

## CELEBRATE PRESIDENTS DAY

Meet David Hirsch and Dan Van Haften, authors of *Abraham Lincoln and the Structure of Reason*, on Monday, February 20 at 6:30 PM at the Central Library. In

their book, the authors persuasively argue that it was Lincoln's in-depth study of geometry that gave our sixteenth president his verbal structure.

Although Lincoln's fascination with geometry is well documented, some historians concluded that his study of the subject was little more than mental calisthenics. The authors present a convincing argument that Lincoln actually embedded the ancient structure of geometric proof into many of his most famous works.



## WRITERS' WORKSHOP HOSTS AUTHOR VISIT VIA SKYPE

Nelle Davy's debut novel, *The Legacy of Eden*, has been described as a cross between

Daphne DuMaurier and Jane Smiley, a wonderful Gothic read about an Iowa farm family.

Intrigued? If so, join us at the Central Library for a unique Skype author visit as part of the Central Library Writers' Workshop on Monday, February 6 at 6:00 PM.

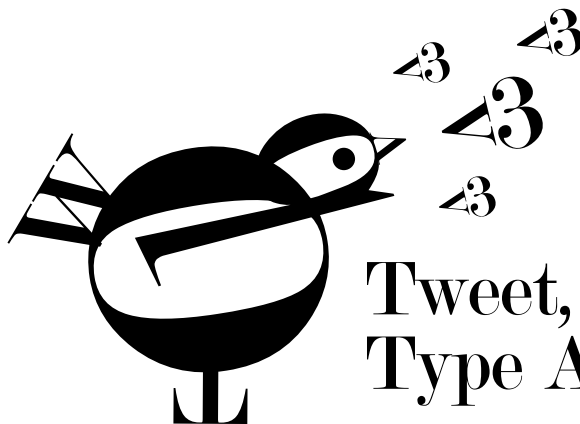


## CELEBRATE CLIFFORD'S BIRTHDAY WITH DAN WARDELL

Bring the kids to stories with Clifford, the big RED dog! He and Dan Wardell, from Iowa Public Television, will be stopping by all six library locations during the month of February. Look inside on page four for a complete listing of all the programs.

## NEED TAX FILING ASSISTANCE?

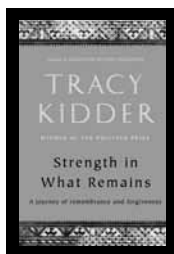
Volunteers from the American Association of Retired Persons (AARP) will be available at the East Side Library on Tuesdays: February 7, 14, 21, and 28 from 10:00 AM - 2:00 PM.



## Tweet, Tell, or Type About It!

Do you love your library? If you do, we would LOVE for YOU to share your love during Love Your Library month by helping us spread the word about our many services and programs. Wondering how? Here are just a few ways to get you started.

- <3 Bring a child in to get his/her first library card.
- <3 Invite a friend to join you at a monthly book discussion or an interesting author visit.
- <3 Follow the library via our Facebook page.
- <3 Tweet about a great book you've checked out from the library.
- <3 Blog about an experience you've had at your favorite library.
- <3 Tell a coworker about ways the library can help you in your job.
- <3 Encourage children and teens to visit the library after school, especially on early-out days.



During the month of February, just stop in to the library to pick up an entry form. Then share with us, how you have SHARED with others, your love for the DMPL! One winning entry will be selected at each location to receive a free copy of the 2012 copy of the All Iowa Reads book, *Strength in What Remains*, by AVID author Tracy Kidder.

## ATTENDING LIBRARY EVENTS IS EASIER THAN EVER!

The Des Moines Public Library now offers a new online calendar service. You will love the new month-at-a-glance view of the library's events and our easy online registration. With this new system, you can quickly search for events at the branch of your choice and easily create your own custom calendars to remember storytimes, book discussion groups, author visits, and more. You can even search for events designed for certain age groups. It's easy to print out a calendar of your choice for the wall or the fridge, or you can "go green" and pull the calendar up on your computer at any time 24/7.

You may also:

- > Request an email reminder for upcoming events.
- > Choose to be notified of other events "like this" that you might enjoy.
- > Download events directly into your own calendar software.
- > Send an email to a friend to share events.
- > Add events to your Digg or Del.icio.us feeds.
- > Subscribe to the library's calendar by RSS feed for the entire system or just your branch.

We're excited to make our system better for you. Check out the new calendar via the library's web site at [www.dmpl.org](http://www.dmpl.org), today!

# DMPL ADULTS

FEBRUARY

**02 (Thu) Noon-1:00 PM | Central Library**  
**Lunch and Learn:** New Technology: Emerging devices, innovative software, and exciting solutions from around the world. Presented by Geosync Global.

**(Thu) 1:00 PM | Franklin Avenue Library**  
**Book Discussion:** *The Tiger's Wife*, by Tea Obreht. Ask at the information desk to borrow a copy of the book.

**(Thu) 1:00 PM | South Side Library | Book Discussion:** Join us for a discussion of *Wench*, by Dolen Perkins-Valdez.

**06 (Mon) 2:00 PM | North Side Library | Book Discussion:** Share your favorite book. Treats provided.

**(Mon) 6:00 PM | Central Library | Writers' Workshop:** Skype Program: As part of the Central Library's monthly Writers' Workshop, we will be hosting a Skype visit with first-time novelist Nelle Davy. Davy will share her book, *The Legacy of Eden*, which has been hailed as a Midwestern variation of *Gone With The Wind*.

