

Charles City Library Newsletter

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Library Hours and Closures

Mondays to Thursdays: 10 - 8 **Saturdays:** 1 - 5
Fridays: 10 - 5 **Sundays:** Closed

We will be closed September 5 for Labor Day. For updates on unexpected closures and COVID protocol, follow us on Facebook or visit our website.

General Announcements

Library Card Sign Up Month

Replacement cards are free all month! Encourage your friends, family, and community members to replace any lost cards at no cost through the end of September.

Banned Books Week: September 18 - 24

Patrons are encouraged to check out banned and challenged books this month! We support the freedom to seek and express ideas, even those some consider unorthodox or unpopular.



For Kids and Families

Storytime: Thursdays at 10:30 am and 2 pm

Now at 2 pm! Come join Miss Stacey for stories and more for young children. No sign-up necessary.

Get Messy with Miss Stacey:

Tuesdays (starting September 13) at 3:45 pm

Miss Stacey will lead a program series this fall where we get messy! The programs include paint throwing (9/13), shaving cream cake decorating (9/20), and exploding watermelons and rockets (9/27). Continues through October!



Choose Your Own Adventure Book Club:

Thursdays (starting September 22) at 3:45 pm

Kids third grade and older are encouraged to join Miss Stacey to explore Choose Your Own Adventure books as a group! The first session is September 22, but the adventures go through November. Sign up required.

Once Upon a Time Night Hike: October 6

Mark your calendars! There will be Charles City High School drama students sharing stories to walkers on the bike trail for this event from 6 to 8 pm.

For Adults

Walking Group: Every Wednesday at 8:30 am

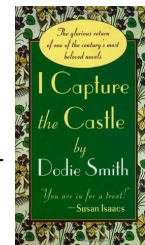
Start your day off on the right foot and join us for our walking group every Wednesday morning! We will meet at the start of the storywalk and stroll along the riverfront while discussing books and other topics. Now at 8:30 am.

Scrabble Club: Every Tuesday at 10 am

Join us for non-competitive Scrabble and other board games throughout the month! Folks of all skill levels are encouraged to come and participate.

Friday Morning Book Club: Every Other Friday

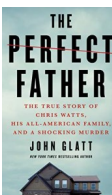
Runs through November 4! Every other Friday at 9:15, folks are invited to join us for book discussions. This month's books are *The Book Woman of Troublesome Creek* by Kim Michele Richardson (9/9) and *I Capture the Castle* by Dodie Smith (9/23)—come into the library today to pick up your copies of these and other club selections!



You Do Speak English, Don't You?

A Variety Show: September 20 at 5 pm

Join us for a musical presentation from an international spouse duo! Helena is originally from Prague, and Mark is from Portland. Original music and humorous dialogue tells their love story along with some of the unique challenges they have as a Czech-American couple.



True Crime Book Club: September 26 at 5:30 pm

Our True Crime Book Club is kicking off again this fall with *The Perfect Father* by John Glatt. Copies can be picked up from the front desk, and the discussion will be in the Zastrow Room.

It's Crafting Hour: September 27 at 6:30 pm

Adult craft nights are back for three planned sessions this fall! Our first craft is pulled string painting. Registration is required due to limited supplies.

