](mailto:dschrandt@dyersville.lib.ia.us) by 6pm on the day of the program so a link to the Zoom room can be emailed to you. Item 15.

**Storytime: Wednesdays, April 15, 22 & 29 @ 10:30 am & 6:30 pm.** Join Ms. Andrea for Storytime, where children are introduced to two or three books, rhymes, songs and a movement activity. Storytime is open to all ages and abilities but geared for those 1-6 years old. An adult companion is required. No registration required. Storytime will be held weekly through May 27.

**Create with Audrey—Cupcake Liner Flower Banners: Thursday, April 16 from 6:00—7:30 pm and Friday, April 17 from 10:00 am to 12:30 pm.** Join Audrey on the 3rd Thursday and Friday of each month to create a cool craft or art project. This month we will be making floral banners out of mini cupcake liners. This program is intended for adults of all-abilities. Children over the age of 10 may attend with an adult companion.



**Game Night @ Your Library: Friday, April 17 from 6:00—8:00 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 but those under the age of 7 need a teen or adult companion. Note: the date of this event has been moved so it doesn't conflict with the Trivia Night fundraiser.

**Breakfast Burrito Grab and Go Fundraiser: Saturday, April 18 from 9:00—11:00 am**

Kick off National Library Week, April 19-25, by stopping by the JKPL and enjoying a delicious breakfast burrito or bowl! \$8.00 gets you a delicious egg, sausage, hash brown and cheese burrito. Don't want a tortilla? Choose a Burrito Bowl for the same price. Burritos available while supplies last. Step into the Hoffman Community Room to get your breakfast and support your library! All proceeds from this fundraiser will be used to support library services and collections. A special Thank You goes to Fareway of Dyersville for supporting this fundraiser!



**Nerf War @ Your Library: Saturday, April 18 from 4:00—6:00 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.

**Bingo Party: Monday, April 20 from 1:00—3:00 pm.** Come enjoy bingo at the JKPL! There is a two card limit, there is no cost to play, and there are prizes! Registration is recommended as space is limited. Bring your friends!

**Rhythm & Pep with Author Daniel Henderson: Tuesday, April 21 @ 1:30 pm**

Join author Daniel Henderson and learn the true story of two Iowa coal miners, Carl and Earl Pearson, who had a dream. They came out of their father's coal mines near Clarinda, Iowa and became famous vaudeville stars in the 1920s. Their acrobatic dance routine took them to the top of Broadway entertainment at the Palace Theatre. Copies of Henderson's book, *Rhythm & Pep: The Vaudeville Career of the Pearson Brothers*, will be for sale by the author.



**Libby Reads Digital Book Club & Discussion: April 23—May 7**

The Libby Reads Digital Book Club selection for April 23—May 7 is *Familia* by Lauren E. Rico. During this time, readers across the United States can check this book out, in eAudio or eBook, from Overdrive on the Libby app with no waitlists or holds. Readers will be captivated by this spellbinding story told from multiple perspectives and spanning a generation, as a baffling genealogy test connects two young women across cultures and sets in motion events that might unravel a decades-old crime at last. Read the book then come to the JKPL at 6:30 pm on May 7 for refreshments and to discuss and share your thoughts on this book.



**Health & Wellness 365: Thursday, April 23 @ 11:30 am**

Join us for lunch, and learn about current health and wellness topics at this monthly program presented by the Northeast Iowa Area Agency on Aging with Nutrition Specialist Colleen Lawler. This month, we'll talk about how the foods you eat can impact the health of your teeth and gums. We'll also talk about the risks of sitting too long and share easy ways to add more movement into your day to support your overall health and well-being. Individuals over age 60, or those with age related concerns, will most benefit from this program, but all are welcome. Attendees can choose to have a lunch, which is provided for free for those over age 60. Registration is required by 4:00 pm on April 21 if you want a lunch. Lunch is sponsored by the Friends of the JKPL.



**Trivia Night Fundraiser at O So Good Winery & Distillery: Friday, April 24 from 6:30—9:00 pm**

Join us for a trivia fundraiser celebrating National Library Week and Drop Everything and Read Month! This fun event will be managed by Trivial Dudes, hosted by O So Good Winery & Distillery and co-sponsored by Dyersville Hy-Vee.

- Purchase a table for up to six guests for \$120.00, a table for four for \$100.00, or a table for two for \$60.00.
- Tables include a charcuterie board, dessert to share, and bottles of wine of your choice, or equal value in other drinks (2 bottles for tables of six, 1 bottle for tables of four or two). The food will be sized for the number of people at your table.
- Menu items and additional beverages will be available to purchase.
- There will be book themed questions as well as general trivia and the contest will include some special twists, prizes, and giveaways.
- The highest scoring table will win a prize basket provided by the JKPL.
- Guests are welcome to arrive at any time but trivia will begin promptly at 7:00 pm.
- Tickets can be purchased at the library or O So Good Winery & Distillery. Space is limited so tables should be purchased before 8:00 pm on Monday, April 20.

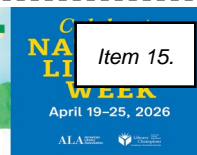
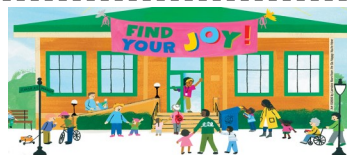


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### **National Library Week—Find Your Joy: April 19—25**

National Library Week (NLW) is an annual celebration highlighting the valuable role libraries and library professionals play in transforming lives and strengthening our communities. This year's theme is *Find Your Joy*, which is an invitation for people of all backgrounds to explore and discover what sparks joy in them at the library. Join us at the JKPL this week as we celebrate. Stop in each day to pick up a different library/reading themed giveaway; vote in the library poll; peruse our display of library/librarian/book-themed materials; and check out something to enjoy at home. Join library staff in wearing your favorite library or book themed apparel all week long. Weather permitting, Paul and the Book Bike will be out in the community giving out free books and answering library questions. The schedule of stops will be available by April 13 on the library website.



### **NLW Open House: Sunday, April 19 from 1:00—4:00 pm**

Stop in at the JKPL today to enjoy some refreshments, meet some of the JKPL Board Members, and celebrate libraries as National Library Week begins. Library staff will be on hand to talk about featured library activities and share information about items that have been added to the JKPL collection thanks to two grants from *Libraries Transforming Communities: Accessible Small and Rural Communities*. Giveaway: Fidget spinners

### **Right to Read Day: Monday, April 20**

April 20 is a day for readers, advocates, and library lovers to take action to protect, defend, and celebrate the right to read. The American Library Association (ALA) kicks off National Library Week with the release of its State of America's Libraries Report, including the list of Top Ten Most Challenged Books of 2025. Stop in the library today to see this document and pick up a Challenged and Banned Books Word Search. Giveaway: Library-themed bracelets

### **National Library Workers Day: Tuesday, April 21**

Join the library staff and volunteers today as we celebrate Library Workers Day, a day to recognize the valuable contributions made by all library workers and volunteers. Check out the bulletin board, or the JKPL Facebook page, and see if you can match the picture of the person reading to the library worker. Giveaway: Post-it notes

### **National Library Outreach Day: Wednesday, April 22**

Outreach, which is about meeting library patrons where they are, is important to the JKPL. One of our most popular outreach activities is our Pop-Up Library, which will be set up inside the library today. Stop in and select a book from the Pop-Up Library to add to your home library. Visitors are also invited to learn more about what the library has to offer by completing a library scavenger hunt. Giveaway: Book from the pop-up library and a bookmark.

### **Celebrate National Poetry Month Day: Thursday, April 23**

April is National Poetry Month, which is the world's largest literary celebration. Never read poetry before? Today is a good day to be introduced to it! Come celebrate at the JKPL by picking up a Blackout Poetry kit and peruse our display of poetry books for all ages. Feel free to check one out! Giveaway: Oversized paper clips

### **Favorite Childhood Book Day: Friday, April 24**

Thinking about your favorite childhood book can bring joy so today's focus is sharing that joy. Can you match the library staff member with their favorite book from childhood? Pick up a matching game and find out! Share your favorite book from childhood by writing it on a book-shaped slip. These slips will be posted on the bulletin board through the end of April and also shared on the library's social media. Giveaway: Tote Bags

### **Bubble Fun Day: Saturday, April 25**

Since this year's theme is Find Your Joy we have decided to have a "bubble fun day" because what is more joyful than bubbles?! Pick up a bubble-shaped paper at the desk and use it to share what specifically brings you joy at the library. Join us for our two bubble themed activities. Giveaway: Choice of a library themed item.

### **Family Bubble Storytime: Saturday, April 25 @ 10:30 am**

Join Ms. Andrea for a special bubble themed storytime. Children are introduced to two or three books, rhymes, songs and a movement activity. Storytime is open to all ages and abilities but geared for those 1-6 years old. An adult companion is required.

### **Bubble Painting: Saturday, April 25 from 11:00 am—12:30 pm**

Drop in anytime during this program and discover how to paint with bubbles at this special National Library Week event! This activity is for all ages and abilities but will appeal most to ages 2-6. An adult companion for those under age 6 is required.

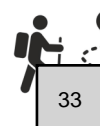
**Movies @ Your Library presents "Song Sung Blue": Saturday, April 25 @ 12:30 pm.** Based on a true story, Mike and Claire are two down-on-their-luck musicians who form a Neil Diamond tribute band called Lightning and Thunder. Soon they rise from garage and dive bar gigs to unexpected hometown stardom. When tragedy strikes, their love for each other, and passion for music, give them the strength to overcome hardships, rediscover hope, and inspire everyone around them. Rated PG-13 (131 min.).

**Strings Club: Monday, April 27 @ 6:00 pm.** Do you have a ukulele, guitar or other string instrument that you would like to play more often? Then come join the JKPL Strings Club! Teen and adult musicians of all skill levels are welcome. NOTE: This is not a class but a jam session so participants should know basic chords. Facilitated by Gary Bramel. This group typically meets on the fourth Monday of each month. Registration is encouraged, but walk-ins are welcome as space allows. Please contact the library to register.

**JKPL Writing Group: Tuesday, April 28 @ 6:30 pm.** Join us this month in person at the library, or remotely via Zoom, for a sharing session with writers of all types including poetry, memoir, fiction, or nonfiction. New members are welcome to join at any time. If you want to participate via Zoom, please contact the library by 5:30 pm on the day of the event.

### **Wildflower Hike at New Wine Park: Thursday, April 30 from 6:00—7:30 pm**

Walk along the trails at New Wine Park as a naturalist from Dubuque County Conservation guides you and teaches you about the flowers that are currently blooming. The hiking trail has uneven terrain and steep inclines, so please wear appropriate footwear and clothing. All ages welcome, but those under the age of 16 need an adult companion. Registration appreciated, but not required. On the day of the hike, participants should meet at New Wine Park (15971 New Wine Park Lane, New Vienna, IA). When entering the park, stay to the right, cross the bridge, and meet at the trailhead, located on the left side of the road.





**Um, Actually Game Night  
Saturday, May 2 @ 4:00 pm**

Want to show off your nerd knowledge? Come join us for a round of *Um, Actually*, a game show where teams of participants try to figure out what is wrong with a pop culture statement for points. The library is bringing a version of this to the library for teens and adults. This program is for ages 12 and up. Registration is required by November 12 to ensure we have enough attendees to hold the program. Want to watch but not play? Feel free to come be part of the audience!

**Art of Youthful Aging  
Tuesday, May 5 @ 2:00 pm**

Youthful aging is not an oxymoron. It is an attitude that defines a new belief system, supports positive emotions, and motivates healthy behaviors. This program, led by motivational speaker Constance Hallinan Lagan, offers specific tips on lifestyle changes to ensure we age gracefully and peacefully while enhancing our emotional, mental and physical wellbeing. Constance will join us via Zoom. Refreshments will be provided. Sponsored by the Friends of the James Kennedy Public Library.

**Baseball Spy Author Scott Reister  
Meet and Greet  
Wednesday, May 6 @ 3:00 pm**

All members of the community are invited to attend a visit with Iowa author Scott Reister, who will discuss his writing process and publication challenges. Fifth-graders who loved the *Baseball Spy* events in your schools can come learn more from Scott! This program is open to all ages, but children under 8-years-old will need to be accompanied by a caregiver. Registration is not required. Sponsored by The Friends of the James Kennedy Public Library.

**Free Cucumber Seed Program!**

The Dubuque County Extension Office, in partnership with the James Kennedy Public Library, is offering a Free Cucumber Seed Program to help educate local residents on how to grow a food crop to increase local food security.

- Program participants will receive 25 cucumber seeds and season long updates on good growing practices for raising cucumbers throughout the 2026 gardening season.
- Seeds will be available to pick up between May 6–20.
- **Registration is required by May 20, 2026.**
- More information and registration can be found at <https://bit.ly/dbqcucumber>

**Stuffed Animal Sleepover Evening Storytime  
Wednesday, May 6 @ 6:30 pm**

Calling all kids! Bring your second-favorite stuffed animal to the library for a stuffed animal sleepover to celebrate Children's Book Week! Ms. Christa will present a storytime with her own book *The Stuffy Sleepover*, which features Dyersville kids' stuffed animals and the JKPL! Kids will then plant a donut seed, kiss their stuffed animals goodnight, and leave the stuffies in the library for a stuffed animal slumber party overnight. The next morning, return to the library to claim your stuffy, a donut flower, and a picture of your stuffy's shenanigans. This program is open to all children under 12-years old, but children under seven must be accompanied by a caregiver. Registration is not required but please be prepared for noisy fun!

**Libby Reads Digital Book Club Discussion  
Thursday, May 7 @ 6:30 pm**

Join us at the JKPL as we discuss the Libby Reads Digital Book Club selection, *Familia* by Lauren E. Rico. Between April 23 and May 7, readers across the United States could check this book out, in eAudio or eBook, from Overdrive on the Libby app with no waitlists or holds. This is your opportunity to enjoy refreshments and share your thoughts on this book with other local readers.