**07 (Tu) 6:30 PM | Franklin Avenue Library**  
**Renewable Energy Series:** Learn more about the current trends/initiatives in renewable energy in the state of Iowa.

**11 (Sat) 9:15 AM | Central Library | Public Issues Forum:** The Energy Problem: Discuss this public issue in a moderated forum. Meeting Room Wing. Preregister. (Limited to 25 registrants)

**14 (Tu) 6:30 PM | Franklin Avenue Library**  
**Book Discussion:** *The Quickening*, by Michelle Hoover.

**16 (Thu) Noon-1:00 PM | Central Library**  
**Lunch and Learn:** Mobile Applications: Various devices and demonstrations of various apps. Presented by Geosync Global

**(Thu) 2:00 PM | East Side Library | Book Discussion:** Read *Two Old Women: An Alaska Legend of Betrayal, Courage and Survival*, by Velma Wallis. Copies of the book may be borrowed at the library. Treats provided.

**(Thu) 4:00 PM | East Side Library**  
**Computer Class:** Learn to use the Internet to find information on areas of interest.

**18 (Sat) 10:00 AM | Central Library | Basics of Medicare:** Medicare Medical and Hospital Benefits, Medicare Part D Prescription Drug Coverage, Medicare Advantage Plans, and Medicare Supplement Insurance. Presented by SHIIP (Senior Health Insurance Information Program). Meeting Room One. Preregister. Limited to 45.

**20 (Mon) 6:00 PM | Central Library | Special Event:** Learn how easy it is to make soup that's good for you! From Pickle Soup to Carrot/Coconut/Lime, these recipes are all vegan and low-cal. Think of them as a savory version of a smoothie. Meeting Room Three. Preregister.

**(Mon) 6:30 PM | Central Library | Author Visit:** In their book, *Abraham Lincoln and the Structure of Reason*, authors Hirsch and Van Haften persuasively argue that it was Lincoln's in-depth study of geometry that gave our sixteenth president his verbal structure. Meeting Rooms One and Two.

**(Mon) 7:00 PM | Forest Avenue Library**  
**Book Discussion:** *Standing in the Rainbow*, by Fannie Flagg. Please ask to borrow a copy. All are welcome!

**21 (Tu) 6:30 PM | Franklin Avenue Library**  
**Author Visit:** If you loved watching the eagle cam last winter, don't miss Ty Smedes' fascinating slide show of photos from his new book, *The Return of Iowa's Bald Eagles*.

**25 (Sat) 2:00 PM | Franklin Avenue Library**  
**America's History Comes to Life:** Museum staff, costumed historians, Civil War reenactors, and weapons experts will present a lively program about Iowa's involvement in the Civil War. Learn about the daily life of a Civil War soldier from Iowa and engage in Q & A with the presenters.

**28 (Tu) 6:30 PM | Franklin Avenue Library**  
**Renewable Energy Series:** Discover how you can integrate renewable practices into your personal life and community.

## COMPUTER CLASSES



Most DMPL locations offer free computer classes. Call 283.4152, ext. 3 for details.



## DO YOU KNOW A STUDENT HEADING TO COLLEGE?

Get free help filling out your Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA). Local financial aid volunteers will help families with the FAFSA, the government-required form for many types of financial aid for college. For more information, call ICAN at (877) 272-4692 or e-mail [CGS@ICANSucceed.org](mailto:CGS@ICANSucceed.org) or attend the events at:

Forest Avenue Library,  
Saturday, February 18, 2:00 PM - 4:00 PM

Central Library  
Saturday, February 25, 10:00 AM - 3:00 PM

## PLAY BRIDGE WEEKLY

**Bridge Club for Beginners: (Ongoing)**  
Wednesday evenings at 6:00 PM

**Sunday Bridge Club for Beginners:**  
Sundays from 1:00 -3:00 PM

Central Library | Meeting Room Wing.  
To preregister, call Laura at 515.283.4957

## Opportunity is Knocking!

Check out the free job assistance program in the second floor computer lab at the **Central Library** on Mondays from 1:00 PM - 4:00 PM. Learn how to use the computer to search and apply for jobs.

Sponsored by Iowans for Social and Economic Development (ISED). \* Ten per session limit.



## MARCH

To preregister for programs visit [www.dmpl.org](http://www.dmpl.org) and click on events calendar or call 515.283.4152.

