

@ Robey Memorial Library



Robey Memorial Library
Enriching lives through lifelong learning

June 2025

Summer Explorers

THE MAGIC OF DR. SEUSS

Wednesday, June 25

10:30am

Fast-paced romp through the most loved and classic works of Dr. Seuss while performing fun, exciting magic with Duffy Hudson.

Summer Explorers

Robey Memorial Library is excited to offer a variety of engaging programs for children and families through its Summer Explorers series this June and July. These hands-on events take place on selected Wednesdays from 10:30 to 11:30 am in the Community Room.

Upcoming Summer Explorers Programs:

June 11 – Cardboard Construction

Dive into creativity with cardboard building challenges and imaginative play.

June 25 – The Magic of Dr. Seuss

Broadway and film actor Duffy Hudson brings beloved Dr. Seuss stories to life in a fast-paced performance filled with fun, excitement, and magical surprises. Enjoy classic tales including:

- *And to Think I Saw It on Mulberry Street*
- *The Sneeches*
- *The Zax*
- *The Big Brag*
- *What Was I Scared Of?*

This lively and heartwarming show is sure to entertain audiences of all ages.

July 9 – Surviving the Dust Bowl

Learn about life during the Dust Bowl with an interactive game and activity presented by Sara Berges, Soil Conservationist with the USDA.

July 23 – Life-Size Games

Get moving and have fun with giant versions of family favorites like Candy Land, Checkers, Bubbles, and Sidewalk Chalk.

These programs are free and open to the public. For more information or to register, please contact RML at (563) 568-4424 or visit www.waukon.lib.ia.us.

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Live & Learn--Houdini: Life & Legend

As part of Live & Learn*: enriching lives through monthly learning series, RML is offering Houdini: His Life & Legend!

In this fascinating one man show The Great Houdini shares his secrets of success his obsession with magic, the occult and the amazing stunts that drove him to an early grave.

- Will the show include elements of Houdini's life? Of course it will.

- Will the show include escapes and magic? Of course it will.
- Will the show captivate the young, the old, and everyone in between? Of course it will.
- Will the show reveal all of Houdini's secrets? Well, you will have to watch won't you?

*Schedule update for recurring program. July's Live & Learn program is scheduled in the usual date & time--last Thursday of the month at 5:30pm--July 31.



2025 Adult Reading Challenge

We challenge your reading life! During the 2025 calendar year, receive a prize drawing entry for reading one title from each of the twelve categories:

- Adventure
- Book or Character that Inspires You
- Celebrity Book Club selection
- Fantasy
- Fiction
- Friendship-themed
- Graphic novel or Picture book
- Non-fiction
- Puzzle-themed

- Set in another country (not the United States)
- Sport-themed
- Technology-themed

Thank you to our 2025 prize sponsors:

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A Few Reminders for Libby Users

- Be sure the email address attached to your library account is current so you can be alerted when your library card expires.
- Library cards expire every three years and are renewed upon verification of address & other contact information.
- Expired library cards will not have access to Libby.



RML Launches Jigsaw Puzzle Collection

Robey Memorial Library is pleased to announce the addition of a Jigsaw Puzzle Collection to its circulating materials, now available for checkout by library patrons.

This new collection features puzzles in a variety of piece counts and themes, including nature, animals, landscapes, art, and more—offering fun and challenge for all ages and skill levels. Whether you're a seasoned puzzler or just

discovering the joy of jigsaws, the collection has something for everyone.

"We're excited to offer jigsaw puzzles as part of our library's collection," says Sid Becker, Librarian at Robey Memorial Library. "Puzzles are a great way to relax, spend time with family, and exercise the mind. We hope this new service brings both fun and enrichment to our community."

Each puzzle is packaged for easy borrowing, and patrons are encouraged to return all pieces intact for the enjoyment of others. The library will continue to expand the collection over time, and donations of gently used puzzles are welcome.

To browse the collection or check out a puzzle, visit Robey Memorial Library at 401 First Ave NW in Waukon or explore our catalog online at www.waukon.lib.ia.us. For more information, contact us at (563) 568-4424.





Teen Book Clubs

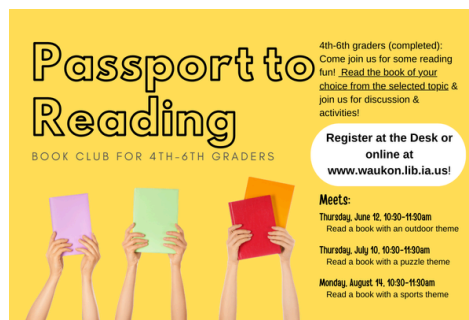
Teens register today for our summer book clubs meeting monthly in June, July & August:

Classic Book Club for Teens, Mondays @ 5:30pm:

- 6/9 : *The lion, the witch & the wardrobe*
- 7/14 : *The thin man*
- 8/11 : *The call of the wild*

Teen Summer Book Club, