

WINTERSET PUBLIC LIBRARY
August 22, 2017

Save the Date: Friends of the Library Book Sale – Thursday, September 21-Saturday, September 23 – Winterset Public Library
Watch for information on donating, volunteering, and purchasing coming soon!

For Teens & Adults:

Book Discussion: Thursday, August 24, 7:00 pm – Tess of the d'Urbervilles by Thomas Hardy

Rekindle the classic tale “Tess of the d’Urbervilles” by Thomas Hardy. Review from amazon.com: “When Tess Durbeyfield is driven by family poverty to claim kinship with the wealthy D'Urbervilles and seek a portion of their family fortune, meeting her 'cousin' Alec proves to be her downfall. A very different man, Angel Clare, seems to offer her love and salvation, but Tess must choose whether to reveal her past or remain silent in the hope of a peaceful future. With its sensitive depiction of the wronged Tess and powerful criticism of social convention, “Tess of the D'Urbervilles,” subtitled "A Pure Woman," is one of the most moving and poetic of Hardy's novels.” Check out this book (we have extra copies available at the library!) and then join the group for an interesting evening – it is free and open to the public. Leadership for the book discussion will be provided by Rebecca Bock, WHS teacher-librarian.

Future book discussion titles include:

Sept. 28: Stiff: The Curious Lives of Human Cadavers by Mary Roach

Oct. 26: A Gentleman in Moscow by Amor Towles

Nov. 30: A Murder is Announced by Agatha Christie

Dec. 28: A Man Called Ove by Fredrik Backman

All the Bells and Whistles – Friday, August 25, 11:00 a.m.-Noon

The Winterset Public Library Children’s Room has an exciting new addition – a model railroad and a colorful mural to take you on an imaginative journey around the world. Join us for the debut of the “Books Can Take You Anywhere” mural, created and painted by local artist and jewelry designer Christine Hilbert. The “Hogwarts Express” model train will be traveling around the track and a few children’s crafts will be available. Light refreshments will be served.

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Madison County Genealogical Society program* – Tuesday, September 5, 7:00 pm – Madison County and WWI

MCGS Member Linda Smith featuring an overview of WWI events related to Madison County citizens both on the war front and home front . The Genealogical Society offers a program each month with their business meeting to follow. Attendance is free and open to everyone interested in family history or Madison County history. *This program will be held at the Madison County Historical Museum Lounge, 815 S. 2nd Ave.

The (Not Quite) Gourmet Library Cooking Class: Cooking with Berries - Saturday, September 2, 10:30 am

Join us for a cooking demonstration and learn. The class runs 30-45 minutes in length, and recipe samples are served. Registration is appreciated to help plan for supplies – call 515-462-1731 to register.

The “(not quite) Gourmet Library” cooking class series will continue on the first Saturday of each month through 2017. The classes will be led by Librarian Annie Nau and some classes may be led by a local guest chef.

Future tentative themes include:

October 7: Pumpkin/Root Vegetables

November 4: Thanksgiving with a Twist

December 2: Scandinavian Holiday Meal

Raising School Ready Readers class – Mondays, September 25-October 23, 6:00-7:30 p.m.

Learning begins at birth and parents/caregivers are every child’s first and best teachers! Help your toddler or preschool child succeed by participating in this fun, family-oriented class. Grandparents and siblings are welcome to join parents/caregivers along with the preschoolers. Each class will consist of a storytime for the preschoolers while the parents engage with a learning coach to teach fun and interesting ways to develop reading skills with their children. All participants come together for make-and-take activities designed to make learning to read fun!

Classes include a light family meal and free books for the preschooler each week. Participation is free. Registration is required before Sept. 18; call the Winterset Library at 515-462-1731 OR email Tiffany Rohe at tiffany.rohe@winterset.lib.ia.us OR email Sara Tessmer at stessmer@iastate.edu. Include parent/guardian name(s); child’s age; and phone number.

Raising School Ready Readers classes are sponsored by Iowa State University Extension and Outreach and Winterset Public Library with generous support of Friends of the Winterset Library, HyVee, and Winterset Kiwanis.

Drop-In Tech Assistance - every Thursday, 2:00-3:30 p.m.

Do you have a device, computer, smart phone you aren’t sure how to operate...or haven’t taken out of the box? Want to learn more about technology? Want to discover the downloadable books, music, and more the library offers? Librarian Tonja Porter will help you out each Thursday from 2-3:30 pm., bring your device. No reservations needed - just drop in and she can help. Need one-on-one assistance? Make an appointment by calling Tonja at 515-462-1731 and she will set up a time with you.

Community Coffee Group – every Friday, 9:00 am

The Community Coffee Group meets on Friday mornings at 9:00 a.m. in the Library’s Meeting Room. It is free and open to the public. Join us for a free cup of coffee and get caught up with others in our community through stories and conversation.

For Kids and Families:

Discovery Zone – Wednesday, August 23, 3:00-5:30 p.m.

Children in grades kindergarten through third grade are invited to Discovery Zone at the Library. This month’s event combines stories with fun and educational STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Math) activities with the theme “Things That Go.” Each month there will be a story, snack, and hands-on, STEM learning activities. Registration is required - please call 515-462-1731 or email tiffany.rohe@winterset.lib.ia.us.

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Tiny Tykes – every Tuesday*, 10:30 am

This weekly story time is for our youngest library patrons age birth-2 years and their parents or caregivers. Newborns and children can enjoy stories, movement activities, songs, and plenty of time for free play. Guided story times typically last 20 minutes, followed by 45 minutes of play. *No Tiny Tykes offered on September 5.

Story Time – every Wednesday*, 10:30 am

Weekly fun for families with children ages 3-5 years old. Children will be involved in interactive stories, songs, and activities. These sessions typically last 30 minutes and siblings are welcome. Story time is a gentle introduction to classroom learning for little ones. *No Story Time offered on September 6.

Messy Munchkins – every Thursday*, 10:30-11:30 am

Every Thursday, children ages 4 and under with an adult caregiver are encouraged to join Messy Munchkins in the Meeting Room. This drop-in, multi-sensory play time will encourage participation from both caregiver and child through a variety of educational, social, and fun activities at the Library. Please dress accordingly as some activities will be messy! *No Messy Munchkins offered on September 7.

On Exhibit

The City of Winterset Friendship Exchange Commission has numerous items on display in the library's display area including Samurai swords and helmet, intricate papercutting, fans, parasols, carp kites, artwork, and more treasures gifted to the City as part of the Sister City Program with Minami-Alps,

Yamanashi, Japan. The Sister City relationship between the two communities started in 2003. Stop by to view these items.

Did You Know?

Your Winterset Public Library has more than books, audio, and movies – there is also a Library of Things to be checked out! New additions include pickle ball paddle/ball sets; a telescope; a metal detector, a sewing machine, and a ukulele. The library also has jigsaw puzzles, cake pans, candy molds, and an extensive seed library.