

WINTERSET PUBLIC LIBRARY
June 22, 2017

Still time to join the “Build a Better World” Summer Reading Program – stop in at the library to find out how to earn prizes and enter prize drawings while reading or listening to your favorite books and stories! Bonus entries for completing fun activities too! Program available for adults, teens, and children of all ages (independent readers and those being read aloud to) – visit the library to join the fun today.

For Kids and Families:

Discovery Zone - Wednesday, June 28, 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. 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 .

Blank Park Zoo - Thursday, July 6, 11:00 am

Children of all ages are invited to meet a Blank Park Zoo guru and four furry friends from the zoo! This educational and interactive program will teach children about the small changes we can make in our lives to make the world a better place for all creatures, great and small!

Jester Puppets - Tuesday, July 11, 11:00 am – Iowa Theater (note new location)

Join us at the Iowa Theater as Jester Puppets present "Iowa Jones and the Search for the Last Mummy!" This is a high energy, family friendly show with a positive message as Iowa Jones learns that others are different than he is, but by working together, they can accomplish a lot! Thanks to the Iowa Theater and Union State Bank for helping the library bring this special puppet show to our community!

Taiko/Japanese Drumming –Saturday, July 15, 10:30 am-Noon

All ages are invited to experience Japanese culture through the art of Taiko, a traditional Japanese instrument used in festivals and musical performances around the world. Following the presentation, participants can try playing Taiko! This event is co-sponsored by the City of Winterset Friendship Exchange Commission, the Japan America Society of Iowa, and the Library.

Grout Museum - Tuesday, August 1, 11:00 am

For grades K-6, Emma Seehusen from the Grout Museum in Waterloo will present a hands on “Build a Better World” program.

Pool Party - Saturday, August 5, 12:30-5:00 pm

Summer Reading participants and their families are invited to our final event of summer. Join us at the Winterset Swimming Pool for an afternoon of food and fun! You will receive your pool invite when you turn in your completed reading log at the end of summer!!!

Monday Movies, 2:00 pm

Come beat the heat and join us at the Winterset Public Library for a free family movie and popcorn!

June 26: Finding Dory

July 3: Pete’s Dragon

July 10: Brave

July 17: Pokeman the First Movie

July 24: The BFG

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.

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.

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!

For Teens:

Iowa's Most Haunted Locations - Thursday, June 29, 6:30-7:30 pm

This presentation takes the audience on a ghostly journey to some of the most haunted places in the state. It covers the entire state, from wandering ghosts in the North Woods, to a haunted B&B in Dubuque. From phantom creatures prowling the woods to graveyard apparitions located in your own backyard, no place in Iowa is without its own hauntings.

(Not Quite) Gourmet Library Cooking Class: Quick & Easy Pasta Sauces - Saturday, July 1, 10:30 am

"The (not quite) Gourmet Library" cooking classes begin July 1 at 10:30am, and continue on the first Saturday of each month through 2017. The classes will be led by Annie Nau and some classes may be led by a local guest chef. Classes are 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 July 1 class will include Quick and Easy Pasta Sauces! Join us and try something unexpected.

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For Adults:

Book Discussion: June 22, 7:00 pm – Glory Over Everything by Kathleen Grissom

From Kirkus Reviews: "The latest New York Times bestseller from the author of the beloved book club favorite, The Kitchen House, is a heart racing story about a man's treacherous journey through the twists and turns of the Underground Railroad on a mission to save the boy he swore to protect. Glory Over Everything is 'gripping...breathless until the end.'" 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:

July 27: *Bottomland* by Michelle Hoover (All Iowa Reads 2017 book selection)

Aug. 24: *Tess of the d'Urbervilles* by Thomas Hardy

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

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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? Starting May 4, Tonja 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 am 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.

All Ages:

Exhibit Honoring Madison County citizen and World War II veteran and POW Don Thomas - through July 5

After growing up in Macksburg, Iowa, Don joined the Marines and was a survivor of Japanese prison camps after the capture of Corregidor 75 years ago. Upon returning to Iowa, Don attended Central

College where he met his wife Jean, and spent the rest of his life in Winterset, where he taught art in the schools, raised his family, and became a leader in his community.

The traveling exhibit features war documents including letters and telegrams, as well as Don's legacies: his artwork, his POW stories, and tributes to the Winterset Art Center and George Washington Carver Park, which he co-founded. Don's biography booklet, *The Wrigley Peace Pact*, will be given away while supplies last, courtesy of his family. Donations are welcome to help fund scholarships for children's art classes at the Winterset Art Center, a tradition that meant so much to Don.

Thanks to Mr. Jim Heithoff's 7th grade History students, the Winterset Art Center, the Madison County Historical Society, and the American Legion Auxiliary for their support and partnership with the Library.

Did You Know?

“Summer Slide” is not a piece of playground equipment - it is the phenomenon where young people lose academic skills over the summertime and is one of the most significant causes of the achievement gap between lower and higher income youth and one of the strongest contributors to the high school dropout rate. Encourage young people in your life to read or listen to books and participate in other activities to stimulate the mind and imagination – the library offers lots to do!