

Hello Board Members:

Here is the information packet for the Tuesday, March 11, 2025 Board meeting. Hope to see you all there!

Agenda Topics

1. Call to Order
2. Consider Approval of Agenda
3. Consider Approval of Agenda Consent Calendar
 - Correspondence & Communication
 - Approve Minutes of Previous Meeting: February 11, 2025 Regular Meeting – **A**
 - Approve February Librarian's Report – **B**
 - Approve Bills:
 - March Bills - **C**
 - Claims Report for February - **D**
 - February & March Credit Card Claims - **E**
 - Budget Reports
 - February City Report - **F**
 - February Library Report - **G**
 - Trust Account Reports
 - February Bank Statements – **H1 & H2**
 - February Balance Report - **I**
 - Trust Account Expenditure Report - **J**
 - February Donations - **K**
 - Program Reports
 - February Report of Programs and Attendance - **L**
 - February WhoFi Program Overview - **M**
 - March Schedule of Events - **N**
 - Schedule for Upcoming Programs - **O**
 - Grant Report – **The ALA: LTC Access 2 grant funds received for services to adult members of the neurodivergent community have been expended. Programs resulting from this grant started in March. Most of the items being added to the Library of Things have arrived and have been processed. We are working on getting the VR headsets and applications set up. Policy question for consideration – do we want to allow circulation of these items to non-residents? Currently they would not be eligible. We have been working on the sensory space and hope to have it completed by mid-April.**
 - Friends of the Library Report – **Meet on March 12 so will have update at April meeting.**
 - JKPL Endowment Report – **P: January 2025 Summary of Fund Activity; Q: Endowment Payout letter**
 - Strategic Planning Report – **R: The winter plan update was emailed out to all Board members and is included as a separate document on the Library Board Packets page on the JKPL website.**
 - Committee Reports
 - Executive Committee

- Finance Committee – I emailed out to the finance committee the attached spreadsheet (S) regarding anticipated FY25 Trust Account expenditures. For FY25, we requested and the Council allocated \$40,000 to be spent from the Trust Account. With the LTC grant and using Trust account funds for addressing the general operating budget shortfall, we will be over that amount so need to request the City Council approve a budget amendment. I am estimating that we could spend up to \$65,000. This is likely high but we don't have to spend it all – we just cannot spend over the amount allocated. At the time I am putting together this packet, a majority from the Committee has not responded
 - Fundraising, Marketing & Public Relations Committee - T
 - Furnishings, Art & Facilities Committee – Shirley shared with the committee plans for reorganizing a corner of the genealogy room as a sensory space. A committee meeting will be scheduled in March to discuss other projects.
 - Personnel Committee – Shirley will be sending a recommendation for changes to the JKPL Job Descriptions on Saturday. These changes reflect the addition of a Preschool Programmer and modifications to the Children's Librarian position – which were discussed as part of budget planning for FY26. Approval of these job descriptions is an agenda item as the plan is to hire for the new position in late April or early May.
 - Policy Committee
4. Consider Approval FY25 Trust Account Budget Amendment Request
 5. Consider Approval of revised JKPL Job Descriptions – **If possible, these will be added to the packet after Personnel Committee has an opportunity to review and discuss. Otherwise, the suggested descriptions will be shared at the meeting.**
 6. Meetings and Training
 - Upcoming – **Public Libraries of Dubuque County Agency Meeting is Thursday, March 13.**
 - Recently Attended
 - Trustee Training Webinar - **Part 6: Evaluating Service & Advocating for Advancements**
 7. Oral Presentations
 8. Adjournment

Next Meeting: Tuesday, April 8, 2025



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Regular Library Board Meeting

**Tuesday,
March 11, 2025
6:00 pm**

Hoffman Community Room
James Kennedy Public Library

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James Kennedy Public Library
Board of Trustees
Minutes of the February 11, 2025 Regular Meeting

The regular monthly meeting of the Board of Trustees of the James Kennedy Public Library was held on Tuesday, February 11, 2025 in the Genealogy Room. Present: Danelle Schroeder, Monika Steffen, Beth Gudenkauf, Beth Derr, Alex Wiezorek, and Library Director Shirley Vonderhaar. Absent: Melissa Kane, Catherine O’Hea, Alycia Willenbring, and Sally Kelly.

1. President Alex Wiezorek called meeting to order at 6:02 pm.
2. Consider Approval of Agenda
Steffen MOVED “Approval of Agenda”, seconded by Gudenkauf.
Ayes: Schroeder, Steffen, Gudenkauf, Derr, and Wiezorek
Nays: None
Motion CARRIED
3. Consider Approval of Agenda Consent Calendar
 - Correspondence & Communication
 - Approve Minutes of Previous Meeting: January 14, 2025 Regular Meeting
 - Approve January Librarian’s Report
 - Approve Bills:
 - February Bills
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 - Grant Report:
ALA / Libraries Transforming Communities Grant – Application to fund sensory space and services for neurodivergent youth will announce on March 3.
 - Friends of the Library Report:
At their last meeting the Friends elected new officers: Bonnie Steffensmeier - Treasurer, Mari Vorwald - Secretary, and Nancy

Breitbach - Vice President. Shirley Olberding is continuing as President for another year. The Friends meet again in March.

- JKPL Endowment Report
- Strategic Planning Report
- Committee Reports
 - Executive Committee
 - Finance Committee:
The JKPL is scheduled to present the budget request to the City Council on Monday, February 17, following the regularly Council meeting. Sally Kelly will make this presentation.
 - Fundraising, Marketing and Public Relations Committee:
Information from January 14, 2025 and February 11, 2025 meetings were shared
 - Furnishings, Art & Facilities Committee
 - Personnel Committee
 - Policy Committee

Steffen MOVED "Approval of Agenda Consent Calendar", seconded by Derr.

Ayes: Schroeder, Steffen, Gudenkauf, Derr, and Wiezorek

Nays: None

Motion CARRIED

4. Consider Approval of extending library open hours on Saturday, March 15, 2025.

Gudenkauf MOVED to "extend hours to 3:30 pm on Saturday, March 15, 2025" seconded by Schroeder.

Ayes: Schroeder, Steffen, Gudenkauf, Derr, and Wiezorek

Nays: None

Motion CARRIED

5. Meetings and Training

- Upcoming
- Recently Attended
- Trustee Training Webinar - Part 5: Planning for the Future

6. Oral Presentations

7. Adjournment

Steffen MOVED adjourn, seconded by Derr. Meeting ADJOURNED by Wiezorek at 6:26 pm.

Beth Gudenkauf, Secretary

Date

JAMES KENNEDY PUBLIC LIBRARY MONTHLY REPORT

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Librarian's report to the Board of Trustees

Month: February-25
 YTD: July-24 to February-25
 Previous YTD: July-23 to February-24

	Library visits		Items loaned		Library cards issued		
					City resident	Total	
Month	4280	(↓ 4.3%)	7546	(↓ 1.9%)	11	25	(↓ 34.2%)
YTD	38145	(↓ 2.4%)	61628	(↓ 3.3%)	106	213	(↓ 10.5%)

Website traffic



Visits


1107

Average visit duration

1:35




Computer use




Month	Hours		Month	Sessions	
	YTD	Prev. YTD		YTD	Prev. YTD
242	1701	1452	413	3440	3233

Wifi use



Month	Sessions		Month	Visits		Month	Unique visitors	
	YTD	Prev. YTD		YTD	Prev. YTD		YTD	Prev. YTD
870	2214	1987	786	1987	272	556		

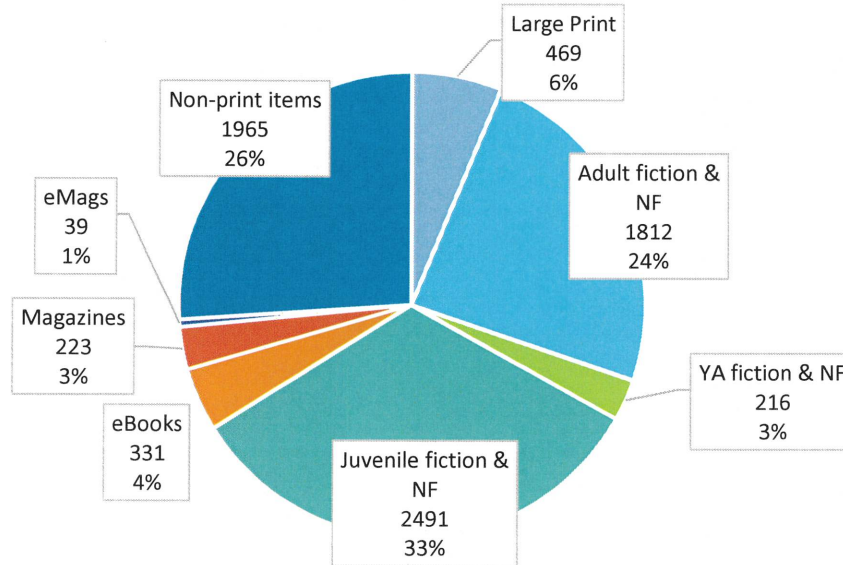
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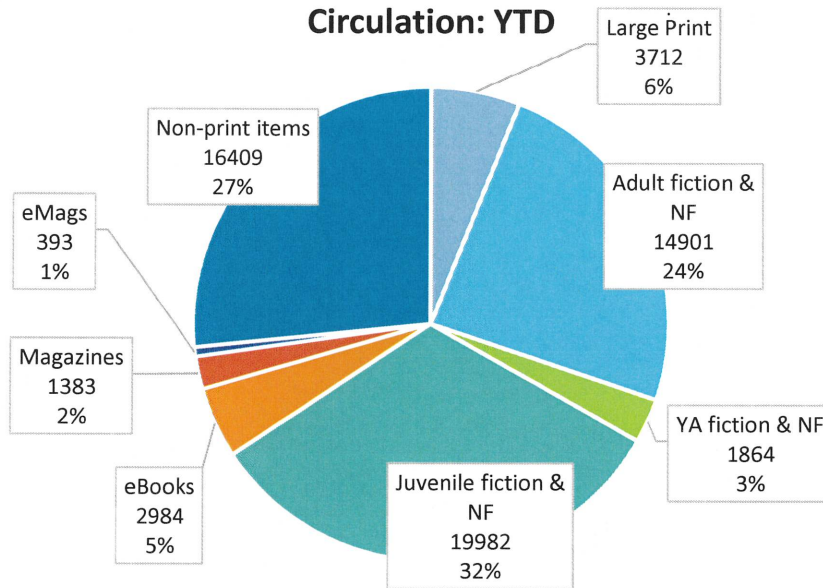
Month	YTD	Prev. YTD
71	488	548

Circulation

Circulation: Month



Circulation: YTD



Non-print items	Month	YTD
eAudio	546	4638
Adult & YA audio	86	690
Juvenile audio & kits	9	110
Adult & YA video	612	5308
Juvenile video & DVD	281	2492
Games, LoT, etc.	431	3171
	1965	16409

Music

Downloads: 16
Total YTD: 101

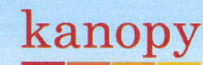


Video (film and TV)

Downloads: 26
YTD: 98



Visits: 296
YTD: 1559



Online Learning

Sessions: 92
YTD: 303



Languages

Sessions: 15
YTD: 116



Genealogy

Visits: 499
YTD: 4314



Collection

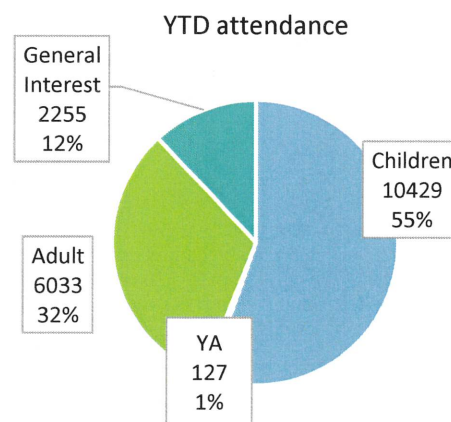
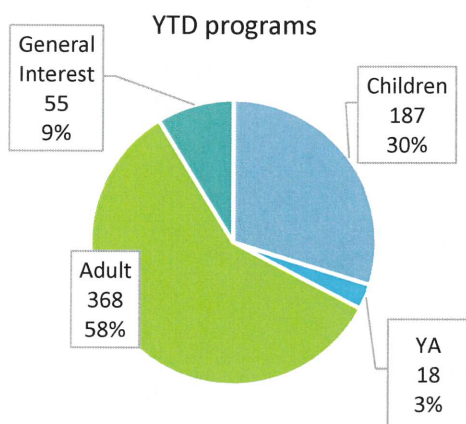
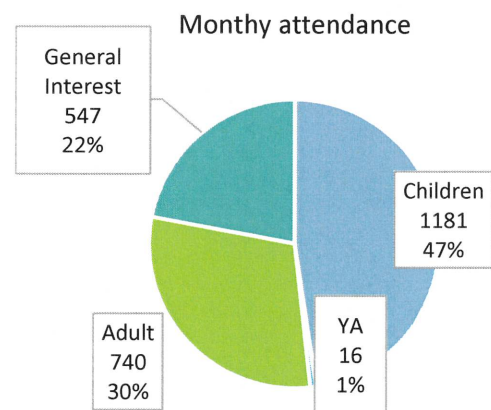
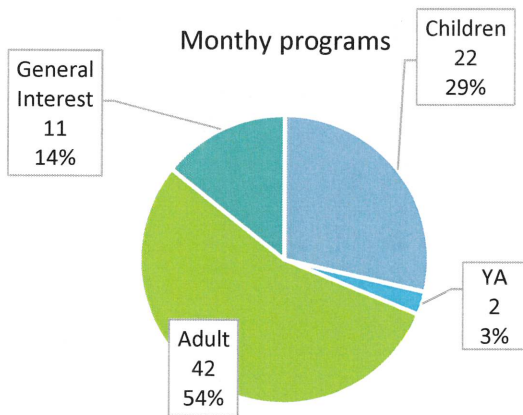
Items purchased	
Month:	126
YTD:	1590

Items donated	
Month:	177
YTD:	899
Prev. YTD:	394

	Month	YTD
Books	987	4173
Audio	2	355
Video	3	35
Other	1	56
Total	993	4619

Summary of additions													
	Large print	Adult fiction	Adult & YA NF	YA fiction	Juvenile fiction	Juvenile NF	eBook & eAudio	Adult & YA audio	Juvenile audio	Adult & YA video	Juvenile video	CDs, games, misc.	Total
Current month	14	64	25	17	83	15	15	4	1	38	10	17	303
Previous month	19	77	31	10	8	1	41	11	0	37	2	11	248
Current YTD	163	708	270	132	518	125	79	39	3	253	94	67	2451
Previous YTD	119	650	221	119	491	72	109	55	5	226	64	62	2193

Programs





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Expense Approval Register

Packet: APPKT01886 - March 2025 Library Bills

Vendor Name	Payable Number	Description (Item)	Account Number	Account Name	Amount
Fund: 001 - GENERAL FUND					
Department: 410 - LIBRARY					
IOWA LIBRARY ASSOCIATION	10750	Annual Dues	001-5-410-4-62100	DUES	25.00
MM MECHANICAL	i4175	HVAC Maintenance	001-5-410-4-63750	MAINTENANCE	172.39
BOOK SYSTEMS INC	142302	Annual Contract	001-5-410-4-64316	CONTRACTS	1,430.00
DATA443 RISK MITIGATION, ...	40080	Computer Security Contract	001-5-410-4-64316	CONTRACTS	291.25
TRI-STATE AUTOMATIC SPRI...	46766	Sprinkler Inspection Contract	001-5-410-4-64316	CONTRACTS	390.00
HANSEL CLEANING SERVICES ...	02.07.25	Cleaning Services	001-5-410-4-64322	CONTRACTED SERVICES	250.00
HANSEL CLEANING SERVICES ...	02.14.25	Cleaning Services	001-5-410-4-64322	CONTRACTED SERVICES	250.00
HANSEL CLEANING SERVICES ...	02.21.25	Cleaning Services	001-5-410-4-64322	CONTRACTED SERVICES	250.00
AMAZON	1GRC-N3LW-36QV	Supplies	001-5-410-4-65060	OFFICE SUPPLIES	50.67
AMAZON	1GRC-N3LW-36QV	Programs	001-5-410-4-65060	OFFICE SUPPLIES	9.99
BLACKSTONE PUBLISHING	2187115	CD Processing - Supplies	001-5-410-4-65060	OFFICE SUPPLIES	5.90
BLACKSTONE PUBLISHING	2188576	CD Processing	001-5-410-4-65060	OFFICE SUPPLIES	2.95
DEMCO EDUCATIONAL CORP	7609343	Book Processing Supplies	001-5-410-4-65060	OFFICE SUPPLIES	55.90
COMPLETE OFFICE OF WISC...	877002	Cleaning Supplies	001-5-410-4-65060	OFFICE SUPPLIES	125.93
CAPITAL SANITARY SUPPLY	D157968	Paper	001-5-410-4-65060	OFFICE SUPPLIES	147.00
OVERDRIVE	06497CO25043809	Electronic Media	001-5-410-4-67701	BOOKS/FILMS/RECORDS/SU...	501.42
OVERDRIVE	06497CO25045703	Electronic Media	001-5-410-4-67701	BOOKS/FILMS/RECORDS/SU...	56.15
OVERDRIVE	06497CO25060979	Electronic Media	001-5-410-4-67701	BOOKS/FILMS/RECORDS/SU...	26.64
OVERDRIVE	06497DA25046075	Electronic Media	001-5-410-4-67701	BOOKS/FILMS/RECORDS/SU...	95.00
AMAZON	11N1-9N6J-6LY9	DVD Credit	001-5-410-4-67701	BOOKS/FILMS/RECORDS/SU...	-20.99
AMAZON	1GRC-N3LW-36QV	Books	001-5-410-4-67701	BOOKS/FILMS/RECORDS/SU...	40.51
AMAZON	1GRC-N3LW-36QV	Books	001-5-410-4-67701	BOOKS/FILMS/RECORDS/SU...	53.86
AMAZON	1GRC-N3LW-36QV	Books	001-5-410-4-67701	BOOKS/FILMS/RECORDS/SU...	48.81
AMAZON	1GRC-N3LW-36QV	Books	001-5-410-4-67701	BOOKS/FILMS/RECORDS/SU...	38.95
AMAZON	1GRC-N3LW-36QV	Audio Books	001-5-410-4-67701	BOOKS/FILMS/RECORDS/SU...	32.46
AMAZON	1GRC-N3LW-36QV	DVD	001-5-410-4-67701	BOOKS/FILMS/RECORDS/SU...	823.90
BAKER & TAYLOR BOOKS	2038864661	Books	001-5-410-4-67701	BOOKS/FILMS/RECORDS/SU...	100.30
BLACKSTONE PUBLISHING	2187115	Audio Books	001-5-410-4-67701	BOOKS/FILMS/RECORDS/SU...	106.97
PLAYAWAY PRODUCTS	489888	Audio Books	001-5-410-4-67701	BOOKS/FILMS/RECORDS/SU...	68.44
INGRAM LIBRARY SERVICES	63129827	Books	001-5-410-4-67701	BOOKS/FILMS/RECORDS/SU...	312.81
Department 410 - LIBRARY Total:					5,742.21
Fund 001 - GENERAL FUND Total:					5,742.21
Fund: 002 - LIBRARY TRUST FUND					
Department: 410 - LIBRARY					
FAREWAY STORES INC	00143507	Kids Can Cook	002-5-410-4-67700	LIBRARY TRUST EXPENDITURE	7.99
FAREWAY STORES INC	00247143	Supplies for inclusive progra...	002-5-410-4-67700	LIBRARY TRUST EXPENDITURE	144.37
FAREWAY STORES INC	00332877	LTC Grant - Supplies	002-5-410-4-67700	LIBRARY TRUST EXPENDITURE	74.97
J & D MART LTD	02.22.25	Mystery Dinner - Fundraiser...	002-5-410-4-67700	LIBRARY TRUST EXPENDITURE	1,541.00
VONDERHAAR, SHIRLEY	02.24.25	Mystery Dinner - Staff/Traini...	002-5-410-4-67700	LIBRARY TRUST EXPENDITURE	50.00
VONDERHAAR, SHIRLEY	02.24.25	Mystery Dinner Actors	002-5-410-4-67700	LIBRARY TRUST EXPENDITURE	1,334.00
ZURAWSKI, PAUL	03.06.25	Sensory Space Supplies - Gra...	002-5-410-4-67700	LIBRARY TRUST EXPENDITURE	78.11
VONDERHAAR, SHIRLEY	03.06.25	VR Applications -Grant	002-5-410-4-67700	LIBRARY TRUST EXPENDITURE	1,004.35
J & L LUMBER	168132	Sensory Space Supplies - Gra...	002-5-410-4-67700	LIBRARY TRUST EXPENDITURE	62.97
AMAZON	1GRC-N3LW-36QV	Rardin Memorial	002-5-410-4-67700	LIBRARY TRUST EXPENDITURE	24.13
AMAZON	1GRC-N3LW-36QV	LTC Grant - Crafts	002-5-410-4-67700	LIBRARY TRUST EXPENDITURE	183.29
AMAZON	1GRC-N3LW-36QV	LTC Grant - Sensory	002-5-410-4-67700	LIBRARY TRUST EXPENDITURE	1,464.35
AMAZON	1GRC-N3LW-36QV	LTC Grant - VR	002-5-410-4-67700	LIBRARY TRUST EXPENDITURE	1,532.40
AMAZON	1GRC-N3LW-36QV	LTC Grant - DVD	002-5-410-4-67700	LIBRARY TRUST EXPENDITURE	45.07
AMAZON	1GRC-N3LW-36QV	Marketing	002-5-410-4-67700	LIBRARY TRUST EXPENDITURE	67.98
AMAZON	1GRC-N3LW-36QV	Kids Can Cook	002-5-410-4-67700	LIBRARY TRUST EXPENDITURE	131.91
AMAZON	1GRC-N3LW-36QV	Books - Gioimo Memorial	002-5-410-4-67700	LIBRARY TRUST EXPENDITURE	58.54
AMAZON	1GRC-N3LW-36QV	Books - Medical Associates D...	002-5-410-4-67700	LIBRARY TRUST EXPENDITURE	41.09