**Plant Sale Fundraiser  
Saturday, May 16 from 9:00–11:00 am**

Join Karen Kramer and members of the JKPL Fundraising Committee in the parking lot adjacent to the JKPL to buy plants donated by committee and community members. Plants not selected during the sale may be available to purchase for a donation. All proceeds will be used to support library collections and services.

*Note: If you have plants you would like to donate, please contact the library at (563)875-8912 to make arrangements to drop them off. Plants of all kinds are welcome.*

**Movies @ Your Library**  
Free popcorn & soda for all who attend!

*The Spongebob Movie: Search for Squarepants* (PG)  
Saturday, May 2 @ 1:00 pm

*Anaconda (2026)* (PG-13)  
Saturday, May 16 @ 1:00 pm

# April 2026

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<p>April 1—30</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Create a Cars Poem</li> <li>Children's Pretend Play Station &amp; Scavenger Hunt</li> <li>StoryWalk®</li> <li>Yarn Wrapped Chicks craft kits for kids</li> </ul>	<p>April is D.E.A.R. Month (Drop Everything And Read) April 1—30</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Book Scavenger Hunt</li> <li>Book Jar</li> <li>Reading Recommendations</li> </ul>	<p>1</p> <p>Sit &amp; Stitch from 1-3pm</p>	<p>2</p> <p>Strength Training @ 9:30am &amp; 10:30am</p>	<p>3</p> <p>Euchre Card Party from 1-3:30pm</p>	<p>4</p> <p>Building Creativity One Block at a Time: a LEGO® program from 10-11am</p>	
<p>5</p> <p>Library closed</p>	<p>6</p> <p>Strength Training @ 9:30am &amp; 10:30am</p> <p>Books For Lunch @ 12pm</p> <p>Genealogy with Ann from 1-3pm</p> <p>Hop (PG) @ 6pm</p>	<p>7</p>	<p>8</p> <p>Sit &amp; Stitch from 1-3pm</p> <p>Early Out Afternoons from 3:30-4:30pm</p>	<p>9</p> <p>Strength Training @ 9:30am &amp; 10:30am</p> <p>Kids Can Cook from 4-5:30pm</p>	<p>10</p> <p>Euchre Card Party from 1-3:30pm</p>	<p>11</p> <p>Zootopia 2 (PG) @ 1pm</p> <p>Dungeons &amp; Dragons @ 3:30pm</p>
<p>12</p>	<p>13</p> <p>Strength Training @ 9:30am &amp; 10:30am</p> <p>Adult Crafternoon from 1-3pm</p> <p>Pokemon Club from 4-6pm</p> <p>Radon Basics @ 6:30pm</p>	<p>14</p> <p>A Novel Approach to Faith book club @ 7pm</p>	<p>15</p> <p>Storytime @ 10:30am &amp; 6:30pm</p> <p>Sit &amp; Stitch from 1-3pm</p> <p>Early Out Afternoons from 3:30-4:30pm</p>	<p>16</p> <p>Strength Training @ 9:30am &amp; 10:30am</p> <p>Kids Can Cook from 4-5:30pm</p> <p>Create with Audrey from 6-7:30pm</p>	<p>17</p> <p>Create with Audrey from 10am-12:30pm</p> <p>Euchre Card Party from 1-3:30pm</p> <p>Game Night from 6-8pm</p>	<p>18</p> <p>Breakfast Burrito Fundraiser from 9-11am</p> <p>Nerf War @ 4pm</p>
<p>19</p> <p>NLW Open House from 1-4pm</p>	<p>20</p> <p>Strength Training @ 9:30am &amp; 10:30am</p> <p>Bingo Party from 1-3pm</p>	<p>21</p> <p>Rhythm &amp; Pep @ 1:30pm</p>	<p>22</p> <p>Storytime @ 10:30am &amp; 6:30pm</p> <p>Sit &amp; Stitch from 1-3pm</p> <p>Early Out Afternoons from 3:30-4:30pm</p>	<p>23</p> <p>Strength Training @ 9:30am &amp; 10:30am</p> <p>Health &amp; Wellness 365 @ 11:30am</p> <p>Kids Can Cook from 4-5:30pm</p>	<p>24</p> <p>Euchre Card Party from 1-3:30pm</p> <p>Trivia Night Fundraiser @ 7pm</p>	<p>25</p> <p>Family Bubble Storytime @ 10:30am</p> <p>Bubble Painting from 11am-12:30pm</p> <p>Song Sung Blue (PG-13) @ 12:30pm</p>
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<p>26</p>	<p>27</p> <p>Strength Training @ 9:30am &amp; 10:30am</p> <p>Strings Club @ 6pm</p>	<p>28</p> <p>JKPL Writing Group @ 6:30pm</p>	<p>29</p> <p>Storytime @ 10:30am &amp; 6:30pm</p> <p>Sit &amp; Stitch from 1-3pm</p> <p>Early Out Afternoons from 3:30-4:30pm</p>	<p>30</p> <p>Strength Training @ 9:30am &amp; 10:30am</p> <p>Wildflower Hike @ 6pm</p>	<div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; width: fit-content;">           Libby Reads Digital Book Club: April 23—May 7         </div>	<div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px;">           April 1—30            • Coloring, Creating, &amp; Doing            • Upcycled Cards kits            • Get Puzzled            • Cloth wrapped wreath craft kits for adults         </div>

## **Tentative Schedule of Upcoming Events - MAY 2026 and beyond**

***Children’s Pretend Play Station: Card Shop: May 1-31.*** Area families are invited to come to the library and explore what it has to offer in Card Shop play! Free Mother’s Day cards are also available for kids to color and give to Mom, while supplies last.

***Children’s Scavenger Hunt: Flowers: May 1-31.*** Area children and their families are encouraged to participate in our “Flowers” scavenger hunt to earn a sticker! One sticker per child per library visit.

***Kids Can Craft: My Favorites Bookcase: May 1-31.*** Kids of all ages are invited to stop in the library to color a “My Favorites Bookcase” picture. Every design turned in qualifies the artist for an entry into the drawing for a prize basket. The limit is one entry per day. The winner will be announced in early June.

***Creation Station Craft: Paper Roll Mushroom: May 1-31.*** Stop in and craft in the Creation Station at the library or grab a kit and create at home! This month’s craft uses a recycled paper roll to create a cute mushroom. Kits include how-to instructions plus all needed supplies except for glue and scissors. A video demonstration will also be available to view on the JKPL Facebook and YouTube channel. Kits available while supplies last.

***Upcycled Greeting Card Kits: May 1-31.*** Want a unique card for someone special? Pick up one of these kits that use the front of an old greeting card combined with glue and cardstock to make an entirely new card. Each card kit includes a greeting card front with coordinating cardstock and an envelope. You will need to supply the glue. If crafting in the library, glue sticks may be borrowed from the desk for in-library use. Kits are available while supplies last.

***Coloring, Creating and Doing @ Your Library: May 1-31.*** The JKPL is continuing to offer coloring pages, dot to dot, crosswords, sudoku, and other activity pages for you to enjoy at the library or at home. They are intended for adults and teens. Each pack will include at least 10 different items and are available while supplies last. If you want to work on the activities while at the library, colored pencils, markers, and more are available in the Creation Station or to check out from the front desk.

***Adult Craft Kit: Ink Tracing Pages: May 1-31.*** Stop in and craft in the Creation Station at the library or grab a kit and create at home! This month’s craft is Ink Tracing pages - where you trace over white lines on a pre-colored watercolor background using a black pen to reveal detailed images. Kits include how-to instructions plus all needed supplies except for a black fine-tipped pen. A video demonstration will also be available to view on the JKPL Facebook and YouTube channel. Kits available at the front desk while supplies last. This kit is for adults only.

***Get Puzzled @ Your Library: May 1-31.*** Stop in the library this month to help us put together a new jigsaw puzzle. This month’s puzzle is *Television History*. 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. Please stop at the front desk to get your name entered.

***Westside Park StoryWalk®: “How to Count to One” by Caspar Salmon: May 1-***

**31.** Families are invited to walk the StoryWalk® at Westside Park which begins south of the parking lot by the baseball diamond. Walk the trail and read the story to your children. *The StoryWalk® is made possible by the Dubuque Racing Association, Friends of the Library, and the Richard Osterhaus Memorial Fund. The StoryWalk® Project was created by Anne Ferguson of Montpelier, VT and developed in collaboration with the Kellogg-Hubbard Library. Storywalk® is a registered service mark owned by Ms. Ferguson.*

***Euchre Card Party: Fridays, May 1, 8, 15, 22 & 29 from 1:00-3:30 pm.*** Join us Friday afternoons for Euchre in the Hoffman Room. Come meet, teach, and play with other players.

***Building Creativity One Block at a Time: a LEGO® program: Saturday, May 2 from 10:00-11:00 am.*** Join us for this monthly LEGO® program that is for children of all ages. Those under the age of 7 must be accompanied by an adult or older partner. Photos of the creations are displayed in the children's area of the library and on the library's social media pages. All children who participate have their names entered into a quarterly drawing for a special LEGO® related prize provided by DuTrac. Sponsored by DuTrac Community Credit Union.

***Family Movies @ Your Library presents "The Spongebob Movie: Search for Squarepants": Saturday, May 2 @ 1:00 pm.*** Hoping to prove his bravery to Mr. Krabs, SpongeBob follows a mysterious, swashbuckling ghost pirate known as the Flying Dutchman on a seafaring adventure that takes him to the deepest depths of the ocean. Rated PG (88 min).

***Um, Actually: Saturday, May 2 @ 4:00 pm.*** Want to show off your nerd knowledge? Come join us for a round of *Um, Actually*, a game show where teams of participants try to figure out what is wrong with a pop culture statement for points and your answer has the start with the phrase *Um, Actually!* The library is bringing a version of this to the library for teens and adults. This program is for ages 12 and up. Registration is required by May 1st to ensure we have enough attendees to hold the program. Want to watch but not play? Feel free to come be part of the audience!

***Strength Training for Older Adults: Mondays and Thursdays, May 4, 7, 11, 14, 18, 21 & 28 @ 9:30 and 10:30 am.*** Older adults of any age and fitness level are invited to join this special exercise program made possible by a partnership between the Geri-Fit® Company and the James Kennedy Public Library. Participants will exercise to a Geri-Fit® DVD and most of the exercises will be performed seated in a chair. There is no dancing or aerobics involved. Classes are held on Mondays and Thursdays and last approximately 45 minutes. For best results, participants should attend as many of the sessions as possible. Each participant will need a set of 2 or 3-pound dumbbell weights, a medium weight stretch band, and water to drink. Space is limited so registration is required. Note: we are not meeting on May 25 due to Memorial Day holiday.

***Books for Lunch Book Discussion: Monday, May 4 @ 12:00 noon.*** This group gathers on the first Monday of each month at noon. This month the group will discuss the All Iowa Reads Teen selection *Strong Like You* by T.L. Simpson. Copies of the book are available to borrow from the library. Participants are welcome to attend in person or remotely via Zoom. The Zoom room is opened upon request. New members are welcome to join at any time. If you plan to attend via Zoom, please email [librarian@dyersville.lib.ia.us](mailto:librarian@dyersville.lib.ia.us) by 10:00 am on the day of

the program and an invitation to the Zoom room will be emailed to you.

***Genealogy with Ann: Monday, May 4 from 1:00-3:00 pm.*** Staff member Ann will be on hand to help you start, or continue to work on, your five-generation ancestor chart. Ann will also share information on free websites good for genealogy research. Attendees are encouraged to bring their own laptop, if they have one. Some library laptops will be available for use. Appointments with Ann can be made if that is more convenient.

***The Art of Youthful Aging: Tuesday, May 5 @ 2 pm.*** Youthful aging is not an oxymoron. It is an attitude that defines a new belief system, supports positive emotions, and motivates healthy behaviors. Aging is often seen as a downward spiral into a life marked by limitation rather than as an opportunity for personal enrichment. Attitude determines outcome as we age! Replacing unhealthy thoughts and habits with healthy ones requires commitment, perseverance and dedication. This program, led by motivational speaker Constance Hallinan Lagan, offers specific tips on lifestyle changes to ensure we age gracefully and peacefully while enhancing our emotional, mental and physical wellbeing. Constance will join us via Zoom. Refreshments will be provided. Sponsored by the Friends of the JKPL.

***Storytime: Wednesdays, May 6, 13, 20 & 27 @ 10:30 am & 6:30 pm.*** Join Ms. Andrea for Storytime, where children are introduced to two or three books, rhymes, songs and a movement activity. Storytime is open to all ages and abilities but geared for those 1-6 years old. An adult companion is required. No registration required. Please note that the evening Storytime on May 6 will be a special Stuffed Animal Sleepover program; more details are listed below. Storytime runs through May 27 and morning storytime resumes June 10.

***Sit & Stitch: Wednesdays, May 6, 13, 20 & 27 from 1:00–3:00 pm.*** Grab your hobby or craft and join other crafters at this fun gathering. There are lots of laughs, great company, conversation, and even some crafting! Participants are welcome to attend in person in the Hoffman Room or remotely via Zoom. The Zoom room is opened upon request. New members are welcome to join at any time. If you wish to join virtually, please email [librarian@dyersville.lib.ia.us](mailto:librarian@dyersville.lib.ia.us) by 10 am on the date of the gathering and an invitation will be emailed to you. The same Zoom room link is used each week.

***Early Out Afternoons: Wednesdays, May 6, 13, 20 & 27 from 3:30-4:30 pm.*** School's out early on Wednesdays, so head to the library every week for special activities geared toward kids of all ages! (Children under age 7 are welcome but must attend with a teen or adult companion). The dates and activities are: May 6- Color a Huge Mother's Day Card for Mom; May 13- LEGO Club; May 20- Writing, Drawing and Coloring; and May 27- Book Bingo.

