

TOP NEWS

- 1000 Books Before Kindergarten back in action!
- Annual Kv-POP World Spay Day at ACPL!
- Grab a huge haul at our Friends Book Sale!

1000 BOOKS BEFORE KINDERGARTEN



Welcome to 1000 Books Before Kindergarten! If you are thinking, "Wait! I've heard this before. What's so new about it?" Then I'm glad you asked! We have completely rehauled our program here at the library so that we may better serve our patrons who are currently in this program and those who haven't entered yet!

1000 Books Before Kindergarten is a program that starts from the birth of your child and goes until they enter Kindergarten. The goal is obvious: try to read 1000 books in that time frame! Did you know if you read 3 books every night to your kid you can hit this goal in just one year?

This program is so important for early literacy and promoting a love of reading with your kids early on. Promoting a love of reading will set them on a successful path as they enter school. Reading has so many benefits and not just because it is rewarding but because the library will give you rewards!

Every 100 books that have been read, your child will receive a sticker, a certificate, an exclusive coloring page, and a small prize. These incentives will continue until they reach 1000 in which we shall throw a party and celebrate with all the other winners! You'll also get to watch your child jump up the 1000 Books Before Kindergarten tree! Don't miss your opportunity to sign up today! See Miss Bre or Miss Sandie in the back for more information!

THE BUZZ

BRE'S BULLETIN

Happy Valentine's Day! This is the perfect time of year to dip your toe into a good romance! Read something that makes you laugh and fall in love or even something that really jerks at those heartstrings. Maybe romance isn't your thing? So read something you love instead! This month is all about love and if we don't do what we love and appreciate those we love what's the point? Don't forget self love is just as important as anything else! So have an amazing Valentine's Day!

SANDIE'S SPOTLIGHT

It might be cold outside but things are warming up at the library! We are starting out a new year, why not try out a new book! Look for our Blind Date with a Book display in February!

Feeling too cold out, then stay home and have a movie night! Lots of movies are available here at the library and also on our hoopla app. I have been enjoying hoopla's binge pass with Hallmark so much!

All of our regularly scheduled programs are in full swing weather permitting. Stop by and learn to crochet or learn about seed starting basics at our Garden to Table class. Or just stop by, the Adair County Public Library is full of ideas to keep you warm and cozy while we wait out the rest of winter together! Maybe we will get lucky and that groundhog will call for an early spring this year!

THE STAFF SCOOP

I went around and asked the staff "What is your favorite romance author or book?" and the answer was loud and clear. Romance? No thanks! So here are a few recommendations from our staff for the non-romance lovers out there. (Though we did manage to sneak a few romance authors in here!)

Favorite Author? J. R. R. Tolkien - Jessica (Circulation Clerk) Favorite Author? Melanie Dickerson - Sheryl (Volunteer) Favorite Author? P. J. Tracy - Pennie (Circulation Clerk) Favorite Author? Katherine Center - Sonja (Cataloguer and Interim Director) Favorite Author? Sharon Sala - Maria (Office Assistant)

UPCOMING PROGRAMS



KV-POP WORLD SPAY DAY

It's that time again! World Spay Day hosted by KV-POP (Kirksville- Protect Our Pets) is coming to Adair County Public Library. KV-POP will set up here on Tuesday, February 25 from 4-6 PM, they will be offering coupons for \$30 off spaying and neutering for your animals. Remember there is a limit two for the coupons!

The coupons have the guarantee of many of the local clinics in our area and they will expire on May 31, 2025. This is one of those programs that can run out of coupons so make sure you come on time to get your coupons and keep your animals happy and safe!

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GARDEN TO TABLE

After a short break, we are happy to announce that our ever so popular Garden to Table is back in action! Our good friend Tiffany is back to teach us all about how to grow plants and use them to make our favorite foods.

In this breakout class you will be learning about how to properly plant your garden and when to plant it. This is a very important first step class to get you on your way to prepare for the perfect vegetable garden so make sure you come to this event!

This event will take place at the library on Wednesday January 29th at 5:30PM, this is your opportunity to know how to plant and design your garden so we hope to see you there!

BACK IN BUSINESS

As many of you know most of our programming took a break for January. We used this time to plan, improve, and rework many of our popular programs to make them even better. As such, we are ready and excited to start fresh in February. If you found yourself missing a lot of our base programs like Storytime, Toddler Tuesdays, and Baby Craft, then you are going to be super happy for February!

Starting in February, everything is back in business. We will have ALL of our regularly scheduled programs and of course some new ones on the horizon. We missed you all very much in January but rest assured that everything will go smoothly in February! (Weather permitting that is!)