Expense Approval Register

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AMAZON	1GRC-N3LW-36QV	Books - Friends of the Library	002-5-410-4-67700	LIBRARY TRUST EXPENDITURE	166.32
AMAZON	1GRC-N3LW-36QV	Books - Donations	002-5-410-4-67700	LIBRARY TRUST EXPENDITURE	163.45
AMAZON	1GRC-N3LW-36QV	Love My Library	002-5-410-4-67700	LIBRARY TRUST EXPENDITURE	36.40
GERI-FIT COMPANY LLC	20250213124346-163142	Geri Fit Program (DVD)	002-5-410-4-67700	LIBRARY TRUST EXPENDITURE	39.95
BAKER & TAYLOR BOOKS	2038853316	Donations (AF)	002-5-410-4-67700	LIBRARY TRUST EXPENDITURE	49.59
BAKER & TAYLOR BOOKS	2038864661	Gioimo Donation	002-5-410-4-67700	LIBRARY TRUST EXPENDITURE	18.78
BAKER & TAYLOR BOOKS	2038864661	Medical Associates Donation	002-5-410-4-67700	LIBRARY TRUST EXPENDITURE	36.48
BAKER & TAYLOR BOOKS	2038864661	Rardin Memorial	002-5-410-4-67700	LIBRARY TRUST EXPENDITURE	22.18
BAKER & TAYLOR BOOKS	2038864661	Donations (AF)	002-5-410-4-67700	LIBRARY TRUST EXPENDITURE	39.90
BAKER & TAYLOR BOOKS	2038880890	Donations - Fiction	002-5-410-4-67700	LIBRARY TRUST EXPENDITURE	362.71
BAKER & TAYLOR BOOKS	2038880890	Love My Library - Maiers M...	002-5-410-4-67700	LIBRARY TRUST EXPENDITURE	18.00
BAKER & TAYLOR BOOKS	2038880890	Westermeyer Memorial	002-5-410-4-67700	LIBRARY TRUST EXPENDITURE	15.98
BAKER & TAYLOR BOOKS	2038880890	Rardin Memorial	002-5-410-4-67700	LIBRARY TRUST EXPENDITURE	15.96
BAKER & TAYLOR BOOKS	2038880890	Kiernan Donation	002-5-410-4-67700	LIBRARY TRUST EXPENDITURE	17.10
BAKER & TAYLOR BOOKS	2038896913	Rardin Memorial	002-5-410-4-67700	LIBRARY TRUST EXPENDITURE	17.10
BAKER & TAYLOR BOOKS	2038896913	Donations	002-5-410-4-67700	LIBRARY TRUST EXPENDITURE	43.30
BAKER & TAYLOR BOOKS	2038896913	Westermeyer Memorial	002-5-410-4-67700	LIBRARY TRUST EXPENDITURE	33.63
CENTER POINT PUBLISHING	2149219	Friends of the Library	002-5-410-4-67700	LIBRARY TRUST EXPENDITURE	25.97
CENTER POINT PUBLISHING	2150811	Rardin Memorial	002-5-410-4-67700	LIBRARY TRUST EXPENDITURE	78.56
BLACKSTONE PUBLISHING	2188576	Audio Books - Love My Library	002-5-410-4-67700	LIBRARY TRUST EXPENDITURE	26.99
COLUMBUS CLUB LANES	2502	LTC Grant	002-5-410-4-67700	LIBRARY TRUST EXPENDITURE	600.00
KANOPY INC	442088-PPU	Streaming Services	002-5-410-4-67700	LIBRARY TRUST EXPENDITURE	55.00
HOOPLA BY MIDWEST TAPE	506824910	Streaming Services	002-5-410-4-67700	LIBRARY TRUST EXPENDITURE	669.43
FUN EXPRESS	73610710201	Parade Supplies	002-5-410-4-67700	LIBRARY TRUST EXPENDITURE	90.40
FUN EXPRESS	736211114	Supplies for Inclusive Progra...	002-5-410-4-67700	LIBRARY TRUST EXPENDITURE	88.51
CENGAGE LEARNING	86744189	Friends of the Library	002-5-410-4-67700	LIBRARY TRUST EXPENDITURE	31.99
CENGAGE LEARNING	86778675	Friends of the Library	002-5-410-4-67700	LIBRARY TRUST EXPENDITURE	95.97
CENGAGE LEARNING	86791678	Friends of the Library	002-5-410-4-67700	LIBRARY TRUST EXPENDITURE	27.19
VICTORYXR	D5727	LTC Grant Program	002-5-410-4-67700	LIBRARY TRUST EXPENDITURE	944.00
TN MARKETING LLC	INV00000000005047	LTC Grant Services	002-5-410-4-67700	LIBRARY TRUST EXPENDITURE	699.00
SCHOOL OUTFITTERS	ORD11677678	LTC Grant - Sensory Items	002-5-410-4-67700	LIBRARY TRUST EXPENDITURE	1,136.28
				Department 410 - LIBRARY Total:	13,512.64
				Fund 002 - LIBRARY TRUST FUND Total:	13,512.64
				Grand Total:	19,254.85

Fund Summary

Fund	Expense Amount
001 - GENERAL FUND	5,742.21
002 - LIBRARY TRUST FUND	<u>13,512.64</u>
Grand Total:	19,254.85

Account Summary

Account Number	Account Name	Expense Amount
001-5-410-4-62100	DUES	25.00
001-5-410-4-63750	MAINTENANCE	172.39
001-5-410-4-64316	CONTRACTS	2,111.25
001-5-410-4-64322	CONTRACTED SERVICES	750.00
001-5-410-4-65060	OFFICE SUPPLIES	398.34
001-5-410-4-67701	BOOKS/FILMS/RECORDS...	2,285.23
002-5-410-4-67700	LIBRARY TRUST EXPENDI...	<u>13,512.64</u>
	Grand Total:	19,254.85

Project Account Summary

Project Account Key	Expense Amount
None	4,387.76
410AB	207.87
410AN	140.81
410DVD	802.91
410EM	679.21
410PF	351.76
410TGRANT	8,057.67
410TMEM	284.08
410TPROG	4,240.11
410YAF	53.86
410YAN	<u>48.81</u>
	Grand Total:
	19,254.85

The above presented claims, which included those covering the invoices attached, were presented and approved by the Board at the above dated meeting. You are directed to pay the same and include in the financial report.

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President, Board of Trustees

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Secretary, Board of Trustees

Date

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**James Kennedy Public Library
February 2025**

Utilities and Contractual

Check issued to:	Purpose	Amount
Black Hills	Gas / Heat	762.51
Alliant Energy	Electricity	1,217.17
Access Systems	Copier contract	182.08
Total		\$2,161.76

Miscellaneous Bills

Check issued to:	Purpose	Amount
Giant Wash	Floor Mats	33.35
Preferred Health Choices	HRA admin fee	56.67
Total		\$90.02

February Budget	
February 2025 Claims submitted	5,556.74
Utility and Contractual from Bills above	2,161.76
Miscellaneous Bills from above	90.02
Total wages and benefits	32,384.55
Total February 2025 expenses	\$40,193.07

- **Should match with City Expenditure Report, not including Trust Account Expenditures.**

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Credit Card Claims for February & March 2025

Date	Vendor	Items	Amount
2/28/2025	Meta / FB	Boosting Fundraisers	20.34
2/13/2025	Geri-Fit	DVD for Strength Training Classes	39.95
3/3/2025	Meta Horizon	The Climb 2	32.09
3/6/2025	Meta Horizon	Beat Saber	32.09
3/7/2025	Sam's Club	Refreshments for inclusive programs	81.98

Budget Report
Account Summary

For Fiscal: 2024-2025 Period Ending: 02/28/2025

		Original Total Budget	Current Total Budget	Period Activity	Fiscal Activity	Variance Favorable (Unfavorable)	Percent Remaining
Fund: 001 - GENERAL FUND							
Expense							
<u>001-5-410-4-60100</u>	SALARIES	316,281.00	316,281.00	24,916.92	219,460.25	96,820.75	30.61 %
<u>001-5-410-4-61100</u>	FICA	19,424.00	19,424.00	1,497.65	13,246.33	6,177.67	31.80 %
<u>001-5-410-4-61200</u>	MEDICARE	4,543.00	4,543.00	350.25	3,098.11	1,444.89	31.80 %
<u>001-5-410-4-61300</u>	IPERS	29,574.00	29,574.00	2,275.04	20,005.27	9,568.73	32.36 %
<u>001-5-410-4-61500</u>	GROUP INSURANCE	48,145.00	48,145.00	3,319.75	33,663.44	14,481.56	30.08 %
<u>001-5-410-4-61700</u>	SUI	228.00	228.00	24.94	290.80	-62.80	-27.54 %
<u>001-5-410-4-62100</u>	DUES	750.00	750.00	180.00	831.00	-81.00	-10.80 %
<u>001-5-410-4-62300</u>	MEETINGS/TRAINING	2,500.00	2,500.00	0.00	1,484.18	1,015.82	40.63 %
<u>001-5-410-4-63710</u>	ELECTRICITY	14,000.00	14,000.00	1,217.17	7,963.91	6,036.09	43.11 %
<u>001-5-410-4-63711</u>	GAS HEAT	6,500.00	6,500.00	762.51	1,998.71	4,501.29	69.25 %
<u>001-5-410-4-63730</u>	TELEPHONE	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00 %
<u>001-5-410-4-63750</u>	MAINTENANCE	7,500.00	7,500.00	741.25	2,708.01	4,791.99	63.89 %
<u>001-5-410-4-64080</u>	INSURANCE PREMIUM	10,000.00	10,000.00	56.67	399.67	9,600.33	96.00 %
<u>001-5-410-4-64110</u>	LEGAL FEES	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00 %
<u>001-5-410-4-64200</u>	ELECTIONS	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00 %
<u>001-5-410-4-64316</u>	CONTRACTS	0.00	0.00	182.08	1,590.82	-1,590.82	0.00 %
<u>001-5-410-4-64322</u>	CONTRACTED SERVICES	11,000.00	11,000.00	1,000.00	7,816.15	3,183.85	28.94 %
<u>001-5-410-4-65060</u>	OFFICE SUPPLIES	22,500.00	22,500.00	1,068.60	6,518.86	15,981.14	71.03 %
<u>001-5-410-4-67210</u>	FURNITURE/FIXTURES	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00 %
<u>001-5-410-4-67274</u>	CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS/EQUIPM	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00 %
<u>001-5-410-4-67701</u>	BOOKS/FILMS/RECORDS/SUBSCRIP	47,055.00	47,055.00	2,600.24	29,657.99	17,397.01	36.97 %
	Expense Total:	540,000.00	540,000.00	40,193.07	350,733.50	189,266.50	35.05%
	Fund: 001 - GENERAL FUND Total:	540,000.00	540,000.00	40,193.07	350,733.50	189,266.50	35.05%
Fund: 002 - LIBRARY TRUST FUND							
Expense							
<u>002-5-410-4-67700</u>	LIBRARY TRUST EXPENDITURE	40,000.00	40,000.00	4,071.34	29,903.25	10,096.75	25.24 %
	Expense Total:	40,000.00	40,000.00	4,071.34	29,903.25	10,096.75	25.24%
	Fund: 002 - LIBRARY TRUST FUND Total:	40,000.00	40,000.00	4,071.34	29,903.25	10,096.75	25.24%
	Report Total:	580,000.00	580,000.00	44,264.41	380,636.75	199,363.25	34.37%

James Kennedy Public Library FY25 Operating Budget								
	FY25				Received		% Expended	
ESTIMATED REVENUES:		January	February	March (est)	to date	Difference	To date	
Dubuque County Library Agency	9,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	9,000.00		
Fees from copier, R/P, etc.	4,000.00	315.51	230.79	300.00	2,106.98	1,893.02		
Open Access	8,500.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	8,324.01	175.99		
Access Plus / ILL	1,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1,193.29	-193.29		
Direct State Aid	2,100.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	2,060.42	39.58		
TOTAL:	24,600.00	315.51	230.79	300.00	13,684.70	10,915.30		
					13,684.70	10,915.30		
ESTIMATED EXPENDITURES:								
PERSONAL SERVICES						Remaining		
Wages	329,610.00	31,188.83	24,916.92	26,000.00	219,460.25	110,149.75	66.6%	
FICA	20,335.00	1,886.56	1,497.65	1,612.00	13,246.33	7,088.67	65.1%	
Medicare	4,756.00	441.22	350.25	377.00	3,098.11	1,657.89	65.1%	
IPERS	30,962.00	2,821.51	2,275.04	2,454.40	20,005.27	10,956.73	64.6%	
SUI	234.00	61.62	24.94	26.00	290.80	-56.80	124.3%	
Group Insurance	48,146.00	3,319.75	3,319.75	3,500.00	33,663.44	14,482.56	69.9%	
Meetings and training	2,500.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1,484.18	1,015.82	59.4%	
Dues and memberships	850.00	451.00	180.00	25.00	831.00	19.00	97.8%	
TOTAL:	437,393.00	40,170.49	32,564.55	33,994.40	292,079.38	145,313.62	66.8%	
					292,079.38	145,313.62		
CONTRACTUAL SERVICES:								
Utilities (telephone)	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	NA	
Electricity	12,000.00	1,019.89	1,217.17	1,200.00	7,963.91	4,036.09	66.4%	
Gas / Heat	3,000.00	571.86	762.51	700.00	1,998.71	1,001.29	66.6%	
Insurance (bldg)	10,000.00	15.00	56.67	15.00	399.67	9,600.33	4.0%	
Legal Fees	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	NA	
Custodial services	12,400.00	2,050.00	1,000.00	750.00	7,400.00	5,000.00	59.7%	
Window cleaning	600.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	368.00	232.00	61.3%	
Service / Maintenance Cont	7,500.00	182.08	182.08	2,293.33	1,590.82	5,909.18	21.2%	
TOTAL:	45,500.00	3,838.83	3,218.43	4,958.33	19,721.11	25,778.89	43.3%	
					19,721.11	25,778.89		
SUPPLIES:								
General library supplies	8,500.00	212.25	908.38	388.34	5,522.52	2,977.48	65.0%	
Program fees & supplies	500.00	59.92	160.22	9.99	431.31	68.69	86.3%	
Marketing & advertising	500.00	75.64	0.00	0.00	565.03	-65.03	113.0%	
Maintenance and Repairs	8,000.00	26.37	741.25	172.39	2,756.16	5,243.84	34.5%	
TOTAL	17,500.00	374.18	1,809.85	570.72	9,275.02	8,224.98	53.0%	
					9,275.02	8,224.98		
BOOKS AND MATERIALS								
Adult fiction	4,607.00	171.17	0.00	0.00	4,656.40	-49.40	101.1%	
Adult nonfiction	2,500.00	92.41	106.69	140.81	2,210.61	289.39	88.4%	
YA fiction	2,000.00	277.41	310.86	53.86	1,448.82	551.18	72.4%	
YA nonfiction	1,000.00	44.99	54.28	48.81	514.50	485.50	51.5%	
Juvenile fiction	4,500.00	0.00	996.78	351.76	3,781.11	718.89	84.0%	
Juvenile nonfiction	3,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	2,718.32	281.68	90.6%	
Large Print	1,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1,011.41	-11.41	101.1%	
Electronic media (ebooks, e	7,000.00	0.00	647.53	679.21	3,803.70	3,196.30	54.3%	
Reference & electronic data	1,500.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	19.06	1,480.94	1.3%	
Periodicals and newspapers	4,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	3,672.04	327.96	91.8%	
Audiobooks (CD, playaway)	2,000.00	102.48	-4.99	207.87	1,070.84	929.16	53.5%	
Software & Gaming	1,000.00	561.66	0.00	0.00	1,101.65	-101.65	110.2%	
DVDs	5,000.00	453.83	439.13	802.91	3,115.23	1,884.77	62.3%	
SS / Creation Station / LoT	500.00	0.00	49.96	0.00	534.30	-34.30	106.9%	
TOTAL:	39,607.00	1,703.95	2,600.24	2,285.23	29,657.99	9,949.01	74.9%	
					29,657.99	9,949.01		
TOTAL EXPENDITURES:	540,000.00	46,087.45	40,193.07	41,808.68	350,733.50	189,266.50	65.0%	
TOTAL REVENUES:	24,600.00	315.51	230.79	300.00	13,684.70	10,915.30	55.6%	
ACTUAL ASKING	515,400.00	45,771.94	39,962.28	41,508.68	337,048.80	178,351.20	65.4%	
					337,048.80			