- 01 (Thu) Noon-1:00 PM | Central Library**  
**Lunch and Learn:** Skype's The Limit: Speak to people on the other side of the world via the internet. Presented by Geosync Global.
- (Thu) 1:00 PM | Franklin Avenue Library**  
**Book Discussion:** *Remarkable Creatures*, by Tracy Chevalier. Ask to borrow a copy.
- (Thu) 1:00 PM | South Side Library | Book Discussion:** Discuss *The Submission*, by Amy Waldman. Ask to borrow a copy.
- (Thu) 6:30 PM, Franklin Avenue Library**  
**Reading/Discussion Series:** Making Sense of the Civil War. First session of five-part series. Full description below.
- 05 (Mon) 1:00 PM | North Side Library**  
**Book Discussion:** Title TBA. Treats provided.
- (Mon) 6:00 PM | Central Library | Writers' Workshop:** Share samples of your work and receive feedback from other writers. Meeting Room One. Preregister.
- 06 (Tu) 6:30 PM | Franklin Avenue Library**  
**Renewable Energy Series:** Tips on how to access information/resources and become advocates for renewable energy.
- 10 (Sat) 9:15 AM | Central Library | Public Issues Forum:** Immigration in America: How Do We Fix a System in Crisis? Preregister. Limited to 25.
- (Sat) 10:30 AM East Side Library - Meeting:** Join the Friends of the East Side Library to plan our upcoming booksale. Treats provided.
- 15 (Thu) Noon-1:00 PM | Central Library**  
**Lunch and Learn:** Above The Cloud: Use real life tools online. Presented by Geosync Global.
- 19 (Mon) 6:00 PM | Central Library | Book Discussion:** Share how a fiction or nonfiction book has had an impact on your life. Study Room One. Preregister.
- (Mon) 7:00 PM | Forest Avenue Library**  
**Book Discussion:** *Dewey: The Small-Town Library Cat Who Touched the World*, by Vicki Myron. Ask to borrow a copy.
- 20 (Tu) 6:30 PM | Franklin Avenue Library**  
**Renewable Energy Series:** The future of renewable energy and how we can all get involved.
- 21 (Wed) 2:00 PM | East Side Library | Book Discussion:** *Major Pettigrew's Last Stand*, by Helen Simonson. Ask to borrow a copy. Treats provided.
- 22 (Thu) 4:00 PM | East Side Library**  
**Computer Class:** Learn how to use our automotive database to look up engine tune-up specs, brake repair, wiring diagrams, and more.
- 27 (Tu) 6:30 PM | Franklin Avenue Library**  
**Going Green at Franklin:** Rainscaping Iowa Landscapes: Information on creating landscapes that are beautiful and protect our local water resources, including rain gardens, rain barrels, pollution prevention, and native landscaping. Presented by Jennifer Welch from the Polk Soil and Water Conservation District.
- (Tu) 7:00 PM | Hoyt Sherman Place**  
**AViD Author Event:** Tracy Kidder. See description below.
- 29 (Thu) Noon-1:00 PM | Central Library**  
**Lunch and Learn:** (Repeat) New Technology. Presented by Geosync Global.

## AMERICA'S HISTORY COMES TO LIFE

Share history with your family at a Civil War re-enactment at the Franklin Avenue Library, presented by the Iowa Gold Star Military Museum on Saturday, February 25 at 2:00 PM. Learn the historical context for Iowa units who served in the Western Theater during the conflict, listen to descriptive quotes of Iowa soldiers describing their experiences, and consider the losses that were incurred by Iowans in support of the Union victory.



### MAKING SENSE OF THE CIVIL WAR

Franklin Avenue Library will host a free five-part reading and discussion series, on Thursday evenings beginning March 1, at 6:30 PM, developed by the American Library Association and the National

Endowment for the Humanities. The readings will include: *March*, by Geraldine Brooks, *Crossroads of Freedom: Antietam*, by James McPherson, and *America's War: Talking About the Civil War and Emancipation on Their 150th Anniversaries*, edited by Edward L. Ayers. Simpson College Professor Nick Proctor will lead a discussion of the book at each session. Proctor holds a Ph.D in American History from Emory University in Atlanta, GA, where he wrote his dissertation, *Bathed in Blood: Hunting Culture in the Old South*. To register, contact Kate Young at: [keyoung@dmpl.org](mailto:keyoung@dmpl.org).



## AUTHOR TRACY KIDDER LEADS AViD 2012

Pulitzer Prize-winning author Tracy Kidder will visit Des Moines on Tuesday, March 27 to discuss his book, *Strength in What Remains*, selected this year by the Iowa Center for the Book as its All Iowa Reads title. Kidder's talk is open to the public and will begin at 7:00 PM at Hoyt Sherman Place Theater.

Tracy Kidder attended the Iowa Writers' Workshop and obtained his MA from the University of Iowa in 1974. Winner of the

Pulitzer Prize and the American Book Award, *The Soul of a New Machine* was a bestseller during its first publication in 1981. His other books include *Mountains Beyond Mountains*, *Home Town*, *Old Friends*, *Among Schoolchildren*, *House*, and a memoir, *My Detachment*, based on his experiences serving in Vietnam.

The AViD Author Series is made possible with funding from the Des Moines Public Library Foundation with generous support from Humanities Iowa, Douglas and Deborah West, Dr. Richard Deming, Drake University, the Iowa History Center at Simpson College and many others. Watch our web site for announcements coming soon.

To preregister for programs visit [www.dmpl.org](http://www.dmpl.org) and click on events calendar or call 515.283.4152.

## FEBRUARY



### Meet Clifford the Big Red Dog.

Listen to Dan Wardell of IPTV read Clifford stories and then visit with Dan and everyone's favorite Big Red Dog! This is a great picture taking opportunity, so bring your camera or cell phone.

**SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 11**  
Central Library, 10:30 AM

**MONDAY, FEBRUARY 13**  
South Side Library, 6:30 PM

**TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 14**  
North Side Library, 10:30 AM  
Franklin Avenue Library, 4:00 PM

**WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 15**  
Forest Avenue Library, 10:15 AM

**THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 16**  
East Side Library, 10:30 AM  
South Side Library, 4:00 PM

**FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 17**  
Central Library, 10:00 AM

**SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 18**  
Franklin Avenue Library, 10:30 AM

- 01 (Wed) 2:30 PM | Central Library | Crafty Readers:** (ages 3-8) We will read *Zombie in Love*, by Kelly DiPucchio and make a Valentine's Day card.
- 02 (Thu) 4:00 PM | Franklin Avenue Library Games and Gaming:** (ages 8-12) Play Wii on the big screen! Snacks provided.
- 04 (Sat) 11:00 AM | Central Library | Craft:** (ages 3-8) Make a fun pup pal.  
**(Sat) 11:00 AM | Central Library | Furry Tales:** (ages 6-11) Sign up to read a great book with Remmy, the therapy dog. Children's Area.  
**(Sat) 2:00 PM | Central Library | Furry Tales:** (ages 6-11) Sign up to read a great book with Scout, the therapy dog. Children's Area.
- 06-09 (Mon-Thu) 2:00 PM-8:00 PM | East Side Library | Craft:** (ages 3-8) Stop by to make a special Valentine Craft.
- 06 (Mon) 4:00 PM | North Side Library Passport to Adventure:** (ages 8-12) Explore the many cultures of the world. Next stop: the Philippines, with special guests.
- 07 (Tu) 4:00 PM | Franklin Avenue Library Crafty Readers:** (ages 3-8) Listen to *The Mitten*, by Jan Brett and then decorate your own mitten and retell the story at home.
- 13 (Mon) 4:00 PM | North Side Library After-School Program:** (ages 8-12) Recycling is fun! Learn about recyclable materials and make a craft.
- 14 (Tu) 1:30 PM | Central Library | Special Event:** (ages 1-6) Read and Romp.
- 16 (Thu) 4:00 PM | Central Library | Book Discussion:** (ages 8 and up) Get a jump on the Battle of the Books booklist! Discuss *Theodore Boone: Kid Lawyer*, by Jon Grisham and *Powerless*, by Matthew Cody. Preregister.
- 18 (Sat) 2:00 PM | Central Library | Furry Tales:** (ages 6-11) Sign up to read a great book with Scout, the therapy dog. Children's Area.  
**(Sat) 10:30 AM | Central Library | Saturday Special:** (ages 6-11) Join us for a sneak preview of *Stuart Little*. E.B White's beloved rodent will be scampering across the Des Moines Community Playhouse stage February 17 - March 4.
- 21 (Tu) 4:00 PM | Franklin Avenue Library Crafty Readers:** (ages 3-8) Come and listen to the story *The Birthday Pet*, by Ellen Javernick and paint your very own pet rock.
- 23 (Thu) 4:00 PM | Franklin Avenue Library Craft:** (ages 8-12) Kids can decorate a box or picture frame using colorful seashells. Snacks provided. Preregister.  
**(Thu) 4:00 PM | South Side Library Crafty Readers:** (ages 3-8) We'll read *Wanted: The Perfect Pet*, by Fiona Robertson and make a pet bookmark. Susan Bade, the Humane Education Coordinator at the Animal Rescue League, will join us with some of her furry friends!  
**(Thu) 6:30 PM | Franklin Avenue Library Special Event:** (ages 3-8) A special evening storytime for children and their stuffed animals. After hearing stories, stuffed animals will spend the night at the library. Children can pick up their stuffed animals Friday after 1:00 PM to find out how their furry friend spent the night at the library.
- 25 (Sat) 11:00 AM | Central Library | Craft:** (ages 3-8) Make your own Cat in the Hat!
- 28 (Tu) 4:00 PM | Franklin Avenue Library Crafty Readers:** (ages 3-8) Celebrate Dr. Seuss' birthday on March 2nd! We'll read *Green Eggs and Ham*, play some Seussical games and make egg carton critters  
**(Tu) 1:30 PM | Central Library | Special Event:** (ages 1-6) Read and Romp.

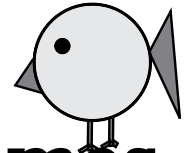


### Read & Romp

Have the winter doldrums set in at your house? If so, head to the Central Library for fun programs designed to get kids, ages one to six, up and moving! Children's specialist Sarah Early leads the way with games, singing, stories, and more. Meeting Rooms 1, 2, and 3.