Happy, BEHIND THE valentine's Day & SHELVES



THE FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY



September through April The Friends of the Library choose a book each month to discuss. February's Friends of the Library Book is *James by Percival Everett.*

When the enslaved Jim overhears that he is about to be sold to a man in New Orleans, separated from his wife and daughter forever, he decides to hide on nearby Jackson Island until he can formulate a plan. Meanwhile, Huck Finn has faked his own death to escape his violent father, recently returned to town. As all readers of American literature know, thus begins the dangerous and transcendent journey by raft down the Mississippi River toward the elusive and too-often-unreliable promise of the Free States and beyond. -Amazon

STORYWALK AT THOUSAND HILLS

Adair County Public Library partnered with Thousand Hills State Park to bring our community a StoryWalk. Our StoryWalk is featured at Forest Lake Trail and runs about half a mile. Make sure you check back monthly! The stories change every month and feature a beautiful story about nature and appreciating what is around us.

February's StoryWalk Book is Winter Sleep by Sean Taylor.

In this cozy bedtime story, follow a child and his grandma through a winter landscape to explore how the Earth goes to sleep for winter. Spot the sleeping animals as the tale unfolds, then learn about their hibernation habits from the information pages at the end. -Amazon

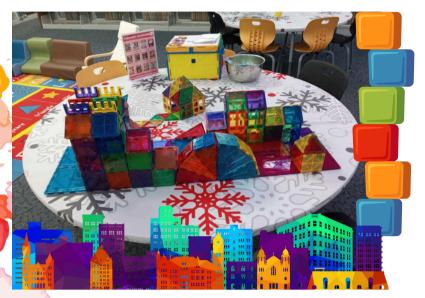
FRIENDS BOOK SALE



Every first Saturday of the month is the Friends Book Sale. In February this will be taking place February 1st at 10AM - 3PM. Though this is a monthly sale we really want to bring attention to this particular one!

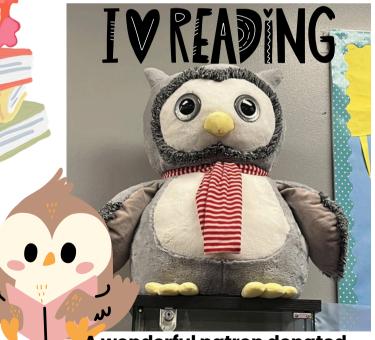
We have had some amazing donations this last month or so and so our bookshelves are overflowing with amazing material that you can buy for your own at home collection! Something you will want to keep an eye on is our audiobooks and DVDs. We have had an influx of these items join the book sale and this is your time to stock up! All the money made goes to the Friends of Adair County Public Library so that they may help us afford the amazing things that we get to do for you!

A LOOK BACK AT OUR MONTH



There is nothing cooler than seeing what our young patrons can build!

Tiny Art Show is now available for viewing in the Children's Section!



We also were donated this amazing little dino who is excited to explore some history with you! A wonderful patron donated this hoot of a friend for everyone to have a reading buddy. FEBRUARY 2025



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						1 BOOK SALE @ 10AM-3PM TAKE YOUR CHILD TO THE LIBRARY DAY @ 10AM
2	3	4 BINGO @ 10AM BABY CRAFT @ 4PM	5 STORYTIME AT SB40 @ 1PM POKEMON TRADING CARD DAY @ 4PM HOMEBOUND DELIVERY	6	7 STORYTIME @ 10AM	8 MAGIC THE GATHERING 2PM- 4PM
9	10 UKULELE @ 4:30PM-5:45PM	11 BINGO @ 10AM TODDLER TUESDAY @ 4PM FRIENDS BOOK DISCUSSION @ 5:30PM (ALL WELCOME!)	12 AREA SCENE AT KIRX @ 9AM STORYTIME AT SB40 @ 1PM MAKERSPACE @ 4PM	13	14 STORYTIME @ 10AM	15 CROCHET WITH BECCA AND BAILLIE @ 10AM
16	17 UKULELE @ 4:30PM-5:45PM	18 BINGO @ 10AM TEEN TUESDAY @ 4PM	19 Storytime at SB40 @ 1PM LEGO DAY @ 4PM	20	21 STORYTIME @ 10AM	22 MAGIC THE GATHERING @ 2PM-4PM
23	24	25 BINGO @ 10AM CRYPTID CLUB @ 4PM KV-POP SPAY DAY @ 4PM-6PM	26 STORYTIME AT SB40 @ 1PM GARDEN TO TABLE @ 5:30PM	27	28 STORYTIME @ 10AM	