James Kennedy Public Library FY25 Operating Budget								
	FY25	FY24 Exp. thru Feb 24	Feb 24 expenses	Total FY24 expenses	Budget Projection	Amount Ov/Und	Ov/Und Budget	
ESTIMATED REVENUES:								
Dubuque County Library Agency	9,000.00	0.00	0.00	7,804.04				
Fees from copier, R/P, etc.	4,000.00	2,481.67	169.12	3,328.36				
Open Access	8,500.00	8,352.62	0.00	8,352.62				
Access Plus / ILL	1,000.00	1,118.38	0.00	1,118.38				
Direct State Aid	2,100.00	2,060.03	0.00	2,060.03				
TOTAL:	24,600.00	14,012.70	169.12	22,663.43				
ESTIMATED EXPENDITURES:								
PERSONAL SERVICES								
Wages	329,610.00	199,160.26	23,026.99	305,973.91	214,545.13	4,915	1.02	
FICA	20,335.00	12,012.82	1,383.35	18,457.93	13,234.46	12	1.00	
Medicare	4,756.00	2,809.59	323.53	4,316.92	3,095.36	3	1.00	
IPERS	30,962.00	18,072.52	2,138.04	27,822.03	20,112.17	-107	0.99	
SUI	234.00	263.76	23.05	444.40	138.88	152	2.09	
Group Insurance	48,146.00	21,296.82	3,289.75	33,980.62	30,174.75	3,489	1.12	
Meetings and training	2,500.00	1,688.19	0.00	2,111.19	1,999.10	-515	0.74	
Dues and memberships	850.00	621.00	406.00	839.10	629.07	202	1.32	
TOTAL:	437,393.00	255,924.96	30,590.71	393,946.10	284,150.00	7,929	1.03	
CONTRACTUAL SERVICES:								
Utilities (telephone)	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	Zero	0	NA	
Electricity	12,000.00	6,736.82	407.41	10,534.33	7,674.13	290	1.04	
Gas / Heat	3,000.00	928.82	0.00	1,677.77	1,660.81	338	1.20	
Insurance (bldg)	10,000.00	146.67	56.67	9,545.67	153.65	246	2.60	
Legal Fees	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	Zero	0	Nothing	
Custodial services	12,400.00	6,200.00	800.00	10,200.00	7,537.25	-137	0.98	
Window cleaning	600.00	368.00	0.00	368.00	600.00	-232	0.61	
Service / Maintenance Cont	7,500.00	1,974.81	431.08	6,617.29	2,238.24	-647	0.71	
TOTAL:	45,500.00	16,355.12	1,695.16	38,943.06	19,108.87	612	1.03	
SUPPLIES:								
General library supplies	8,500.00	4,263.96	496.91	9,205.37	3,937.23	1,585	1.40	
Program fees & supplies	500.00	583.92	0.00	583.92	500.00	-69	0.86	
Marketing & advertising	500.00	268.53	0.00	539.57	248.84	316	2.27	
Maintenance and Repairs	8,000.00	1,486.13	627.49	6,619.89	1,795.96	960	1.53	
TOTAL	17,500.00	6,602.54	1,124.40	16,948.75	6,817.28	2,458	1.36	
BOOKS AND MATERIALS								
Adult fiction	4,607.00	5,133.17	804.60	8,276.55	2,857.29	1,799	1.63	
Adult nonfiction	2,500.00	2,728.57	624.54	4,892.50	1,394.26	816	1.59	
YA fiction	2,000.00	1,234.50	127.17	2,170.36	1,137.60	311	1.27	
YA nonfiction	1,000.00	531.45	65.88	907.49	585.63	-71	0.88	
Juvenile fiction	4,500.00	6,718.64	245.37	10,395.47	2,908.37	873	1.30	
Juvenile nonfiction	3,000.00	1,697.20	59.96	2,196.81	2,317.72	401	1.17	
Large Print	1,000.00	1,312.48	189.01	2,513.08	522.26	489	1.94	
Electronic media (ebooks, e	7,000.00	4,809.78	765.34	7,535.65	NA	NA	NA	
Reference & electronic data	1,500.00	744.25	0.00	1,444.25	772.98	-754	0.02	
Periodicals and newspapers	4,000.00	4,039.85	0.00	4,039.85	4,000.00	-328	0.92	
Audiobooks (CD, playaway)	2,000.00	1,427.61	281.10	2,556.47	NA	NA	NA	
Software & Gaming	1,000.00	666.45	117.12	1,500.24	444.23	657	2.48	
DVDs	5,000.00	3,407.96	323.65	4,965.18	3,431.86	-317	0.91	
SS / Creation Station / LoT	500.00	411.16	0.00	604.41	340.13	194	1.57	
TOTAL:	39,607.00	34,863.07	3,603.74	53,998.31	25,571.57	4,086	1.16	
TOTAL EXPENDITURES:	540,000.00	313,745.69	37,014.01	503,836.22	336,265.37	14,468	1.04	
TOTAL REVENUES:	24,600.00	14,012.70	169.12	22,663.43	15,210.07	-1,525	0.90	
ACTUAL ASKING	515,400.00	299,732.99	36,844.89	481,172.79	321,053.86	15,995	1.05	
		299,732.99		481,172.79				



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Statement Ending 02/28/2025

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Account Number: XX4356

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	Address	102 South Clinton Street Iowa City, IA 52240
	Website	www.MidWestOne.bank
	Telephone	800.247.4418

Summary of Accounts

Account Type	Account Number	Ending Balance
BUSINESS MONEY MKT	XX4356	\$11,371.57

BUSINESS MONEY MKT - XX4356

Account Summary

Date	Description	Amount
02/01/2025	Beginning Balance	\$11,366.55
	1 Credit(s) This Period	\$10.02
	1 Debit(s) This Period	\$5.00
02/28/2025	Ending Balance	\$11,371.57

Interest Summary

Description	Amount
Interest Earned From 02/01/2025 Through 02/28/2025	
Annual Percentage Yield Earned	1.16%
Interest Days	28
Interest Earned	\$10.02
Interest Paid This Period	\$10.02
Interest Paid Year-to-Date	\$21.11
Minimum Balance	\$11,361.55
Average Ledger Balance	\$11,361.90
Average Available Balance	\$11,361.90

Other Credits

Date	Description	Amount
02/28/2025	INTEREST	\$10.02
		1 item(s) totaling \$10.02

Electronic Debits

Date	Description	Amount
02/03/2025	Inactive Account Notice adjustment	\$5.00
		1 item(s) totaling \$5.00

Daily Balances

Date	Amount	Date	Amount
02/03/2025	\$11,361.55	02/28/2025	\$11,371.57



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Date 2/28/25
 Primary Account
 Enclosures

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CHECKING ACCOUNT

BUSINESS MONEY MARKET		Number of Enclosures	4
Account Number	617571	Statement Dates	2/03/25 thru 3/02/25
Previous Balance	100,191.42	Days in the statement period	28
4 Deposits/Credits	7,484.41	Average Ledger	102,254.10
1 Checks/Debits	4,071.34	Average Collected	102,106.45
Service Charge	.00	Interest Earned	31.33
Interest Paid	31.26	Annual Percentage Yield Earned	0.40%
Current Balance	103,635.75	2025 Interest Paid	65.00

ACTIVITY IN DATE ORDER			
Date	Description	Amount	Balance
2/07	Deposit/Credit	850.90	101,042.32
2/13	Deposit/Credit	1,130.90	102,173.22
2/20	Deposit/Credit	863.71	103,036.93
2/25	Deposit/Credit	4,638.90	107,675.83
2/26	Transfer from x7571 to x5358 February Claims	4,071.34-	103,604.49
2/28	Interest Deposit	31.26	103,635.75

DAILY BALANCE INFORMATION					
Date	Balance	Date	Balance	Date	Balance
2/03	100,191.42	2/07	101,042.32	2/13	102,173.22
2/20	103,036.93	2/25	107,675.83	2/26	103,604.49
2/28	103,635.75				

INTEREST RATE SUMMARY	
Date	Rate
2/02	0.400000%

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TRUST ACCOUNT REPORT for February 2025

American Trust / MidWestOne Bank - balance on hand July 1, 2024		\$	11,284.17
July - December 2024 interest	\$	71.29	\$ 11,355.46
January 31, 2025	\$	11.09	\$ 11,366.55
February 3, 2025 - inactivity fee	\$	(5.00)	
February 28, 2025 - interest	\$	10.02	\$ 11,371.57 <i>##</i>

Fidelity Bank and Trust	Budgeted	Bank Account
Balances January 31, 2025	\$ 14,270.68	\$ 100,191.42

Deposits

February 7, 2025			
Puzzle fundraiser - tables and twists	\$	780.00	
Candy / Snacks	\$	34.00	
Donation for refreshments	\$	0.50	
Unspecified donation	\$	18.50	
Conscience Box	\$	3.65	
Friends booksale / donation	\$	14.25	\$ 850.90
February 13, 2025			
Unspecified donation	\$	15.00	
Love my Library fundraiser	\$	1,107.00	
Conscience Box	\$	1.15	
Friends booksale / donation	\$	7.75	\$ 1,130.90
February 20, 2025			
Puzzle fundraiser - Textile donation	\$	100.00	
Candy / Snacks	\$	16.00	
Unspecified donation	\$	18.55	
Donation for refreshments	\$	1.50	
Love my Library fundraiser	\$	722.00	
Love my Library postage returned letters	\$	(21.49)	
Conscience Box	\$	9.65	
Friends booksale / donation	\$	17.50	\$ 863.71
February 25, 2025			
Bear Creek Carvers donation	\$	13.00	
Can cooperage	\$	7.80	
Donation for refreshments	\$	3.50	
Mystery Dinner fundraiser - tickets	\$	4,237.00	
Mystery Dinner fundraiser - donations	\$	42.00	
Love my Library fundraiser	\$	325.00	
Conscience Box	\$	0.40	
Friends booksale / donation	\$	10.20	\$ 4,638.90
February 28, 2025			
Interest	\$	31.26	\$ 7,515.67

Debits:

Kanopy	\$	40.00	
Hoopla	\$	724.60	
Soup fundrasier - crackers and marketing (FB)	\$	59.42	
Love My Library printing and mailing expenses	\$	1,343.10	
Unlocking Brain Fitness supplies (Friends)	\$	25.96	
Stretch bands (GeriFit donation)	\$	13.94	
Adult nonfiction books (Medical Associates donation)	\$	94.96	
Adult nonfiction books (Gioimo donation)	\$	15.38	
LP book club books (LML / Maiers memorial)	\$	78.69	
Mystery book (Kiernan donation)	\$	15.93	
Refreshments (Friends ongoing booksale)	\$	29.97	
Adult nonfiction books (Friends donation)	\$	54.14	
Large print books (Friends donation)	\$	104.58	
Adult fiction books (Friends donation)	\$	564.07	
Adult fiction books (Rardin Memorial)	\$	55.15	
Large print books (Rardin memorial)	\$	223.53	
Neurodivergent - craft supplies (LTC grant)	\$	481.65	
Storywalk supplies	\$	96.68	
Adult fiction books (Westermeyer Memorial)	\$	49.59	\$ 4,071.34

Balances February 28, 2025	\$ 10,199.34	\$ 103,635.75	<i>H2</i>
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Trust Account Income & Expenditure Report FY25

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as of 7/1/2024		in account	New Deposits						
Amount in MidWest One		\$11,284.17							
Amount in Fidelity		\$102,059.59							
INCOME:				EXPENDITURES:					REMAINING:
DONATIONS & CONTRIBUTIONS:									DONATIONS:
Remaining from Fundraisers prior to FY23		\$16,056.74							\$8,063.94
Board agreed to fund Kanopy, Hoopla, Hotspots and FB ads from fundraising revenues; estimates are based on FY24 actual									
<i>Estimated for Kanopy: \$600</i>					Jul-24	Kanopy	\$37.00		\$386.00
					Feb-25	Kanopy	\$40.00		
<i>Estimated for Hoopla: \$4000</i>					Jul-24	Hoopla	\$564.00		-\$432.95
					Feb-25	Hoopla	\$724.60		
<i>Estimated for Facebook / Meta: \$200</i>					Jul-24	FB	\$17.99		\$140.28
<i>Estimated for annual hotspots \$1200</i>					Jan-25	Hotspot service	\$1,441.95		-\$241.95
FY23 and FY24 Fundraising Events									
Chairity & Wreath-it-up	FY23	\$335.00							\$846.00
Cookie Walk	FY24	\$1,721.16							\$3,493.08
Soup Fundraiser	FY24	\$938.03							\$2,159.61
Sales	Jan-25		\$1,193.00						
Buns and crackers	Jan-25		\$88.00		Feb-25	crackers & ad	\$59.42		
Love my Library									
Previous donations remaining		\$1,581.57			Aug-24	bldg & books	\$379.97		\$546.49
					Feb-25	Maiers memorial	\$78.69		
Love My Library 2025									
	Feb-25		\$2,132.51		Feb-25	mailing expenses	\$1,343.10		\$789.41
Book Art Fundraiser	FY24	\$195.75							\$296.33
Mystery Dinner	FY24	\$807.14							\$5,086.14
2025 ticket sales	Feb-25		\$4,237.00						
2025 donation jar	Feb-25		\$42.00						
Build-a-basket	FY23	\$1,506.00							\$2,967.00
	FY24	\$1,461.00							
Snack & Candy Sales	FY23	\$309.92							\$596.84
	Feb-25		\$50.00						
Plant Sale	FY23	\$658.00							\$1,127.00
	FY24	\$469.00							
Merchandise (masks, tags, etc)	FY23	\$188.82							\$238.12
includes t-shirts & coloring b	FY24	\$49.30							
Yard Signs	FY23	\$25.00							\$25.00
Dairy Queen Fundraiser	Previous	\$753.53							\$753.53
Country Junction / STEM	Previous	\$500.00							\$500.00
Randy's Market - Roundup	Previous	\$651.09							\$651.09
Quilt Fundraiser	FY23	\$30.00							\$110.00
DTSN fundraiser	FY23	\$110.00							\$173.00
Burrito Breakfast	FY23	\$850.00							\$2,229.00
O So Good Partnership	FY23	\$1,485.00							\$4,195.00
Garage Sale Fundraiser	FY24	\$1,172.00							\$3,068.51
Puzzle Fundraiser					Nov-24	puzzles	\$79.65		\$800.35
Table sales	Feb-25		\$600.00						
Twist sales	Feb-25		\$180.00						
Textile donation	Feb-25		\$100.00						
Donations									
Unspecified donations brought forward		\$626.45							\$626.45
Medical Assoc	Apr-17	\$425.00			Nov-24	adult NF	\$117.13		\$79.02
					Feb-25	adult NF	\$94.96		
Strength Training	Jan-25		\$16.00		Feb-25	stretch bands	\$13.94		
Suzzette Giomo - as needed	Dec-23	\$1,000.00			Nov-24	Adult NF	\$35.34		\$843.68
					Feb-24	Adult NF	\$15.38		
In Honor of Kiernan's	Aug-24		\$100.00		Nov-24	books	\$33.62		\$50.45
					Feb-25	books	\$15.93		
Donation for refreshments	Feb-25		\$5.50						\$5.50
Unspecified donations	Feb-25		\$52.05						\$52.05

Bear Creek carvers	Feb-25		\$13.00					\$13.00
Miscellaneous Donations Total Remaining								\$14,997.41
Lion's Club - LP	FY24 LML	\$499.29		Aug-24	LP books	\$95.17		\$0.71
Conscience Box	Remaining	\$2,222.59						\$2,344.30
	Feb-25		\$14.85					
History Books & Coins	Remaining	\$1,964.74						\$1,984.74
	Aug-24		\$20.00					
Genealogy Donation	Remaining	\$40.86		Jul-24	book	\$39.97		\$0.89
Meeting Room Donation	Remaining	\$614.76						\$656.61
Can Cooperage	Feb-25		\$7.80					
Adopt-a-book donations	Remaining	\$152.65		Aug-24	books	\$66.69		\$68.87
Friends - bksale	Remaining	\$781.69						\$1,075.00
	Feb-25		\$49.70	Feb-25	refreshments	\$29.97		
Adult fiction	Oct-24		\$1,000.00	Jan-25	adult fiction	\$78.94		\$356.99
				Feb-25	adult fiction	\$564.07		
Adult nonfiction	Oct-24		\$1,000.00	Jan-25	adult nonfiction	\$217.34		\$356.99
				Feb-25	adult nonfiction	\$54.14		
LP materials	Oct-24		\$1,000.00	Dec-24	LP books	\$165.12		\$480.89
				Feb-25	LP books	\$104.58		
Unlocking Brain Fitness - part	Oct-24		\$40.00	Feb-25	supplies	\$25.96		
TACKL	Remaining	\$443.95						\$556.87
Kennedy Donation	Remaining	\$2,185.70						\$2,185.70
Kay Their Bequest	Remaining	\$1,000.00						\$1,000.00
Soppe Bequest - genealogy /	Remaining	\$22,745.37		Jul-24	Proquest	\$1,467.84		\$21,277.53
Dorothy Digmann - LP	Remaining	\$336.35		Sep-24	Large print bks	\$50.40		\$7.44
Bequests & Specified donations - Total Remaining								\$24,470.67
Memorials or In Honor of								
Billie B. Rardin	Remaining	\$3,955.16		Sep-24	Books	\$25.97		\$5,285.76
				Feb-25	Adult fiction	\$55.15		
				Nov-24	LP books	\$58.76		
				Feb-25	LP books	\$223.53		
Mary Westermeyer	Remaining	\$357.95		Aug-24	Books	\$31.92		\$210.33
				Feb-25	Books	\$49.59		
Memorials or "In Honor Of" - Total Remaining								\$7,004.45
GRANTS:								GRANTS:
1000 Books (DRA & Friends)	Remaining	\$58.12						\$58.12
StoryWalk® Grant / DRA	Remaining	\$81.14		Sep-24	Supplies	\$7.96		-\$205.62
				Feb-25	Laminating & bk	\$96.68		
Kids Can Cook - DACF	Remaining	\$5,421.51		Sep-24	Supplies & FB	\$84.91		\$5,045.13
				Jan-25	KCC ingredients	\$7.98		
ALA / LTC Grant	May-24	\$10,000.00		Aug-24	Books	\$154.75		\$8,268.60
				Feb-25	Craft / activities	\$481.65		
INTEREST DEPOSITS								
remaining from previous years		\$4,918.84						\$5,186.09
	Feb-25		\$31.26					
Misc brought forward		\$625.47						\$625.47
TOTAL DEPOSITS		\$113,343.76	\$31,376.82	EXPENDITURES:		\$29,800.66	Balance	\$103,635.75

