

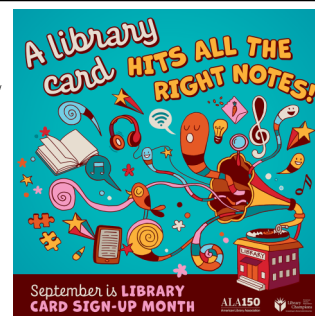


UPCOMING EVENTS FOR SEPTEMBER

September is Library Card Sign-Up Month: September 1—30

This year, libraries all across the United States remind you that a library card Hits all the Right Notes! This September, B sharp, and sign up for a library card! To celebrate, when you sign up for a library card at the JKPL in September you will receive a special sticker and a bookmark or button. Also this month, every time you visit the library and check items out you will get your name entered into a drawing for a book themed prize! (one entry per visit).

- The Book Bike will be at the Ellen Kennedy Living Center on September 3 at 10:30 am. Stop by and pick up a free book!
- Don't miss out on our Musical Instrument Showcase on September 15 from 3:30—5:30 pm.
- Come work on the music themed puzzle located under the skylight and get your name entered to win the puzzle.
- Pick up a Bell Shaker craft kit for the kids located in the Creation Station.



Craft-It-Up Fundraiser Begins September 1

Showcase your special talents and put your creativity to work at this library fundraising event! Crafters are invited to make and donate completed crafts of all kinds to this silent auction event. If you paint, crochet, make diamond art, wood carve, upcycle, or do any other crafty activities, the JKPL needs your talent! A silent auction of the donated items will be held in the library from October 12—November 22. Library visitors will be able to vote for their favorites and ribbons will be awarded. Consider donating something you made to this new fundraiser!



Storytime: Wednesdays, September 2, 9, 16 & 30 @ 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.



Sit & Stitch: Wednesdays, Wednesdays, September 2, 9, 16, 23 & 30 from 1:00—3:00 pm. Grab your hobby or craft and join other crafters. All skill levels welcome. Participants are welcome to attend in person or via Zoom. The Zoom room is opened upon request.

Early Out Afternoons: Wednesdays, September 2, 9, 16, 23 & 30 from 1:00—5:00 pm. Kids can drop in at the Creation Station every Wednesday for a self-guided paper craft or special coloring sheets with a monthly theme. This month's theme is Dolls and Toys.



Strength Training for Older Adults: Mondays and Thursdays, September 3, 10, 14, 17, 21, 24 & 28 @ 9:30 and 10:30 am. This class is for older adults of any age and fitness level. Participants exercise to a Geri-Fit® DVD and most of the exercises are performed seated in a chair. Each participant will need weights and a stretch band for the class. Space is limited so registration is required. This program is made possible by a partnership with the Geri-Fit® Company.

Euchre Card Party: Fridays, September 4, 11, 18 & 25 from 1:00—3:30 pm. Join us Friday afternoons for Euchre in and come meet, teach, and play with other players.

Pop-Up @ the Farmer's Market: Thursdays, September 3 & 17 from 2:00—3:00 pm. Join the JKPL at the Dyersville Farmer's Market where visitors can learn about what the library has to offer, get their questions answered, and select a free book to keep from the pop-up 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.*

Kids Can Cook: Thursdays, September 3, 10 & 17 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 menu for September is: Orange Julius drinks—the original plus variants (3rd); Chicken Gyros (10th) and Pound Cake Cupcakes (17th).
- Classes will also be held October 1, 8 & 15 and November 5, 12 & 19.
- Registration for each monthly 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.
- *This program is funded by Theisen's More for Your Community, Dyersville Area Community Foundation, Jeanne M. Coppola Endowment for Education, the Friends of the James Kennedy Public Library, and various library fundraising events.*

Building Creativity One Block at a Time: a LEGO® program: Saturday, September 5 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. Sponsored by DuTrac Community Credit Union.

Library closed for Labor Day: Sunday, September 6 & Monday, September 7



Inspirational Fiction: A Novel Approach to Faith Book Club: Tuesday, September 8 @ 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 Song of Sourwood Mountain* by Ann Gabhart. Books are available to borrow from the library. Participants are welcome to attend in person or via Zoom.

Dyersville GLR Family Literacy Event—PreK and Under: Thursday, September 10 from 6:00—7:30 pm

Children in Pre-Kindergarten and under, and their families, are invited to this special event to learn about family literacy opportunities in the library. Join us for a free meal, free books, and other fun giveaways and discover all the library and the Dyersville Campaign for Grade-Level Reading have to offer. Events for children in other age groups and their families will be offered monthly during the school year. Registration encouraged at: <https://bit.ly/4pt8Gzr>



Movies @ Your Library presents “The Devil Wears Prada 2”: Saturday, September 12 @ 1:00 pm. Andy Sachs returns to Runway magazine as the new features editor where she finds her formidable former boss Miranda facing threats to her glossy print empire. Rated PG-13 (120 minutes).

