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<u>Jessica Beaver,</u> <u>Bird Trainer</u>



Estherville resident Jessica Beaver will be at the Estherville Public Library on Saturday, August 17th at 10:30 AM to share about her experience as a Bird Trainer at Disney's Animal Kingdom. This

program is free, open to all, and appropriate for all ages. We hope you can join us!

Jessica Beaver, Bird Trainer

"I WILL BE DISCUSSING MY AMAZING EXPERIENCE AS A BIRD TRAINER AT DISNEY'S ANIMAL KINGDOM."

Saturday, August 17 at 10:30 AM

SATURDAY, AUG. 17

10:30 AM

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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.

- July 31st, Field of Dreams
- August 28th, Flying Tigers
- September 25th, Double Indemnity

<u>Maker Mondays</u>



We concluded our season in the spring of 2019 with Tissue Dyed Silk Scarves. Watch for upcoming monthly sessions, which will begin in September. 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!)



NEWS

Dungeons & Dragons

Dungeons and Dragons, or D&D, is the focal point behind our newest YA/Adult program. This new program is run by Riley Kintzle, wanting to give people a place to easily learn how to, and play, this great improvisational game. For anyone who does not know what this is, in a general sense, D&D is a game in which players make decisions and then roll dice to see if they succeed or fail. Exploring the realms, and doing what they wish, anything is achievable! The first meeting had a great turnout, thirteen people not counting Riley!



Chad Lewis is back!

Join us Monday evening, September 23rd for Bizarre Burial Beliefs and Traditions with Chad Lewis. You'll remember him from his visit a few years back to talk about his book, The Iowa Road Guide to Haunted Locations. All (who aren't easily scared) are welcome to attend this 6:30 pm program.



Friends of the Library Board Meeting October 3, 2019 at 5:30 PM

BOONE MEMORIAL

Boone family memorial provides updates to cabinetry, children's activities



David Boone has generously given a \$5,000 donation to the Friends of the Estherville Public Library in memory of his parents, Mr. & Mrs. Lloyd. N Boone, Jr. (Lloyd & Olive Boone). Lloyd Boone owned and operated Boone Jewelry on South Sixth Street up until the time of his death in 2001.

David has fond memories of

spending time at the Estherville Public Library as a child, and of being an avid reader thanks to the encouragement of his parents.

Following the consideration of several options, the Friends of the Library Board members determined that combining this

memorial donation with the proceeds of the 2018 Silent Auction would provide some unique opportunities to make upgrades to the library. They voted to replace the cabinetry in the Sanborn Kafe and Staff Kitchen in order to match the rest of the building, and also to commission a Children's Activity Table to house Lego blocks and other imaginative play items for our youngest patrons.



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.



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: The 2019 SRP!

Birth—5th Grade

More children registered for the summer reading program this year than last year with an increased number of Hispanic families participating. Circulation increased as children and their families checked out and read more library materials (both in traditional and digital formats), and library services overall showed increased attendance as did summer reading program events. Participating families became more familiar with library staff and resources, and a few storytimes set record attendance during summer reading.



Children and their families had a wide variety of events to attend. Ashley and Chloe from Emmet County Conservation presented Sun, Moon, and Critters detailing how these entities affect animals. Kids created their own



version of the planet Saturn, explored Straw Rockets and the science behind them, and attended storytimes with themes such as Wind Tube, Rocket, and Lunar. The EPL borrowed a lunar disk sample from the NASA Johnson Space Center in Houston, TX. The disk contained 3 rock and 3 soil samples obtained from the Moon's surface thanks to the Apollo Astronauts.

The EPL would like to thank the Estherville Police Dept. for providing security while the disk was in our care. In collaboration with Estherville Parks and Rec, the community was able to see the Treasure Village play, Pinocchio. The Estherville Area Growth Partnership allowed EPL free use of the Studio 12 space for the Finale event. A meal was provided, final prizes were awarded, and kids and their families rotated through activity stations including

the Star Lab from the Grout Museum in Waterloo, IA. Our thanks goes to the Kossuth Cluster DCAT/CPPC Board for funding the finale event. We would also like to thank the kids, their families, our volunteers, the Friends of the EPL, and the community for making this a success.



Wrapping-up: The 2019 SRP!

5th—12th Grade



Local youth had a variety of programs to attend as part of the teen summer reading program. Throughout June, the library hosted Galaxy Slime, Youth Genealogy, Breaker Space, Needle Felting,

Soft Landing Challenge, and Zoobots. There was also a drawing held for teens from slips for every book read. Four lucky winners were selected and received \$10 in Estherville Bucks and a book.