Memorials, Fundraisers, and Donations – February 2025

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From: **Candy and Snack Sales**
Donation: \$50.00
Fund: Library Trust Account
Restrictions: Fundraiser for library collections & services

From: **Puzzle Fundraiser**
Donation: \$780.00
Fund: Library Trust Account
Restrictions: Fundraiser for library collections & services

From: **Textile Brewery (Puzzle Fundraiser)**
Donation: \$100.00
Fund: Library Trust Account
Restrictions: Fundraiser for library collections & services

From: **Bear Creek Carvers**
Donation: \$13.00
Fund: Library Trust Account
Restrictions: Donation for carving related materials

From: **Anonymous**
Donation: \$52.05
Fund: Library Trust Account
Restrictions: Unspecified donations

From: **Anonymous**
Donation: \$13.30
Fund: Library Trust Account
Restrictions: Donation for refreshments

From: **Mystery Dinner Fundraiser**
Donation: \$4,279.00
Fund: Library Trust Account
Restrictions: Fundraiser for library collections & services

From: **Love My Library Fundraiser***
Donation: \$2,154.00
Fund: Library Trust Account
Restrictions: Fundraiser for library collections & services

***Love My Library Fundraiser donations:**

Brew and Brew	Sponsor Kids Can Cook Class	\$50.00
Joyce Hildebrand	Large print books	\$60.00
The Cellar at Millwork	books on wine regions	\$25.00
Anonymous	LP and eBooks	\$100.00
Larry Leibold	children's puzzles	\$25.00
Tim and Angela English	Halloween Party	\$100.00
Tim and Angela English	ebooks on Libby	\$100.00
Anonymous	General / As needed	\$30.00
State Farm - Rex Massey	Special Event	\$100.00
Dean & Karen Knepper	Library can allocate	\$50.00
Susan Ertl	as needed	\$100.00
Mail - no name / address	cash in mail	\$10.00
Jeff's Auto Service	not specified	\$100.00
Alice Tauke	anything you wish	\$100.00
Lois Manternach	Away- children's audio book	\$27.00
Roy and Kay Lawrence	As needed	\$100.00
Amber Honkomp	puzzle and 2 books	in kind
Anonymous	Confronting Evil (bk)	\$30.00
Barry and Lori Panton	Use as you wish	\$30.00
David & Michelle Ihm	whatever is most needed	\$100.00
Bonnie Kiernan (in Memory of Kate Kennedy)	3 mysteries	\$54.00
Aaron M & Lauren E. Rahe	as needed	\$175.00
Bill & Barb Heitzman	jigsaw puzzles	\$25.00
Eagle Tool Company	check in mail / no info	\$100.00
James & Norma Wilhelm	children's wooden puzzle	\$25.00
Kelly Otting	<i>Cursed Princess Club</i>	\$18.00
Elaine Lueken	your choice	\$25.00
Janice Tegeler	not specified	\$20.00
Bill and Shirley Vonderhaar	craft supplies	in kind
Miriam Eick	misc. items	in kind
Jim & Beth Derr	save for big projects - HVAC, etc.	\$50.00
Carol Pettinger	whatever needed	\$100.00
JAM Systems / Midland Doors	as needed	\$100.00
Robert and Penny Williams	not specified	\$25.00
Anonymous	not specified	\$75.00
Tom & Mary Hyde	1 kids can cook class	\$50.00
Steve & Sheila Becker	anything	\$25.00
Fidelity Bank & Trust	request library to pick	\$50.00

James Kennedy Public Library Monthly Program Report

Report for the Month of February 2025

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Adult Crafternoon (1st Monday of each month) – Wine cork coasters (A) February 10, 2025 Time for preparation & performance –2 hrs (pd) Supplies: Wine corks, directions, and baggies	In person/Onsite/ Kit Attendance: 1 Kits distributed: 23
Books for Lunch Book Club (1st Monday) – <i>Berry Pickers</i> (A) February 3, 2025 Time for preparation & performance – 1.5 hr (pd) Supplies: Books borrowed via ILL, available electronically; Computer and Zoom software Beverages and cookies	Hybrid (In person & zoom) Participants: 13
Bingo Party - (3 rd Monday of each month) (A) February 17, 2025 Time for preparation & performance – 3 hr (pd) Supplies: Bingo cards and machine; Donated items & library swag for prizes	In person / Onsite Participants: 7
Building Creativity one Block at a Time (LEGO® program) (Monthly) (C) February 1, 2025 Time for preparation & performance – 2 hrs (pd) Supplies: Legos and snacks	In person / Onsite Participants: 12
Cricut with Christopher (3rd Monday of each month) (GI): Throw Blankets February 17, 2025 Time for preparation & performance – 1 hrs (pd) 15 hrs (vol) Supplies: Cricut machine & laptop; supplies all donated by Lisa	In person / Onsite Participants: 11
Dungeons & Dragons Club (Monthly) (GI): February 8, 2025 Time for preparation & performance – 2.5 hrs (pd) Supplies: Copies, Candlekeep Mysteries book, snacks	Hybrid / Discord Participants: 7
Ellen Kennedy Living Center Program – (4th Friday) (A) : Good Olde Days February 24, 2025 Time for preparation & performance – 1.25 hr (pd) Supplies: None	In person / Offsite Participants: 7
Euchre / Dominos Party (Fridays of each month) (A) February 7, 14, 21, & 28, 2025 (4 sessions) Time for preparation & performance – 2.75 hr (pd) Supplies: Decks of cards, suit die, scrap paper	In person / Onsite Participants: 16
Game Night (4 th Saturday of each Month) (GI): February 28, 2025 Time for preparation & performance – 2.5 Supplies: Various board games, snacks	In person / Onsite Participants: 13
Health & Wellness 365: (Monthly) (A) : February 27, 2025 Time for preparation & performance – 1 hr (pd) 1 hr (vol) Supplies: Presentation and snack provided by Colleen Lawler, NEI3A Jello fruit cup for snack;	In person / Onsite Participants: 12
Inspirational Fiction: A Novel Approach to Faith Book Club (2 nd Tues of each month) (A) February 11, 2025 Time for preparation & performance – 2 hrs (pd) Supplies: ILL books, Computer & Zoom software	Hybrid (In person & Zoom) Participants: 6

JKPL Writing Group (4 th Tuesday of each Month) (A) - February 25, 2025 Time for preparation & performance – 1.5 hrs (pd) Supplies: None	In person / Onsite Participants: 3
Mercy One Senior Care Program (Monthly) (A): Good Olde Days February 28, 2025 Time for preparation & performance – 1.25 Supplies: None	In person / Offsite Participants: 8
Sit 'n' Stitch (Wednesdays of each month) (A) February 5, 19, & 26, 2025 (3 sessions – 1 cancelled due to weather) Time for preparation & performance – 1 hr (pd) 6 hrs (vol) Supplies: Refreshments and Craft supplies provided by participants; Zoom room set up upon request.	Hybrid (In person & Zoom) Participants: 27
Strength Training for Older Adults (Mondays & Thursdays @ 9:30 and 10:30) February 3, 6, 10, 13, 17, 20, 24, & 27, 2025 (16 sessions / 2 each day) Time for preparation & performance – 16 hrs (pd) Supplies: GeriFit DVDs, projection system, water (if needed) Participants supply stretch band, weights and water for own use	In person / Onsite Participants: 177
Strings Club (4 th Monday of each month) (A) February 24, 2025 Time for preparation & performance - .25 hr (pd) 2 hr (vol) Supplies: None; Managed by Gary Bramel, volunteer	In person / Onsite Participants: 6
Take Your Child to the Library Day (C) February 1, 2025 Time for preparation & performance – .5 hr (pd) Supplies: Coloring poster (donated)	Passive Participants: 20
Wizard of Oz: Movie Event (GI) February 1, 2025 Time for preparation & performance – .5 hr (pd) Supplies: DVD, popcorn and soda	In person / Onsite Participants: 3
Nerf War (YA) February 1, 2024 Time for preparation & performance – 5 hrs (pd) Supplies: Nerf guns and ammo	In person / Onsite Participants: 14
KEYS Chat: New Science on Preventing Dementia (A) February 4, 2025 Time for preparation & performance – 1 hrs (pd) Supplies: Presented over Zoom by Help and Hope for a Healthy Brain	In person / Zoom Participants: 3
World Read Aloud Day (GI) February 5, 2025 Time for preparation & performance – 1 hr (pd) Supplies: Laptop and video editing, updated 2024 video	Passive Participants: 1 Facebook Views / Engagements: 356 / 20 You Tube: 13
Tween Zone: Turing Tumble (C) - Cancelled February 5, 2025	In Person / Onsite Attendance: NA
Sustainable Landscaping with DCC (A) February 6, 2025 Time for preparation & performance – .5 hr (pd) 2 hr (vol) Supplies: Taylor from Dubuque County Conservation presented this program and brought all supplies and handouts.	In person / Onsite Participants: 18

The Wiz: Movie Event (GI) February 8, 2025 Time for preparation & performance – .5 hr (pd) Supplies: DVD, popcorn and soda	In person / Onsite Participants: 8
Miniature Golf @ Your Library (GI) February 9, 2025 Time for preparation & performance – 8 hrs (pd) 2 hr (vol) Supplies: Mini golf equipment from LoT Rory and Alex Wiezorek donated time to make course	In Person / Onsite Participants: 31
Board Game Hangout: An All Abilities Program (GI) February 11, 2025 Time for preparation & performance – 2 hrs (pd) Supplies: Various board games	In Person / Onsite Participants: 0
Wicked –Movie Event (GI) February 15, 2025 Time for preparation & performance – 1.5 hr (pd) Supplies: Popcorn, soda, movie & projection system	In Person / Onsite Attendance: 7
Dyersville Public Works: Snowplow video (A) February 15, 2025 Time for preparation & performance – 1 hr (pd) Supplies: Laptop and video editing, updated 2024 video	Passive Facebook Views / Engagements: 316 / 20 You Tube: 33
Turing Tumble for Teens (YA) February 16, 2025 Time for preparation & performance – 1.5 hr (pd) Supplies: Turing Tumble Puzzles, snacks,	In Person / Onsite Attendance: 2
Armchair Travel: Greece (A) February 18, 2025 Time for preparation & performance – .5 (pd) 3 hrs (vol) Supplies: Presented by Chelsea Middendorf, Eagle Point Place Senior Living Refreshments and all supplies brought by Chelsea	In person / Onsite Participants: 13
Engineers' Week: Rumble Table Challenge (C) February 18, 2025 Time for preparation & performance – 3.5 hrs (pd) 4 hrs (vol) Supplies: Rumble table (previously made and donated by Danielle Will) Legos, Lincoln Logs, Magatiles, etc. John Wandsnider and Danielle Will volunteered to help with this program	In person / Onsite Participants: 16
Kids Can Cook(C) February 6, 13, & 20, 2025 Time for preparation & performance – 23.75 hrs (pd) Supplies: Kitchen equipment, groceries	In person / Onsite Participants: 36
Genealogy with Ann February 20, 2025 Time for preparation & performance – .25 hrs (pd) Supplies: None	In person / Onsite Participants: 0
Bear Creek Carvers Open House (GI) February 22, 2025 Time for preparation & performance – .5 hrs (pd) 24 hrs (vol) Supplies: Group brought examples and carved on site Six carvers shared their talents	In Person / Onsite Participants: 45

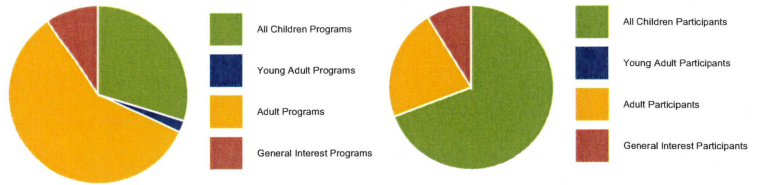
Health Steps for Older Adults (A) February 25, 2025 Time for preparation & performance – 1 hrs (pd) 12 hrs (vol) Supplies: Program presented by Colleen Lawler, NEI3A All supplies provided by NEI3A	In Person / Onsite Participants: 6
OutReads (Storytimes at area schools and daycares) (PreK) February 3, 4, 11, & 25, 2025 (10 sessions) Time for preparation & performance – 4.75 hrs (pd) Supplies: Books and presentation supplies	In person / Offsite Participants: 161
Winter Wonderland Winter Library Challenge (GI) January & February, 2025 Time for preparation & performance – 3 hr (pd) Supplies: Game board, copies, books, Prizes (donated or already owned / adopt-a-book forms 39 individuals or teams participated	Passive program Participants: 39 Activities: 387
Upcycled Greeting Cards (GI) February 2025 Time for preparation & performance – 2 hr (pd) Supplies: Donated greeting cards, card stock, tape runner and envelopes	Passive program Kits: 45
StoryWalk® - <i>I'm Going to Build a Snowman</i> (C) February 2025 Time for preparation & performance – .25 hrs (pd) Supplies: None; story was same as January	Passive / outdoor program Attendance: 135
Kid's Scavenger Hunt: Ice Cream (C) February 2025 Time for preparation & performance – .5 hrs (pd) Supplies: Color copies of scavenger hunt form, laminated pictures, stickers for prizes	Passive program Participants: 204
Pretend Play Station: Ice Cream Store (PreK) February 2025 Time for preparation & performance – .5 hrs (pd) Supplies: Copies, signs (laminated), play sets	Passive program Participants: 408
Coloring, Creating & Doing (A) February 2025 Time for preparation & performance – 3.25 hrs (pd) Supplies: Copies of coloring pages and activities	Passive program Kits distributed: 329
Get Puzzled @ Your Library (GI) February 2025 Time for preparation & performance - .25 hrs (pd) Supplies: Puzzle	Passive program Participants: 54
Kids Can Craft: Ice Cream Sundae Challenge (C) February 2025 Time for preparation & performance – .5 hr (pd) Supplies: Copies, markers, colors, etc. Items for prize basket	Passive program Kits distributed: 80
Creation Station Craft: PomPom Teddy Bear (C) February 2025 Time for preparation & performance – 6 hrs (pd) Supplies: Pompoms, ribbon, googly eyes	Passive / Recording / Make and Take Kits distributed: 99 Facebook Views / Engagements: 292/12 YouTube Views: 14
Programs held in January but still hosted and available to view or engage with on social media: February 1-28, 2025 – 0 programs	Facebook Views / Engagements: 0 YouTube Views: 0

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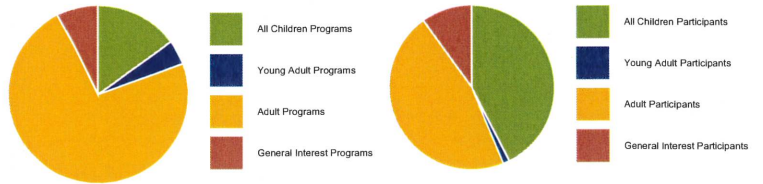
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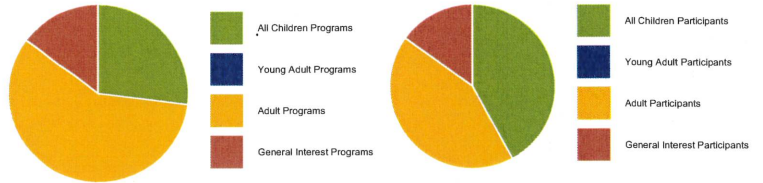
July					
Overview					
All Children Programs	28	29.79%	All Children Participants	2546	69.24%
Young Adult Programs	2	2.13%	Young Adult Participants	1	0.03%
Adult Programs	55	58.51%	Adult Participants	806	21.92%
General Interest Programs	9	9.57%	General Interest Participants	324	8.81%
Total Programs	94		Total Participants	3677	



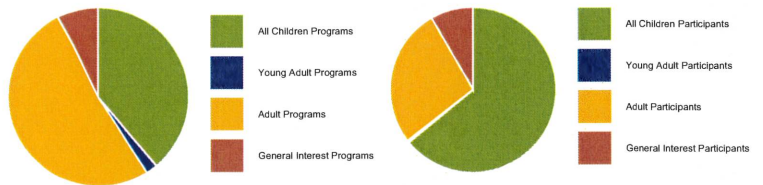
August					
Overview					
All Children Programs	10	14.93%	All Children Participants	706	42.53%
Young Adult Programs	3	4.48%	Young Adult Participants	21	1.27%
Adult Programs	49	73.13%	Adult Participants	768	46.27%
General Interest Programs	5	7.46%	General Interest Participants	165	9.94%
Total Programs	67		Total Participants	1660	



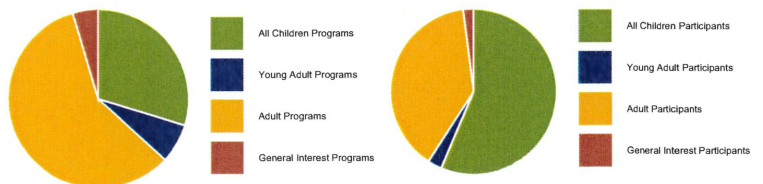
September					
Overview					
All Children Programs	20	27.03%	All Children Participants	656	42.05%
Young Adult Programs	0	0%	Young Adult Participants	0	0%
Adult Programs	43	58.11%	Adult Participants	669	42.88%
General Interest Programs	11	14.86%	General Interest Participants	235	15.06%
Total Programs	74		Total Participants	1560	



October					
Overview					
All Children Programs	37	38.95%	All Children Participants	2054	64.03%
Young Adult Programs	2	2.11%	Young Adult Participants	12	0.37%
Adult Programs	49	51.58%	Adult Participants	875	27.28%
General Interest Programs	7	7.37%	General Interest Participants	267	8.32%
Total Programs	95		Total Participants	3208	



