

**WINTERSET PUBLIC LIBRARY**  
**December 12, 2017**

**For Teens & Adults:**

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**Book Discussion - Thursday, December 28, 7:00 pm – A Man Called Ove by Fredrik Backman**

"A light hearted, deeply moving novel about a grumpy but loveable curmudgeon who finds his solitary world turned on its head when a boisterous young family moves in next door. This quirky debut is a thoughtful and charming exploration of the impact one life has on countless others—and an absolute delight." – review from CBS Local.

Check out this novel (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.

Future book discussion titles include:

Jan. 25 – The Wright Brothers by David McCullough

Feb. 22 – The Girl Before by Rena Olsen

Mar. 22 – Imagine Me Gone by Adam Haslett

Apr. 26 – 1984 by George Orwell

May 24 – The Underground Railroad by Colson Whitehead

June 28 – The Widow by Fiona Barton

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**Dallas County Rebels: How a Posse, a President, and the KKK Changed American History – Tuesday, January 2, 6:30 p.m.**

No Iowa county has influenced American history more than Dallas County. Discover why during a dynamic new program by Iowa author and former Dallas County resident Darcy Dougherty Maulsby. This free event is co-sponsored by the library and the Madison County Genealogical Society; registration is appreciated for those who are not members of the Madison County Genealogical Society. Call the library at 515-462-1731 to register.

**Bullet Journaling Workshop – Saturday, January 6, 10:30 a.m.-Noon**

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**One Earth Book Discussion – Tuesday, January 23, 7:00 p.m. – Sylvan T. Runkel: Citizen of the Natural World by Jon Stone and Larry Stravers**

The 2017-28 theme is "Our Place" and the primary focus will be Iowan's sense of self in relation to our place in Iowa and our planet. This month's selection is "a biography of Iowa's foremost naturalist - conservationist, musician, adventurer, teacher, writer, WWII veteran, TV personality, Scout leader, pilot, humorist: Sylvan Runkel captivated 3 generations of Iowans" – from amazon.com. The One Earth Book Discussion series is co-sponsored by For Land's Sake! and the library; it is free and open to the public. As always, title suggestions for future months' discussions are welcome, so please bring those to share.

**Identity Theft Workshop – Saturday, February 3, 10:30-11:15 a.m.**

The State of Iowa Information Security Officer Alison Radl, will provide cyber security awareness at the Winterset Public Library. This 30-minute training session will cover the basics of cyber security awareness for the general public and allow time for questions and answers. In addition, security awareness handouts will be provided to participants. Register to reserve your space at this free workshop; call the library at 515-462-1731.

**Scam Alert Workshop – Saturday, February 10, 10:30-11:30 a.m.**

Join Liz Berry, Electronic Banking Manager with Union State Bank, for this free workshop designed to educate and inform about scams and schemes. We will learn how scammers can find you, what to watch for, tips on how to avoid their tactics, and resources to use to lower your chances of becoming a victim. Register to reserve your space at this free workshop; call the library at 515-462-1731.

**Genealogy? Help! – every Thursday, 3:00-5:00 p.m.**

Interested in starting your family tree, but not sure where to begin? Stuck trying to fill in some lineage and not sure how? Bring your questions and challenges for free, one-on-one family history research and genealogy assistance, provided by a Madison County Genealogical Society volunteer. No registration required – just stop by the library's Genealogy section to take advantage of this new drop-in service beginning Thursday, January 11.

**Community Coffee Group – every Friday, 9:00 a.m.**

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.

**Parent Education Classes – every Sunday, 3:00-5:00 p.m.**

A Parenting Way educator will teach a different parenting topic each week – discipline without harm; communication and problem solving; identifying your stressors; and more. Register online at [www.parentingway.org](http://www.parentingway.org) or call 515-255-9490 or 515-468-5517. Classes meet weekly for two hours; attendees must attend all ten classes to receive a certificate.

**For Children and Families:**

**Discovery Zone - Wednesday, December 20, 3:30-5:00 pm**

Children in grades kindergarten through third grade are invited to Discovery Zone at the Library. This is a new monthly event combining stories with fun and educational STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Math) activities including make-and-take holiday gifts. We will share a story, snack, and hands-on, STEM learning activities. Space is limited, so registration is required; registration is open now and will end at 5:00 p.m. on December 19 - please call 515-462-1731 or email [tiffany.rohe@winterset.lib.ia.us](mailto:tiffany.rohe@winterset.lib.ia.us) .

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**Blank Park Zoo – Wednesday, December 27 - 11:00-11:45 a.m.**

Spark children’s curiosity with this family-friendly live animal program. This show-and-tell program features four live animals to meet during an interactive, educational presentation recommended for children ages 4-10. Children will be encouraged to answer thought-provoking questions about the animals and will have the opportunity to ask questions of their own.

**Decorate a Donut – Thursday, December 28- 10:30-11:30 a.m.**

Come to the Winterset Public Library for an hour of donut delight! Dietitian Missy Anker will be here from Hy-Vee with all the supplies kids (ages 4-10) will need to decorate their own donut! There will also be donut games and crafts. Registration is required starting December 18; call the library at 515-462-1731 to reserve your child’s space.

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**Reading with Snoopy – Saturday, January 13, 10:00 a.m.-Noon**

Local dog lover and trainer Cari Davis, is offering the opportunity for kids to read aloud to her dog, Snoopy. In this program, children with reading difficulties or those needing a little more practice actually read stories to a dog and Snoopy loves to listen! Appointments are 15 minutes each; please call the library to set up your time slot at 515-462-1731. Reading with Snoopy will be held in the comfort of the Storytime Room.

**Ongoing Weekly Youth Programs:**

**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. \*Tiny Tykes will not be offered December 26 and January 2.

**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. \*Story Time will not be offered December 27 and January 3.

**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! \*Messy Munchkins will not be offered December 28 and January 4 .

**Did You Know?**

All aboard - the Library is featuring a local collector's exhibit of model railroad pieces in the display cases. And you can also see "The Polar Express" model train as it makes its rounds through the Children's Room this month.