***“Baseball Spy” Author Scott Reister Meet-and-Greet: Wednesday, May 6 @ 3:00 pm.*** All members of the community are invited to attend an author's book talk with Iowa author Scott Reister, who will discuss his writing process and publication challenges. Fifth-graders who loved “Baseball Spy” events in your school, come learn more from Scott! This program is open to all ages, but children under 8-years-old will need to be accompanied by a caregiver. Registration is not required. *The Friends of the James Kennedy Public Library sponsored the following: the JKPL author visit, a free “Baseball Spy” book for every Dyersville Elementary and Xavier Elementary 5th-grader, and two writing workshop programs for 5th-grade students in their schools*

***Stuffed Animal Sleepover Evening Storytime: Wednesday, May 6 @ 6:30 pm.***

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***Dungeons & Dragons Players Club: Saturday, May 9 @ 3:30 pm.*** Join us for this monthly gaming event for D & D players that meets in-person or you can join remotely via Discord. This group meets the second Saturday of every month and new players of all ages and skill levels are welcome. The library has materials available but feel free to bring your own. To join via Discord, contact Paul at [Pzurawski@dyersville.lib.ia.us](mailto:Pzurawski@dyersville.lib.ia.us) by 2:00 pm the day of the program to receive the server invite.

**Sunday, May 10:** Library closed for Mother’s Day

***Pokémon Club: Monday, May 11 from 4:00–6:00 pm.*** Drop in at this new monthly gathering to play Pokémon and meet some fellow fans! Come play, or learn, the trading card game, or video games, with seasoned players. Meet some friends and do some card trading. All ages welcome; however, those under the age of 10 need an adult companion. This group meets on the 2nd Monday of each month.

***Inspirational Fiction: A Novel Approach to Faith Book Club: Tuesday, May 12 @ 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 Florence Legacy* by Lauraine Snelling. Books are available to borrow from the library. Participants are welcome to attend in person or remotely via Zoom. If you want to attend via Zoom and haven’t attended before, please email [dschrandt@dyersville.lib.ia.us](mailto:dschrandt@dyersville.lib.ia.us) by 6pm on the day of the program so a link to the Zoom room can be emailed to you.

***Great Give Day is May 20, 2026!*** Great Give Day is a day focused on donating to causes or establishments within your community. Looking to support the James Kennedy Public Library? Then consider donating to the James Kennedy Public Library Endowment! The mission of the James Kennedy Public Library (JKPL) Endowment is to provide supplemental financial support to the library. The James Kennedy Public Library enriches the Dyersville community by providing equal access to creative resources for entertainment and education. The James Kennedy Public Library helps create a thriving community to inspire curiosity, creativity, innovation, and connection.

The JKPL Endowment fund, through your charitable contributions, ensures the library will continue to provide these services for years to come. The JKPL Endowment was established in 2019 by Alan Bird. His donation was made in memory of his mother, Irma Bird, a founding

member of the original Library Board. Started 60 years after the founding of the library, the Endowment will insure the library's ability to remain dedicated to its original mission and continue to serve the community needs. Want more information? Check out the Endowment Fund's Facebook page at: <https://www.facebook.com/James-Kennedy-Public-Library-Endowment-107205744107637/> Want to donate? Visit the following link: <https://www.greatgiveday.org/jkplendowment>

**Plant Sale Fundraiser: Saturday, May 16 from 9:00-11:00 am.** Join Karen Kramer and members of the JKPL Fundraising Committee in the parking lot adjacent to the JKPL to buy plants donated by committee and community members. The plant sale will run from 9:00-11:00 am or until all items are taken. Plants not selected during the sale may be available to purchase for a donation. All proceeds will be used to support library collections and services. If you have plants you would like to donate, please contact the library at (563)875-8912 to make arrangements to drop them off. Plants of all kinds are welcome.

**Movies @ Your Library presents "Anaconda": Saturday, May 16 @ 1:00 pm.** Doug and Griff have been best friends since they were kids, and have always dreamed of remaking their all-time favorite movie *Anaconda*. When a midlife crisis pushes them to finally go for it, they head deep into the Amazon to start filming. But as they encounter unexpected events in the jungle, they realize this movie might just get them killed. Rated PG-13 (98 minutes).

**Super Smash Bros Ultimate Tournament: Sunday, May 17 @ 1:30 pm.** Join us at the library for a chance to see who among your friends is the Smash Bros Champion! Rules for the tournament will be three stock lives, no items, random stage per fight. We will be using the Ultimate (Switch) version and players may only use standard switch grip controllers. For ages 10 and up. No registration needed.

**Bingo Party: Monday, May 18 from 1:00-3:00 pm.** Come enjoy bingo at the JKPL! There is a two card limit, there is no cost to play, and there are prizes! Registration is recommended as space is limited. Bring your friends!

**Create with Audrey - Press Dried Flowers: Thursday, May 21 from 6:00-7:30 pm and Friday, May 22 from 10:00 am-12:30 pm.** Join Audrey on the 3rd Thursday and Friday of each month to create a cool craft or art project. This month we will be gluing dried flowers to a mini easel to create a 3-D picture. This program is intended for adults of all-abilities. Children over the age of 10 may attend with an adult companion.

**Game Night @ Your Library: Friday, May 22 from 6:00-8:00 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 but those under the age of 7 need a teen or adult companion.

**Sunday, May 24 & Monday, May 25:** Library closed for Memorial Day

**JKPL Writing Group: Tuesday, May 26 @ 6:30 pm.** Join us this month in person at the library, or remotely via Zoom, for a sharing session with writers of all types including poetry, memoir, fiction, or nonfiction. New members are welcome to join at any time. If you want to participate via Zoom, please contact the library by 5:30 pm on the day of the event.

**Health & Wellness 365: Thursday, May 28 @ 11:15 am.** Join us for lunch, and learn about current health and wellness topics at this monthly program presented by the Northeast Iowa Area Agency on Aging with Nutrition Specialist Colleen Lawler. Individuals over age 60, or those with age related concerns, will most benefit from this program, but all are welcome. Attendees can choose to have a lunch, which is provided for free for those over age 60 and must be eaten on site. Registration is required by 4:00 pm on April 21 if you want a lunch. Lunch is sponsored by the Friends of the James Kennedy Public Library.

**Nerf War @ Your Library: Saturday, May 30 from 4:00-6:00 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.

**Donate to the JKPL Garage Sale Fundraiser: June 1 - 5.** The JKPL fundraising committee and Friends of the Library are partnering to offer a new way you can support the JKPL! Members of the community are encouraged to donate their good, used items to the JKPL and they will be sold at a yard sale with the proceeds going to support the JKPL. Items should be brought to the library during library business hours between June 1 - 5. Items should be in good, clean, working condition. A list of donation guidelines is posted on the JKPL website or available to pick up at the library.

**Westside Park StoryWalk®: “Go Get with Rex” by David LaRochelle: June 1-30.**

**Adult Summer Library Program Begins! Saturday, June 1:** Everyone 18 and older is encouraged to participate in the 2026 program that runs June 1-August 31. This year’s theme is *Plant A Seed-Read*, a theme which encourages creativity, conservation, and continued reading. Registration begins on June 1 and adults are welcome to join throughout the summer. Participants will receive a bookbag, bookmark, and a free book just for registering. Participants will track books read or listened to, library services used, programs attended, and activities completed to earn prizes. The adult summer library program is sponsored by the Friends of the James Kennedy Public Library.

**Teen Summer Reading Program Begins: Tuesday, June 2.** Everyone who has completed 6th-12th grade is encouraged to participate in the teen program that runs from June 2-August 1. The theme this year is *Plant A Seed-Read*, a theme which encourages creativity, conservation, and continued reading. Participants will receive a free book just for registering! Once registered, participants will fill out a review for every book read during the program. Each review turned in will be an entry into a drawing to win prizes at the end of the program. Attending library programs will also earn an entry into the drawing. The grand prize this year is a Samsung Galaxy Tablet!

**Children’s Summer Reading Program Begins: Tuesday, June 2.** Children ages 4-11 years old (who have completed 5th grade) are encouraged to participate in the children’s summer reading program! The theme this year is *Plant A Seed-Read*, a theme which encourages creativity, conservation, and continued reading. The program runs June 2—August 1 and registration begins June 2 in-person at the library. Can’t make it on June 2? Stop in any day after to register but know that points earned for summer reading begin on the day that you

sign up. Receive a free book just for registering! This summer, earn points for reading. At the end of the summer reading program on August 1, tally up your points, and use your total summer reading points to buy some great prizes or books at our summer reading store and claim a free ice cream! The more you read, the more you earn! Can't make it on August 1? Buy books with your points at the front desk from August 2 - August 31. All programs will be held at the James Kennedy Public Library unless otherwise noted. *All performers are paid for by a generous gift from the Friends of the James Kennedy Public Library. Prize books are sponsored by the Dyersville Area Community Foundation and the Friends of the James Kennedy Public Library. Ice cream is sponsored by Delaney's Ice Cream.*

***Toddler Summer Literacy Program Begins: Tuesday, June 2.*** Children ages 0-3 are invited to participate in the Toddler Summer Literacy Program which runs June 2-August 1. Participants will use a simple board game designed to engage children from infant to age three in activities that promote literacy and a lifelong love of reading. Upon completion of the board game, toddlers will receive a board book and a small toy of their choice. Families can choose to participate in the Children's Summer Reading Program if they prefer.

***Delaney's Scoop It Up Ice Cream Summer Reading Program, June 1 - August 31.*** Earn Delaney's ice cream by reading this summer! Simply check out books, present a Delaney's punch card at the front desk, and earn a punch for every book that you check out (up to five books per visit). Punch cards are available at all Delaney's Ice Cream stores and at all libraries that reside in Dubuque County. *Created by and sponsored by Delaney's Ice Cream.*

***Acrylic Painting Class: Tuesday, June 2 at 10:30 am, 2:00 pm, and 6:00 pm.*** Come to the library and paint an 8x10 inch work of art using basic shapes & simple painting techniques! Project to be announced. This guided acrylic painting class is for everyone from beginners to advanced painters of all ages and abilities. All ages are welcome but those under the age of 10 need an adult companion. All supplies provided. Each class should last about 2 hours. Registration by 12 noon on June 1 is required as space is limited. Walk-ins welcome if space allows. Adults will be given priority to register for the evening class. *Sponsored by the Friends of the James Kennedy Public Library.*

***Magician Mikayla Oz: Wednesday, June 3 @ 10:00 am.*** Magician Mikayla Oz is back! The popular magician will perform a hilarious, high-energy magic show with her live bird Bubbles. All ages welcome, but children under age 8 will need to be accompanied by an adult. Due to space constraints, seating is limited, so tickets to attend will be issued. Tickets are free and will be available to pick up at the front desk starting at 9:00 am the day of the program. Tickets are first-come, first-served. If we reach capacity, patrons are then welcome to watch the performance through the Hoffman Room window or on a closed-circuit television in the Children's Area. *Sponsored by the Friends of the James Kennedy Public Library.*

***Library Garage Sale Fundraiser: Saturday, June 6 from 9:00 am-2:00 pm.*** The JKPL fundraising committee and Friends of the Library have partnered to offer another way you can support the JKPL! Members of the community have donated good, new, and gently used items to the JKPL for this annual event. The sale will be held in the parking lot adjacent to the library (weather permitting) or in the Hoffman Room. Items will be priced to sell - or buy a box for \$20 and fill it with as many unpriced items as you can! Items not sold on Saturday will be available on Sunday for a donation. All proceeds will be used to support library programs, collections and services.

**Dyersville Public Works Presents Big Trucks at the Library: Wednesday, June 10 from 10:00 am – 12:00 pm.** Come to the library's parking lot to learn about the Dyersville Public Works' vehicles and see big truck demonstrations! While here, attend the Big Truck Storytime at 10:30 am and/or participate in chalk art on the sidewalk anytime from 10:00 am - 12:00 pm. All participants will receive a free stress ball (while supplies last). All ages welcome, and an adult companion is required for children under 10-years-old.

**Storytime: Wednesdays, June 10, 17 & 24 @ 10:30 am.** Join Ms. Andrea for Storytime, where children are introduced to two or three books, rhymes, songs and a movement activity. Storytime is open to all ages and abilities but geared for those 1-6 years old. An adult companion is required. No registration required. Summer storytimes will run through July 29.

**Kids Can Garden: Plant a Hanging Salsa Planter: Wednesday, June 10 @ 3:30 pm.** Come to the library to plant a hanging pot with herbs and vegetables perfect for making salsa. All materials provided to take home your mini salsa garden. Then watch your plants grow all summer, harvest, and make salsa at home! All ages welcome, but children under age 8 will need an adult or teen companion. No registration necessary.

**Pop-Up @ the Farmer's Market: Thursdays, June 11 & 25 from 3:00 - 5:00 pm.** The JKPL will be reaching out to the community by visiting the Dyersville Farmer's Market on the second and fourth Thursdays in June, July, and August! Visitors will learn about what the library has to offer, get their questions answered, and select a free book to keep from the pop-up library. Take-and-make activities may also be available. The library will bring a hotspot and provide WiFi Access! 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.

**Art in the Park: Fairy Garden: Thursday, June 11 from 3:30 - 4:30 pm.** Come to Commercial Club Park to create a beautiful fairy garden complete with seeds to plant and decorations to choose from. All ages welcome, but children under age 8 must be accompanied by a responsible teen or adult companion.