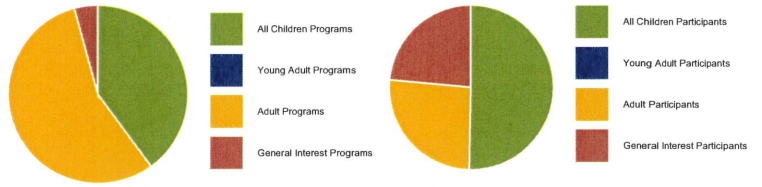
November					
Overview					
All Children Programs	25	29.76%	All Children Participants	1130	56.3%
Young Adult Programs	6	7.14%	Young Adult Participants	56	2.79%
Adult Programs	49	58.33%	Adult Participants	780	38.86%
General Interest Programs	4	4.76%	General Interest Participants	41	2.04%
Total Programs	84		Total Participants	2007	



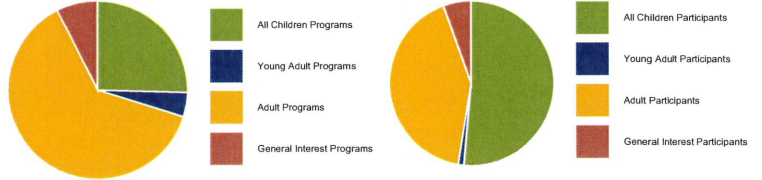
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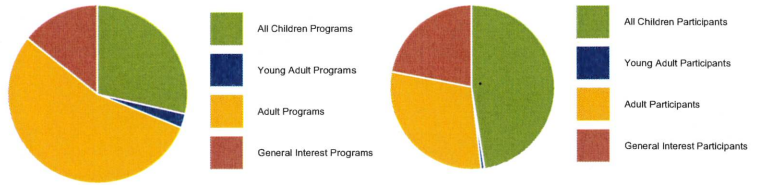
December					
Overview					
All Children Programs	28	40%	All Children Participants	1264	50.3%
Young Adult Programs	0	0%	Young Adult Participants	0	0%
Adult Programs	39	55.71%	Adult Participants	658	26.18%
General Interest Programs	3	4.29%	General Interest Participants	591	23.52%
Total Programs	70		Total Participants	2513	



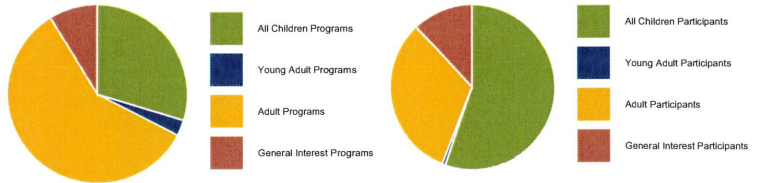
January					
Overview					
All Children Programs	17	25.37%	All Children Participants	907	51.39%
Young Adult Programs	3	4.48%	Young Adult Participants	21	1.19%
Adult Programs	42	62.69%	Adult Participants	739	41.87%
General Interest Programs	5	7.46%	General Interest Participants	98	5.55%
Total Programs	67		Total Participants	1765	



February					
Overview					
All Children Programs	22	28.57%	All Children Participants	1181	47.54%
Young Adult Programs	2	2.6%	Young Adult Participants	16	0.64%
Adult Programs	42	54.55%	Adult Participants	740	29.79%
General Interest Programs	11	14.29%	General Interest Participants	547	22.02%
Total Programs	77		Total Participants	2484	



Year in Review					
Overview					
All Children Programs	187	29.78%	All Children Participants	10444	55.34%
Young Adult Programs	18	2.87%	Young Adult Participants	127	0.67%
Adult Programs	368	58.6%	Adult Participants	6035	31.98%
General Interest Programs	55	8.76%	General Interest Participants	2268	12.02%
Total Programs	628		Total Participants	18874	



Build-A-Basket Fundraiser Continues!

Would you like to help raise money for the library? It is fun and easy! Just pick something you love and build a basket of items around that theme. Or pick a favorite book and build a basket around that book. Create your basket and donate it to the library by early March. The baskets will be auctioned off in a silent auction (in person and virtual) that runs March 10 to April 13. The library will provide you with an empty basket if you need one. Or you can just donate your items to the library and we can put them all in a basket for you. All funds raised are used to support library programs, collections, and services.



Children's Pretend Play Station: Farm: March 1—31. Area families are invited to come to the library and explore what it has to offer in Farm play!



Children's Scavenger Hunt: Farm Animals: March 1—31. Area children and their families are encouraged to participate in our "Farm Animals" scavenger hunt to earn a sticker! One sticker per child per library visit.

Kids Can Craft: Write a Frog Comic: March 1—31. Kids of all ages are invited to stop in the library to create a comic strip featuring a frog character. Every comic strip turned in qualifies artists for an entry into the drawing for a stuffed frog but is limited to one entry per day. Winner will be announced in early April.

Creation Station Craft: Flower Fairy House: March 1—31. Stop in and craft in the Creation Station at the library or grab a kit and create at home! This month's craft is a Flower Fairy House. Kit includes most needed supplies and instructions. A video demonstration will also be available to view on the JKPL Facebook and YouTube channel. Kits available while supplies last.

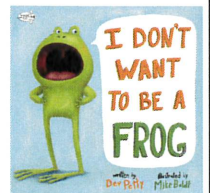


Upcycled Greeting Card Kits: March 1—31. Want a unique card for someone special? Pick up one of these kits that use the front of an old greeting card combined with glue and cardstock to make an entirely new card. Each card kit includes a greeting card front with coordinating cardstock and an envelope. You will need to supply the glue. If crafting in the library, glue sticks may be borrowed from the desk for in-library use. Kits are available while supplies last.

Coloring, Creating and Doing @ Your Library: March 1—31. The JKPL is continuing to offer coloring pages, dot to dot, crosswords, sudoku, and other activity pages available for you to enjoy at the library or at home. They are intended for adults and teens. Each pack will include at least 10 different items and are available while supplies last. If you want to work on the activities while at the library, colored pencils, markers, and more are available in the Creation Station or to check out from the front desk.

Get Puzzled @ Your Library: March 1—31. Stop in the library this month to help us put together a new jigsaw puzzle. This month's puzzle is *Games We Played*. The puzzle is located on the table under the skylight and everyone is welcome to add a piece or two or more. Everyone who works on the puzzle is encouraged to put their name into a drawing to win the puzzle. Please stop at the front desk to get your name entered.

Westside Park StoryWalk®: "I Don't Want to Be a Frog" by Dev Petty: March 1—31. (Winter start/end dates for the StoryWalk® are approximate due to weather.) 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 StoryWalk® is made possible by the Dubuque Racing Association, Friends of the Library, and the Richard Osterhaus Memorial Fund. The StoryWalk® Project was created by Anne Ferguson of Montpelier, VT and developed in collaboration with the Kellogg-Hubbard Library. Storywalk® is a registered service mark owned by Ms. Ferguson.*



Strength Training for Older Adults: Mondays and Thursdays, March 3, 6, 10, 13, 17, 20, 24, 27 & 31 @ 9:30 and 10:30 am. Older adults of any age and fitness level are invited to join this special exercise program made possible by a partnership between the Geri-Fit® Company and the James Kennedy Public Library. Participants will exercise to a Geri-Fit® DVD and most of the exercises will be performed seated in a chair. There is no dancing or aerobics involved. Classes are held on Mondays and Thursdays and last approximately 45 minutes. For best results, participants should attend as many of the sessions as possible. Each participant will need a set of 2 or 3-pound dumbbell weights, a medium weight stretch band, and water to drink. Space is limited so registration is required.

Building Creativity One Block at a Time: a LEGO® program: Saturday, March 1 from 10:00—11:00 am. This month's theme is *Parade*. This program is for all ages but children under 7 must be accompanied by an adult or older partner. This LEGO® program is part of a monthly LEGO® building block program at the library sponsored by DuTrac Community Credit Union. Each month there is a theme to help inspire creativity. Photos of the creations are displayed in the children's area of the library and on the library's social media pages. All children who participate have their names entered into a quarterly drawing for a special LEGO® related prize provided by DuTrac.



Books for Lunch Book Discussion: Monday, March 3 @ 12:00 noon. This group gathers on the first Monday of each month at noon. This month the group will discuss *The Librarianist* by Patrick DeWitt. Copies of the book are available to borrow from the library. Participants are welcome to attend in person or remotely via Zoom. New members are welcome to join at any time. If you need a link to the Zoom room, please email librarian@dyersville.lib.ia.us by 10:00 am on the day of the program and an invitation to the Zoom room will be emailed to you.

All Abilities Open House: Tuesday, March 4 from 10:00 am—4:00 pm

Drop in today to learn about the services and programs the JKPL will be offering as part of our enhanced programs and collections for members of the neurodivergent community. There will be a show-and-tell of items that are being added to the Library of Things, information about upcoming programs, fun activities, refreshments and door prizes. Come share your ideas for future events! This program is intended for members of the neurodivergent community, their families and caregivers, but all are welcome. Those under the age of 7 need an adult companion. *This program is made possible by Libraries Transforming Communities: Accessible Small and Rural Communities, an initiative of the American Library Association (ALA) in collaboration with the Association for Rural and Small Libraries (ARSL).*



Discover Qigong—KEYS to Dementia Prevention Chat: Tuesday, March 4 @ 4:00 pm. Susan Skinner will present this class on Qigong (a system of coordinated body-posture and movement, breathing, and meditation). She will start with an introduction to Qigong then lead a 5 Elements Qigong class. Participants will learn how Qigong can reduce stress, improve balance, and build strength and flexibility. Participants may perform exercises seated or standing. This program is presented via Zoom so guests may join by gathering at the JKPL or participate from home using a personal computer or other smart device. To join from your own device, please email BrainHelpandHope@outlook.com to receive the Zoom link. KEYS chats are presented by the nonprofit organization Brain Help and Hope, typically on the first Tuesday of each month.



Kid Librarian Storytime: Wednesdays, March 5, 12, 19 & 26 @ 10:00 am & 6:30 pm

Calling all book-loving kids: Come to Kid Librarian Storytime in the Children's Area to enjoy a program where YOU are the librarian! Pick your favorite picture book from our shelves or bring one from home to read aloud to other participants. Not yet reading? Simply tell the audience about your favorite book, read the pictures, or lead them in a movement song or nursery rhyme. Enjoy a moment to shine, then have fun playing in our Children's Area with other children. Kid Librarian Storytime is open to all ages and abilities. Adult participation is required. No registration is necessary.



Sit & Stitch: Wednesdays, March 5, 12, 19 & 26 from 1:00—3:00 pm. Grab your hobby or craft and join other crafters at this fun gathering. There are lots of laughs, great company, conversation, and even some crafting! Participants are welcome to attend in person in the Hoffman Room or remotely via Zoom. New members are welcome to join at any time. If you are a new participant and wish to join virtually, please email librarian@dyersville.lib.ia.us by 10 am on the date of the gathering and an invitation will be emailed to you. The same Zoom room link is used each week.

Tween Zone: Drop in to Hang Out: Wednesday, March 5 from 4:00—5:00 pm. Do you love snacks, books, puzzles, and games? Join us to hang out, eat snacks, talk about your favorite book, and discover our new Turing Tumble puzzle game, a low-tech yet high-fun gaming experience! Registration is not necessary. Program designed for ages 8—12. *The STEM Scale-Up Turing Tumble game sets are funded by the Iowa Governor's STEM Advisory Council.*

Kids Can Cook: Thursdays, March 6, 13 & 20 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 first ten minutes of each class will focus on kitchen safety and introductory cooking information, such as how to read a recipe. The remainder of each class will be hands-on learning, cooking, and cleaning up. Kitchen safety and cleanliness will be emphasized. At the end of the school year, children who have participated in over half of the classes will receive an apron.

- Registration for each session is required as there is a limit of 12 children per session. *Classes are currently full but call to have your child's name put on the waiting list!*
- A waiver signed by a parent or legal guardian must be on file for a child to attend.
- Classes will also be held April 3, 10 & 17.



The menu for March is: Indonesian Banana Pancakes (March 6); Chunky applesauce & drop biscuits (March 13); and Chicken Taco Cups (March 20). *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.*

Euchre Card Party & Games: Fridays, March 7, 14, 21 & 28 from 1:00—3:30 pm. Join us Friday afternoons for cards, dominoes, or other games in the Hoffman Room. Come meet, teach, and play with other players. The library has some games or you are welcome to bring your own.

Library Quiz Bowl for Teens: Friday, March 7 @ 6:00 pm

Want to test your knowledge and try to win some prizes? Join us for our own Library Quiz Bowl! The game will consist of 3 rounds consisting of 2 questions on each of the core subjects which include Arts, Literature, Science, Pop Culture, and History. Participants can sign up for one of three teams (Max 6 players per team). Registration is requested, and walk-ins are welcome if there is space on a team. For ages 13-18 only. Spectators are welcome! This program is sponsored by TACKL.



Movies @ Your Library presents "Conclave": Saturday, March 8 @ 1:00 pm. Conclave follows one of the world's most secretive and ancient events—selecting a new pope. The Church's most powerful leaders have gathered from around the world, locked together in the Vatican halls. Tasked with running this covert process, Cardinal Lawrence finds himself at the center of a conspiracy and discovers a secret that could shake the very foundation of The Church. Rated PG (120 min.)

Dungeons & Dragons Players Club: Saturday, March 8 @ 3:30 pm. Join us for this monthly gaming event for D & D players that meets in-person or you can join remotely via Discord. This group meets the second Saturday of every month and new players of all ages and skill levels are welcome. The library has materials available but feel free to bring your own. To join via Discord, contact Paul at Pzurawski@dyersville.lib.ia.us by 2:00 pm the day of the program to receive the server invite.

Build-A-Basket Fundraiser Silent Auction Begins: Monday, March 10

Organizations, businesses, and individuals have donated some amazing baskets this year and now is your opportunity to bid on them. All items are on display in the library and a photograph with a description of contents is posted on both the library's Facebook page and website at www.dyersville.lib.ia.us. Bids can be placed in person at the library, by calling the library, or emailing librarian@dyersville.lib.ia.us. The highest bid will be listed along with the photo of the item on the library's website. This list will be updated daily. Bidding in the Silent Auction runs March 10 to April 13 and ends promptly at 3:00 pm on Sunday, April 13. All funds raised are used to support library programs, collections, and services.



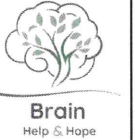
Adult Crafternoon: Suncatcher with Coloring Pages: Monday, March 10 from 1:00—3:00 pm. Join us this month to make a suncatcher with coloring pages. Stop in the library to create and take home your finished project. If you prefer, you can pick up a take-and-make kit and craft on your own at home. Take home kits will be available starting March 11 and will be available while supplies last.



Unlocking Brain Fitness - KEYS to Dementia Prevention: Tuesdays, March 11 thru May 13 @ 1:00 pm

Join us for this 10-week evidence based course 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. The KEYS dementia prevention course was started at the YMCA of Greater Des Moines and will be managed by Brain Help & Hope and led by local experts. This series is sponsored in part by the Friends of the JKPL and Nightingale Drug.

- 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 but may be refunded to those who attend at least 9 of the sessions, upon request.
- Registration is required as a minimum of 10 and maximum of 15 participants are allowed.
- **Registration required by March 10.**

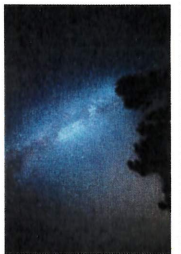


Inspirational Fiction: A Novel Approach to Faith Book Club: Tuesday, March 11 @ 7:00 pm. Join us for this book club that features a variety of books that weave religious faith into the characters and storylines. For this month we will be reading *In A Far Off Land* by Stephanie Landsem. Books are available to borrow from the library. Participants are welcome to attend in person or remotely via Zoom. If you want to attend via Zoom and haven't attended before, please register by 12 noon on the day of the program at <https://bit.ly/NOVELAPPROACH> so a link to the Zoom room can be emailed to you.

Portable Planetarium Experience: Wednesday, March 12

Bring the kids to this family-friendly event where you go into a portable planetarium to see the night sky and learn about the stories of the stars. All ages welcome but those under 7 need a mature teen or adult companion. There will be 4 sessions offered and each session will be a 30 minute experience with a Dubuque County naturalist.

- Sessions will be offered at the following times: 2:00-2:30 pm / 2:30-3:00 pm / 4:00-4:30 pm / 4:30-5:00 pm
- Space is limited to 20 people per session so registration is required.
- Call 563-875-8912 to reserve your space or visit: <https://www.dyersville.lib.ia.us/events>
- Walk-ins will be allowed if a session is not full.



Kobolds Ate My Baby Role Playing Game: Friday, March 14 @ 6:00 pm. Join us after-hours for *Kobolds Ate My Baby*, a role playing game with simple rules and lots of shenanigans. We will be playing with the Orange Edition. The library will have completed character sheets available. All ages and skill levels welcome.



Bingo Party: Monday, March 17 from 1:00—3:00 pm. Come enjoy bingo at the JKPL! There is a two-card limit, there is no cost to play, and there are prizes! Registration is recommended as space is limited. Bring your friends!

Cricut with Christopher presents Spring Tea Towels: Monday, March 17 @ 6:00 pm. Come learn about the Cricut Maker from local expert Lisa Christopher and create a tea towel with an iron-on spring-themed picture/saying. Participants should be 14 or older. White towels will be supplied. Registration is required as attendance is limited to 10. Cricut with Christopher will typically be held monthly on the third Monday of each month.

Armchair Travel—France: Tuesday, March 18 @ 3:30 pm. Grab your travel buddy and join us on this virtual trip to "the land of bread and cheese!" Guests will be able to experience French life through art, history, music and more! Complimenting the experience will be homemade crepes, French jams, cheeses, and the culture's famous pastis drink, so come try something new! Presented by Chelsea Middendorf from Trustwell Living at Eagle Pointe Place Senior Living in Dubuque. This program is for older adults, but all ages are welcome. Children must be accompanied by an adult. Armchair Travel programs will be held on the third Tuesday of most months. For March, this program will be held at 3:30 pm.



Genealogy with Ann: Thursday, March 20 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. Ann will also share information on free websites good for genealogy research. Attendees are encouraged to bring their own laptop, if they have one. Some library laptops will be available for use. Appointments with Ann can be made if that is more convenient.

