



Quarterly Newsletter Sponsored by
the Friends of the Estherville Public Library

Annual Friends of the EPL Silent Auction

The Estherville Public Library’s Friends group is planning their fourth annual Silent Auction fundraiser this year, and could use your help. We plan to hold our silent auction the same evening as the Chamber’s annual Chocolate Walk event on November 21st. Items can be accepted immediately, any time the library is open, and will be on display for bidding from November 1-21. Winners will be announced that evening, and need not be present to accept their winning bids at that time.

Last year’s donations ranged in value from \$15 to \$350. Standalone items as well as theme baskets are all welcome. Individuals, groups, businesses, or organizations are welcome to donate, and will be credited for their generosity in library publications.

Whether or not you are able to provide an item or basket for our auction, we hope you will visit the library and bid on items November 1-21. This is a great opportunity to get some Christmas shopping done early while supporting an important community organization! This year’s proceeds will be directed toward children’s programming accessories and funds to bring in special speakers and events.

THURSDAY, NOV. 21

CONCLUDES AT 7:00 PM

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UPCOMING EVENTS

Classic Movie Matinee

The library will be hosting Library Movie Classics the last Wednesday of every month in the library community room. Each movie presentation starts at 1:30 pm. All movies include free popcorn.

- October 30th, *Sorry Wrong Number*
- November 27th, *Mildred Pierce*
- December 25th, *No Movie*



Maker Mondays

We concluded our season in the spring of 2019 with Tissue Dyed Silk Scarves. Watch for upcoming monthly sessions, which will begin in October. As always, registration is REQUIRED by calling 362-7731. While each event is free, supplies and seating are limited. (Note that registration does not open until each event is announced.) Following our website and Facebook page are both good ways to be one of the first to know!



Maker Monday With Gillian Anderson

MONDAY, OCTOBER 21 AT 6:30 PM
AT THE ESTHERVILLE PUBLIC LIBRARY

CALL 362-7731 TO REGISTER
SEATING & SUPPLIES ARE LIMITED!

REGISTRATION OPENS SEPT. 21

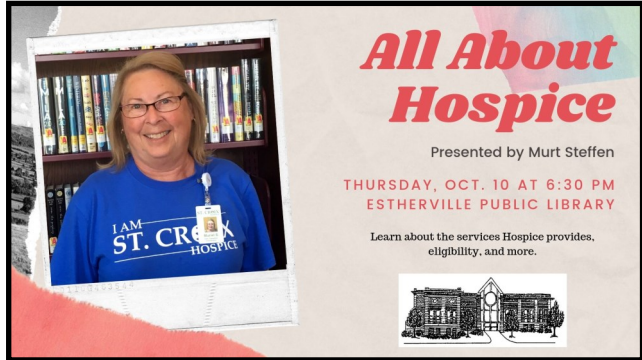
AMAZING

The poster has a red background. On the left, there is a Polaroid-style photo of a blue vintage truck with pumpkins in its bed, with the text "hello FALL" written in white cursive above it. Below the truck, the word "AMAZING" is written in white on a black, torn-paper-like background. On the right, there is a small black and white line drawing of a building. The text "Maker Monday" is in a large, bold, white font. "With Gillian Anderson" is in a smaller, white, serif font. Below that, the date and time "MONDAY, OCTOBER 21 AT 6:30 PM" and the location "AT THE ESTHERVILLE PUBLIC LIBRARY" are in a white, sans-serif font. At the bottom, the registration information "CALL 362-7731 TO REGISTER" and "*SEATING & SUPPLIES ARE LIMITED!*" are in a white, sans-serif font, followed by "REGISTRATION OPENS SEPT. 21" in a smaller white, sans-serif font.