## MARCH

- 03 (Sat) 10:00 AM | Central Library | Craft: (ages 3-8) Create your own original mosaic with colorful papers and a paper plate.  
(Sat) 11:00 AM | Central Library | Furry Tales: (ages 6-11) Sign up to read a great book with Remmy, the therapy dog.
- 05 (Mon) 4:00 PM | North Side Library Passport to Adventure: (ages 8-12) Next stop: England.
- 06 (Tu) 4:00 PM | Franklin Avenue Library Crafty Readers: (ages 3-8) Listen to *Even Monsters Need Haircuts*, by Matthew McElligott and make your own tin can monster.
- 07 (Wed) 2:30 PM | Central Library | Crafty Readers: (ages 3-8) We will read *The Terrible Plop*, by Ursula Dubosarsky and use apple prints to make a cool picture.
- 08 (Thu) 4:00 PM | Franklin Avenue Library Games and Gaming: (ages 8-12) Play Xbox 360 Kinect on the big screen! Snacks.
- 10 (Sat) 11:00 AM | Central Library | Craft: (ages 3-8) Make a snake out of green shamrocks for St. Patrick's Day.  
(Sat) 1:00 PM | Franklin Avenue Library Craft: (ages 3-8) How does the wind blow? Create a windsock and find out.
- 12-15 (Mon-Thu) 2:00 PM - 8:00 PM | East Side Library | Craft: (ages 3-8) Stop by to make something green for St. Patrick's Day.  
(Mon) 4:00 PM | North Side Library After-School Program: (ages 8-12) Recycling is fun! Learn about a different recyclable material and make a craft.
- 13 (Tu) 1:30 PM | Central Library | Special Event: (ages 1-6) Read and Romp.  
(Tu) 4:00 PM | Franklin Avenue Library After-School Program: (ages 3-8) Celebrate St. Patrick's Day at the library with stories, Celtic games, and a craft.
- 15 (Thu) 4:00 PM | South Side Library | Crafty Readers: (ages 3-8) We'll read *10 Things I Can Do To Help My World*, by Melanie Walsh and make a craft using reclaimed and recycled materials.
- 16 (Fri) 1:00 PM | Central Library | Special Event: (ages 6-11) Pick out a fun board game to play with your friends.
- 17 (Sat) 11:00 AM | Central Library | Craft: (ages 3-8) Go green for St. Patrick's Day with this fun frog craft.  
(Sat) 11:00 AM | Central Library | Furry Tales: (ages 6-11) Sign up to read a great book with Scout, the therapy dog. Children's Area.
- 20 (Tu) 3:00 PM | Central Library | Special Event: (ages 8-12) Somebody is trying to disrupt the science fair! Use your detective skills to figure out who it is before all the inventions are wrecked. Preregister.  
(Tu) 4:00 PM | Franklin Avenue Library Crafty Reader: (ages 3-8) Listen to a fairytale story, play some medieval games, and make a craft.
- 21 (Wed) 2:00 PM | Franklin Avenue Library Construction Zone: (ages 6-12) We'll have some interlocking blocks waiting for you to use to make something. Meeting Room.
- 22 (Thu) 1:00 PM | Franklin Avenue Library Special Event: (ages 3-12) We've hidden some green things in the Kid's Area. Can you "spy" them? Ask at the kids desk.  
(Thu) 2:00 PM | Central Library | Special Event: (ages 6-11) Folks from the Pella Wildlife Company will tell us about the bobcat and lynx living in our state.
- 23 (Fri) 1:00 PM - 4:00 PM | Franklin Avenue Library | Games and Gaming: Pick a fun game to play while you hang out.
- 24 (Sat) 1:00 PM | Franklin Avenue Library Craft: (ages 3-8) Will March go out like a lamb or a lion? Create your choice.  
(Sat) 2:30 PM | Central Library | Saturday Special: (ages 6-11) Come to the library and learn how you can make a sock toy. Some hand sewing is required.
- 27 (Tu) 1:30 PM | Central Library | Special Event: (ages 1-6) Read and Romp.  
(Tu) 4:00 PM | Franklin Avenue Library Crafty Readers: (ages 3-8) Share the book *Too Many Pears*, by Jackie French and make a door hanger.
- 29 (Thu) 4:00 PM | Franklin Avenue Library Craft: (ages 8-12) Get creative with some colorful duct tape. Snacks. Preregister.
- 31 (Sat) 10:30 AM | Central Library | Storytime: (ages 3-8) Come hear a story or two about wind and then make a windsock.



## Weekly Storytimes

### Baby Rhyme Time

[ages 0 - 18 mo.] [\*Franklin 0-12 mo] Occurs weekly for babies and caregivers featuring rhymes, songs, bouncing, and a story.

Central Library | Fridays, 10:00 AM  
\*Franklin Ave. Library | Tuesdays, 10:15 AM  
South Side Library | Tuesdays, 10:15 AM

### Fun with Ones Rhyme Time

[ages 12-24 months] The perfect story time for new walkers. Stories, songs, rhymes, and wiggle time.

Franklin Ave. Library | Thursdays, 10:15 AM

### Family Storytime [entire family]

Bring the entire family together early in the evening for fun stories. You can even wear your jammies!

South Side Library | Mondays, 6:30 PM

### Toddler Storytime

[ages 18 mo.-3] [\*Franklin 2 year olds] Introduce children to books using fun activities like finger plays and songs.

Central Library | Wednesdays:  
Day Cares - 10:00 AM / Families - 10:30 AM  
\*Franklin Ave. Library | Wednesdays:  
10:15 AM and 10:50 AM  
South Side Library | Wednesdays,  
10:00 AM and 10:45 AM

### Preschool Storytime

[ages 3-6] Encourages children to make new friends and develop their imaginations. All six library locations offer regularly scheduled preschool storytimes to fit the scheduling needs of daycares, parents, and other caregivers.

