

WDM LIBRARY

West Des Moines Public Library Monthly Newsletter

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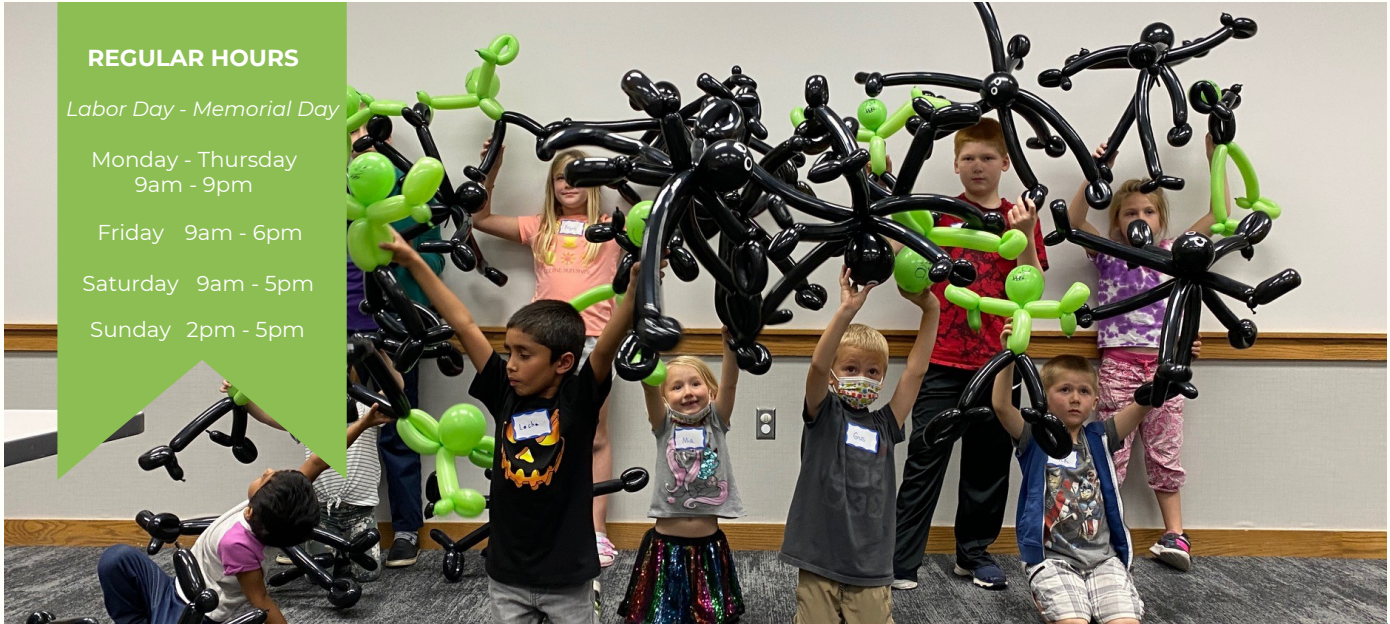
Labor Day - Memorial Day

Monday - Thursday
9am - 9pm

Friday 9am - 6pm

Saturday 9am - 5pm

Sunday 2pm - 5pm



1,000 Books Reading Challenge

One thousand books? That seems like way too many, right? Not at all. You got this. It doesn't matter if your child is three, or just three months - there's no better time to start than now!

Reading helps build social and emotional skills, sparks creativity and imagination, promotes bonding, and helps kids do well overall in school. Take that motivation, open one book, and get started. And remember, 1,000 is just a number. The goal is to work reading aloud into your regular routine, and let the magic of stories do the rest. You can register at wdmlibrary.beanstack.org/reader365 or via the Beanstack Tracker app on iOS or Android. If you would like a physical Badge Book (with stickers!), you can pick one up at the Children's Desk. Log each time you read a book and complete activities to earn awesome badges. Happy Reading!



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New Titles Added to the Collection

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BOOK SALE

West Des Moines Public Library | 4000 Mills Civic Pkway

Thursday, December 1..... 4PM - 7PM
FRIENDS MEMBERS ONLY!
Become a Friend on Thursday to shop!