UPCOMING EVENTS

All About Hospice

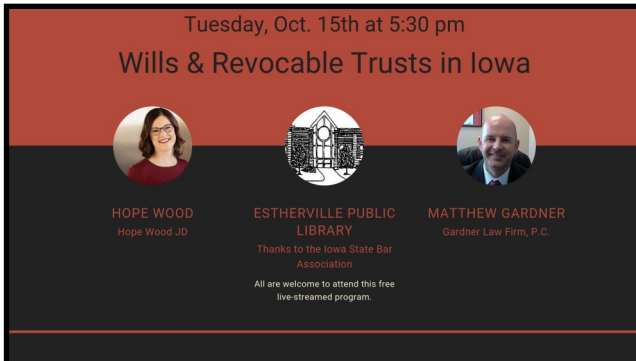
Murt Steffen of St. Croix Hospice will be with us on Thursday, October 10th at 6:30 pm to talk about all that Hospice has to offer and clear up common



misconceptions surrounding eligibility and services. Bring your questions and prepare to learn more about this important topic.

ISBA Legal Issues Series

The Iowa State Bar Association is presenting a series of live-streamed presentations for all interested Iowans. On October 15th the



topic will cover Wills & Revocable Trusts. Join us for this free and unbiased informational session which is open to all.

Friends of the Library Board Meeting January 2, 2020 at 5:30 PM

COMING SOON

TubaChristmas

The Chamber's Annual TubaChristmas event will visit the library on Thursday, December 5th. All are welcome!



Brainfuse HelpNow

The EPL is partnering with other libraries across the state to purchase Brainfuse HelpNow. This online resource offers live tutoring, a writing assistance lab, a skill surfer, and the ability to send questions out for expert help. We expect this new offering



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HelpNow

WEEKLY OPPORTUNITIES

Conversational Spanish

Every Friday at Noon all are welcome to join our informal group practicing Conversational Spanish in the Community room for 30-60 minutes. Volunteer leader David Morin will be there to answer your questions and guide you through the topic of the day. As this is not a formal class, those interested are welcome to join any day they are free to do so, and you will not have missed any pre-requisite information.



FRIDAYS AT 12:00 (NOON)

Conversational Spanish

At the Estherville Public Library

An informal opportunity to engage in conversation and improve your skills.



With David Morin

The graphic features a dark background with a faint image of a building. It includes the text 'FRIDAYS AT 12:00 (NOON)', 'Conversational Spanish', 'At the Estherville Public Library', and 'An informal opportunity to engage in conversation and improve your skills.' A small inset photo shows a man, David Morin, smiling.

Knit / Crochet Group



Everyone is welcome to join our Saturday gathering of those who wish to work on handwork projects such as knitting or crochet. People of all abilities and skill levels are welcome, and beginners will find help among fellow participants. Come to share your progress, ideas, patterns, resources, and simply to enjoy the company of fellow crafters and a peaceful place to work. This takes place every Saturday from approximately 10:00-Noon on the main floor.

Wrapping-up Recent Programs



Bizarre Burial Beliefs & Traditions **with Chad Lewis**

In late September, Lewis visited our library once again to share stories from around the world featuring burial beliefs and traditions. The images and stories he shared came from his research and travels, and he included stories about the “dares” he has learned of, and has tried himself. Thus far, no witch’s curse has come true for him, as he has survived sitting in the death chair, jumping over graves, and many more of these various dares.

Bird Training **with Jessica Beaver**

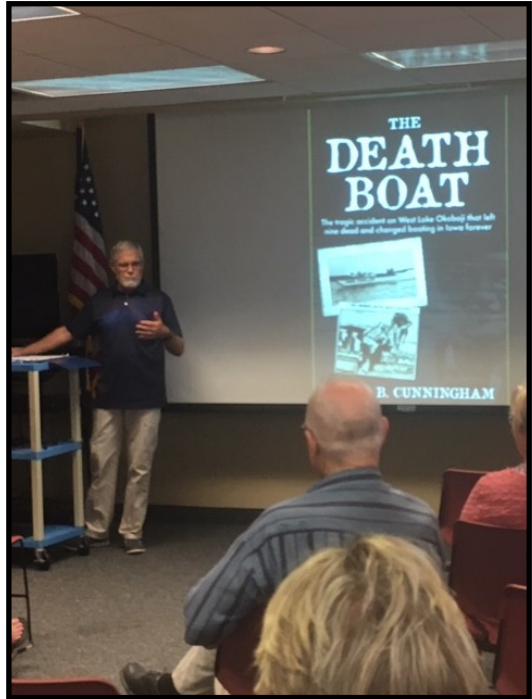
Jessica Beaver joined us on Saturday, August 17th to talk about her amazing experience as a bird trainer at Disney’s Animal Kingdom. Those present enjoyed photos, stories, and videos that she shared. Watch for a potential repeat of this program this winter!