Central Library | Thursdays  
Day Cares - 10:00 AM / Families - 10:30 AM  
East Side Library | Thursdays, 10:30 AM  
Franklin Ave. Library | Mondays, 10:15 AM  
Forest Ave. Library | Wednesdays, 10:15 AM  
North Side Library | Tuesdays, 10:30 AM  
South Side Library | Thursdays, 10:00 AM

- 01 (Wed) 2:00 PM | Central Library | Mixed Media:** (ages 14-19) Are you a teen who enjoys writing or drawing? Do you want to share your talents with other local teens? Bring your poems, stories, quotes, pictures, comic strips, and other musings to the library. If you have questions, e-mail Brenda at [bkhall@dmpl.org](mailto:bkhall@dmpl.org).
- (Wed) 2:30 PM | North Side Library Games and Gaming:** (ages 11-14) Play the Wii on the big screen or join in a group game tournament! Snacks provided.
- 06 (Mon) 4:00 PM | Franklin Avenue Library e-lounge:** (ages 11-14) Teens can come and use laptops, iPads, and more to play games, work on homework, or just hang out! Snacks provided.
- 07 (Tu) 3:00 PM | South Side Library | Games and Gaming:** (ages 12-18) It's Wii time! Come play at the library. Snacks provided.
- (Tu) 4:00 PM | East Side Library | Teen D.I.Y. Craft:** (ages 14-19) It's food time! We'll have all the ingredients for teens to make and eat some tasty treats. Preregister.
- (Tu) 4:00 PM | Forest Avenue Library Pizza and Pages:** (ages 12-18) Students are invited to a discussion of *I Can't Keep My Own Secrets*, edited by Smith Magazine. Pizza available to discussion participants. Book copies available at information desk.
- 08 (Wed) 2:00 PM | Central Library | Teen Gaming:** (ages 14-19) Come to the library and play Rock Band on Xbox 360 and Wii on the BIG screens. Space will also be provided to duel, so be sure to bring your Yu-Gi-Oh! decks. Meeting Room Wing.
- (Wed) 2:30 PM | North Side Library Internet Cafe:** (ages 11-14) Students are invited to work on homework or socialize online. Snacks provided!
- 13 (Mon) 4:00 PM | Franklin Avenue Library Teen Advisory Board:** (ages 11-14) Discuss books, develop program ideas, and discuss other issues involving teens. Snacks provided and new members are welcome!
- 14 (Tu) 3:00 PM | South Side Library | Special Event:** (ages 12-18) Join us for an Anti-Valentine's Day Party. Decorate broken heart cookies, make crafts, and play cheesy games as we celebrate our independence from Cupid.
- (Tu) 4:00 PM | East Side Library | Teen D.I.Y. Craft:** (ages 14-19) Learn how to make gorgeous beaded jewelry from strips of old magazines. Preregister.
- (Tu) 4:00 PM | Forest Avenue Library Internet Cafe:** (ages 11-14) Students are encouraged to work on homework or connect with friends online. Snacks provided!
- 15 (Wed) 2:00 PM | Central Library | Teen D.I.Y. Craft:** (ages 14-19) Use seashells and other materials to make a craft you (or a friend) will cherish. Supplies will be provided.
- (Wed) 2:30 PM | North Side Library Pizza and Pages:** (ages 11-14) Students are invited to discuss *Something Girl*, by Beth Goobie. Pizza available to discussion participants. Copies of the book available at information desk.
- 18 (Sat) 2:00 PM - 4:00 | Forest Avenue Library | FAFSA Assistance:** (ages 14-19) Stop in for free help filling out your Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA). Local financial aid volunteers will help families with the FAFSA, the government-required form for many types of financial aid for college. This event is part of the national College Goal Sunday program held in thirty-nine states and the District of Columbia. Iowa College Goal Sunday's main focus is helping low-income and first-generation students attain the financial resources necessary to make college possible. For more information, call ICAN at (877) 272-4692 or e-mail [CGS@ICANSucceed.org](mailto:CGS@ICANSucceed.org).
- 20 (Mon) 4:00 PM | Franklin Avenue Library Pizza and Pages:** (ages 14-19) Teens are invited to join us for pizza and a discussion of the book *Enclave*, by Ann Aguirre. Copies of the book will be available at the information desk.
- 21 (Tu) 3:00 PM | South Side Library | Games and Gaming:** (ages 12-18) Game time at your library: Apples to Apples! Snacks provided.
- 21 (Tu) 4:00 PM | East Side Library | Pizza and Pages:** (ages 14-19) Teens are invited to join in a book discussion of *Jumped*, by Rita Williams-Garcia. Pick up a copy of the book at the reference desk starting Jan. 17.
- (Tu) 4:00 PM | Forest Avenue Library Teen D.I.Y. Cooking:** (ages 11-14) Teens, learn how to make learn to make cookie-hamburgers and fruit pizza! Supplies provided.
- 22 (Wed) 2:00 PM | Central Library | Anime Club:** (grades 8-12) Do you eat, breathe, and sleep Japanese anime or manga? If so, this club is for you. We meet once a month to watch episodes of popular anime and discuss new manga titles. Popcorn and Pocky are provided. Meeting Room One.
- (Wed) 2:30 PM | North Side Library Games and Gaming:** (ages 11-14) Join us for our annual Blink Card Tournament for teens! This lightning fast game will test your speed!
- 25 (Sat) 10:00 AM - 3:00 PM | Central Library | FAFSA Assistance:** (ages 14-19) Stop in for free help filling out your Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA).
- 27 (Mon) 4:00 PM | Franklin Avenue Library Craft:** (ages 14-19) Revive that old notebook or pencil holder with some colorful duct tape! Other items will be available to renew or re-purpose. Snacks provided. Preregister.
- 28 (Tu) 3:00 PM | South Side Library | Pizza and Pages:** (ages 12-18) Enjoy a lively discussion of *Matched*, by Ally Condie. Books available at the information desk. Pizza and beverages provided!
- (Tu) 4:00 PM | East Side Library | Games and Gaming:** (ages 14-19) It's gaming time on the big screen. Bring your friends!
- (Tu) 4:00 PM | Forest Avenue Library Games and Gaming:** (ages 11-14) Teens are invited to play Wii on the big screen, or join in a group game tournament!
- 29 (Wed) 2:30 PM | North Side Library | Teen D.I.Y. Craft:** (ages 11-14) Use the library's shrinky dink paper to create a one-of-a-kind keychain, jewelry and more! Snacks provided.