**Dragon Academy: Friday, June 12 @ 10:00 am at the Westside Park Amphitheater.** Attention all dragon lovers: Learn how to train a dragon at Dragon Academy at the Westside Park Amphitheater, where animatronic dragons will swoop in for a visit. Come to learn, stay for a picture with the dragons. All ages welcome, but children under age 8 must be accompanied by a responsible teen or adult companion. For the safety of the dragons, any inclement weather will relocate Dragon Academy to the JKPL Hoffman Room. In the event of weather, call or check Facebook for any dragon updates and details about seating. *Sponsored by the Friends of the James Kennedy Public Library.*

**TACKL Fun and Games @ Downtown Summer Nights: Friday, June 12 from 5:30-9:00 pm.** Join the Teen Advisory Council to the Kennedy Library (TACKL) at Downtown Summer Nights in Legacy Square for fun, free games for kids. This event is sponsored by the Dyersville Chamber of Commerce.

**Pop-Up @ Downtown Summer Nights: Friday, June 12 from 5:30-8:30 pm.** The JKPL will be reaching out to the community by "popping up" at Downtown Summer Nights at Legacy Square! Visitors will be able to select a free book to keep from the pop-up library as well

as learn more about library services. The JKPL Fundraising Committee will be on hand selling frozen treats to support the special collections and services of the library. 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.

***Building Creativity One Block at a Time: a LEGO® program: Saturday, June 13 from 10:00-11:00 am.*** Join us for this monthly LEGO® program that is for children of all ages. Those under the age of 7 must be accompanied by an adult or older partner. Photos of the creations are displayed in the children's area of the library and on the library's social media pages. All children who participate have their names entered into a quarterly drawing for a special LEGO® related prize provided by DuTrac. Sponsored by DuTrac Community Credit Union.

***World Wide Knit in Public Day: Saturday, June 13 from 1:00-4:00 pm.*** Held on the second Saturday of June, WWKIP Day is a special annual event to celebrate knitting and all fiber crafts as a community activity. The theme is Better Living Through Stitching Together. Join the JKPL Sit 'n' Stitch group in the library to celebrate this special day. Bring your own project or just come see these talented crafters in action and learn about crafting!

***Dubuque County Conservation Stream Study: Monday, June 15 @ 2:00 pm @ Westside Park Pavilion.*** Join Dubuque County Conservation to study the water habitat of the Maquoketa River, including viewing the water under a microscope. A sunprint activity and free garden flags will also be offered while supplies last. All ages welcome, but due to water safety, children under age 10 must be accompanied by a responsible teen or adult companion. In inclement weather, this program will be cancelled on Facebook.

***Foraging Hike at New Wine Park: Monday, June 15 @ 6:30 pm.*** Hike along the trails as we look for the edible parts of nature around us. We will look for berries, leaves, and nuts while we do some taste testing. Go home with new knowledge and a recipe to try on your own! This event is brought to you through the partnership with the Dubuque County Conservation. All ages welcome but guests under 16 years of age need an adult companion. On the day of the hike, participants should meet at New Wine Park located at 15971 New Wine Park Lane, New Vienna, IA 52065. When entering the park, stay to the right, cross the bridge, and meet at the trailhead, located on the left side of the road. Register through the library website or by calling the James Kennedy Public Library at 563-875-8912.

***Kids Can Build: LEGO Club: Wednesday, June 17 @ 3:30 pm.*** Love to build with LEGOs? Come check out the library's LEGOs, and put your name in a drawing for a LEGO prize! All ages welcome, but children under age 8 will need an adult or teen companion. No registration necessary.

***Game Changer: Saturday, June 20 @ 4:00 pm.*** Game Changer is a YouTube channel where participants engage in games involving improv comedy and random challenges. The twist is that the players don't know what game they are playing until it starts. The library is bringing a version of this game to the library! For ages 12 and up. Registration is required by December 28 to ensure we have enough attendees to hold the program. Want to watch but not play? Feel free to come be part of the audience.

**Sunday, June 21:** Library closed for Father's Day

**Strings Club: Monday, June 22 @ 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? Then come join the JKPL Strings Club! Teen and adult musicians of all skill levels are welcome. NOTE: This is not a class but a jam session so participants should know basic chords. Facilitated by Gary Bramel. This group typically meets on the fourth Monday of each month. Registration is encouraged, but walk-ins are welcome as space allows. Please contact the library to register.

**Kids Can Create: Mini Diamond Art: Wednesday, June 24 @ 3:30 pm.** Diamond art for kids is back by popular demand! Drop in to grab a miniature diamond art kit, and create with friends in the library or take your kit home. One diamond art miniature kit per child. All ages welcome, but children under age 8 will need an adult or teen companion. No registration necessary.

**Art in the Park: Slime: Thursday, June 25 @ 3:30 pm at Commercial Club Park.** Join Ms. Andrea to get messy making slime at the Commercial Club Park! All ages welcome, but children under age 8 must be accompanied by a responsible teen or adult companion. No registration required.

**Pop-Up @ the Dyersville Downtown Market: Saturday, June 27 from 8:00 am - 12:00 noon.** The James Kennedy Public Library will be reaching out to the community by bringing a pop-up library to the market. Visitors will be able to find out more about what the library has to offer, and select a free book to keep. The JKPL will also have a hotspot running to provide WiFi Access. 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.

**Absolute Science Bubbles Stations @ Dyersville Downtown Market: Saturday, June 27 from 8:00 am – 12:00 pm.** Do you love making HUGE bubbles? Visit the Dyersville Downtown Market in Legacy Square and celebrate summer reading with multiple bubble stations. Join in on the bubble fun for all ages! *Sponsored by the Friends of the James Kennedy Public Library and the Dyersville Downtown Market.*

**Summer Tea: Sunday, June 28 from 1:30-3:00 pm.** Grab a friend and come to our Summer Tea! Enjoy delicious tea and delicate homemade cookies and bars served on real china. Lemonade will be provided for the non-tea drinkers. All ages are welcome but children under the age of 15 require an adult companion. We encourage you to wear a hat! Sponsored by the JKPL Senior Advisory Committee.

**Miss Carole of Macaroni Soup: Wednesday, July 1 @ 10:30 am.** Young children and their families will love Miss Carole's lively, funny, educational musical program that encourages kids to clap, sing, dance and laugh! Geared for children under 9 years old, but all are welcome. Children under 7 must be accompanied by a caregiver. No registration necessary. *Sponsored by the Friends of the James Kennedy Public Library.*

**Kids Can Win: Book Bingo: Wednesday, July 1 @ 3:30 pm.** Looking for a new book and a great game of Bingo? Come to Book Bingo, where we play traditional Bingo for

children's books as prizes. All Ages welcome, but children under age 8 will need an adult or teen companion. No registration necessary.

**Saturday, July 4 and Sunday, July 5:** Library closed for Independence Day holiday

***Turtle Storytime with Dubuque County Conservation: Wednesday, July 8 @ 10:30 am:*** Join JKPL's Miss Andrea and Dubuque County Conservation for turtle storytime and turtle education. Features live turtles that kids can pet! Open to all ages, but children under age 7 must be accompanied by an adult. No registration required.

***Kids Can Create: Frog Terrarium: Wednesday, July 8 @ 3:30 pm.*** Ribbit! Come create an artificial frog terrarium using artificial flowers and a frog figurine. All materials provided, and hot glue will be in use. All Ages welcome, but children under age 9 will need an adult or teen companion to assist with the hot glue. No registration necessary.

***Art in the Park: Plant a Pizza Garden: Thursday, July 9 @ 3:30 pm at Commercial Club Park.*** Love pizza? Come to the Commercial Club Park to plant a pizza garden. All supplies provided for a take-home garden that you can grow to eat! Open to all ages, but children under age 7 must be accompanied by a caregiver. No registration necessary.

***Absolute Science Laser Show: Friday, July 10 @ 10:00 am.*** Explore the science surrounding chemical reactions, soda explosions and lasers in a fast-paced, educational program from Absolute Science. Open to all ages, but children under age 7 must be accompanied by a caregiver. Due to space constraints, seating is limited, so tickets to attend will be issued. Tickets are free and will be available to pick up at the front desk starting at 9:00 am the day of the program. Tickets are first-come, first-served. If we reach capacity, patrons are then welcome to watch the performance through the Hoffman Room window or on a closed-circuit television in the Children's Area. *Sponsored by the Friends of the James Kennedy Public Library.*

***Teen SRP: Teen Outdoor cooking program: Friday, July 10 @ 4:00 pm.*** Details to be announced.

***Blank Park Zoo Presents "Animal Snacks": Tuesday, July 14 @ 1:00 pm.*** Learn what animals snack on in the wild with Blank Park Zoo's "Animal Snacks" program. A surprise "animal" snack and sticker will be provided for children. Open to all ages, but children under age 7 must be accompanied by a caregiver. Due to space constraints, seating is limited, so tickets to attend will be issued. Tickets are free and will be available to pick up at the front desk starting at 9:00 am the day of the program. Tickets are first-come, first-served. If we reach capacity, patrons are then welcome to watch the performance through the Hoffman Room window or on a closed-circuit television in the Children's Area. *Sponsored by the Friends of the James Kennedy Public Library.*

***Kids Can Create: Shrinky Dinks: Wednesday, July 15 @ 3:30 pm.*** Attend this drop-in program to color on Shrinky Dink plastic, then watch your creation shrink in the oven. All Ages welcome, but children under age 8 will need an adult or teen companion. No registration necessary.

***Absolute Science Butterflies at the Downtown Market: July 18 @ 8:00 am –***

**12:00 pm at Legacy Square.** Come enjoy the magic of live butterflies at the Butterfly Tent Encounter, and stay to study butterfly science at educational tables. Located at the Dyersville Downtown Market at Legacy Square. Open to all ages, but due to the delicate nature of butterflies, children under 10 must be accompanied by an adult. No registration is necessary. *Sponsored by the Friends of the James Kennedy Public Library and the Dyersville Downtown Market.*

**Kids Can Create: Bling Out a Water Cup: Wednesday, July 22 @ 3:30 pm.** Express yourself while you hydrate all summer long! Come bling out a water cup using strong epoxy glue and gems. All materials provided...including a new drinking cup! All Ages welcome, but children under age 10 will need an adult or teen companion to assist with the glue and/or stickers will be provided as an alternate material. No registration necessary.

**Art in the Park: Messy Art: Thursday, July 23 @ 3:30 pm at Commercial Club Park.** Create messy art with physics principles and unusual paint applications, including painting with water guns and splatter techniques. Open to all ages, but children under age 7 must be accompanied by a caregiver. No registration necessary.

**Teen SRP: Mock-A-Movie Night for Teens: Saturday, July 25 @ 4:00 pm.** Join us for a night of terrible cinema, good food, and lots of fun mocking the movie! This evening we will be watching *Troll 2* (PG-13) – a terrible horror movie involving trolls trying to turn people into food. Refreshments will be provided. For ages 12-18 only.

**SRP Finale Store: Saturday, August 1 from 10:00 am - 2:00 pm.** All children who participated in the Summer Reading Program are invited to spend their points in the Summer Reading Store...and get a free ice cream! Prizes include all new toys, stuffed animals and books. Open to all ages, but children under age 7 must be accompanied by a caregiver. No registration necessary. Any family/children unable to attend on August 1 can turn in their points at the front desk for books through the end of August. *Sponsored by the Dyersville Area Community Foundation, the Friends of the James Kennedy Public Library, Toys for Tots, and Delaney's Ice Cream.*

**Nerf War @ Your Library: Saturday, August 1 from 4:00-6:00 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.

**Dubuque County Conservation Composting Study: Monday, August 3 @ 2:00 pm.** From decomposition to helpful critters to the changes we see under a microscope, the Dubuque County Conservation will guide children through composting principles. Open to all ages, but children under age 7 must be accompanied by a caregiver. No registration necessary.

**Dr. Bec's Amazon Animal Study: Wednesday, August 12 @ 9:30 am and 11:00 am.** Wartburg College professor Dr. Bec will share some animal and science knowledge with kids in an exotic animals petting event that features corn snakes, sulcata tortoises, miniature chickens, giant cave cockroaches and tarantulas. Open to all ages, but children under age 7 must be accompanied by a caregiver. Due to space constraints and animal temperament needs,

seating is limited, so tickets to attend will be issued. Tickets are free and will be available to pick up at the front desk starting at 9:00 am for each show on the day of the program. Tickets are first-come, first-served. If we reach capacity, patrons are then welcome to watch the performance through the Hoffman Room window or on a closed-circuit television in the Children's Area. *Sponsored by the Friends of the James Kennedy Public Library.*

***Teen Jeopardy! Saturday, August 22 @ 4:00 pm***

***Kids Can Help: Volunteer to Create a Lemonade Stand: Wednesday, August 26 @ 4:00 pm.*** Calling all kids who love to help: come to the library to plan and advertise a lemonade stand that will benefit the library's Children's Area. Children will be able to create posters, decorate a lemonade stand, sign up to volunteer at the Saturday, August 29 Lemonade Stand at the Dyersville Downtown Market from 10:00 am - 12:00 pm. All ages welcome, but children under age 8 will need an adult or teen companion. No registration necessary.

***Fishing for Toys at the Downtown Market: August 29 @ 8:00 am – 12:00 pm at Legacy Square.*** Want to catch a toy at the Downtown Market? Come try your luck at our Fishing for Toys event! Open to all children under age 12, but children under age 7 will need an adult companion. *Sponsored by Toys for Tots.*

***Children's Lemonade Stand: Saturday, August 29 from 10:00 am to 12:00 pm.*** Support kids' volunteer efforts and the library by visiting the Children's Lemonade Stand at the JKPL Downtown Market booth at Legacy Square. All funds raised will help fund a kids' wooden play structure in the library.

**September 6-7 (Sunday-Monday):** Library closed for Labor Day

***Family Literacy Nights:*** September 2026 - May 2027. 2nd Thursday of each month from 6-8pm. Dyersville Campaign for Grade-Level Reading (GLR) activity. Details to be announced.