Drop in and Create—Sticker Art: Friday, March 21 from 9:30 am—12:30 pm

Join us at the JKPL as we create art using stickers! Participants will select a picture and use numbered (or lettered) stickers to create their work of art. This is a drop-in event so guests are welcome to come and go as their schedule permits. Refreshments provided. This program is intended for members of the neurodivergent community, their families and caregivers, but all are welcome. Those under the age of 7 need an adult companion. *This program is made possible by Libraries Transforming Communities: Accessible Small and Rural Communities, an initiative of the American Library Association (ALA) in collaboration with the Association for Rural and Small Libraries (ARSL).*



Family Movies @ Your Library presents “Moana 2”: **Saturday, March 22 @ 1:00 pm.** After receiving an unexpected call from her wayfinding ancestors, Moana must journey to the far seas of Oceania and into dangerous, long-lost waters for an adventure unlike anything she’s ever faced. Rated PG (100 min.).



Game Night @ Your Library: **Saturday, March 22 from 4:00—6:00 pm.** Bring your favorite game (card game, board game, role playing game, or video game) and meet, teach, and play with others! Game night is held on the 4th Saturday of every month. All ages welcome but those under the age of 7 need a teen or adult companion.

Strings Club: Monday, March 24 @ 6:00 pm. Do you have a ukulele, guitar or other string instrument that you would like to play more often? Do you want to grow your skills by jamming with others? Then come join the JKPL Strings Club! Teen and adult musicians of all skill levels are welcome. NOTE: This is not a class but a jam session so participants should know basic chords. Facilitated by Gary Bramel. This group typically meets on the fourth Monday of each month from October to April. Registration encouraged. Walk-ins are welcome as space allows.

JKPL Writing Group: Tuesday, March 25 @ 6:30 pm. Join us this month in person at the library, or remotely via Zoom, for a sharing session with writers of all types including poetry, memoir, fiction, or nonfiction. New members are welcome to join at any time. If you want to participate via Zoom, please call by 5:30 pm on the day of the event.

Health & Wellness 365 with the Northeast Iowa Area Agency on Aging: Thursday, March 27 @ 11:15 am. Nutrition Specialist Colleen Lawler will be at the library to talk about healthy food choices for Lent. She will bring some recipes to share and there will be food samples to try. All are welcome.



“The Mighty Ducks”—Movie Matinee: Thursday, March 27 @ 1:00 pm. Join us for this classic Disney film about a brash young attorney who is sentenced to community service coaching a losing hockey team from the wrong side of the tracks. Rated PG (100 min.) Refreshments provided. This program is intended for members of the neurodivergent community, their families and caregivers, but all are welcome. Those under the age of 7 need an adult companion. *This program is made possible by Libraries Transforming Communities: Accessible Small and Rural Communities, an initiative of the American Library Association (ALA) in collaboration with the Association for Rural and Small Libraries (ARSL).*



STEAMFEST: Saturday March 29 from 9:30 am—2:30 pm

Join us at the JKPL for this special event and discover some of the exciting S.T.E.A.M. (science, technology, engineering, art, and music) activities available at the library! There will be different activities available throughout the day in different spaces of the library. Come for one or come for all! All ages welcome but those under the age of 7 require a teen or adult companion. STEAMFEST Schedule:



Games for All Ages: 9:30 am-2:30 pm. Join us for games for all ages, building blocks of all kinds, and even a life-sized Connect Four game! (Children’s area)

Button making: 9:30 am-12:30pm & 1:00-2:30 pm. Buttons are a great way to show the world what you like. Visit this station to make a 2.25” pinback button reflecting your interest. Visitors will be able to design and color their button image, pick from some images already selected, or go online and find something specific to use. (Gaming room)

Fun with Robots: 9:30-11:30 am & 12:30-2:30 pm. Come play with selected robots from our Library of Things. Each session will feature different robots, so come to both to have some robotics fun! (Hoffman Room)

Turing Tumble: 9:30-11:30 am. Discover our new Turing Tumble puzzle game: a low-tech yet high-fun gaming experience! (Creation Station)

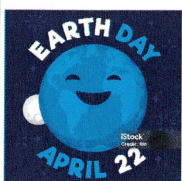
DIY Arts & Crafts: 10:00 am-12:00 pm. Using the library’s craft supplies, make your own artwork or craft. (Creation Station)

Origami Butterflies or Corner Bookmarks: 12:30-2:30 pm. Come make your own butterfly or corner bookmark out of origami paper. (Creation Station)

Shrinky Dinks: 12:30-2:30 pm. Come color your own shrinky dinks, bake them, and watch what happens! (Creation Station)

Strawbees: 12:30-2:30 pm. Come use plastic straws and connectors to build structures, robots, and mechanical contraptions. (Genealogy Room)

Free Trees for Earth Day!



The JKPL is celebrating Earth Day again this spring by participating in the Annual Neighborhood Forest free tree program, whose aim is to provide free trees to kids every Earth Day.

- Parents can find more information and sign their children up to receive a tree at this link: <https://bit.ly/FreeTrees24>
- **Registration required by March 15.**
- Trees (6 to 12 inches in size) will be delivered to the JKPL and families will be able to pick them up at the library around Earth Day (April 22nd).
- Planting instructions and species information will be emailed a few days prior to the trees arriving.

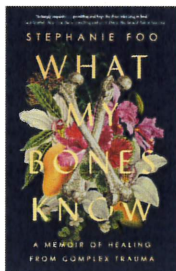
Upcoming EVENTS

Find the latest information on library events and programs at www.dyersville.lib.ia.us or scan the QR code



Dubuque County Reads: March 27—April 15

The James Kennedy Public Library is participating in the third annual Dubuque County Reads book discussion! The selected title for 2025 is *What My Bones Know* by Stephanie Foo. Dubuque County Reads book discussions will happen at various locations around the county between April 1-14. Feel free to attend as many sessions, at any location, as you like. There will also be an author visit with Stephanie Foo on April 10 at Loras College and a mental health panel on trauma on March 27 at of Dubuque.



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The book is available to borrow at each participating library, with the appropriate library card required. Also each library will have a set number of copies to give away. Contact your local library for details. Books will be ready to be picked up at the JKPL starting March 4. Alternatively, you can purchase a copy of the book from River Lights Bookstore in Dubuque for a discount. For more information about the book and a full list of participating libraries, go to: <https://libguides.dbq.edu/dubuquecountyreads>.

Breakfast Burrito Grab and Go Fundraiser Saturday, April 5 from 9:00—11:00 am

Kick off National Library Week by stopping by the JKPL and enjoying a delicious breakfast burrito! For just \$7.00, you can support the JKPL and enjoy a delicious fresh made breakfast burrito. Potential ingredients include eggs, sausage, hash browns, cheese, and salsa. Burritos available while supplies last. All proceeds from this fundraiser will be used to support library services and collections. Thank you to Fareway of Dyersville for supporting this fundraiser!



National Library Week: April 6—12

National Library Week is a celebration highlighting the valuable role libraries, librarians, and library workers play in transforming lives and strengthening our communities. Join us at the JKPL this National Library Week as we celebrate all week long. Details are coming, so please check back!



**Drawn to
the Library**
National Library Week
April 6-12, 2025

Wildflower Hike @ New Wine Park Monday, April 21 from 6:00—7:30 pm

Join us at New Wine Park in New Vienna for this entertaining and informative hike led by a Dubuque County Conservation Naturalist. Walk along the trails and learn about the flowers that are blooming and interesting ways you can use these plants, as well as their wildlife value. The 2-mile trail we are hiking will have uneven terrain and steep inclines. All ages welcome, but those under the age of 16 need an adult companion. Registration is requested by April 18 as a minimum of 10 participants is needed for this program to be held. Walk-ins are welcome as space allows.



Introducing Library Chef Online Cooking Service!

We are thrilled to announce a new addition to our library programs—Library Chef! Join us for an exclusive series of cooking classes designed for adults, kids, and teens, where you can learn from expert chefs and professional nutritionists. Whether you're a beginner or a seasoned cook, there's something for everyone!

Enjoy 5 live cooking classes each month—2 for adults, 1 for kids (ages 5-9), and 1 for teens (ages 10+). Experience hands-on cooking fun and skill-building activities! There are also Professional Nutrition Sessions where you can gain insights into nutrition topics that will help you cook healthier meals. And don't miss out on the guest chefs from Around the World where you can experience occasional classes led by chefs sharing diverse culinary techniques. The great thing is that all classes are recorded and replays are available anytime at your convenience. No Zoom links required! All classes are conducted within the platform, and recipes are included!



Visit the Digital Collection page on the library's website to access: <https://www.dyersville.lib.ia.us/DigitalCollection>. You will need to use your library card number to register.

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Upcoming Events for APRIL 2025 and Beyond

Sweet Potato Plant Program. Watch for the Sweet Potato Plant Program coming this spring! The Dubuque County Extension Office, in partnership with the James Kennedy Public Library (and other libraries in Dubuque County), will be offering a free Sweet Potato Plant Program to help educate local residents on how to grow a food crop to increase local food security. More details will be coming.

D.E.A.R. (Drop Everything And Read) Month - Dyersville Book Scavenger Hunt!: April 1-30. April is Drop Everything and Read (D.E.A.R.) month, a national month-long celebration of reading designed to remind folks of all ages to make reading a priority activity in their lives. To celebrate this year, the JKPL has again partnered with local businesses for a fun D.E.A.R. month scavenger hunt! Can you match the book with the business? Pick up a scavenger hunt form at the library or print one off from the library's website. The scavenger hunt form features pictures of book covers and each participating business in Dyersville has one of the book covers posted in their business. Match the book with the business then turn your completed forms into the library before May 1 to get entered into the prize drawing for one of several gift baskets. You get to choose which basket! Entries with at least 1/2 of the books / businesses identified correctly will receive one entry into the drawing. Get them all right to earn two entries!

Love Your Library Yard Signs: April 1-30. The JKPL has yard signs that say "I Love My Library" available for free! Signs are 18" x 24", vinyl, reusable, and come with a ground stake. Yard signs are available while supplies last. Already have one of these signs? Now's the time to put it up. Put a sign in your yard and let everyone know you love the library!

Children's Pretend Play Station: Farmer's Stand: April 1-30. Area families are invited to come to the library and explore what it has to offer in Grocery Store play!

Children's Scavenger Hunt: Fruits and Veggies: April 1-30. Area children and their families are encouraged to participate in our "Fruits and Veggies" scavenger hunt to earn a sticker! One sticker per child per library visit.

Kids Can Craft: Design a Carrot-Person Challenge: April 1-30. Kids of all ages are invited to stop in the library to design a carrot-person. Add arms, legs, clothing, eyes, mouth, nose, etc. to create a funny carrot character. Every design turned in qualifies artists for an entry into the drawing for a Spring book basket but is limited to one entry per day. Winner will be announced in early May.

Creation Station Craft: Spinning Top: April 1-30. Stop in and craft in the Creation Station at the library or grab a kit and create at home! This month's craft is a spinning top made out of an old CD. Kit includes most needed supplies and instructions. A video demonstration will also be available to view on the JKPL Facebook and YouTube channel. Kits available while supplies last.

Upcycled Greeting Card Kits: April 1-30. Want a unique card for someone special? Pick up one of these kits that use the front of an old greeting card combined with glue and cardstock to make an entirely new card. Each card kit includes a greeting card front with coordinating cardstock and an envelope. You will need to supply the glue. If crafting in the library, glue sticks may be borrowed from the desk for in-library use. Kits are available while supplies last.

Coloring, Creating and Doing @ Your Library: April 1-30. The JKPL is continuing to offer coloring pages, dot to dot, crosswords, sudoku, and other activity pages available for you to enjoy at the library or at home. They are intended for adults and teens. Each pack will include at least 10 different items and are available while supplies last. If you want to work on the activities while at the library, colored pencils, markers, and more are available in the Creation Station or to check out from the front desk.

Get Puzzled @ Your Library: April 1-30. Stop in the library this month to help us put together a new jigsaw puzzle. This month's puzzle, *Greatest American Novels*, was selected to celebrate Drop Everything and Read month. The puzzle is located on the table under the skylight and everyone is welcome to add a piece or two or more. Everyone who works on the puzzle is encouraged to put their name into a drawing to win the puzzle. Please stop at the front desk to get your name entered.

Westside Park StoryWalk®: "Roll, Roll, Little Pea" by Cecile Bergame: April 1-30. (Winter start/end dates for the StoryWalk® are approximate due to weather.) 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 StoryWalk® is made possible by the Dubuque Racing Association, Friends of the Library, and the Richard Osterhaus Memorial Fund. The StoryWalk® Project was created by Anne Ferguson of Montpelier, VT and developed in collaboration with the Kellogg-Hubbard Library. Storywalk® is a registered service mark owned by Ms. Ferguson.

Fun and Games with Paul presents Discover Virtual Reality: April 1 from 9:30 am to 12:30 pm. Drop in at this monthly gathering where library staff member Paul will share a fun and interesting activity. Each month will feature a specific game or activity that guests will be able to try out or play while at the library. Guests are welcome to come for a few minutes or stay the whole time—whatever works for them. Not interested in the featured activity? Drop in for other activities like working on a puzzle together or just to socialize. This program is intended for members of the neurodivergent community, their families and caregivers, but all are welcome. Those under the age of 7 need an adult companion. Fun and Games will be held monthly, typically on the first Tuesday of the month. This program is made possible by Libraries Transforming Communities: Accessible Small and Rural Communities, an initiative of the American Library Association (ALA) in collaboration with the Association for Rural and Small Libraries (ARSL). Refreshments provided.

Incorporating Mindfulness in Everyday Life - KEYS Chat: Tuesday, April 1 @ 4:00 pm. More details are coming.

Dubuque County Reads!: March 27-April 15: The James Kennedy Public Library is participating in the third annual *Dubuque County Reads* book discussion! We partnered last year with the Dubuque County Library District, Carnegie-Stout Public Library, University of Dubuque Library, Clarke University Library, and Loras College Library to create a county-wide initiative. The purpose of the *Dubuque County Reads* program is to facilitate events that encourage productive conversation around a common book, with the selected title aiming to invigorate community members and inspire dialog about important issues and topics. The selected title for 2025 is *What My Bones Know* by Stephanie Foo. *Dubuque County Reads* book discussions will happen at various locations around the county between March 27th-April 15. Different libraries will be holding discussions on different days and times in the hopes that one of them will work with your schedule so you can attend. Feel free to attend as many

sessions, at any location, as you like. There will also be an author meet for Stephanie Foo on April 10th at Loras College and a mental health panel on trauma on March 27th at University of Dubuque. The book is available to borrow at each participating library, with the appropriate library card required. Also each library will have a set number of copies available to give away. Contact your local library for details. Digital copies are available to borrow electronically through the Carnegie-Stout Public Library or James Kennedy Public Library, with the respective city resident library card required. Some libraries may even have audiobook copies to borrow. Books will be ready to be picked up at the JKPL starting March 4. Alternatively, you can purchase a copy of the book from River Lights Bookstore in Dubuque for a discount. For more information about the book and a full list of participating libraries, go to: <https://libguides.dbq.edu/dubuquecountyreads>.

Book discussions will be held at following locations:

Divine Word College: Tuesday April 1st @ 1:00 pm.

Loras College Library: Wednesday April 2nd @ 4:00 pm.

Wartburg Seminary: Thursday April 3rd @ 12:00 pm.

James Kennedy Public Library Books for Lunch Discussion: Monday, April 7th @12:00 pm.

University of Dubuque: Monday April 7th @ 2:30 pm.

Carnegie Stout Public Library: Monday, April 7th @ 6:00 pm.

Clarke University Library: Tuesday April 8th @ 2:30 pm.

Dubuque Co. Disability Council: Tuesday April 8th @ 4:00 pm (Virtual).

Dubuque County Library District (Asbury): Wednesday April 9th @ 6:30 pm.

Cascade Public Library: Tuesday April 7th @ 4:30 pm.

James Kennedy Public Library: Tuesday April 14 @ 5:00 pm.

Special programs:

Mental Health Panel on Trauma at University of Dubuque Heritage Center: Thursday, March 27th @ 6:30 pm.

Meet Author Stephanie Foo at Loras College: Thursday, April 10th @ 6:30 pm.

Tween Zone: Drop in to Hang Out: Wednesday, April 2 from 4:00-5:00 pm. Do you love snacks, books, puzzles, and games? Join us to hang out, eat snacks, talk about your favorite book, and discover our new Turing Tumble puzzle game, a low-tech yet high-fun gaming experience! Registration is not necessary. Program designed for ages 8 - 12. *The STEM Scale-Up Turing Tumble game sets are funded by the Iowa Governor's STEM Advisory Council.*

Kid Librarian Storytime: Wednesdays, April 2 & 9 @ 10:00 am & 6:30 pm. Calling all book-loving kids: Come to Kid Librarian Storytime in the Children's Area to enjoy a program where YOU are the librarian! Pick your favorite picture book from our shelves or bring one from home to read aloud to other participants. Not yet reading? Simply tell the audience about your favorite book, read the pictures, or lead them in a movement song or nursery rhyme. Enjoy a moment to shine, then have fun playing in our Children's Area with other children. Kid Librarian Storytime is open to all ages and abilities. Adult participation is required. No registration is necessary.

Sit & Stitch: Wednesdays, April 2, 9, 16, 23 & 30 from 1:00—3:00 pm. Grab your hobby or craft and join other crafters at this fun gathering. There are lots of laughs, great company, conversation, and even some crafting! Participants are welcome to attend in person in the Hoffman Room or remotely via Zoom. New members are welcome to join at any time. If you are a new participant and wish to join virtually, please email librarian@dyersville.lib.ia.us by 10 am on the date of the gathering and an

invitation will be emailed to you. The same Zoom room link is used each week.

Strength Training for Older Adults: Mondays and Thursdays, April 3, 7, 10, 14, 17, 21, 24, & 28 @ 9:30 and 10:30 am. Older adults of any age and fitness level are invited to join this special exercise program made possible by a partnership between the Geri-Fit® Company and the James Kennedy Public Library. Participants will exercise to a Geri-Fit® DVD and most of the exercises will be performed seated in a chair. There is no dancing or aerobics involved. Classes are held on Mondays and Thursdays and last approximately 45 minutes. For best results, participants should attend as many of the sessions as possible. Each participant will need a set of 2 or 3-pound dumbbell weights, a medium weight stretch band, and water to drink. Space is limited so registration is required.

Kids Can Cook: Thursdays, April 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 first ten minutes of each class will focus on kitchen safety and introductory cooking information, such as how to read a recipe. The remainder of each class will be hands-on learning, cooking, and cleaning up. Kitchen safety and cleanliness will be emphasized. At the end of the school year, children who have participated in over half of the classes will receive an apron. The menu for April is: Pork Chops & Mashed Potatoes (April 3); Pumpkin Blender Muffins (April 10); and Chicken Satay with sauce and Thai Quickles (April 17). Registration 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.*

Euchre Card Party & Games: Fridays, April 4, 11, 18 & 25 from 1:00-3:30 pm. Join us Friday afternoons for cards, dominoes, or other games in the Hoffman Room. Come meet, teach, and play with other players. The library has some games or you are welcome to bring your own.