# MARCH

To preregister for programs visit [www.dmpl.org](http://www.dmpl.org) and click on events calendar or call 515.283.4152.

- 05 (Mon) 4:00 PM | Franklin Avenue Library e-lounge:** (ages 11-14) Teens can come and use laptops, iPads, and more to play games, work on homework, or just hang out! Snacks provided.
- 06 (Tu) 3:00 PM | South Side Library | Games and Gaming:** (ages 12-18) It's Wii time! Come play at the library. Snacks provided.
- (Tu) 4:00 PM | East Side Library | Teen Cooking:** (ages 11-14) It's food time! We'll have all the ingredients for teens to make and eat some tasty treats. Preregister.
- (Tu) 4:00 PM | Forest Avenue Library Pizza and Pages:** (ages 12-18) Students are invited to a discussion of *Legend*, by Marie Lu. Pizza available to discussion participants. Book copies available at information desk.
- 07 (Wed) 2:00 PM | Central Library | Mixed Media:** (ages 14-19) Are you a teen who enjoys writing or drawing? Do you want to share your talents with other local teens? Bring your poems, stories, quotes, pictures, comic strips, and other musings to the library. If you have questions, e-mail Brenda at [bkhall@dmpl.org](mailto:bkhall@dmpl.org).
- (Wed) 2:30 PM | North Side Library Games and Gaming:** (ages 11-14) Long winter got you bored? Join our "Bored" game tournament and enjoy snacks and a little friendly competition!
- 12 (Mon) 4:00 PM | Franklin Avenue Library Teen Advisory Board:** (ages 11-14) Discuss books, develop program ideas, and discuss other issues involving teens. Snacks provided and new members are welcome!
- 13 (Tu) 3:00 PM | South Side Library | Games and Gaming:** (ages 12-18) Game time at your library: Apples to Apples! Snacks provided.
- (Tu) 4:00 PM | East Side Library | Teen D.I.Y. Craft:** (ages 14-19) Get ready for Spring Break somewhere warm! Preregister.
- (Tu) 4:00 PM | Forest Avenue Library Internet Cafe:** (ages 11-14) Students are encouraged to work on homework or connect with friends online. Snacks provided!
- 14 (Wed) 2:00 PM | Central Library | Games and Gaming:** (ages 14-19) Come to the library and play Rock Band on Xbox 360 and Wii on the BIG screens. Space will also be provided to duel, so be sure to bring your Yu-Gi-Oh! decks. Meeting Room Wing.
- (Wed) 2:30 PM | North Side Library Internet Cafe:** (ages 11-14) Students are invited to work on homework or socialize online. Snacks provided!
- 19 (Mon) 4:00 PM | Franklin Avenue Library Pizza and Pages:** (ages 14-19) This month's Pizza & Pages book discussion book is *The Hunger Games*, by Suzanne Collins, just in time for the movie release! We will have pizza & discussion, and some fun *Hunger Games* themed activities and prizes! Pick up a copy of the book at the information desk.
- 20 (Tu) 3:00 PM | South Side Library | Games and Gaming:** (ages 12-18) Rock out at the library with Rock Band! Snacks provided.
- (Tu) 4:00 PM | East Side Library | Pizza and Pages:** (ages 14-19) Teens are invited to join in a discussion of *Divergent*, by Veronica Roth. Pick up your book at the reference desk starting Feb. 21.
- (Tu) 4:00 PM | Forest Avenue Library Games and Gaming:** (ages 11-14) Long winter got you bored? Join our "Bored" game tournament and enjoy snacks and a little friendly competition!
- 21 (Wed) 2:00 PM | Central Library Teen D.I.Y. Craft:** (ages 14-19) Make wallets, flowers, bookmarks, or use your imagination to create a duct tape craft. Preregistration required.
- (Wed) 2:30 PM | North Side Library Pizza and Pages:** (ages 11-14) Book TBA. Pizza available to discussion participants.
- 26 (Mon) 4:00 PM | Franklin Avenue Library Green Teens:** (ages 14-19) Teens will learn how organic food is not only healthy for us but for the Earth. We will be making and sampling some tasty and fresh organic snacks! Preregister.
- 27 (Tu) 3:00 PM | South Side Library | Pizza and Pages:** (ages 12-18) Enjoy a lively discussion of *The Bite of the Mango*, by Mariatu Kamara. Books available at the information desk. Pizza and beverages provided!
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## BRIGHT STARS OVER DES MOINES

Teens from all over Des Moines will want to head over to the East Side Library to join in the fun of a Film Camp during Spring Break. Thanks to a grant from the H. Dale and Lois Bright Foundation, up to twenty-four teens will have a chance to participate in this new program.