Friday, December 2..... 4PM - 7PM

Saturday, December 3.... 9AM - 12PM

\$2.00 for hardcover books
 \$1.00 for paperback books
 \$1.00 for DVDs
 25 cents for magazines
All other items as marked

All proceeds benefit the WDM Library Friends Foundation

POLK COUNTY EARLY VOTING

@ THE WDM LIBRARY

Thursday, November 3 | 10:00 AM - 4:00 PM

Friday, November 4 | 10:00 AM - 4:00 PM

Saturday, November 5 | 10:00 AM - 3:00 PM

November Adult Events at the WDM Library

[Find our full event calendar](#)



Learn How to Fight Fraud!

Tuesday, November 1 - 10:30 - 11:30 AM

The Fraud Fighters from United Way are trained by the Iowa Insurance Division and in this presentation, they'll talk about a variety of common scams and how you can arm yourself with the tips and tools to prevent fraud from happening to you. No registration.

Dungeons & Dragons for Adults

Tuesday, November 1 & 15 - 5:30 - 8:30 PM

Are you curious about the game Dungeons and Dragons? Have you played D&D before, but need a new group? Hang out with a fun, open group of people as we adventure our way through campaigns and one-shots. Registration required.



Welcome to Medicare

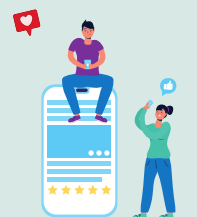
Wednesday, November 2 - 6:00 - 8:00 PM

The seminar will cover basics about: Medicare Parts A & B, Prescription Drug Benefits, Medicare Advantage Plans, Medicare Supplement Insurance, and Medicare Fraud. Registration is required.

Tech One-On-One

Tuesday Mornings & Thursday Afternoons

Do you have a specific computer, mobile device, or other technology-related questions? We are here to help! Sign up for a 30 minute private session, walk-in's also welcome.



Tech Help with Teens

1st Saturday of the Month - 10:00 - 11:30 AM

Register for one-on-one help with one of our teen assistants! Our teen assistants have been trained to help with a variety of technical questions on smart phones, tablets, and laptops. Please register on our calendar.

Great Books Showcase: Holiday Edition!

Monday, November 7 - 7:00 - 8:30 PM

"Can you suggest a great book?" This is a question librarians get all the time. Consider this event our answer! We will highlight some new titles you might like to gift, or enjoy yourself. At the end of the program, we'll enjoy light refreshments and talk about some of your favorite recent reads. No registration required.



Color Connection: Adult Coloring Club

Tuesday, November 8 - 1:30 - 2:30 PM

Relax, unwind and color your stress away! Studies show that coloring can have a calming effect on the mind and help promote wellness. It's also a way to connect with others, even if it's in a quiet environment. No registration required.



YA Not Club Read

Thursday, November 10 - 6:30 - 8:00 PM

YA Not Club Read is our non-traditional book club for "Grown ups" who like to read and talk about Young Adult books. This month we'll be reading All Boys Aren't Blue by George M. Johnson. This is also available on Libby. Registration required.

Club Read: Hybrid Edition

Monday, November 14 - 7:00 - 9:00 PM

Join Alana and Amy for a hybrid book club meeting. You may join through Zoom or in person at the library. We will be discussing The Department of Rare Books and Special Collections by Eva Jurczyk. Registration required.



Adult Craft Night: Make Your Own Gift Tags!

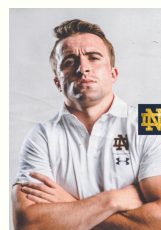
Thursday, November 17 - 6:30 - 8:00 PM

Come join us to create a fun craft for the adult crowd! We will have a variety of supplies to make your own gift tags. Holidays, birthdays and more! Registration required and space is limited.

Iowa Files: Orphan Trains

Sunday, November 20 - 2:30 - 3:30 PM

Between 1854 and 1929 the United States was engaged in an ambitious, and ultimately controversial, social experiment to rescue poor and homeless children, the Orphan Train Movement. Historian Carol Bodensteiner will talk about the history of this experiment in Iowa. No registration required.