Adults

Throughout the month of June, adult participants filled out one slip for every book they read, and were entered into a weekly drawing. Prizes such as books, tshirts, bags, and local grocery store gift cards were offered. Thanks for participating!

Upcoming Closures

Thursday, July 4 (Independence Day) Saturday, August 3 (Sweet Corn Days) Saturday, August 31 (Labor Day Weekend) Monday, September 2 (Labor Day)

Would you prefer an e-mailed newsletter?

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



NEW CIRCULATING KITS!

STEM Kits / Telescopes

The Estherville Public Library is grateful and excited to announce that it has received a grant through the Science Kits for Public Library Program. This grant was made possible by the Institute of Electrical and Electronic Engineering (IEEE) – Region 4. A not-for-profit organization, IEEE is the world's largest technical professional organization dedicated to advancing technology for the benefit of humanity. The purpose of the grant is to focus on the development of circulating math and science kit collections

The library has already reached success with implementing STEM programs like Tinker Tuesday, an afterschool program, and hosting NASA @ My Library programs. With the grant generously donated by

IEEE, the library will be creating 14 new science kits in order to continue youth exploration into STEM fields. The STEM kits, once available for check-out, will focus on math, physics, geology, weather, coding, astronomy, dinosaurs, anatomy, robotics, and chemistry. These kits will be aimed at children of different ages including several focused on advanced STEM topics intended for older children. Every kit will contain a



book and/or an interactive manipulative. These kits will be used at our Tinker Tuesday, Summer Reading, story time, and outreach programs as well as being circulated to inquisitive minds.

Adults with library cards in good standing are able to check out these kits by completing a borrowing agreement and placing a deposit (if required). These will be on loan for two weeks at a time. These kits will complement the two NASA @ My Library backpack kits the library received this spring. These backpack kits feature a 76 mm reflector tabletop telescope, coding mouse, space-themed books, planisphere with red flashlight, and moon map. Keep watching the Library's Facebook page, or stop at the library, as more information regarding the kits and their premiere date develops.

EPL EVENTS WRAP-UP

Off the Map with Rosa Snyder

Rosa Snyder of Humanities Iowa joined us in April for an interesting look at several Iowa towns that have disappeared over time, and the reasons they did not thrive.



National Library Week



Thanks to everyone who took the time to visit the library (and to those who agreed to be a bit silly with



us!)
during
National
Library
Week!



Business After 5



Around 65 people joined us for BA5 in June, which we co-hosted with the Emmet County Historical Society & Museum. Thank you!

STORY TIME GUESTS



During the month of May, the library hosted two guests for story time. Mindy Griffith from the Emmet County Farm Bureau Office read the book, *Right This Very Minute* by Lisl Detlefsen. This book was chosen by the American Farm

Bureau Federation as their 2019 book of the year. This title was recently donated to the public library.

In honor of World Turtle Day, Ashley Reed, naturalist from the Emmet County Conservation came to talk about turtles. She brought a red-eared slider turtle to the library. Despite the turtle being shy, we learned a lot

about how they eat, their habitat, and what to do if we should see a turtle. Story times are help Thursdays at 6:30 pm and Fridays at 10:30 am



Upcoming Book Club Selections:

Thursday, July 11

• The Hate U Give

by Angie Thomas

Thursday, Aug 1

• <u>Defending</u> Jacob

By William Landay

Thursday, Sep 5

Home Front

By Kristen Hannah

Thursday, Oct 3

 The Tattooist of Auschwitz

By Heather Morris

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

- ♦ The WA TAN YE Club has given a donation to the library to support the Summer Reading Program (the club is represented in the photograph by Lois Creech)
- ♦ Eric Brink gave a donation via Shell Oil Company



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

- Jan Greig gave a donation in memory of Roger Stough
- Heidi & Robert Goebel gave a donation in memory of Betty Moore
 - **Grace Soeth**'s book club members gave a donation in her memory
- Randy & Kathy Asman gave a donation in memory of **Dr. Hranac**
- Norma Beaver gave a donation in memory of Mardelle Howard
- The following have given donations in memory of **Pat Ahrens:** Eunice Peterson, Don & Sue Anderson, James & Sheryl Gallagher, Wayne & Mona King, Karen & Wendell Hanson, Janice Clymer, John & Carolyn Walz, Duane & Dawn Schnell, Holly Van Langen, Gene

& Carolyn Walz, Duane & Dawn Schnell, Holly Van Langen, Gene Englin, Paul & Roxanne Budach, and various other family & friends

 The following have given donations in memory of

Dean Lyon:

Lisa Dreeszen, Jan Greig

 Chris Schouweiler and family have given a memorial for Anita Schouweiler, which will be directed toward the Summer Reading Program

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

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