**Robey Memorial Library** 

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## SUMMER READING HIGHLIGHTS

*Find Your Voice* was the theme of the 2023 Summer Reading Program (SRP) with activities spanning from June through August. The Kids and Teens 4-Week Reading Challenge, ran from Saturday, July 1 – Monday, July 31, and is the highlight of the summer program with participants tracking reading in 15-minute increments and/or the number of reading-related activities completed for prizes.

<u>4-Week Reading Challenge:</u> Kids, infant to 6th grade, tracked their progress on a reading log to receive weekly prizes in addition to adding their name to prize drawings for Ice Cream w/ the Librarian; assorted stem kits and early literacy kits and toys. 73 children registered, 51 participated with a total of 1,755 activities completed. The top three readers in each category received a new book of their choice purchased by the Library Foundation.

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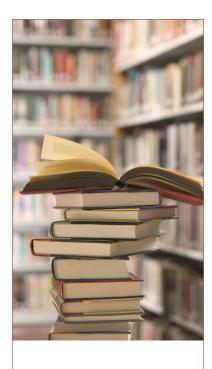
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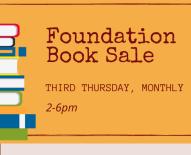
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#### COMING IN OCTOBER

- Live & Learn
- Pinterest Projects







## RML FOUNDATION BOOK SALE

The Robey Memorial Library Foundation sponsors a monthly used book sale. The book sale opens in the lower level conference third room every Thursday from 2-6pm. Selection changes monthly. All proceeds benefit the Robey Memorial Library Founda-**Ouestions?** tion. Please contact Robev Memorial Library.





## LIVE & LEARN: GETTING TO KNOW LIBBY

Library patrons have anytime, anywhere access to a dynamic collection of digital audiobooks, eBooks and magazines through the library service of BRIDGES, Iowa's eLibrary through the Libby app.

Robey Memorial Library's September Live & Learn program is a Getting to Know Libby on **Thursday**, **September 28 at 5:30** pm in the lower level Community Room. Learn to download free audiobook, eBooks, & magazines; navigate the website; and use the Libby app. If you have been using BRIDGES come to see what is new!

Registration for this class is encouraged. Please contact Robey Memorial Library for more information: (563) 568-4424, robeymemorial@waukon.lib.ia.us, or www.waukon.lib.ia.us.





## SUMMER PROGRAMMING (cont. page 1)

## were:

Category 1 (Infant-Kindergarten) Hollar. Noah 2. Paige 1. Achenbach, and 3. Gavin Berges

Category 2 (First – Third Grades) 1. Karissa Hollar, 2. Lincoln Roney, and 3. Ray Meinholz

Category 3 (Fourth-Sixth Grades) 1. Noah McKee, 2. Lynnelle Haidar, and 3. Emma Berges

Prize Drawing winners were Joycelyn Berges, Robert Downing, Micaiah Downing, Rocco Cappussi, Abram Thomas, Chance Achenbach, Lynnelle Haidar, Wilkes Thomas and Lincoln Roney. "Library Champion" signs were given to all participants to display at their homes; you may have seen these around town.

Make and Take activities were held, each Wednesday afternoon in July with a total of 93 in attendance. Featured projects included Sidewalk Chalk Painting; Bugmallows (marshmallow bugs); Flying Butterfly with a card to mail; and Sand Art Jars.

Summer Explorer Programs, held on selected Wednesday mornings June through August, saw a total of 104 attendees. Programs presented by Ellie Krouse, Children's Librarian, were Transparency Spirals to keep, to share, or to add to the library's display throughout the summer; Sugar Cookie Decorating; Design Your Own Pin; Twig Monograms; Glaciers and Karst Demonstrations with Sara Berges, Soil Conservationist, USDA; and Fish Block Printing with Erin Cubbon, Naturalist, ACCB.

4-Week Reading Challenge: Teens

Top readers in each category tracked reading time and completed reading activities for prizes and entries into the book of choice drawing. Thirteen teens registered; five teens participated; reading a combined 5700 minutes and completed 11 reading activities. Top readers were: 1. Alyssa Connelly, 2. Luka Hollar, 3. Lily Baxter. Top reader received a free book purchased by the Library Foundation and the Prize Drawing was a tablet and a Book Pack. Teen summer programs included: Classic Book Club for Teens, reading "And then there were none" by Agatha Christie; "Man's search for meaning" by Viktor E. Frankl; and "Around the world in 80 days" by Jules Verne; Teen Summer Book Club reading "Hey, kiddo" by Jarrett A. Krosoczka; "The floating islands" bv Rachel Newumeier; and "Illuminae" by Amie Kaufman & Jay Kristoff. Book Clubs were facilitated by Teen Librarian, Chris Kerndt.

> Fourth through sixth graders attended Passport to Reading Book <u>Club</u> – reading "The BFG" by Roald Dahl; "Others words for home" by Jasmine Warga; and "Out of my mind" by Sharon Draper. Attendees discussed the books and participated in themed activities.

> The Adult Reading Challenge results through July are 24 participants read 129 books, and 5 participants have completed the program.

> A special Thank You for our business/organization sponsors who have supported this year's program, West Side Lumber (lathe bundle); Robey Memorial Library Foundation (prize books and book

## THURSDAY NIGHT BOOK **CLUB**

Want to meet new people? Are you looking for something new to read or at a loss for what to read next? Join us for Book Club the third Thursday monthly at 6pm.

All are welcome! Book Club meets in person; please contact RML if you would like to join virtually.

Upcoming discussions:

- September 21-Recipe box by Viola Shipman (share a recipe)
- October 19-٠ **Historical Fiction**
- November 16-Features a Social Change
- December 21– Holiday Theme

club books).

Ellie Krousie and Chris Kerndt attended State Library sponsored webinars in preparation for the Summer Reading Program.



## GRAB & GO FOR KIDS & FOR TEENS

RML offers Grab & Go activities monthly to community kids and teens.

Monthly on the second Wednesday, pick up an activity bag on a first-come, first-serve basis. Bags include instructions and supplies for at-home activities and include age appropriate activities for kids and teens.



## SEPTEMBER EVENTS

#### Monday, September 4

\* Library CLOSED

#### Tuesday, September 5

- \* Story Time, 10:30am
- \* Stay & Play, 11am

#### Thursday, September 7

\* Tech Tutor, 10am-12pm

#### Tuesday, September 12

- Story Time with the Driftless, 10:30am
- Teen Advisory Board (TAB), 4pm
- Library Board Meeting,
  4:30pm

#### Wednesday, September 13

 Grab & Go for Kids and for Teens available. First come, first served.

#### Thursday, September 14

\* Tech Tutor, 10am-12pm

#### Tuesday, September 19

Story Time, 10:30am

#### Thursday, September 21

- \* Tech Tutor, 10am-12pm
- \* Foundation Book Sale, 2-6pm
- Thursday Night Book Club— Recipe box by Viola Shipman (share a recipe), 6pm

#### Tuesday, September 26

- \* Story Time, 10:30am
- Afternoon with the Driftless, 3:30pm

#### Thursday, September 28

- \* Tech Tutor, 10am-12pm
- Live & Learn: Getting to Know Libby, 5:30pm