Author Event: John Mahoney

Tuesday, November 22 - 6:45 - 8:00 PM

The Friends Foundation is proud to present Iowa author John Mahoney. In his debut book History Through the Headsets: Inside Notre Dame's playoff run during the craziest season in college football history, Mahoney, a safety for Notre Dame from 2017-2020, discusses his first-hand experience inside Notre Dame's playoff run. No registration required.

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Book Club Social: Hybrid Edition!

Monday, November 28 - 7:00 - 9:00 PM

Please join Alana and Amy to discuss what we have been reading and watching this month. You may join through Zoom or in person at the library. Registration required.

Children & Teen November Events at the WDM Library

[Find our full event calendar](#)

Group Service Project (Teens)

Wednesday, November 2 - 3:00 - 5:00 PM
(Grades 9-12)

Are you looking for a few Silver Cord, Community Service, or other volunteer hours? The Library is looking for volunteers to help with a monthly group service project. No experience or training necessary! Registration required.



After School Adventures: Design a Tote!

Wednesday, November 9 - 3:45 - 4:30 PM
(Ages 5-12)

Join us in the Community Room after school to embark on an adventure! This month, we'll decorate a tote to carry your library books or whatever else you want to carry around! Registration required.



Lapsit Storytime

Mondays (11/7, 11/14) - 9:30 - 10:00 AM
OR 10:30 - 11:00 AM

(Ages 1 mo. - 18 mo. w/ adult)

Using puppets, rhymes, songs, and short stories, we will engage baby and caregiver in language-rich activities designed for pre-walking babies. Registration is required.



Family Storytime

Wednesdays (6:30 - 7:30 PM) Thursdays (10:30 - 11:30 AM) and Fridays (10:30 - 11:30 AM)
Dates: 11/9, 11/10, 11/11, 11/16, 11/17, 11/18

(Ages 0-6 w/ adult)

Join us in the Community Room for this class featuring stories, songs, and rhymes followed by gross and fine motor play all with an early literacy focus! Registration Required.



Toddler Storytime

Tuesdays (11/8, 11/15) 9:30 - 10:00 AM
OR 10:30 - 11:00 AM

(Ages 6 mo. - 2 yrs w/ adult)

Simple stories, gentle tunes, flannel boards, and nursery rhymes. Each week we will incorporate activities that emphasize and reinforce body part identification, counting, rhythm, sensory stimulation, fine and gross motor skills, and animal sounds. Registration is required.



Family Night at the Library: Fossils!

Monday, November 14 - 6:30 - 7:30 PM
(All Ages)

This month, we'll discover Iowa's fascinating paleontological past by looking at fossils found in the state. Learn how fossils form and where to find them. We'll also have fun making some fossils with playdough.. Please register each person attending (children and adults).



Kids Club Read: Ricky Riccotta's Mighty Robot

Tuesday, November 8 - 4:15 - 5:00 PM
(Ages 7-10)

Join us for discussion and activities related to this month's book Ricky Riccotta's Mighty Robot by Dav Pilkey! If you need a copy of the book, please come to the Children's Desk and check out a book club copy!



Kids Graphic Novel Club Read: Dungeon Critters

Thursday, November 17 - 4:15 - 5:00 PM
(Ages 8-12)

Join us for discussion and activities related to this month's book, Dungeon Critters by Natalie Riess and Sara Goetter. Register anytime by calling 222-3405 or stop in to the Children's Desk.



Baby Doll Storytime

Wednesdays (11/9, 11/16) - 9:30 - 10:00 AM
OR 10:30 - 11:00 AM

(Ages 18 mo. - 3 yrs w/ adult)

Bring a favorite doll or stuffed animal and join us for Baby Doll Storytime. Children will participate in songs, rhymes, and stories while interacting with their baby doll. An opportunity for social, emotional and literacy learning through play! Registration required.



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Teen Advisory Board (TAB) Meeting

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(Grades 6-12)

By becoming a member of TAB you can take a leadership role in your community, give input in teen activities, and help develop the collection of young adult materials at the Library.