***Fit the Pieces Jigsaw Puzzle Fundraiser: Thursday, November 12 from 6:00–8:00 pm*** Join us at Textile Brewing Company at this fundraising event to support the JKPL! Teams of up to 4 individuals can buy a table for \$60.00 which includes a 500-piece puzzle. Complete the puzzle first to win! Prizes will be awarded for 1st and 2nd place. Be sure to bring some cash to buy some fun twists like freezing the competition, making them wear gloves, putting them in jail, and more—with all proceeds going to the library! Participation is limited to 15 teams and tickets are on sale now. Textile Brewing Company will donate 10% of food sales during the event to the JKPL. All proceeds will benefit the James Kennedy Public Library

**Wednesday, November 25:** Library closes @ 5:00 pm

**Thursday, November 26:** Library closed for Thanksgiving

**Wednesday, December 23:** Library closes @ 5:00 pm

**Thursday, December 24:** Library closed for Christmas

**Friday, December 25:** Library closed for Christmas

**Thursday, December 31:** Library closes @ 5:00 pm

**Friday, January 1:** Library closed for New Years

	FY25	FY26	Rolling	March	February	January	December	November	October	September	August	July	June	May	April
			12												
Albert City	162	2	10	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	8	0
Ames	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Anamosa	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Balltown	2	7	7	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	7	0	0	0
Cascade	1016	720	965	59	55	81	76	34	99	100	103	113	94	64	87
Cedar Rapids	10	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Coggan	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Colesburg	888	317	567	22	28	33	14	27	16	70	52	55	120	48	82
Delaware Co	5261	3868	5275	422	385	254	368	409	404	449	457	720	584	422	401
Delhi	254	130	188	11	11	14	21	0	23	9	14	27	32	15	11
Dubuque	496	500	647	72	14	65	64	50	60	32	52	91	112	7	28
Dbq Co	15514	11691	16023	1082	1129	1196	1217	1019	1325	1238	1487	1998	1772	1307	1253
Dyersville	52470	35412	48966	4093	3434	3719	3679	3300	3834	3864	4380	5109	5588	4274	3692
Earlville	408	766	860	41	53	61	117	87	148	120	54	85	54	18	22
Edgewood	100	30	40	7	2	2	1	1	4	5	4	4	6	0	4
Elkader	11	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Garnavillo	5	5	5	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	4	0	0	0
Greeley	NEW	100	100	19	10	10	39	20	0	2					
Guttenberg	954	760	1044	34	23	23	144	170	140	70	82	74	139	71	74
Hopkinton	99	67	91	1	1	2	6	3	33	9	6	6	16	5	3
Independence	21	41	46	0	6	2	15	0	7	5	3	3	3	0	2
ILL	1283	758	1048	84	74	94	63	74	98	76	112	83	91	98	101
Ionia	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Iowa City	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Lamont	24	33	33	0	0	1	1	0	0	24	0	7	0	0	0
Luxemburg	1527	958	1531	72	47	76	69	71	80	47	247	249	295	136	142
Manchester	854	500	677	49	38	36	45	70	64	91	26	81	56	50	71
Maquoketa	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Monticello	113	171	220	0	0	6	0	0	8	44	81	32	30	14	5
Oelwein	0	39	39	0	13	26	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Rickardsville	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Strawberry Po	61	147	208	8	5	2	2	17	3	26	48	36	52	9	0
Waterloo	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Wisconsin - Pl	98	9	61	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	9	14	15	23
<b>Total</b>	81634	57031	78651	6077	5328	5703	5941	5352	6346	6281	7208	8795	9058	6561	6001
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Contract Use Report FY26 - By Area												
Residence Area	No. of Patrons	July Stats	August Stats	Sept Stats	Oct Stats	Nov Stats	Dec Stats	Jan Stats	Feb Stats	March Stats	Year to Date	Change to date
<b>Dyersville - FY26</b>	<b>2168</b>	<b>5109</b>	<b>4380</b>	<b>3864</b>	<b>3834</b>	<b>3300</b>	<b>3679</b>	<b>3719</b>	<b>3434</b>	<b>4093</b>	<b>35412</b>	
FY25	2171	5378	4824	3801	4605	3896	3498	4494	4016	4404	38916	
FY24	2089	4240	4658	3903	4759	4043	3509	4112	4030	3975	37229	-3504
FY23	2317	4673	4344	3883	4029	4007	3220	3670	3457	3826	35109	-10%
FY22	2528	4831	3794	4164	4462	4233	4357	4724	4217	4011	38793	
FY21	2505	3951	4489	3742	2985	3294	2497	2625	3045	3430	30058	
<b>Del Co. incl Man. (OA)</b>	<b>407</b>	<b>801</b>	<b>483</b>	<b>540</b>	<b>468</b>	<b>479</b>	<b>413</b>	<b>290</b>	<b>423</b>	<b>471</b>	<b>4368</b>	
FY25	438	724	457	545	401	465	478	542	464	455	4531	
FY24	421	600	698	527	618	497	426	598	529	578	5071	-163
FY23	400	496	486	335	464	526	464	478	602	857	4708	-3.21%
FY22	579	483	369	408	400	491	517	597	519	519	4303	
FY21	585	602	550	265	288	174	320	263	226	248	2936	
<b>Dbq Co. Lib. Sys. (OA)</b>	<b>823</b>	<b>1998</b>	<b>1487</b>	<b>1238</b>	<b>1325</b>	<b>1019</b>	<b>1217</b>	<b>1196</b>	<b>1129</b>	<b>1082</b>	<b>11691</b>	
FY25	844	1623	1284	1112	1118	1202	1062	1273	1225	1283	11182	
FY24	791	1154	1128	795	974	1029	1048	1123	997	987	9235	509
FY23	725	1340	1247	813	921	990	1018	1123	1083	1331	9866	5%
FY22	1009	1157	657	850	856	812	777	1162	924	1221	8416	
FY21	957	829	1019	801	597	602	635	564	556	584	6187	
<b>County Agency</b>	<b>52</b>	<b>256</b>	<b>247</b>	<b>47</b>	<b>80</b>	<b>71</b>	<b>69</b>	<b>76</b>	<b>47</b>	<b>72</b>	<b>965</b>	
FY25	50	156	64	94	109	118	66	88	136	125	956	
FY24	53	182	200	107	172	150	156	125	98	145	1335	9
FY23	59	171	95	135	124	98	91	108	198	210	1230	1%
FY22	69	181	128	81	86	95	57	151	192	126	1097	
FY21	70	124	78	46	117	35	52	57	60	62	631	
<b>ILL</b>	<b>543</b>	<b>83</b>	<b>112</b>	<b>76</b>	<b>98</b>	<b>74</b>	<b>63</b>	<b>94</b>	<b>74</b>	<b>84</b>	<b>758</b>	
FY25	541	115	117	115	104	123	98	120	96	105	993	
FY24	535	95	98	95	117	97	74	81	136	94	887	-235
FY23	524	73	82	83	84	56	85	84	96	102	745	-24%
FY22	509	31	36	40	30	23	30	29	61	59	339	
FY21	504	27	39	24	33	23	31	37	44	50	308	
<b>Open Access</b>	<b>326</b>	<b>539</b>	<b>499</b>	<b>516</b>	<b>541</b>	<b>409</b>	<b>500</b>	<b>328</b>	<b>221</b>	<b>275</b>	<b>3828</b>	
FY25	346	472	406	387	394	327	289	425	444	292	3436	
FY24	313	283	349	297	391	325	361	354	369	266	2995	392
FY23	284	295	359	304	266	264	189	230	151	295	2353	11%
FY22	427	340	279	289	305	315	306	254	213	275	2576	
FY21	396	207	231	208	136	220	153	251	260	263	1929	
<b>FY26 Totals</b>	<b>4319</b>	<b>8786</b>	<b>7208</b>	<b>6281</b>	<b>6346</b>	<b>5352</b>	<b>5941</b>	<b>5703</b>	<b>5328</b>	<b>6077</b>	<b>57022</b>	
FY25	4390	8468	7152	6054	6731	6131	5491	6942	6381	6664	60014	
FY24	4202	6554	7131	5724	7031	6141	5574	6393	6159	6045	56752	-2992
FY23	4309	7048	6613	5553	5888	5941	5067	5693	5587	6621	54011	-5%
FY22	5098	7023	5263	5832	6139	5969	6044	6917	6126	6211	55524	
FY21	5017	5740	6406	5086	4156	4348	3688	3797	4191	4637	42049	

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

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**James Kennedy Public Library RECEIVES NATIONAL GRANT FOR SMALL AND RURAL LIBRARIES  
\$10,000 Grant Will Help the Library Work with Residents with Dementia and Cognitive Decline**

[Dyersville] — The James Kennedy Public Library has been selected as one of 300 libraries to participate in the fourth and final round of Libraries Transforming Communities: Accessible Small and Rural Communities, an American Library Association (ALA) initiative that provides community engagement and accessibility resources to small and rural libraries to help them better serve people with disabilities.

The competitive award comes with a \$10,000 grant that will help the library develop programs, services and collections for those with dementia and cognitive decline.

*“We are so proud to be chosen again for this amazing opportunity,”* said Library Director Shirley Vonderhaar. *“For the last two rounds of funding, we focused on services for the neurodivergent community. This round will allow us to focus on the needs of our seniors.”*

As part of the grant, JKPL staff will take an online course in how to lead conversations, a skill vital to library work today. Staff will then host a conversation with residents and use the grant funds to provide services of benefit to those with cognitive decline. Ideas currently under discussion include insuring library spaces and staff are dementia friendly, facilitating regular memory cafes and reading programs, and enhancing collections to include sensory books, large print books, memory kits, tablets, and materials for care providers.

If you are interested in getting involved or taking part in the conversation, or just want more information, please contact Shirley Vonderhaar at [svonderhaar@dyersville.lib.ia.us](mailto:svonderhaar@dyersville.lib.ia.us) or (563)875-8912.

Since 2014, ALA’s Libraries Transforming Communities initiative has re-imagined the role libraries play in supporting communities. Libraries of all types have utilized free dialogue and deliberation training and resources to lead community and campus forums; take part in anti-violence activities; provide a space for residents to come together and discuss challenging topics; and have productive conversations with civic leaders, library trustees and staff.

*“Libraries Transforming Communities: Accessible Small and Rural Communities is an initiative of the American Library Association (ALA) in collaboration with the Association for Rural and Small Libraries (ARSL).”*



**Summary of Fund Activity**  
**James Kennedy Public Library Endowment - # 01372**

Fund Statement: 2/1/2026 through 2/28/2026

\*Investment returns and admin fees are usually updated by the 20th day of the following month.

<b>BEGINNING FUND BALANCE</b>	<b>22,721.06</b>
Gifts	0.00
Interest/Dividend Income	13.79
Realized Gains (Losses)	18.06
Unrealized Gains (Losses)	640.51
Other Income	0.00
Grants Approved	0.00
Investment & Admin Fees	(33.17)
Credit Card Fees	0.00
<b>ENDING FUND BALANCE</b>	<b>23,360.25</b>
Available to Spend	800.00

This fund balance is comprised of gifts and corresponding earnings, grants or fees which individual donors, other than your organization, have contributed to the Community Foundation of Greater Dubuque. This is an asset of the Community Foundation of Greater Dubuque for the support of your organization.

## Notes from April 7, 2026 Finance Committee Meeting

The JKPL Finance Committee met on Tuesday, April 7, 2026 at 6:00 pm. In attendance were Chairperson Sally Kelly, members Catherine O’Hea and Danelle Schroeder, librarian Shirley Vonderhaar, and Board President Alex Wiezorek.

The main topic for discussion was the FY27 (July 1, 2026 to June 30, 2027) Operating Budget. The committee briefly discussed the meeting with Alex, Shirley, Mick and Mayor Jeff Jacque where they informed us that the FY27 budget for the JKPL would be \$576,785 - \$8000 more than the allocation for FY26 but \$15,864 less than requested. Shirley also shared an error in the proposal: The FY27 Personnel Budget total was not correct as Shirley used the FY26 numbers for the benefits (FICA, Medicare & IPERS) instead of updating them based on the FY27 proposed wages. This was a difference of about \$1,500.

Shirley shared a budget spreadsheet (attached) that included budget amounts for FY25 actual, FY26 proposed and updated – which is the current year budget, and FY27 proposed and corrected (which includes the correct personnel benefit information). The final column shows a budget keeping the personnel budget intact and reducing the programs (slightly) and materials budget to get to the amount allocated. Shirley also noted that the FY22 Materials Budget was \$62,730. Since that time, the Board has allocated funding for some materials from the Trust Account – to stay at the budget appropriated by the City without negatively impacting library collections and services.

The committee also discussed the concerns expressed by Mick and Mayor Jacque about state funding guidelines regarding property tax use and local priorities which will likely keep the library budget from growing over the next few years, and may require reductions. They suggested the Board needs to look long term on ways to reduce library costs.

After discussion, the Committee directed Shirley to develop a budget proposal for FY27 that included the following guidelines: 1) Consider ways to reduce the personnel budget without major changes in services – are there staff that would like reduced hours? 2) Trim program and supply expenses where possible. 3) Reduce materials budget as needed to meet allocated budget with half of the reduction being funded by the Trust and half being a cut in collection purchases. Shirley will work with staff to develop some options and recommendations. These will come back to the Committee before the May Board meeting for review and discussion.

The Committee also reviewed the JKPL Fee schedule and are recommending the following changes:

- Scanning cost will be \$0.15 per page (same as faxing and black printing) instead of \$1.00 for up to 10 pages
- Covering books will be a flat rate of \$5.00 per book, no matter size or type of cover used. They also suggested this should be marketed as a service as many people don’t know this is available.

They discussed the full-service membership fee and decided to leave it unchanged at this time.