There will be five days of classes beginning on Monday, March 19 from 1:00-5:00 PM. Participants will learn various aspects of creating, producing, filming, and editing to produce a three to four minute video of "What Makes Des Moines a Great Place!" The public is invited to view the videos at a special event on Friday, March 23 at 5:00 PM. For more details and to participate, contact East Side Library Branch Manager Carolyn Greufe at: [CEGreufe@dmpl.org](mailto:CEGreufe@dmpl.org)

**HOURS AND LOCATIONS:**

**Central Library**

1000 GRAND AVENUE

Mon-Wed: 9 AM - 8 PM

Thu - Fri: 9 AM - 6 PM

Sat: 9 AM - 5 PM

Sun: 1 PM - 5 PM [SEPTEMBER - MAY]

**PICK-UP WINDOW HOURS:**

Mon - Fri: 4 PM - 6 PM

Sat: 3 PM - 5 PM

**Franklin Avenue Library**

5000 FRANKLIN AVENUE

Mon-Thu: 10 AM - 8 PM

Fri: 1 PM - 6 PM

Sat: 10 AM - 5 PM | Sun: CLOSED

**East Side Library**

2559 HUBBELL AVENUE

Mon-Thu: 10 AM - 8 PM

Fri: 1 PM - 6 PM

Sat: 10 AM - 5 PM | Sun: CLOSED

**Forest Avenue Library**

1326 FOREST AVENUE

Mon: NOON - 8 PM

Tues - Thurs: 10 AM - 6 PM

Fri: CLOSED

Sat (1st/3rd): 10 AM - 5 PM | Sun: CLOSED

**North Side Library**

3516 FIFTH AVENUE

Mon: NOON - 8 PM

Tues - Wed: 10 AM - 6 PM

Thurs: CLOSED Fri: 10 AM - 6 PM

Sat (2nd/4th): 10 AM - 5 PM | Sun: CLOSED

**South Side Library**

1111 PORTER AVENUE

Mon-Thu: 10 AM - 8 PM

Fri: 1 PM - 6 PM

Sat: 10 AM - 5 PM | Sun: CLOSED

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**FREE MOVIES FOR THE FAMILY**

Tuesday, February 20, 2:00 PM | EAST SIDE LIBRARY

Bring your popcorn and a blanket, and watch Jack Black as Po, a martial arts panda, in this sequel. Film runs 91 minutes and is rated PG.

FRIDAY, MARCH 16, 2:00 PM | EAST SIDE LIBRARY

Based on the book by Richard Atwater, Jim Carrey stars as Tom Popper who inherits a penguin and finds his life turned upside down. Bring your popcorn, pop, and pillows and waddle on down to see some penguin pandemonium. Runs 94 minutes and is rated PG.



**SOUL FOOD FESTIVAL**

Always the First Saturday in March! The Forest Avenue Library's annual Soul Food Festival will be held Saturday, March 3 from 11:00 AM to 2:00 PM. Don't miss this chance to come and enjoy foods like fried chicken, greens, red beans and rice, jambalaya, black eyed peas, corn, and sweet potato pie! If you love soul food, you won't want to miss this annual traditional event!



**MEET EAGLE  
PHOTOGRAPHER TY SMEDES**

Tuesday, February 21, at 6:30 PM | Franklin Avenue Library

If you loved watching the eagle cam last winter, don't miss Ty Smedes's fascinating slide show of photos from his new book, *The Return of Iowa's Bald Eagles*.

In 1977, Iowa recorded its first bald eagle nest in seventy-two years and, amazingly, just a little more than three decades later, 253 young were reared across eighty-eight counties during 2010. Smedes's newest book chronicles this conservation success story and details the bald eagle's recovery in Iowa. His spectacular color photographs capture the power, grace, and majesty of the bald eagle as it has returned to prominence in Iowa.

**GOING GREEN AT FRANKLIN AVENUE LIBRARY**

Brave those winter winds and enjoy these programs offered at the Franklin Avenue Library. Our newly renovated building is filled with green features that have inspired our staff to create some great, environmentally-friendly programs. Of course, all the following programs offered on Tuesday evenings at 6:30 PM, are free and open to the public.

- February 7 Renewable Energy Series: Current Trends and Initiatives
- February 21 The Return of Iowa's Bald Eagles: Author Visit and Slide Show
- February 28 Renewable Energy Series: Integrate Renewable Practices Into Your Life
- March 6 Renewable Energy Series: Advocate for Renewable Energy
- March 20 Renewable Energy Series: The Future of Renewable Energy
- March 27 Rainscaping Iowa Landscapes