Breakfast Burrito Grab and Go Fundraiser: Saturday, April 5 from 9:00-11:00 am. Kick off National Library Week by stopping by the JKPL and enjoying a delicious breakfast burrito! For just \$7.00, you can support the JKPL and enjoy a delicious freshly made breakfast burrito. Potential ingredients include eggs, sausage, hash browns, cheese, salsa and more. Weather permitting, a tent will be set up outside the library for this event. If not, step into the Hoffman Community Room to get your breakfast and support your library! Burritos available while supplies last. All proceeds from this fundraiser will be used to support library services and collections. Thank you to Fareway of Dyersville for supporting this fundraiser!

Building Creativity One Block at a Time: a LEGO® program: Saturday, April 5 from 10:00-11:00 am. This month's theme is *Surprise!* This program is for all ages but children under 7 must be accompanied by an adult or older partner. This LEGO® program is part of a monthly LEGO® building block program at the library sponsored by DuTrac Community Credit Union. Each month there is a theme to help inspire creativity. Photos of the creations are displayed in the children's area of the library and on the library's social media pages. All children who participate have their names entered into a quarterly drawing for a special LEGO® related prize provided by DuTrac.

Nerf War @ Your Library: Saturday, April 5 from 4:00-6:00 pm. Bring your Nerf gun and ammo and head to the library for this bi-monthly Nerf War! Participants must be 13 or older and anyone under 18

must have a signed parental waiver. Registration requested as 10 people are required to hold the program and a max of 20 is allowed. Walk-ins welcome, if space allows. Participants must provide their own Nerf guns and ammo but no modifications to darts or guns to increase range or hitting power will be allowed. Guns with excessive hitting power will not be allowed.

Family Movies @ Your Library presents "The Pagemaster": Saturday, April 5 @ 1:00 pm. After seeking shelter from a storm in a mysterious library, an easily terrified kid is transported to an animated fantasy world. There, he encounters characters and situations from classic literature. Rated G (76 minutes).

National Library Week - Drawn to The Library: April 6-12, 2025. Millions of people across the country visit their libraries every week. What's the draw? Everything! From young families stopping in for play and story time, to students sketching out their next creative project in a makerspace, to seniors seeking tech help and everyone in between, libraries of all kinds help us connect the dots from one part of our journey to the next. Chart your next literary adventure by browsing the stacks or joining a book club. Let an author color your imagination at an author talk, outline your big business idea at an entrepreneur workshop, or trace your history with your library's genealogy resources. Make your mark and get involved with your library by volunteering or spreading the word. Whatever draws you in, the library has something for everyone. *JKPL activities to be decided.*

Bowling: an All Abilities Event. The JKPL will host this fun bowling event at the Knights of Columbus Hall in Dyersville (across the alley from the library). Date, times and details TBD. This program is intended for members of the neurodivergent community, their families and caregivers, but all are welcome. Those under the age of 7 need an adult companion. Registration requested as space is limited. Walk-ins are welcome as space allows. This program is made possible by Libraries Transforming Communities: Accessible Small and Rural Communities, an initiative of the American Library Association (ALA) in collaboration with the Association for Rural and Small Libraries (ARSL).

Books for Lunch Book Discussion: Monday, April 7 @ 12:00 noon. This group gathers on the first Monday of each month at noon. This month the group will discuss the 2025 Dubuque County Reads selection *What my Bones Know* by Stephanie Foo. Copies of the book are available to borrow from the library. Participants are welcome to attend in person or remotely via Zoom. New members are welcome to join at any time. If you need a link to the Zoom room, please email librarian@dyersville.lib.ia.us by 10:00 am on the day of the program and an invitation to the Zoom room will be emailed to you.

Drawn to the Library Meeting and Social: Tuesday, April 8 from 6:00 to 8:00 pm. The Members of the Board of Trustees of the JKPL invite you to celebrate National Library Week by attending this open house. Come meet the Board members and learn what is new at the library. Attend the regular monthly board meeting (starts at 6 pm and typically lasts less than an hour) or just drop by any time. Refreshments provided. *Details to be confirmed.*

Inspirational Fiction: A Novel Approach to Faith Book Club: Tuesday, April 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 Wings of Poppy Pendleton* by Melanie Dobson. Books are available to borrow from the library. Participants are welcome to attend in person or remotely via Zoom. If you want to attend via Zoom and haven't attended before, please register by 12 noon on the

day of the program at <https://bit.ly/NOVELAPPROACH> so a link to the Zoom room can be emailed to you.

Mock-A-Movie Night for Teens: Friday, April 11 @ 6:00 pm. Join us for a night of terrible cinema, good food, and lots of fun mocking the movie! This evening we will be watching *Borderlands* (PG-13) – a terrible movie based on a video game series. Refreshments will be provided. For ages 12-18 only.

Dungeons & Dragons Players Club: Saturday, April 12 @ 3:30 pm. Join us for this monthly gaming event for D & D players that meets in-person or you can join remotely via Discord. This group meets the second Saturday of every month and new players of all ages and skill levels are welcome. The library has materials available but feel free to bring your own. To join via Discord, contact Paul at Pzurawski@dyersville.lib.ia.us by 2:00 pm the day of the program to receive the server invite.

Build-A-Basket Fundraiser Closing Reception: Sunday, April 13 from 2:00-4:00 pm. Join us for refreshments and one last chance to bid on the baskets donated to the library for the Build-a-Basket Fundraiser! Many themed baskets have been donated by area businesses, organizations and individuals. There is something for nearly every interest so be sure to come and take a peek and bid on your favorite. The silent auction will end at 3:00 pm sharp. These baskets make great gifts - for yourself or someone you love! All proceeds will be used to support library collections and services.

Adult Crafternoon. Monday, April 14 from 1:00-3:00 pm. Join us this month to make a fun craft – project to be decided. Stop in the library to create and take home your finished project. If you prefer, you can pick up a take-and-make kit and craft on your own at home. Kits will be available while supplies last.

Drop in and Create - Watercolor Painting: Friday, April 18 from 9:30 am - 12:30 pm. Join us at the JKPL as we use water and paint brushes to create beautiful pictures! Participants will select a picture and use the attached watercolor palette to create their work of art. This is a drop-in event so guests are welcome to come and go as their schedule permits. Refreshments provided. This program is intended for members of the neurodivergent community, their families and caregivers, but all are welcome. Those under the age of 7 need an adult companion. Drop in and create programs will typically be offered the third Friday of each month. This program is made possible by Libraries Transforming Communities: Accessible Small and Rural Communities, an initiative of the American Library Association (ALA) in collaboration with the Association for Rural and Small Libraries (ARSL).

Library closed for Easter: Sunday, April 20

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

Cricut with Christopher. Monday, April 21 @ 6:00 pm. Come learn about the Cricut Maker from local expert Lisa Christopher. Participants should be 14 or older. Registration is required as attendance is limited to 10. Cricut with Christopher will typically be held monthly on the third Monday of each month. This month's project to be decided.

Wildflower Hike @ New Wine Park: Monday, April 21 from 6:00-7:30 pm. Join us at New Wine Park (15971 New Wine Park Lane, New Vienna, IA) for this entertaining and informative hike led by a Dubuque County Conservation Naturalist. Walk along the trails at New Wine Park as you look closely at the forest floor. Be ready to learn about the flowers that are blooming and interesting ways you can use these plants, as well as their wildlife value. The 2-mile trail we are hiking will have uneven terrain and steep inclines. Please be prepared for this by wearing appropriate footwear and clothing. All ages welcome, but those under the age of 16 need an adult companion. Registration is requested by April 18 as a minimum of 10 participants is needed for this program to be held. Walk-ins are welcome as space allows. Register by contacting the library or online in the library's calendar of events at: www.dyersville.lib.ia.us/events.

JKPL Writing Group: Tuesday, April 22 @ 6:30 pm. Join us this month in person at the library, or remotely via Zoom, for a sharing session with writers of all types. New members are welcome to join at any time. If you want to participate via Zoom, please register by 11:00 am on the day of the event at <https://bit.ly/JKPLwriting>.

Health & Wellness 365 with the Northeast Iowa Area Agency on Aging: Thursday, April 24 @ 11:15 am. Presented by Nutrition Specialist Colleen Lawler. Topic to be decided.

"Champions" - Movie Matinee: Thursday, April 24 @ 1:00 pm. A former minor-league basketball coach, after a series of missteps, is ordered by the court to manage a team of players with intellectual disabilities. He soon realizes that despite his doubts, together, this team can go further than they ever imagined. Rated PG-13 (125 min.) Refreshments provided. This program is intended for members of the neurodivergent community, their families and caregivers, but all are welcome. Those under the age of 7 need an adult companion. *This program is made possible by Libraries Transforming Communities: Accessible Small and Rural Communities, an initiative of the American Library Association (ALA) in collaboration with the Association for Rural and Small Libraries (ARSL).*

Movies @ Your Library presents "The Public": Saturday, April 26 @ 1:00 pm. A librarian helps a group of homeless people take refuge from a brutal winter night by staging a sit-in at the free public library. A misunderstanding causes his noble act to wrongly escalate into a hostage situation with a political candidate and a TV reporter stoking the drama for their own agendas. Rated PG-13 (122 minutes).

Game Night @ Your Library: Saturday, April 26 from 4:00 - 6:00 pm. Bring your favorite game (card game, board game, role playing game, or video game) and meet, teach, and play with others! Game night is held on the 4th Saturday of every month. All ages welcome but those under the age of 7 need a teen or adult companion.

Strings Club: Monday, April 28 @ 6:00 pm. Do you have a ukulele, guitar or other string instrument that you would like to play more often? Do you want to grow your skills by jamming with others? Then come join the JKPL Strings Club! Teen and adult musicians of all skill levels are welcome. NOTE: This is not a class but a jam session so participants should know basic chords. Facilitated by Gary Bramel. This group typically meets on the fourth Monday of each month from October to April. Registration encouraged. Walk-ins are welcome as space allows. NOTE: This is the last meeting before a break for summer. Gatherings will likely resume in October.

Lessons from the Holocaust: Sunday, May 4 @ 2:00 pm. Educator Brad Wilkening will use historical accounts and survivors' stories to show why the genocide of World War II is more relevant than ever, and how this terrible period in human history should be used to build a more compassionate and kinder world today. This program is 1.5 hours long. Refreshments will be provided.

Library closed for Mother's Day: Sunday, May 11

Spring Plant Sale: Saturday, May 17 from 9:00 to 11:00 am. Join Karen Kramer and members of the JKPL Fundraising Committee in the parking lot adjacent to the JKPL to buy plants donated by committee and community members. The plant sale will run from 9:00 to 11:00 am or until all items are taken. Plants not selected during the sale may be available for a donation following the sale. All proceeds will be used to support library collections and services. If you have plants you would like to donate, please contact the library at (563)875-8912 to make arrangements to drop them off. Plants of all kinds are welcome.

"Love Them First" Documentary and Discussion: Saturday, May 17 @ 11:00 am. Join us for the award-winning documentary, *Love Them First: Lessons from Lucy Laney Elementary* which will be followed by a discussion about education. The documentary follows the determination of a charismatic north Minneapolis school principal as she sets out to undo history. Not only does Minnesota have the largest achievement gap between black and white children in the United States, but Lucy Laney Elementary has been at the bottom of the state's list of underperforming schools for two decades. Under Mauri Melander Friestleben's leadership, standardized test scores from most black students began rising for the first time, but when the school encounters a heartbreaking setback, Friestleben is forced to confront the true measure of student success at Lucy Laney. (NR, 90 min.). This program is presented in partnership with Grade-Level Reading.

Library closed for Memorial Day: Sunday, May 25 & Monday, May 26

Adult Summer Library Program Begins! Sunday, June 1: Everyone 18 and older is encouraged to participate in the 2025 program that runs June 1-August 31. This year's theme is Color Our World. The program theme this year invites you to embark on a journey of art and creativity, celebrating the myriad ways in which art enriches our lives. The program is designed to inspire and engage readers of all ages through a diverse array of artistic expressions. Registration begins on June 1 and adults are welcome to join throughout the summer. Participants will receive a bookbag, bookmark, and a free book just for registering. Participants will track books read or listened to, library services used, programs attended, and activities completed to earn prizes. Details TBA. Special programs will also be scheduled throughout the summer. The adult summer library program is sponsored by the Friends of the James Kennedy Public Library.

Donate to the JKPL Garage Sale Fundraiser: Tuesday, June 3 – Friday, June 6. The JKPL fundraising committee and Friends of the Library are again partnering to offer another way you can support the JKPL! Members of the community are encouraged to donate their good, used items to the JKPL and they will be sold at a yard sale with the proceeds going to support the JKPL. Items should be brought to the library during library business hours between June 3 and June 6. Items should be in good, clean, working condition. A list of donation guidelines is posted on the JKPL website or available to

pick up at the library.

Library Garage Sale Fundraiser: Saturday, June 7 from 9:00 am-3:00 pm. The JKPL fundraising committee and Friends of the Library have partnered to offer a new way you can support the JKPL! Members of the community have donated good, new, and gently used items to the JKPL for this new event. The sale will be held in the parking lot adjacent to the library (weather permitting) or in the Hoffman Room. All proceeds will be used to support library programs, collections and services. The sale will continue on Sunday where all items not sold will be available for a donation.

Dyersville Public Works Equipment Exhibition: June 2025. The JKPL and Dyersville Public Works are partnering to celebrate Dyersville Public Works! This year, Public Works will bring some of their vehicles and equipment to the library parking lot to show them off and talk about how each one is used to help Dyersville. Included will be the street sweeper/vacuum, end-loader, skid-loader, utility crane, sewer camera unit, and a brand-new dump-truck/snow-plow/sand-spreader! In the Hoffmann Room, the library will be showing videos on the many different services Public Works provides, as well as how Dyersville's water and wastewater systems operate. All ages welcome. Guests will receive a fire hydrant stress reliever (while supplies last) and refreshments will be provided. Final date TBA.

Teen SRP: Game Changer for Teens. Date and time TBA. Game Changer is a YouTube channel where participants engage in games involving improv comedy and random challenges. The twist is that the players don't know what game they are playing until it starts. The library is bringing a version of this to the library for teens! For ages 12-18 only. Registration is required by June ??? to ensure we have enough attendees to hold the program. Want to watch but not play? Feel free to come be part of the audience.

Teen SRP: Mock-A-Movie Night for Teens. Date and time TBA. Join us for a night of terrible cinema, good food, and lots of fun mocking the movie! This evening we will be watching *Kraven the Hunter* (PG-13) – a terrible movie involving Spider-man characters. Refreshments will be provided. For ages 12-18 only.

Library closed for Father's Day: Sunday, June 15

Children's SRP Event - Mikayla Oz: June 16 @ 10 am. Details TBA.

Children's SRP Event - Miss Carole's Macaroni Soup: June 25 @ 9:15. Details TBA.

Teen SRP: Natural Dyes Friday, June 28 @ 6:00 pm. Join us for a fun and hands-on workshop where you'll learn how to make your own colorful dyes using plants and other natural materials found in nature! A bandana will be provided for you to dye, along with all other materials needed. Unlike synthetic dyes that can contain harmful chemicals that are unsafe for you and the environment, our natural dyes are eco-friendly and safe to use. By using dyes derived from plants, flowers, and other natural materials, you'll create unique, vibrant colors while helping protect the planet. Get creative, connect with nature, and make your very own one-of-a-kind, earth-friendly design! This program is for ages 12-18 only. Signup is requested as 10 participants are required to hold this program. Sponsored by TACKL.

Children's SRP Event - Blank Park Zoo - Zoo to You: June 30 @ 12:30 pm. Details TBA.

Thursday, July 3: Library closes @ 5:00 pm

Friday, July 4: Library closed for Independence Day

Children's SRP Event - Blank Park Zoo - Zoo to You: July 14 @ 12:30 pm. Details TBA.

Children's SRP Event - Absolute Science: Bubbles July 26 from 8 to 12 (at Downtown Market).
Details TBA.

Library closed for Labor Day: Sunday, August 31 and Monday, September 1.

Hispanic Heritage Month (September 15-October 15) Event: Date and details TBA.

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Summary of Fund Activity
James Kennedy Public Library Endowment - # 01372

Fund Statement: 1/1/2025 through 1/31/2025

*Investment returns and admin fees are usually updated by the 20th day of the following month.

BEGINNING FUND BALANCE	18,747.15
Gifts	0.00
Interest/Dividend Income	7.46
Realized Gains (Losses)	19.70
Unrealized Gains (Losses)	446.28
Other Income	0.00
Grants Approved	0.00
Investment & Admin Fees	(27.36)
Credit Card Fees	0.00
ENDING FUND BALANCE	19,193.23
Available to Spend	0.00

This fund balance is comprised of gifts and corresponding earnings, grants or fees which individual donors, other than your organization, have contributed to the Community Foundation of Greater Dubuque. This is an asset of the Community Foundation of Greater Dubuque for the support of your organization.



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James Kennedy Public Library
Shirley Vonderhaar
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Dear Shirley,

Endowment payout season has arrived! As the new year begins, we have fresh opportunities to make a meaningful impact in our community and your fund, **James Kennedy Public Library Endowment - Designated Purpose**, plays an essential role.

We are pleased to share that this year, your endowment distribution will be \$ 630.00.

This amount represents 5% of your fund's value, calculated based on a rolling 20-quarter average. For funds less than five years old, the distribution is based on the number of quarters the fund has been active. This payout is a result of strong financial markets and our careful investment strategy. We are committed to managing your fund effectively to ensure it continues to thrive.

To authorize a partial or full distribution, please use the "Recommend a Grant" button at the top of your online fund portal at dbqfoundation.org/gofund. If you need assistance, please contact us at 563-588-2700.

Please note that requests for payouts must be completed within the 2025 calendar year. We encourage you to submit grant distribution requests by December 1. Alternatively, you may choose to roll over your payout for future growth and flexibility. Our team is happy to assist you in evaluating your options or addressing any questions you may have.

Thank you for your commitment to building strong communities today, tomorrow, and forever. We appreciate your partnership and look forward to driving positive change together.

Sincerely,

Nancy Van Milligen
President and CEO
Community Foundation of Greater Dubuque

P.S. Unsure how to best utilize or distribute your payout? Contact us—we're here to help you make an impactful decision for your fund and our community.