FY26 Budget proposal		FY25	FY26	FY26	FY27	FY27	FY27
		Actual	Proposed	Updated 12-25	Proposed	Corrected	Rev. Prop
<b>ESTIMATED REVENUES:</b>							
Dubuque County Library Agency	\$ 7,393.66	\$ 8,500.00	\$ 8,500.00	\$ 7,500.00	\$ 7,500.00	\$ 8,500.00	
Fees from copier, R/P, etc.	\$ 3,365.41	\$ 3,500.00	\$ 3,500.00	\$ 3,500.00	\$ 3,500.00	\$ 3,500.00	
Open Access	\$ 8,324.01	\$ 8,500.00	\$ 8,500.00	\$ 9,300.00	\$ 9,300.00	\$ 8,500.00	
Access Plus / ILL	\$ 1,193.29	\$ 1,200.00	\$ 1,200.00	\$ 1,300.00	\$ 1,300.00	\$ 1,200.00	
Direct State Aid	\$ 2,060.42	\$ 2,100.00	\$ 2,100.00	\$ 2,100.00	\$ 2,100.00	\$ 2,100.00	
TOTAL:	\$ 22,336.79	\$ 23,800.00	\$ 23,800.00	\$ 23,700.00	\$ 23,700.00	\$ 23,800.00	
	\$ 22,336.79						
<b>ESTIMATED EXPENDITURES:</b>							
<b>PERSONAL SERVICES</b>							
Wages	\$ 325,516.69	\$ 341,663.00	\$ 343,000.00	\$ 351,880.00	\$ 351,880.00	\$ 351,880.00	
FICA	\$ 19,633.12	\$ 21,183.00	\$ 21,266.00	\$ 21,266.00	\$ 21,817.00	\$ 21,817.00	
Medicare	\$ 4,591.83	\$ 4,954.00	\$ 4,974.00	\$ 4,974.00	\$ 5,102.00	\$ 5,102.00	
IPERS	\$ 29,770.02	\$ 32,253.00	\$ 32,379.00	\$ 32,379.00	\$ 33,217.00	\$ 33,217.00	
SUI	\$ 474.76	\$ 246.00	\$ 343.00	\$ 500.00	\$ 500.00	\$ 500.00	
Group Insurance	\$ 37,129.43	\$ 45,536.00	\$ 45,000.00	\$ 49,000.00	\$ 49,000.00	\$ 49,000.00	
Meetings and training	\$ 1,612.98	\$ 2,500.00	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 2,500.00	\$ 2,500.00	\$ 2,500.00	
Dues and memberships	\$ 906.00	\$ 850.00	\$ 850.00	\$ 850.00	\$ 850.00	\$ 850.00	
TOTAL:	\$ 419,634.83	\$ 449,185.00	\$ 448,812.00	\$ 463,349.00	\$ 464,866.00	\$ 464,866.00	
	\$ 419,634.83						
<b>CONTRACTUAL SERVICES:</b>							
Utilities (telephone)	\$ -						
Electricity	\$ 11,977.40	\$ 12,000.00	\$ 15,000.00	\$ 15,000.00	\$ 15,000.00	\$ 15,000.00	
Gas / Heat	\$ 3,293.03	\$ 3,000.00	\$ 3,000.00	\$ 3,000.00	\$ 3,000.00	\$ 3,000.00	
Insurance (bldg)	\$ 10,321.11	\$ 10,500.00	\$ 10,500.00	\$ 10,500.00	\$ 10,500.00	\$ 10,500.00	
Legal Fees	\$ -						
Custodial services	\$ 12,300.00	\$ 13,000.00	\$ 13,000.00	\$ 13,000.00	\$ 13,000.00	\$ 13,000.00	
Window cleaning	\$ 368.00	\$ 600.00	\$ 600.00	\$ 600.00	\$ 600.00	\$ 600.00	
Service / Maintenance Contra	\$ 7,277.13	\$ 8,000.00	\$ 8,000.00	\$ 8,000.00	\$ 8,000.00	\$ 8,000.00	
TOTAL:	\$ 45,536.67	\$ 47,100.00	\$ 50,100.00	\$ 50,100.00	\$ 50,100.00	\$ 50,100.00	
	\$ 45,536.67						
<b>SUPPLIES:</b>							
General library supplies	\$ 8,638.71	\$ 9,000.00	\$ 9,000.00	\$ 9,000.00	\$ 9,000.00	\$ 9,000.00	
Program fees & supplies	\$ 1,164.70	\$ 2,500.00	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 2,500.00	\$ 2,500.00	\$ 1,500.00	
Marketing & advertising	\$ 603.53	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,000.00	
Maintenance and Repairs	\$ 8,821.93	\$ 8,000.00	\$ 8,000.00	\$ 8,000.00	\$ 8,000.00	\$ 8,000.00	
TOTAL	\$ 19,228.87	\$ 20,500.00	\$ 19,500.00	\$ 20,500.00	\$ 20,500.00	\$ 19,500.00	
	\$ 19,228.87						
<b>BOOKS AND MATERIALS</b>							
Adult fiction	\$ 6,041.58	\$ 8,000.00	\$ 6,000.00	\$ 8,000.00	\$ 8,000.00		
Adult nonfiction	\$ 3,251.23	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 4,500.00	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 5,000.00		
YA fiction	\$ 2,097.58	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 2,000.00		
YA nonfiction	\$ 767.29	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,000.00		
Juvenile fiction	\$ 4,675.19	\$ 8,500.00	\$ 7,000.00	\$ 8,500.00	\$ 8,500.00		
Juvenile nonfiction	\$ 2,740.06	\$ 4,000.00	\$ 3,373.00	\$ 4,000.00	\$ 4,000.00		
Large Print	\$ 1,011.41	\$ 3,500.00	\$ 3,000.00	\$ 3,500.00	\$ 3,500.00		
Electronic media (ebooks, etc	\$ 6,528.84	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 8,000.00	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 10,000.00		
Reference & electronic databa	\$ 1,011.81	\$ 3,000.00	\$ 3,000.00	\$ 3,000.00	\$ 3,000.00		
Periodicals and newspapers	\$ 3,867.04	\$ 4,000.00	\$ 4,000.00	\$ 4,000.00	\$ 4,000.00		
Audiobooks (CD, playaway)	\$ 1,979.84	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 2,000.00		
Software & Gaming	\$ 1,101.65	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 1,500.00		
DVDs	\$ 4,987.76	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 4,500.00	\$ 4,200.00	\$ 4,200.00		
SS / Creation Station / LoT	\$ 1,059.23	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 2,000.00		
TOTAL:	\$ 41,120.51	\$ 60,000.00	\$ 50,373.00	\$ 58,700.00	\$ 58,700.00	\$ 42,319.00	
	\$ 41,120.51						
TOTAL EXPENDITURES:	\$ 525,520.88	\$ 576,785.00	\$ 568,785.00	\$ 592,649.00	\$ 594,166.00	\$ 576,785.00	
TOTAL REVENUES:	\$ 22,336.79	\$ 23,800.00	\$ 23,800.00	\$ 23,700.00	\$ 23,700.00	\$ 23,800.00	
ACTUAL ASKING	\$ 503,184.09	\$ 552,985.00	\$ 544,985.00	\$ 568,949.00	\$ 570,466.00	\$ 552,985.00	

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 \$ 8,000.00 Increase  
 \$ 15,864.00 less than re

## Fundraising and Marketing Committee – April 2026 Update

**Love My Library Giving Tree / Direct Mail:** For 2026, the Committee worked with One Step Printing (formerly Heritage Printing) on this mailing. The document was a 2 sided 8 ½ x 11 mailer, folded/ mailing size of 5.5x8.5. This project cost \$1,871.17 for One Step Printing to completely manage the mailing – fold, prep, count, bundle, fill out USPS paperwork, take to PO and pay postage. Three thousand items were printed on heavy paper and 2953 were mailed to the 52040 addresses in early February. The remaining 47 were delivered to the JKPL and put out with library pamphlets. Posters about LML were distributed around town and was featured on the bulletin board at the entry during February. As of 3/30 donations received include \$1835 to JKPL and \$165 (3 donors) to Friends PayPal (will be less due to fees). \$400 was received from DuTrac in January – which would typically be part of this fundraiser – for LEGO programming. The Lion’s Club donation of \$500 for large print, which is sometimes donated as part of LML, has also been received. We have also received a few general donations which could be people responding to the flier. To date, \$1,085 of the donations are unspecified so can be used to cover the cost of the mailing and printing.

**Blind Date with a Book Fundraiser:** Books continue to sell a couple each month and more were wrapped and put out at last Committee meeting. We will continue to have these available while there is interest.

**Puzzle Fundraiser:** The next event is scheduled at Textile for November 12. We are also tentatively planning to hold in January 2027 at Textile as well.

**2026 Mystery Dinner:** Shirley will work with Brew Ha Ha to schedule an event for 2027. The tentative plan is to hold in February at the Social Center.

**Comedy Night with Fuse:** This new event was held on March 27 with an estimate of 50 attendees. We have not yet heard from Fuse regarding how much money was raised, but it was a fun event.

**Build-a-Basket Fundraiser:** Forty-nine baskets were donated to this event that ended on March 29. \$2,358 was raised. All baskets had bids and most had several bidders.

**Breakfast Burrito or Bowl Carry Out Fundraiser:** This spring National Library Week event is scheduled for Saturday, April 18 from 9 to 11 am. Price will be \$8.00 for burrito or bowl. Fareway has agreed to donate all the ingredients and supplies and will deliver them on Wednesday, April 15. Alex will take lead on this and cook on his Blackstone. Monika has agreed to work but additional volunteers are needed.

**NWL Trivia with O So Good:** This event is scheduled for Friday, April 24 as part of O So Good’s regular monthly trivia event. Hy-Vee donated a \$100 gift card to be used for expenses. Three different table / guest options will be available. Table for 6 for \$120, Table for 4 for \$100, Table for 2 for \$60. Tables will receive appropriately sized charcuterie boards and desserts. Table for 6 will include 2 bottles of wine or equivalent; Table for 4 and 2 will receive 1 bottle of wine. The JKPL will provide a prize basket for the highest scoring table purchased. The owners of O So Good have requested volunteer help for prep work and delivering boards to the tables and are strongly encouraging a Board presence at the event.

**Spring Plant Sale:** This annual event is scheduled for Saturday, May 16 from 9 to 11 am. Karen Kramer agreed to be our plant expert. Shirley has requested parking lot closure. Volunteers are needed for this event.

**Garage Sale Fundraiser:** This annual event will be held the Saturday of Toy Show / City Garage Sale weekend, June 6; with Sunday being a donation day. Shirley has requested parking lot closure. The JKPL will accept donations starting June 1 – and will use the small study room as storage location for the first few days as there are events scheduled in the Hoffman Room. Volunteers will be needed for sorting on Friday, to move things outside on Saturday (weather permitting / assuming approval to use parking lot), to reorganize Saturday after sale ends, and to haul away things that didn't sell after donation day ends. Committee needs to confirm hours for the sale and if they want to extend donation opportunity for longer than just Sunday.

**RAGBRAI:** Dyersville is an overnight stop on Friday, July 24. The committee will consider ideas and opportunities as we learn more.

#### **MARKETING:**

**Radio Interview:** Dawn did an interview on 4/8 to talk about National Library Week activities.

**Radio Interview:** The committee may plan an interview for May to promote the Plant Sale and Garage Sale.

**Meet and greet / Tour with City Government and Officials:** No action has been taken on this activity.

**National Library Week: April 19 – 25.** Per the committee suggestion, Paul is taking the Book Bike out into the community to various locations (weather permitting). The schedule of stops will be available April 13.

**Yard Sign:** Signs are available to pick up. No action needed.

**Woman's Night (Chamber event):** The committee discussed opportunities to participate in Women's Night – which reaches approximately 350 women. The committee was interested in potentially hosting a booth and selling Blind Date books. No booths were available for this year. The committee will revisit this opportunity in advance of the 2027 event.

**Next Meeting:** To be decided

## Notes from the Electronic Policy Committee Meeting – March 16 to April 6, 2026

The Policy Committee of the JKPL met via email between March 16 and April 6, 2026. Participants were chairperson Melissa Kane and members Beth Derr and Alex Wiezorek.

### Donations, Gifts and Memorials Policy:

Shirley reported that the policy that was included in the Board packet for approval in March was not the final version that the Committee had agreed to recommend. The recommended version removes procedures for the Adopt-a-book program and has some formatting changes.

*Policy on Citizen Input and Citizen Conduct at Library Board Meetings:* The committee reviewed this policy and are recommending the following changes:

- Add “stand” as a way to be recognized

*Collection Development Policy:* The committee reviewed this policy and are recommending the following changes:

- Update the introductory Community Assessment segment to reflect current library card holders and the most recently approved Strategic Plan
- Add statements about diversity / inclusion in Criteria section
- Add a segment about Tonies to the Multimedia section
- Reference Statement of Concern instead of Request for Consideration

*Statement of Concern:* The committee reviewed this statement and are recommending the following changes:

- Adjust formatting
- Add statement about reading / viewing entire item of concern before submitting form

The committee discussed restricting to allow only full-service patrons to submit concerns but no change is recommended at this time. All current library card holders may submit a statement for review and consideration.

These Policies will be considered for approval of the JKPL Board of Trustees at their April meeting.

