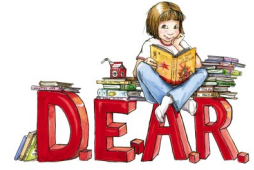


Upcoming Events for April

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.

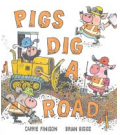


Coloring, Creating and Doing @ Your Library: April 1—30. The JKPL is continuing to offer coloring pages, dot to dot, crosswords, sudoku, and other activity pages for you to enjoy at the library or at home. They are intended for adults and teens. Each pack will include at least 10 different items and 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.*



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 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 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.).



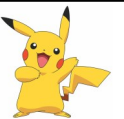
Dungeons & Dragons Players Club: Saturday, April 11 @ 3:30 pm. Join us for this monthly gaming event for D & D players that meets in-person or you can join remotely via Discord. This group meets the second Saturday of every month and new players of all ages and skill levels are welcome. The library has materials available but feel free to bring your own. To join via Discord, contact Paul at Pzurawski@dyersville.lib.ia.us 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 Erin Bartels. 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 by 6pm on the day of the program so a link to the Zoom room can be emailed to you.

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.

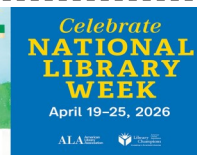
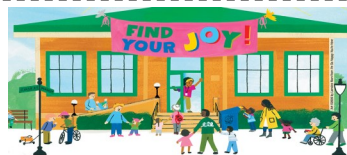


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- *Follow us on YouTube: James Kennedy Public Library

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

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<p>April 1—30</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Create a Cars Poem Children's Pretend Play Station & Scavenger Hunt StoryWalk® Yarn Wrapped Chicks craft kits for kids 	<p>April is D.E.A.R. Month (Drop Everything And Read) April 1—30</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Book Scavenger Hunt Book Jar Reading Recommendations 	<p>1</p> <p>Sit & Stitch from 1-3pm</p>	<p>2</p> <p>Strength Training @ 9:30am & 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 & 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 & Stitch from 1-3pm</p> <p>Early Out Afternoons from 3:30-4:30pm</p>	<p>9</p> <p>Strength Training @ 9:30am & 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 & Dragons @ 3:30pm</p>
<p>12</p>	<p>13</p> <p>Strength Training @ 9:30am & 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 & 6:30pm</p> <p>Sit & Stitch from 1-3pm</p> <p>Early Out Afternoons from 3:30-4:30pm</p>	<p>16</p> <p>Strength Training @ 9:30am & 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 & 10:30am</p> <p>Bingo Party from 1-3pm</p>	<p>21</p> <p>Rhythm & Pep @ 1:30pm</p>	<p>22</p> <p>Storytime @ 10:30am & 6:30pm</p> <p>Sit & Stitch from 1-3pm</p> <p>Early Out Afternoons from 3:30-4:30pm</p>	<p>23</p> <p>Strength Training @ 9:30am & 10:30am</p> <p>Health & 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 & 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 & 6:30pm</p> <p>Sit & Stitch from 1-3pm</p> <p>Early Out Afternoons from 3:30-4:30pm</p>	<p>30</p> <p>Strength Training @ 9:30am & 10:30am</p> <p>Wildflower Hike @ 6pm</p>	<div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; width: fit-content;"> <p>Libby Reads Digital Book Club: April 23—May 7</p> </div>	<div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; width: fit-content;"> <p>April 1—30</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Coloring, Creating, & Doing Upcycled Cards kits Get Puzzled Cloth wrapped wreath craft kits for adults </div>