

Charles City Library Newsletter

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Library Hours and Closures

Mon and Tues: 10 - 8
Wed and Thurs: 10 - 6
Fri: 10 - 5

Sat: 10 - 3
Sun: Closed

We will be closed Tuesday, July 4 for Independence Day. For updates on unexpected closures, follow us on Facebook or visit our website.

Regular Weekly Programs

Scrabble Club: Tuesdays at 10 am
For adults of all skill levels—multiple games featured!

Tech Time: Tuesdays at 2 pm
For adults who need 1:1 tech help. Sign up required.

Walking Group: Wednesdays at 8:30 am
For adults and active families. Meets in the library parking lot.

For Adults

Summer Reading Prize Drawings



Adult patrons who check out materials from our collection will get entries for grand prize drawings at the end of July! More books checked out mean more chances to win. BRIDGES checkouts are ineligible.

Adult Dungeons & Dragons: July 22 at 1 pm

Come with a 3rd-level D&D character for a one-shot adventure! Players of all levels are welcome to join; email kamryn@charles-city.lib.ia.us to sign up for this session and future updates.



General Announcements

Library Loot Boxes & Bags

Adults, teens, and kids can sign up for a free “subscription” box or bag containing library materials (for you to borrow) and surprise goodies (for you to keep)! Sign up before the end of July, and the boxes will be ready for pickup the 15th of August. Call the library or come to our desk to fill out a registration card!

For Kids and Families

Summer Reading Program: Find Your Voice



Reading Activities: Due July 10, Party July 25

Return slips by July 10 to be entered for prizes—everyone who enters at least once gets to come to our summer pool party on July 25 at 10 am! Details and qualifying activities are on the back of the newsletter.

Read and Feed: Select Tuesdays at 12 pm

Bring lunch and hear stories! This month’s storytimes will be held July 11 and July 18.

Get Messy: Select Tuesdays at 3:30 pm

Events in July include water play (7/11), paint pouring (7/18), and bubbles & sidewalk chalk (7/25). Registration required, as materials per program are limited.

Teen Chef Day: July 13 at 2 pm



Teens are invited to come complete a cooking challenge with secret ingredients! Registration is required to join the competition.

Dungeons & Dragons: July 14 at 1 pm

Elementary students are welcome to come to the library to try out D&D! Sign up in advance is required—characters will be provided.

LEGO Day: July 17 at 10 am

Children are welcome to come play with LEGOs for two hours, until 12 pm. Creations displayed in the library!



NERF Event: July 26 at 6 pm

Bring your toy NERF weapons and have fun with the whole family! Registration is required, and refreshments are provided.

Bored? Games!: July 27 at 1:30 pm

Check out the library’s board game selection! Staff will lead games like Mysterium, Resistance, and Catan. These and other games are available both for check-out and for in-library use.



Find Your Voice
Charles City
Public Library
Summer Program
2023!

When you read or complete a learning activity, mark your progress!
Bring the slip to the library to be entered to win a PRIZE!
Slips must be turned in by Monday, July 10th

Kids- completed up to 4th grade:

Activities may be repeated or adapted

- Attend a library program
- Read or be read to for 20 minutes
- Read a book to a friend or family member
- Write a poem and share it with a librarian
- Draw your favorite place to read
- Check out a kit or backpack from the library
- Make your own trading card
- Read the StoryWalk book and take your picture

*Enter each time you complete 5 activities!
Awesome prizes this summer!*

**Pool Floatie
LEGO Set
Get Messy Personal Party!**

Teens- completed 5th-8th grade

- Attend a library program
- Read for 30 minutes
- Write a poem and share it with a librarian
- Draw a new cover for your favorite book
- Check out 4 magazines from the library
- Create a music playlist for a book you love
- Use a resource on our website and tell a librarian about it
- Make your own trading card

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**NERF Night Party
Bluetooth Speaker**



**ALL AGES
SUMMER POOL PARTY!**

Everyone that enters once is invited!

July 25th @ 10am-12pm



A big thank you goes out to all of our summer library program sponsors.

Two of our Wonderful Wednesday Programs, the ISU Insect Zoo and the Waterloo/ Cedar Falls Symphony Instrument Petting Zoo, were sponsored through CPPC funding; a grant program provided through DHS.

Our Touch a Truck program was supported by the City of Charles City, Swartzrock Implement Co., and Friends of the Charles City Public Library.

The Absolute Science Foam Party is sponsored by First Security Bank and the Shark Touch Tank was provided by a Walmart grant.

Our reading prizes this year are all sponsored by Friends of the Charles City Public Library, and our family programs were all sponsored by CUSB Bank. Kwik Star provided funding for all food at family events.

Teen programs were sponsored in part by CUSB and by Floyd County Community Foundation. Our Friends of the Library sponsored the Teen Iron Chef program. ISU Extension provided the funding for the Fizz, Bubble, Goo day camp and the Kids in the Kitchen program. A special thank you to Meredith Hamm, Kayona Flowers, Sherri Parker, Emily Kromminga, Emily Bilharz, and Casey Leerhoff for volunteering to help with our summer programs.

We thank these organizations from the bottom of our hearts. Program attendance has skyrocketed this year, and we would not have been able to offer anywhere near the number of learning opportunities without their support.