Wrapping Up Recent Programs

The Death Boat *with Lloyd* *Cunningham*

In late June, Cunningham visited to share his recently published book detailing the historic speed boat crash on West Lake Okoboji that claimed 9 lives and changed boating in Iowa forever.



Upcoming Closures

Tuesday, October 8 (Staff Development Day)

Monday, November 11 (Veterans' Day)

Thursday & Friday, November 28 & 29 (Thanksgiving)

Tuesday, December 24 (Closing at 2:00 pm for Christmas Eve)

Wednesday, December 25 (Christmas)

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e-mailed newsletter?*

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info@estherville.lib.ia.us to change your newsletter
format and save a tree!



TINKER TUESDAY

A New Season of After School STEM

Tinker Tuesday for this school has started. At our first session we learned chemistry concepts using the Happy Atoms kit. Using the atom models participants made models of molecules. Using an app on the I Pad they could determine what molecule they had



made and learned how it is used in everyday life. Other activities were also available such as KEVA planks, Snap Circuits, Goldie Blocks, and Cubelets. This group meets the second Tuesday of each month (except October) from 3:45-5:00 pm to learn about STEM concepts using hands-on-activities. This program is FREE and open to youth Kindergarten through sixth grade.



UPCOMING EVENTS

The Piano Continuum

James Grebe is an expert piano tuner and theatre organ historian who is moving to our area this fall from Missouri. His talk on Saturday, November 16th at 10:30 am will cover lesser known stories in the evolution of piano technology. All are welcome!



International Observe the Moon Night

International Observe the Moon Night will be celebrated Saturday, October 5th. Join us in Library Square from 7:00-8:00 pm for this come and go event. Two of the EPL telescopes will be on hand for viewing the moon. The event is free and all ages are welcome. If inclement weather or poor viewing, event will be canceled. Stay tuned to the EPL Facebook page for any cancellation.



CURRENT NEWS

Telescopes and Stem Kits now available for checkout

Library staff have promoted the availability of STEM kits and telescopes for public use at the Back to School Bash, Tinker Tuesday, with local teachers, and through sharing with patrons. These kits are available for two weeks and require a borrowing agreement



completed by an adult. These are a great resource to share with the community to provide hands on experience of STEM concepts in the comfort of their home and with family members.

D&D at the Library

Our “Dungeons and Dragons” program is going quite well, with three to four sessions a month between the two groups, we generally have 7-8 participants each time. We have been getting great comments from participants about how much they enjoy attending. Everyone has their own character they use and are usually quite immersed.

Upcoming Book Club Selections:

Thursday, Oct 3

- The Tattooist of Auschwitz

By Heather Morris

Thursday, Nov 7

- Autobiography of a Face

By Lucy Grealy

Thursday, Dec 5

- The Line Becomes a River

By Francisco Cantu

The Estherville Library's Book Club meets at 12:00 pm (Noon) the first Thursday of every month. Meetings last approximately one hour.

IN APPRECIATION

Donations

- ◇ Kathy Asman gave a general donation
- ◇ The Siouxland Human Investment Partnership, Inc. gave a grant to help fund our Summer Reading Program Finale event
- ◇ Jan Greig gave a general donation
- ◇ *The shelf we had custom made by Kevin Wegner in memory of Irene Foster comes to us thanks to donations in her honor*



The following individuals made contributions to the Friends of the Library as memorials:

- Norma Beaver gave a donation in memory of **Larry Fitzgerald**
- Jan Greig gave a donation in memory of **Bonnie Rawlings**
- Donations to our Friends group in memory of **Mary Hart** have come from David Seylar, Joan Lauritsen, the Langfitt Family, Dennis & Belva Henrickson, Carla Ridout, Daniel & Marty Cae Klein, and the members of her Morning Book Club



Note that additional memorials have been given to the EPL (not via the Friends)

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