**Fees at the James Kennedy Public Library**

**Fees for all customers:**

Copying and printing:

8 ½ x 11 black	.15 per side
8 ½ x 11 color	.50 per side
Legal or ledger black	.20 per side
Legal or ledger color	1.00 per side

Faxing and Scanning:

Sending and Receiving	.15 per side (same as printing / copying)
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Microfilm Reader / Printer

Same as printing for USABLE prints (use of the machine is free)

Lost materials

Price for purchasing replacement copy plus \$5.00 processing fee

Earbuds

2.00

**Consumable Supplies (including those for Creation Station and Library of Things)**

- Book covers (any size or product) - \$5.00 per book
- Supplies for Button Maker – \$0.30 to \$0.60 each / refer to Creation Station Documents
- Laminating - \$0.20 to \$0.25 each / refer to Creation Station Documents
- 3Doodler - \$0.25 each for filament / refer to Creation Station Documents

**Fees for non-residents:**

Full library services are provided with no service fees charged to the following:

- All residents of the city of Dyersville, and all non-resident individuals owning property in the City of Dyersville, and their spouses and children
- All residents of cities and / or counties having a contract with the James Kennedy Public Library
- All eligible non-residents who purchase a full-service membership

Full service membership fee:

Eligibility:	All those who live outside of the City of Dyersville or who are otherwise not eligible for full service. Residents of Dubuque County whose taxing body does not provide for library service are not eligible to purchase membership.
Fee:	Non-resident patron fees will be pro-rated at \$10.00 per month for a household, or \$5.00 per individual figured from the month of payment to the end of the fiscal year (\$120 for household for 12 months, \$60 for individual for 12 months)

Fees for those not eligible for full service:

Holds and reserves:	\$1.00 per item, to be paid in advance.
Computer use:	\$1.00 per half hour or any portion thereof.
Interlibrary Loan:	Not eligible for service.

Approved April 14, 2026

## DONATIONS, GIFTS, AND MEMORIALS

The James Kennedy Public Library welcomes gifts, donations and memorials. These gifts help enrich and improve public library resources.

### Monetary Donations:

Monetary contributions are deposited in the Library Trust Account. Funds from this account are appropriated by the City Council and allocated by the Library Board to fund the purchase of materials, programs, or services that are beyond the scope of the regular budget. These funds may also be used to supplement the general operating budget due to a short-term budget shortfall. Donors may request that their donations be used for specific purposes, as long as they are compatible with the purpose and goals of the library.

### Adopt-a-book Program:

In addition to general monetary contributions, the library has a program to encourage the donation of funds for the purchase of specific materials. Persons interested in “adopting” a book, magazine, author, genre, format, etc. are asked to complete a form indicating what they would like the library to purchase and the maximum they are able to contribute. Library staff then order and process the specified items. The person “adopting” donates the purchase price and has the first opportunity to check the item out. Recognition book plates are placed in all items if format allows.

### Books and Other Materials:

Gifts of books and other materials are accepted on behalf of the Friends of the JKPL. Donated items are evaluated by the Friends members or their designee. Donated materials may be added to the library collection, sold at the Friends book sale, or disposed of in some other manner.

Gifts of items other than books and materials will be accepted at the discretion of the Library Art and Furnishings Committee. Among the criteria on which the decision shall be based is the appropriateness of the item to the building and its décor, and the impact on the operations of the library. The Library Art and Furnishings Committee consists of Library Trustees and community members appointed by the Library Board President.

### Memorials:

The Library accepts monetary donations in memory of individuals, families, organizations, etc. Persons wishing to donate physical items are encouraged to contact the library prior to selecting the item(s) to donate to ensure that it can be utilized in the collection. Recognition Book Plates are placed in all items if format allows.

All donations, gifts, and memorials are tax deductible to the extent provided by law. The library, upon request, will furnish a donation statement, but will not place a financial value on any items.

All gifts become the sole and absolute property of the James Kennedy Public Library and may be utilized, sold, or disposed of in the best interests of the library. In all cases, the library reserves the right to refuse a gift of any kind, memorial or otherwise, if it is not compatible with the purpose and goals of the library. Such decisions will rest exclusively with the Board of Trustees.

#### Recognition for Gifts:

It is the policy of the James Kennedy Public Library to recognize the generosity of an individual(s) and/or corporation(s), foundation and/or other donor(s) for significant financial donations by choosing to create a specific naming designation for a collection, facility or portion of a facility. Naming opportunities are also available to honor a person's significant service to the Library or to the society at large.

The Board of Trustees of the Library has the sole right to name or rename rooms, areas, collections, or facilities. The Board recognizes that naming a collection, facility or portion of a facility is a decision of immense importance; therefore, making these decisions is undertaken with an appreciation for that significance.

While the Board is grateful for and encourages donations from all individuals, businesses and organizations, the Board has the right to decline any gift to the Library and/or reject naming proposals.

- A. Larger areas of the James Kennedy Public Library, such as the Genealogy / Iowa History Room or Adult Reading / Periodicals Room may be named or renamed upon receipt of a donation of \$125,000.00 or more.
- B. Study rooms, special use areas such as the teen area or reading areas, and other interior and exterior spaces may be named or renamed upon receipt of a donation of \$75,000.00 or more.
- C. Collections such as large print, audiobook, Iowa history, etc. may be named or renamed upon receipt of a donation of \$50,000.00 or more.
- D. Endowment proposals such as those for a collection or special programming may also include naming rights. Appropriate contributions for such naming opportunities will be at the discretion of the Board and will be determined by cost of materials, staff, on-going operating costs, etc. depending on the specific program or collection.

Gifts may be acknowledged by any of the following forms at the discretion of the Library and/or the donor.

- A plaque placed in a room or area or near a physical object, or collection in the library (primarily for naming gifts)
- A special program or media campaign to announce the donation.
- Library bookplate(s) with the donor's name, format permitting.
- Acknowledgement in a Library promotional publication, e-newsletter, display, advertisement, social media, or on the Library's web page.
- Announcement at a Library program.
- A thank you letter from the Library Board of Trustees

The Board may name or rename library buildings. The Board will review, consider and approve or decline a proposal that a library building bear a designated name only when a prospective donor wishes to make a substantial gift to the Library or when the naming opportunity is to honor a person who has contributed significantly to the social, academic, scholarly, research or political life of the community.

The Board reserves the right to terminate or alter a naming designation under unusual or extraordinary circumstances.

The Board reserves the right to name a collection, room, or portion of the library facility to honor individuals who have contributed significantly to the social, academic, scholarly, research or political life of the community.

Adopted 10/1988; revised 10/1998; 9/01 name revision only 02/02,  
revised 6/06, reviewed 2/2012, revised 2/2014, revised 3/2026, revised  
4/2026

## Policy on Citizen Input and Citizen Conduct at Library Board Meetings

### Citizen Input:

Individuals or groups wishing to address the Library Board are encouraged to complete an Agenda Request Form and request that an item be put on the agenda for discussion at a regular Library Board Meeting. The deadline for such requests is noon on the Friday preceding the meeting of the Library Board of Trustees.

### Citizen Conduct at Meetings:

Citizens are welcome and encouraged to attend any and all meetings of the James Kennedy Public Library. In order to facilitate citizen input regarding Library Board actions and activities, the following procedures will be followed at all meetings:

#### Agenda Items

1. You may address any item on the agenda by standing or stepping to the podium when that item is up for discussion.
2. After recognition by the chair, state your name, address and group affiliation (if appropriate).
3. You may speak one (1) time per item for a maximum of **five (5) minutes**.

#### Oral Presentations

Although not required by city code of ordinances, oral presentations may be allowed at the Board's discretion. The "oral presentations" section of the agenda is your opportunity to address items not on the agenda. The following procedures will be followed:

1. You may speak to one (1) issue per meeting.
2. Please stand or step to the podium and after recognition by the chair, state your name, address and group affiliation (if appropriate).
3. You may speak for a maximum of **five (5) minutes**.

The Library Board will listen to your presentations and may ask questions for clarification. It should be noted that this is a time for listening, not uncontrolled debate. If there is a need for response from the board, it should come at a later time when the board has had time to deliberate the issue, to seek more information, or to take recommendations from the director.

It is important to note that a Library Board meeting is a meeting conducted in public, not a public meeting. In other words, the public, and possibly media representatives, are there to watch the board work, not to participate in the board meeting.

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## COLLECTION DEVELOPMENT POLICY

### Community Assessment:

The James Kennedy Public Library is located in the city of Dyersville, Iowa. According to information from [data.census.gov](https://data.census.gov) and the American Community Survey, the population of Dyersville is 4,477. Fifty-one point two percent (51.2%) of the population is female and 48.8% is male. The median age is 44.8 with 77.2% of the population being 18 years of age or older and 18.3% being 65 years or older. Twenty-two point four percent (22.4%) of the households in Dyersville include children under the age of 18 and 29.8% include individuals aged 65 or older. Ninety-two point five percent (92.5%) of the population is white, 2.9% is Hispanic and 1.3% is black or African American. Six-point three percent (6.3%) of the population speaks a language other than English at home. Six-point two (6.2%) percent speak Spanish at home, and 0.2% speak other Indo-European languages. Ninety-two point five percent (92.5%) of residents age 25 or older are high school graduates or higher. Twenty-point seven percent (20.7%) have a bachelor's degree or higher.

James Kennedy Public Library patrons are of all ages and interests. Based on the 2020 population US Census Bureau and the current number of JKPL library card holders, as of April 1, 2026, forty-eight point two percent (48.2%) of city residents hold library cards. Non-city residents are also frequent library users. Forty-two point nine percent (42.9%) of James Kennedy Public Library cardholders are nonresidents.

In 2024, the Board of Trustees reviewed and updated the Strategic Plan approved in 2022 to include the following library service responses – Be Informed; Celebrate Diversity; Express Creativity and Literacy for All. These service priorities are described as follows:

- ***Be Informed (Blending Information focused LSRs):***
  - Know Your Community: Community Resources and Services:* Residents will have a central source for information about the wide variety of programs, services, and activities provided by community agencies and organizations.
  - Make Informed Decisions: Information Fluency, Job and Career Development,*
  - Be an Informed Citizen:* Residents will have the resources they need to identify and analyze risks, benefits, and alternatives before making decisions that affect their lives.
- ***Celebrate Diversity: Cultural Awareness***
  - Residents will have programs and services that promote appreciation and understanding of their personal heritage and the heritage of others in the community.
- ***Express Creativity: Create and Share Content***
  - Residents will have the services and support they need to express themselves by creating original print, video, audio, or visual content in a real-world or online environment.

➤ ***Literacy for All (blending Literacy focused responses):***

*Create Young Readers: Early Literacy:* Children from birth to age five will have programs and services designed to ensure that they will enter school ready to learn to read, write, and listen.

*Learn to Read and Write: Adult, Teen, and Family Literacy:* Adults and teens will have the support they need to improve their literacy skills in order to meet their personal goals and fulfill their responsibilities as parents, citizens, and workers.

These service priorities, which apply to all ages, serve as guiding principles as the library makes selection decisions.

As a participant in the State Library's Access Plus (InterLibrary Loan) program, JKPL is able to provide interlibrary loan services (borrow items from other libraries in Iowa or the United States) for eligible patrons with needs outside the scope of the collection.

**Purpose:**

The purpose of the James Kennedy Public Library's collection development policy is to guide the librarians and to inform the public about the principles upon which selection decisions are made. A policy cannot replace the judgment of librarians, but stating goals and indicating boundaries will assist them in choosing from a vast array of available materials.

The responsibility of the library is to serve the entire community; not to promote, and above all, not to censor any particular political, moral, philosophical, or religious convictions or opinions. It is not the purpose of the library to stimulate or cater to trivial, antisocial, prurient, or immoral interests. But no one, least of all a free public library, has the right to judge what another may or may not read, hear, or view.

History shows that many books which have been most controversial or objectionable to some persons or groups, have, in due course, been recognized to be among those books, which most, rather than least, belong in public libraries. If an idea is truly dangerous or evil, the best protection against it is a public that has been exposed to it and has rejected it.

As the foundation for its collection development policy, the Board of Directors of the James Kennedy Public Library adopts the Library Bill of Rights of the Council of the American Library Association, the Freedom to Read, and the Freedom to View statements.

**Responsibility for Collection Development:**

Ultimate responsibility and final authority for collection development lies with the Board of Trustees. The Board delegates to the Library Director and senior staff the selection of library materials and the development of the collection.

### **Criteria for Selection:**

The objective of selection is to collect those books and other library materials that will inform, educate, entertain, and contribute to the enrichment of mind and spirit. The collection will be built to meet the needs and interests of the community and include diverse and inclusive materials. Nontraditional items, such as those collected for the Library of Things, are referenced in this policy but are more specifically addressed in the Library of Things Collection Development and Circulation Policy.

Books and other library resources will be provided for the interest, information, and enlightenment of all people of the community the library serves. Materials should not be excluded because of the origin, background, or views of those contributing to their creation or because the content contains themes some people may find objectionable. A diverse collection should contain content by and about a wide array of people and cultures to authentically reflect a variety of ideas, information, stories, and experiences.

Items considered for inclusion in the library collection will be evaluated based on the following criteria:

- excellence of reputation of the work
- opinion of critics and reviewers
- authority and reputation of author and / or publisher
- accuracy and timeliness
- creativity and vitality
- literary merit
- appeal and relevance to community interests
- format suitable for library use
- suggestions by library users
- price and availability of funds
- relationship to other items in the collection

Recommendations for materials from citizens of the community will be considered carefully. Items will be added as budget allows.

### **Selection Resources:**

Among the selection tools used by librarians are professional library journals, trade journals, subject bibliographies, publishers' promotional materials, and reviews from reputable sources. Librarians should also be aware of materials reviewed in national newspapers and magazines, local publications, the broadcast media, and from reputable sources available via the Internet.

The following professional journals are representative of the many aids used for selection of materials: *Booklist*, *Library Journal*, *Horn Book*, and *Voice of Youth Advocates (VOYA)*. ) In addition, other works may be consulted, including but not limited to the following: *Public*

*Library Catalog Core Collection: Nonfiction, Fiction Catalog, Children's Catalog, Junior High School Catalog, and Senior High School Catalog.* Library staff responsible for selecting use their own judgement in deciding which resources best fit their needs in selecting for the JKPL.

### **Scope of the Collection:**

The basic policy of selection is to choose the best new materials and duplicate or replace the older titles which have proven their worth.