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FY25 Trust Account Budget - including covering operating budget shortfall

Item	how funded	amount	GF or Trust typically)
Typical projects and funding			
Kanopy streaming	Fundraising revenue (ongoing)	\$ 600.00	Trust
Hoopla streaming	Fundraising revenue (ongoing)	\$ 4,000.00	Trust
Facebook marketing	Fundraising revenue (ongoing)	\$ 200.00	Trust
Hotspots & service	Fundraising revenue (ongoing)	\$ 1,200.00	Trust
Love My Library requests	LML - use of donations	\$ 5,000.00	Trust
Fundraising expenses	Candy / Snacks	\$ 500.00	Trust
Fundraising expenses	Cookie Walk (bags, plates, cocoa)	\$ 200.00	Trust
Fundraising expenses	Love My Library (printing /postage)	\$ 1,400.00	Trust
Books and materials	Adopt a book program	\$ 200.00	Trust
Program refreshments	Friends ongoing booksale	\$ 200.00	Trust
Programs, materials, etc.	Friends annual support	\$ 5,000.00	Trust
TACKL activities	TACKL fundraisers	\$ 500.00	Trust
Grant expenditures	LTC, KCC, SW, CFGD	\$ 20,000.00	Trust
Hoopla & Hotspots (above budget)	Fundraising revenue (ongoing)	\$ 2,500.00	Trust
			\$ 41,500.00
Special for FY25 (typically operating budget)			
Program fees & supplies	DQ fundraiser & donations	\$ 2,000.00	GF
Marketing & publicity	Past fundraisers - as needed	\$ 1,000.00	GF
Maintenance & repairs	Past donations - as needed	\$ 1,000.00	GF
Adult fiction	Donations, memorials & Friends	\$ 4,000.00	GF
Adult nonfiction	Donations & Friends	\$ 2,500.00	GF
Children's fiction	Donations, memorials, fundraising & Friends	\$ 4,000.00	GF
Children's nonfiction	Friends	\$ 1,000.00	GF
Large print	Donations, memorials & Friends	\$ 3,000.00	GF
Electronic materials	Fundraising income	\$ 1,000.00	GF
Reference & databases	Soppe bequest for genealogy support	\$ 1,500.00	GF
Games	Donations & fundraising	\$ 1,000.00	GF
Creation Station / LoT	Fundraising income	\$ 500.00	GF
			\$ 22,500.00

will need \$6000
spent \$1442

Total allocation needed for FY25 \$ 64,000.00
Originally allocated \$ 40,000.00
Budget Amendment suggested \$ 25,000.00

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March 4, 2025 Fundraising and Marketing Committee Meeting Notes

Members of the JKPL Fundraising and Marketing Committee met at 6:00 pm on Tuesday, March 4, 2025. Participants were Alex Wiezorek, Monika Steffen, Beth Gudenkauf, Danelle Schroeder and Shirley Vonderhaar. There were also two guests in attendance who were interested in learning more about the JKPL fundraising activities.

Love My Library Giving Tree: For 2025, this event was held the month of February. It was a direct mail campaign with letters going to all locations that receive a Dyersville utility bill. We created a double-sided letter and insert. Heritage Printing printed and folded 2100 letters. They also merged the mailing information and printed the envelopes for us. Internally, we printed the inserts on cardstock and volunteers cut apart. Volunteers stuffed and sealed all the envelopes. Out of pocket costs were: printing - \$856, cardstock - \$30, mailing - \$777; for a TOTAL of \$1663. Donations as of 2/28/25 were \$2754. Additional contributions will likely be received over the next few weeks. The committee agreed to review this event after all donations have been received to decide how to proceed for future years. If we decided to do a large direct mailing in the future, things to consider include:

- Investigate what would take to use EDDM government rate and decide if that is a more cost-effective option. (This option cost 0.38 per, with a few at 0.40.)
- Get utility list from city early enough so can remove duplicates, board members, etc. and not pay to mail those; reduce printing and folding also
- See if have to include Return Service Requested on envelope. We spent \$22 on this but will not be updating a mailing list so has no benefit to us.
- Consider including return envelope for donations in mailing.
- Receipt portion on letter should include question about acknowledging donation.

Puzzle Fundraiser: This new event was held on 2/6/25 with Textile Brewery as partner and host location. Originally, we had 12 tables available. Due to high interest, event was expanded to 15 tables. These sold out quickly and we had a waiting list of potential participants. Tables for up to 4 participants were sold at \$40.00 each and twists were sold at the event for \$10.00 each. Proceeds were \$600 for tables, \$180 for twists, and \$100 from Textile Brewery for percentage of sales. The only cost was \$80 to purchase puzzles so event raised \$800. Due to the strong interest, the committee discussed when to hold again. Textile would be interested in hosting again but not until the fall. It was suggested we consider offering three times a year – winter, spring and fall – and partner with Textile, Fuse, and O So Good. Monika will check with Fuse to see if they were interested in partnering for something this spring. The committee also agreed that the twists were fun but were not equal in value and some did not work well so might want to simplify for the next event. It was also suggested that we offer 1 free twist per table. Shirley was directed to reach out to the participants to see what they liked. It was also suggested that we use a larger puzzle (at least 500, perhaps 750 or 1000 pieces) and consider a higher entry fee. We need to be aware of space and table size when deciding on the puzzle size – to make sure there is adequate space.

Mystery Dinner Theater: This annual event was held Saturday, February 22. We sold 59 tickets ahead of the event and then had a few extras show due to a communication issue with one of the tables. Total income from tickets was \$4237. An additional \$42 was brought in as donations for beverages available (most brought their own). The cost for this event was \$1334 for Brew Ha

Ha (actors fees) and \$1541 to J & D for meals. Based on these expenditures and income, this event raised \$1404. The committee will discuss planning for 2026 at the next meeting.

Build-a-Basket Fundraiser: This annual event was scheduled to start mid-February for people to pick up baskets, with the Silent auction to run March 10 to April 13. Donors started bringing in baskets early – likely a response to the direct mail letter which mentioned this event. We already have 15 baskets out and several more that need to be put out. Shirley noted she would be on vacation on April 13 so Paul will be the staff member assisting with the end of auction activities. Alex agreed to work as well.

NWL Trivia Event (partnership with O So Good): For the last couple of years, the JKPL has partnered with O So Good Winery to hold a fundraising event in conjunction with National Library Week. This year NLW is April 6-12, 2025. Shirley emailed O So Good to see their interest in hosting again and what dates might work. She has not heard back and has not yet followed up as she wanted direction from the committee. Last year this fundraiser was held as part of O So Good's monthly Music Bingo event. The committee agreed this was not a good fit – even though it falls during NLW. Shirley was directed to check with O So Good about partnering for their April trivia night on April 25. If this is agreeable, she will then contact Justin at Dollar Fresh to see if they are interested in cosponsoring as they did the Halloween themed event in October.

Breakfast Burrito Carry Out Fundraiser: This annual event, held in connection with National Library Week is scheduled for Saturday, April 5 from 9 to 11 am. Price will be \$7.00 – an increase of \$1.00 from the fall. Shirley has contacted Fareway and they are willing to donate ingredients so we just need to provide them with a list and when they should be delivered. Alex will take the lead on this event and plan to cook on his Blackstone. Monika and Shirley should be available to assist. The Board will ask for more workers at the Board meeting. The plan for this event includes: start cooking at 7:00 am so have some ready to go at 9 am; set up assembly line style and have roasters to hold the heated items; increase ingredients to offer 100 portions (instead of 80); offer additional / alternative ingredients (ham, peppers, onions, etc.); have a plan for consistency in portions. Shirley will put together an ingredient list and quantities needed and communicate with Fareway to be sure we are ready for this event.

Spring Plant Sale: This event is scheduled for Saturday, May 17, from 9 to 11 am. Karen Kramer has agreed to assist that day. Sales will continue to be a suggested donation of \$2 for small and \$4 for larger plants.

Garage Sale Fundraiser: This new annual spring event will be held the Saturday of Toy Show / City Garage Sale weekend with Sunday being a donation day. For 2025, this will be June 6-8. Following last year's format, the garage sale will be held on Saturday, June 7; Sunday everything left will be available for a donation; and everything left after that will be taken to Goodwill or Camp Courageous. We will again partner with the Friends so that all donations are going to them – so things not sold can be donated to other entities. The committee is hopeful that the weather will cooperate and that people will again be generous with their donations. The plan is to accept donations the first week of June, if possible to sort things as they arrive (clothes, toys, housewares, etc.); have more volunteers to help with sorting Friday night and to help with final set up the morning before the sale starts. Alex will again take lead on this event but many

volunteers are needed. Volunteers and availability to help will be discussed at the next committee meeting.

Sales at Pop-Up Library at Downtown Summer Night: In the past the committee has sold freezer pops along with hosting the pop-up library at the Downtown Summer Night events. It has been decided that we will no longer sell because there are other options for food and it doesn't bring in much money, but we should continue hosting the pop-up library. DTSNs will be June 13 and August 8 from 5:30 to 9:00 pm this year. Beth thought she would be able to help but workers will be confirmed at a later date. Remaining popsicles will be used at a summer library event.

Book Art Fundraiser: Alex will again take lead on this event. It will kick off at the June 28 Downtown Market, with donation event being at the July 26 Downtown Market. There will not be a special vendor option this year. Last year, Happy Joe's donated a coupon for 2 large pizzas, 2 pitchers of pop, and \$10.00 in game tokens as a prize. Alex will see if they are willing to donate again. Book art that is not wanted by the creator will be sold in a silent auction – to be held at the Market or at the library. Additional details will be discussed at the next committee meeting.

STEAM Fundraiser Partnership: Pre-Covid the JKPL had been partnering with local businesses for summer fundraisers. The JKPL would bring STEAM activities, life size games, etc. to the venue and the business would donate a portion of sales to the library. This was held a couple of times with Dairy Queen and once with Country Junction. The committee discussed this but thought we already have a lot going on this summer. It was suggested we could see if DQ would be interested in partnering for an afternoon and evening and we could take the Book Bike or Pop-up library to their green space.

Chalk Art Fundraiser: The committee decided this would be better as a library activity, not as a fundraiser.

MARKETING:

Radio Interview: Beth volunteered to participate in a radio interview the first week of April – to promote Burrito Breakfast, National Library Week and Build-a-Basket. Dawn will reach out to the radio station to get this scheduled.

Web information guidance requested. In the Strategic Plan, we have the following *Objective:* The Assistant Director will research and revise the staff and board biographical information which is posted on the JKPL webpage by December 2024. Dawn has done some research on best practices for this information. She looked at the websites of 6 libraries of varying size. One had no information on its staff. Five listed staff by name, title, and work contact info (phone or email). Four of those libraries also included a photo of each staff member. All six libraries had varying degrees of information about its trustees. All six listed at least their names. Two included photos. Two included personal contact information (street address, email, or phone number). One included a generic email address. One included a paragraph long biography on each trustee. Dawn also reached out to the State Library to inquire about what is considered best practice and they confirmed that there is no best practice and that every library handles it differently. It was mentioned that including personal contact information (address, phone number, or email) about trustees or staff would be considered a privacy violation. Otherwise, the

State Library recommended following what the City does for their staff as the model for what the library does for its staff and board pages. Dawn requested guidance from the Marketing Committee or Board as a whole regarding what information they would like included on the library website about staff and board. The committee agreed that staff information should include photos, but Board information should just be their names, with contact information being a library related email address. The committee discovered that the city website includes Board personal contact information. Shirley will reach out to the city about removing this.

St. Patrick's Day Parade: Alycia is not able to do a float so Dawn is managing this. It will be low key with truck, trailer and a couple of walkers. Most of the TACKL volunteers that would typically assist are not available this year.

Volunteers for STEAMfest: The JKPL annual STEAMfest event is scheduled for Saturday, March 29 from 9:30 to 2:30 and additional volunteers are needed. Beth, Alex, and Monika all thought they might be available. Shirley will get back to them about helping.

National Library Week (April 6-11): Since the JKPL Board meeting falls during NLW, the Committee thought it would be a good opportunity to hold a social / open house and invite the community to attend. They also suggested a special family story time or event for children and families to dress up as their favorite book character. Shirley will include these ideas when planning for NLW events.

Next meeting: To be scheduled.



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Date: March 11, 2025
To: Mayor and City Council, City of Dyersville
From: James Kennedy Public Library
RE: Library Trust Account Budget Amendment Request

The James Kennedy Public Library requests that the Mayor and City Council of the City of Dyersville consider appropriating an additional \$25,000 for library trust account expenses for FY2025. During this fiscal year, the library has received grants and donations and is utilizing funds from the trust account for projects that will be more than the \$40,000 appropriated. The Board is requesting a total FY2025 Trust Account allocation of \$65,000 be appropriated.

Thank you for your consideration.

LIBRARIAN: Children’s Services (Part-time) : Christa Palm

- 1. Title: Children’s Services Librarian
- 2. Reports to: Library Director
- 3. Purpose and scope of the job: Under the supervision of the Library Director, directs, plans, coordinates, and controls all the activities of the children’s services department of the JKPL

- Provides library services to children up to age 12, their families, and adults working with children,
- Plans, markets, facilitates, and / or presents programs for children 0 to 5th grade, inclusive and families
 - Programming may include presenting to groups of various sizes, including large groups
 - Includes, but is not limited to, programs within the library and at outreach centers (daycares, schools, etc.)
- Schedules and conducts school tours and instructional visits
- Serves as a liaison to schools, child care centers, preschools, and other organizations serving children and families and through outreach programs
- Responsible for collection development for infants – 5th grade, inclusive
- Responsible for displays and exhibits in children’s area as well as assisting the Assistant Library Director with relevant displays and exhibits elsewhere
- Supervises clerks and volunteers when necessary
- Is a City of Dyersville employee
- Works with the Library Director and other library staff to provide the best possible service to the City of Dyersville
- Performs other Library tasks as requested
- When assigned, is person in charge of the library when the Library Director or Assistant Director is unavailable

4. Specific Duties:

- Assists at the circulation desk when needed
- Assists patrons with reference questions using print, online and other resources
- Provides reader's advisory assistance when needed
- Assists patrons with computers (word processing, web searching, etc.)
- Responsible for public relations activities for children’s services, in collaboration with Assistant Director
- Responsible for children’s collection development, including books, periodicals, and non-print materials
- Plans, promotes and performs programs, including but not limited to, infant, toddler, and preschool storytimes, summer and winter reading programs, and special events
- Collaborates with and provides training and guidance to Programmer – Children’s Services
- Creates and / or supervises bibliographies, fliers, bulletin boards, decorating, displays and exhibits in the children’s area

- Interprets Library policies and procedures and communicates this information as necessary to patrons;
- Responsible for working at least one opening / morning shift per week
- Responsible for working at least one evening / closing shift per week
- In lieu of participating in the weekend rotation, works all Sunday hours
- Works a minimum of 10 hours per week as “Librarian in Charge”
- Supervises subordinate employees, volunteers, etc. when “Librarian in Charge”
- Represents the James Kennedy Public Library at meetings, conferences, etc., as deemed appropriate by the Library Director
- Manages the library when the Director and Assistant Director are unavailable
- Participates in Continuing Education as recommended or approved by the Library Director

5. Knowledge, Abilities, and Skills:

- Knowledge of basic principles and practices of public library services to children including children's literature, reference tools, and reader's advisory
- Knowledge of child development; ability to understand the needs of children and to interact with them in an effective manner
- Knowledge of good customer service principles with an ability to deal professionally and tactfully with both the public and fellow library staff
- Ability to establish and maintain effective working relationships with employees and the general public
- Ability to utilize computers and other technology and run basic computer programs, including but not limited to Microsoft Office, Internet browsers, email, etc.
- Ability to use standard office equipment such as copier, fax, phone system, etc.
- Ability to plan, organize, and carry out library activities
- Ability to prepare and maintain work records
- Good oral and written communication skills
- Initiative and the ability to make effective decisions based on library policies and sound judgment
- Ability to execute assignments without close supervision

6. Education and Experience:

Required: Bachelor's Degree in elementary education, early childhood development, or related field; or equivalent combination of education and experience
Youth Services Endorsement by the State Library of Iowa within 2 years of start date

Preferred: Master's in Library / Information Science or equivalent advanced degree
Experience in library services and tasks

7. Physical Requirements: The following are required with or without reasonable accommodation:
 - Sufficient clarity of speech and hearing, which permits the employee to communicate effectively
 - Sufficient vision, which permits the employee to prepare and read a variety of materials
 - Sufficient manual dexterity, which permits the employee to operate a computer, keyboard, and other equipment
 - Sufficient personal mobility, which permits the employee to complete various activities such as lifting up to 35 lbs., bending, kneeling, carrying, and walking.
8. Regular part-time position, requiring some evenings, weekends, and flexibility to meet requirements of programming / average work week of 20-25 hours.

(Previous Youth Services, Senior Services and Adult Services Librarian job descriptions were merged into this one position in 2011)

Approved 5/2011, revised 5/2014, revised 11/2015, revised 9/2021, revised 5/2022
Part-time children's services librarian job description approved 5/2023, revised 3/2025

PROGRAMMER: Children's Services (Part-time) – New

1. Title: Children's Services Programmer

2. Reports to: Library Director

3. Purpose and Scope of the job:

- Plans, promotes, and implements library programs for specified target audience. Programs may be offered on site, off site, virtually and remotely.
 - Children's Services: programs for children, primarily preschool but may include programming for children of all ages
- Utilizes books, and other library resources.
- Programming may include researching and presenting programs, facilitating events, teaching classes, etc.
- Involves working with the public and performing routine library tasks in an active, medium-sized municipal public library.
- Is a City of Dyersville employee
- Works with the Library Director, Children's Librarian, and other library staff to provide the best possible service to the residents of the City of Dyersville.

4. Specific duties:

- Plan and present programs for preschool children at local schools and daycares as well as at the library (primary)
- Develop monthly take and make crafts and Kids Can Craft activities for preschool children
- Develop and / or assist with developing monthly scavenger hunts and pretend play activities
- Assist librarians, especially the children's librarian with programs and related assignments as library needs and work schedule allow
- Routine library desk work as work schedule allows (Circulation, shelving, etc.)
- Continuing education as recommended by Library Director
- Related work as assigned

5. Knowledge, Abilities, and Skills:

Required: Ability to follow written and oral instructions
Ability to work with the public
Ability to work with children and their families

Preferred: Knowledge of programing interests and programming skills for children
Willingness to learn new skills
Knowledge of routine library procedures

6. Education and Experience:

Required: AA or equivalent combination of education and experience

Preferred: Experience in working with preschool children and their families
Experience in routine library work

7. Physical Requirements: The following are required with or without reasonable accommodation:

- Sufficient clarity of speech and hearing, which permits the employee to communicate effectively
- Sufficient vision, which permits the employee to prepare and read a variety of materials
- Sufficient manual dexterity, which permits the employee to operate a computer, keyboard, and other equipment
- Sufficient personal mobility, which permits the employee to complete various activities such as lifting up to 35 lbs., bending, kneeling, carrying, and walking.

8. Part-time position / average work week of 9 to 12 hours. Schedule will include days, evenings and weekends and must be flexible to meet the demands of programs offered at varied times.

Adopted 3/2025