Books for Lunch Book Discussion: Monday, September 14 @ 12:00 noon. This month the group will discuss *Martha's Vineyard Beach and Book Club* by Martha Kelly. Copies of the book are available to borrow from the library. Participants are welcome to attend in person or via Zoom. The Zoom room is opened upon request. Note: the date of book club was moved due to the Labor Day holiday.

Genealogy with Ann: Monday, September 14 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. Appointments with Ann can be made if that is more convenient.

National Coloring Day Coloring Party: Monday, September 14 from 4:00—8:00 pm. An annual event every September 14, National Coloring Day is all about setting aside some time to relax and color and get creative with paper and crayons, colored pencils or markers. Come pick up some traditional coloring pages and color in the Hoffman Room. For those wanting to try something different, there will be Ink Tracing and Color by Number Mystery pages to challenge you! All ages welcome. Refreshments provided.



KEYS to Dementia Prevention: Tuesdays, September 15 to November 17 from 9:30—11:30 am

Join us for this 10-week evidence-based course that was developed by doctors to help people aged 55 and older make lifestyle changes to reduce their risk of developing Alzheimer's and other forms of dementia. This course is made possible by the nonprofit Brain Help and Hope and will be led by local health experts.

- Participants should be 55 or older, in good cognitive health, and able to commit to attend the 10 in-person sessions.
- Sessions are 2 hours each.
- Registration fee of \$20.00 per participant is required by Brain Help and Hope but may be refunded to those who attend at least 9 of the sessions, upon request.
- Registration is required as a maximum of 15 participants are allowed.



Musical Instrument Showcase: Tuesday, September 15 from 3:30—5:30 pm. Did you know that the library has musical instruments in the Library of Things collection that patrons can borrow? Join us for this program where you can try out all the instruments the library owns! Try out a ukulele, acoustic guitar, mandolin, hand drums and more to see if you are interested in borrowing them. Some restrictions apply for checking out instruments. This program is for those ages 10 and older.



Virtual Reality with VictoryLabsFX: Saturday, September 19 from 10:00—11:30 am. VictoryLabsFX is a virtual reality educational program that the library can access with our Metaquest VR headsets. Join us as we do a little chemistry, check out some planets, and see some museum exhibits—all with VR! Feel free to drop in as you are able. For ages 12 and up.



Family Movies @ Your Library presents “The Sheep Detectives”: Saturday, September 19 @ 1:00 pm. George Hardy is a shepherd who loves his sheep. Every night he reads aloud a murder mystery, pretending his sheep can understand, never suspecting that they can. When George is found dead under mysterious circumstances, the sheep realize at once that it was a murder and think they know everything about how to go about solving it. Rated PG (109 minutes).

Bingo Party: Monday, September 21 from 1:00—3:00 pm. Come enjoy bingo at the JKPL! There is a two card limit, no cost to play, and there are prizes! Registration is recommended as space is limited.

Prairie Sunset Hike @ Ringneck Ridge: Monday, September 21 from 6:00—7:30 pm

Dubuque County Conservation staff will guide this hike and teach about the area. This hike is 1.5 miles on uneven terrain so please wear appropriate footwear and clothing.

- All ages welcome but those under 16 need an adult companion.
- Registration requested as a minimum of 10 are needed to hold this event.
- On the day of the event, please meet at Ringneck Ridge, 5361 Highway 136, Worthington, IA.



JKPL Writing Group: Tuesday, September 22 @ 6:30 pm. Join us for this monthly sharing session with writers of all types including poetry, memoir, fiction, or nonfiction. Attendees are welcome to join in person or via Zoom. New members are welcome to join at any time.



Design a Floral Art Journal, Part 1: Tuesday, September 22 @ 6:00 pm

This class, led by Dianne Kramer, will teach participants how to capture the beauty of wildflowers in pen and ink and colored pencil and then display their floral images in a mini art journal.

- Participants must be 18 or older.
- Registration is required as there is a maximum of 16 participants allowed.
- Part 2 of this class will be held on October 6 @ 6:00 pm and participants must attend Part 1 in order to attend.
- Materials needed for class: Fine-tip pen, small, fine-tipped scissors, colored pencils, graphite pencil and eraser.
- All other materials will be provided.



Stuffed Animal Sleepover: Wednesday, September 23 @ 10:30 am & 6:30 pm

Bring your stuffed animal for a storytime featuring the book *Zach and Ollie's Adventures: A Walk Through the Seasons* by Zach Stier. While here, meet a plush Ollie and complete a fun craft! Then leave your stuffy to sleep over at the library where they are sure to have some zany fun. Come back the next day to pick up your stuffy and a small plush prize. Pictures of all the stuffies' shenanigans will be posted on Facebook the following week!



Health & Wellness 365: Thursday, September 24 @ 11:30 am. Join us for lunch, and learn about protein choices that support your health and wallet; physical activity for stress relief; and steps to stay safe when there is a boil advisory in effect. 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 3:00 pm on September 22 if you want lunch. Lunch is sponsored by the Friends of the James Kennedy Public Library.



Game Night @ Your Library: Friday, September 25 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! All ages welcome but those under the age of 7 need a teen or adult companion.