The James Kennedy Public Library collection includes the following areas:

#### **Adult Fiction (Print)**

The library provides a collection of standard and contemporary fiction titles as well as genre fiction for the intellectual enrichment, informational, and entertainment needs and interests of the adult population of Dyersville. Multiple copies of frequently used titles may be provided. Large print, eBook, audio, and eAudio copies of some titles may also be available.

#### **Adult Nonfiction (Print)**

The library maintains a collection of general interest nonfiction titles to provide for the information needs and browsing interests of the adult population of Dyersville. Large print, eBook, audio, and eAudio copies of some titles may also be available.

- Legal and medical works will be acquired only to the extent that they are useful to the layman.
- Textbooks are not ordinarily purchased by the library.
- The James Kennedy Public Library is a public library and strives to maintain an impartial recognition of all religions while specializing in none. The library is a reflection of the community it serves so collections relevant to some faiths or beliefs may be broader than others.

#### **Periodicals (Print)**

The library maintains a collection of magazines for informational and recreational reading. Issues are maintained for one year or as space and demand dictate.

#### **Newspapers (Print)**

Newspapers are selected to provide local, state, regional and national coverage. Local newspapers plus a selection of regional and national titles are purchased. The print copy of the Dyersville newspaper is archived until it is available on microfilm or digitally. Issues of local papers (Manchester and Cascade) are kept for a minimum of six months. Issues of state, regional or national papers are retained for one month.

#### **Reference Materials (Print)**

Reference materials provide timely and accurate information on a wide variety of topics. Because of method of use or cost, they may be maintained primarily for in-library use

only or may be circulating. Many traditional print reference resources have been replaced by electronic resources which are more current and available to patrons even when the library is closed. The library is very selective in what they add to the print reference collection.

### **Reference Materials in Digital Format**

Some reference tools are purchased in digital formats which are available online. These materials are selected following the same criteria as print items.

### **Iowa History and Local Genealogy Collection**

Nonfiction books about Dyersville, Dubuque and Delaware Counties, and the State of Iowa are housed in a separate collection. This collection also includes family histories and genealogies of local interest. These materials are selected and retained under the following criteria:

- The library attempts to be as inclusive as possible in obtaining books pertaining to the history, economic, social, and cultural life of Dyersville.
- The library makes no attempt to be inclusive in its collection of materials on Dubuque and Delaware Counties or the State of Iowa.
- The library does not collect letters, papers, documents, photos, or other primary resource material of local interest other than books. These materials are collected by the Dyersville Area Historical Society.

### **Young Adult (Print)**

The young adult collection provides recreational and educational materials for young adults ages 12 – 18. Multiple copies of frequently requested titles may be provided.

#### *YA Fiction*

The library maintains a variety of Young Adult fiction. Award winning titles, titles that deal with current issues and concerns of teenagers, popular authors and titles, and titles requested by the patrons are included in the collection.

#### *YA Nonfiction*

The library maintains a nonfiction collection for Young Adults that contains general informational works, browsing items and items that are of interest to people in 7<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> grades, and items that supplement the educational needs of teens.

### **Children's (Print)**

Children's materials are selected to meet the recreational, educational and cultural needs of children from infancy through age 12. Multiple copies of frequently requested titles may be provided.

#### *Picture Books*

These books, in which illustration is as important as text, serve to introduce children to the world of books. The library includes a wide variety for adults to read to toddlers and preschoolers and for children to look at and use as they begin to read. This collection includes beginning readers, concept books, wordless books and board books as well as picture books.

*Juvenile Fiction*

The library maintains a variety of children's fiction, from distinguished children's literature to popular and enticing titles that will attract readers of many tastes and abilities. Popular series titles are purchased in response to patron requests and as funding permits.

*Juvenile Nonfiction*

The juvenile nonfiction collection contains general informational works, browsing items and subject-oriented materials on topics of interest to children preschool age through sixth grade. The library does not provide basic texts or materials needed for schoolwork. It may, however, purchase supplementary materials to enrich the resources available at area schools.

*Read-Alongs*

Read-alongs are children's materials that include the print book along with some form of audiobook. The library collection is primarily intended for children up to 2<sup>nd</sup> grade but selections for other ages may be added if deemed appropriate by the selector.

**Library of Things and Realia**

The Library of Things is a collection of non-traditional library items that complement the JKPL's mission. Types of Things included in this collection are Home Improvement and Assistive Devices, Audiovisual Equipment and Electronics, Science and Technology Kits, and Recreation and Crafting Tools. The Library of Things is not intended to be comprehensive and the library is limited by storage space and budget available. More details about this collection can be found in the the Library of Things Collection Development and Circulation Policy.

**Multimedia:***Computer software:*

The library provides word processing, spreadsheet and educational software preloaded on the public access computers.

*Console Games:*

The library provides a console game collection for informational, educational and recreational purposes. The collection is developed for all ages, but no attempt is made to provide a comprehensive collection. Currently Playstation, Wii, WiiU, Nintendo Switch, Xbox One, and Xbox 360 games are purchased. Donations of other formats are welcome only if enough are donated that the library is able to start a circulating collection. Based upon changing technology and demand, additional formats may be purchased.

*Video (DVD, BluRay, etc.):*

The library provides a video collection for informational, educational and recreational purposes. The collection is developed for all ages, but no attempt is made to provide a comprehensive collection. Items are primarily purchased in the DVD format. BluRay and donations in other formats may be added to the collection at the discretion of the librarian in charge of this collection.

*Audio / Spoken:*

The audiobook collection, in compact disc and playaway format, is intended to fill the recreational and informational needs of adults, young adults and children. Both abridged and unabridged formats are included with unabridged being preferred. No attempt is made to provide a comprehensive collection.

*Launchpads / Tablets with installed programs:*

The Launchpad / tablet collection is intended to fill recreational, informational, and early literacy needs of children in an interactive format. No attempt is made to provide a comprehensive collection.

*Tonies:*

Tonies are collectible figures that act as physical keys to audio content for children. When placed on a Toniebox (a cushioned, screen-free speaker), they magnetically trigger stories, songs, or educational content. The Tonie collection is intended to fill recreational, informational, and early literacy needs of children in an interactive format. No attempt is made to provide a comprehensive collection.

**Creation Station Collection:**

The JKPL provides access to materials, collections and equipment to promote active learning. These items are intended for in-house use for learning, creating, making and doing. They are generally focused upon the areas of STEAM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Art, Math), Do It Together and Do It Yourself activities. Items included in this collection include such things as robots, circuits, LEGOs® or other building materials, craft supplies and equipment, etc. There is some cross-over between this collection and the Library of Things. No attempt is made to provide a comprehensive collection.

**Digital Collections:**

The JKPL provides access to materials in digital formats, including but not limited to eAudio, eBook, eMagazine, streaming video, and downloadable music. Items in these collections are generally provided through consortia agreements but where the JKPL has selection authority, the criteria for the comparable physical format will be utilized in making the selection decisions.

The Library seeks to draw upon the collections and resources of the State Library of Iowa so as not to unnecessarily duplicate services and materials. Interlibrary Loan will be used to secure from other libraries those specialized materials.

**Collection Maintenance:**

In order to provide an up-to-date, current, readily accessible, and attractive collection of materials, the library collection will be weeded on a continuous basis, following a schedule developed and implemented by the library director and staff.

Weeding will be performed by the library staff with final judgment as to whether an item should be pulled resting with the Board of Trustees. Such responsibility has been delegated to the Library Director and senior library staff.

Items to be weeded will be determined according to the following general criteria. The titles will be judged based on their most recent copyright, the most recent circulation date or turnover rate, and whether they are “MUSTY”...(M-Misleading...and/or factually inaccurate; U-Ugly...worn and beyond mending or rebinding; S-Superseded...by a newer edition or by a much better item on the subject; T-Trivial...of no discernible or scientific merit; Y-Your collection has no use for this book.... irrelevant to the needs and interests of the community).

Following this preliminary check, the materials which are being considered for withdrawal from the adult collections may be checked against the Core Collection Guides: *Fiction Catalog* – for fiction materials, and the *Public Library Catalog: Nonfiction* – for non-fiction materials, or other core resource books. Maintenance of the adult collections is the responsibility of Library Director and / or the staff member(s) specifically assigned by the Library Director.

Children and YA materials will be weeded following the same general criteria. Items considered for removal may be checked against *Children’s Catalog*, *Junior High Catalog*, *High School Catalog*, *Fiction Catalog*, *Public Library Catalog*, and various Award winner lists. The Children’s Librarian and the Young and Emerging Adult Librarian have the responsibility for maintaining these collections.

The Library of Things collection(s) will be weeded following the same general criteria. Maintenance of these collections is the responsibility of the staff member(s) specifically assigned.

Items in the multimedia collections will be weeded following the same general criteria. Maintenance of these collections is the responsibility of the staff member(s) specifically assigned

Gaming materials (board and console) will be weeded following the same general criteria. The Young and Emerging Adult Librarian has the responsibility for maintaining the gaming collections.

Creation Station Materials will be weeded following the same general criterial. Maintenance of this collection is the responsibility of the staff member(s) specifically assigned

This policy presents general guidelines for collection maintenance. It cannot replace or usurp the practical knowledge of the librarians. Materials may still be returned to the shelves at the librarian’s discretion, or culled sooner due to space constraints or other issues. The following chart provides general guidance on with items should be considered for culling.

CLASSIFICATION	LAST CIRC (years)	COPYRIGHT (years)	Notes
Adult fiction	3 years	Doesn’t apply	
000 (general topic)	3 years	10 years	
100	3 years	10 years	
200	3 years	10 years	
300	3 years	10 years	

300 (almanacs)	3 years	5 years	
400	3 years	10 years	
500	3 years	10 years	
600	3 years	5 years	
700	3 years	Doesn't apply	
800	Doesn't apply	Doesn't apply	Classic literature kept
900 travel	3 years	5 years	
900 history	3 years	Doesn't apply	
900 personal narrative	3 years	10 years	
Biography (popular)	3 years	Doesn't apply	
Biography (historical)	3 years	Doesn't apply	
Young Adult fiction	Turnover rate	Doesn't apply	
Children's fiction	Turnover rate	Doesn't apply	
Iowa History & Genealogy Collection	Doesn't apply	Doesn't apply	This collection is generally only culled based on condition
Media	2 years	Doesn't apply	
Games and other selective realia	1 year	Doesn't apply	Some items do not circulate so will be evaluated by condition only
Creation Station	3 years	Doesn't apply	Some items are used in-house only so will be evaluated by condition only
Library of Things	3 years	Doesn't apply	

### Comments and Criticism:

Because of the rich diversity of human experience and opinion, it is inevitable that some materials in the library's collection will be objectionable to some people in the community. The library in a very real sense belongs to the whole community – to the minority as well as the majority.

A patron who objects to specific books or other library materials shall be directed to complete the form, *Statement of Concern*, available from the library staff. The following steps will be followed in responding to any submissions:

1. *Statement of Concern* may be submitted only by those with a current JKPL Library Card.
2. After receipt of a *Statement of Concern form*, a committee comprised of the Library Director, the Library Board's Vice President and Secretary, and, at the Committee's discretion, a fourth person, will convene.
3. The committee will check appropriate review journals, the James Kennedy Public Library's Collection Development Policy, and make a decision on the request.

4. The item in question will continue to circulate during the review process.
5. The Library Director will send a letter to the patron explaining the decision.
6. If the patron wishes to appeal the decision, he or she must bring the appeal to the Library Director, who will notify the Board at their next regular monthly meeting, and will place the appeal on the agenda of the following regular Board meeting, thereby allowing at least one full month for Board consideration.
7. Once an item has been reviewed, the decision of the Library Board of Trustees is final and an item will not be reviewed again for five (5) years following a decision by the Board.

The library staff and the Library Board welcome comments and criticisms of the collection as a whole or of individual items. Persons are welcome to meet with the Director or attend Library Board meetings to discuss the statement of purpose, selection policy, library collection as a whole, and individual items in the collection or available through the library.

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### STATEMENT OF CONCERN

The James Kennedy Public Library adheres to the Association for Rural and Small Libraries' *Access to Information Statement* and the accepted principles of intellectual freedom outlined in the American Library Association *Library Bill of Rights*, the *Freedom to Read Statement*, and the *Freedom to View Statement*.

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

*Individual represents (please select all that apply):*

Self: \_\_\_\_ Dependent child: \_\_\_\_ Group or Organization: \_\_\_\_\_

Please complete the information requested below. You may do so on this form, or in a separate document. If including other items, please be sure to include this signed form.

Format of resource on which you are commenting:

Book: \_\_\_\_ DVD: \_\_\_\_ Magazine: \_\_\_\_ Electronic Resource: \_\_\_\_ Program: \_\_\_\_

Display: \_\_\_\_ Other: \_\_\_\_\_

Please identify the resource you are objecting to. Please be sure to include enough information for us to readily identify the resource in question. For example, if it is a book, please indicate author, title and publisher; if it is a magazine, be sure to include specific issue; if it is a video, please indicate title and publisher; if it is a program or display, please describe activity and content.

Have you read library policies related to your concern?

Have you reviewed the entire resource?

Why do you object to this resource? Please include specific details. (pages, content, words, pictures, etc.)

Are there specific areas or themes you find objectionable? Why?

Are there alternative resource(s) you would suggest that would provide additional information and / or other viewpoints on this topic?

What would you like your library to do about this resource?

Additional Comments:

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Signature of Complainant

The James Kennedy Public Library Board and Staff welcome feedback from patrons. Concerns will be handled promptly and courteously.

**PLEASE NOTE:**

- Prior to submitting this form, individuals should discuss or submit concerns about resources to the JKPL Library Director
- The item under consideration should have been read or viewed in its entirety before a form is submitted.
- Only one resource may be listed per form
- This form may be submitted only by patrons with a current JKPL Library Card
- Once a resource has been reviewed, the decision of the Library Board of Trustees is final and a resource will not be reviewed again for five (5) years following a decision by the Board.