Pop-Up @ Dyersville Downtown Market: Saturday, September 26 from 8:00 am—12:00 pm. Visitors will be able to find out more about what the library has to offer at our pop-up library and select a free book to keep. We will also have WiFi access, if you need it. 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.



Strings Club: Monday, September 28 @ 6:00 pm. Do you have a string instrument and want to jam with others? Then come join the monthly JKPL Strings Club! Teen and adult musicians of all skill levels are welcome. Facilitated by Gary Bramel.

Coffee Day Celebrations: Tuesday, September 29 & Thursday, October 1

National Coffee Day is celebrated on Tuesday, September 29 and International Coffee Day is observed globally on Thursday, October 1. Join us as we partner with Brew & Brew to celebrate coffee and the joy it brings to people all over the world! Show your JKPL library card at Brew & Brew on September 29 and October 1 to receive \$1.00 off the purchase of any coffee beverage.



Puzzles, Take-Home Kits, Activity Packets, Scavenger Hunt: September 1—30
Kits are available while supplies last.

Children's Scavenger Hunt: Small Animals. Kids can earn one prize, per child, per library visit for completing the hunt.

Children's Pretend Play Station: Veterinarian. Area families are invited to come explore with Veterinarian play!

Creation Station Craft: Bell Shaker. Kits include 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.

Kids Can Craft: Favorite Animal Collage. Kids of all ages are invited to color their favorite animals, cut them out, and paste them to a display at the front desk for everyone to admire. 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 October.

Upcycled Greeting Card Kits. Use the front of an old greeting card, glue, and cardstock to make a new card from an old one. All supplies provided except glue.

Coloring, Creating and Doing @ Your Library. Each pack will include at least 10 different items. Options available include coloring pages, dot to dot, crosswords, sudoku, and other activity pages.

Adult Craft Kits: Beaded Bracelets. 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.

Get Puzzled @ Your Library. Stop in and help put together a new jigsaw puzzle—*Rock Pops Legend Collage*. Everyone who works on the puzzle is encouraged to put their name into a drawing to win the puzzle.

Westside Park StoryWalk®: "I Want 100 Dogs" by Stacy McAnulty. 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 James Kennedy Public Library Board of Trustees is seeking candidates to serve on the Library Board.

- Information about the responsibilities of the Library Board Trustees are available at the library or on the library website: www.dyersville.lib.ia.us/about/library-board
- Applications are available at both the library and city hall: www.cityofdyersville.com/227/Boards-Commissions
- Completed applications should be returned to City Hall
- Feel free to come talk to us if you have questions!

Upcoming EVENTS



You Have The Right to Read Exhibit: October 3—11

Banned Books Week is an annual event celebrating the freedom to read and the importance of the First Amendment. The theme this year is *Let Books Be. Protect the Freedom to Read*. To celebrate, the library will have a *You Have The Right to Read* exhibit set up in the center of the library. Peruse the four stations and learn about your constitutional right to read, censorship terms and cases, why books matter, how libraries are funded, and how a book ends up on your library's shelves.

Right To Read Banned Book Trivia Saturday, October 3 from 1:00—2:30 pm

Join us for some fun book trivia as we celebrate the start of Banned Books Week. There will be 5 rounds of 5 questions and attendees will play as single players (no teams). There will be a prize for 1st place! Refreshments will be provided.

Dyersville GLR Family Literacy Event for Kindergartners Thursday, October 8 from 6:00—7:30 pm

Children in Kindergarten, and their families, are invited to this special event to learn about family literacy opportunities in the library. Join us for a free meal, free books, and other fun giveaways and discover all the library and the Dyersville Campaign for Grade-Level Reading have to offer. Events for children in other age groups and their families will be offered monthly during the school year. Registration encouraged at: <https://bit.ly/4pt8Gzr>

HALLOWEEN EVENTS FOR ALL AGES!

Double Creature Feature: Friday, October 16 @ 6:00 pm. Come join us for our yearly Double Creature Feature! This program is for those age 13 and older, however, younger participants are welcome if they have an adult to accompany them.

Frankentoys: Saturday, October 17 from 10:00—11:00 am. Come join us to stitch, glue, and connect broken toys together to make new creations! The library will provide the toy parts, but feel free to bring any from home. This program is intended for ages 10 and up, but those under the age of 10 may attend if they have an adult companion.

Children's Halloween Party: Saturday, October 24 from 10:00—11:00 am. Come to the library to trick-or-treat at downtown area businesses then stay to listen to *Creepy Crayon* storytime while coloring in the Creation Station. A special Halloween scavenger hunt and prize sticker set will also be available. Sponsored by Tim and Angela English.

Halloween Family Movies @ Your Library presents "Minions & Monsters": Saturday, October 31 @ 1:00 pm. Rated PG (90 minutes).

Books for Treats Halloween Pop-Up Library: Saturday, October 31 from 5:30—7:30 pm. Families are invited to Trick-or-Treat for a book instead of candy! The JKPL will have a pop-up library on the lawn of The Allen House at 515 1st Ave. W. in Dyersville. Books for all ages, including adults, will be available. *This event 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.*

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ONLINE DATABASES

The JKPL offers more than two dozen online databases covering a myriad of topics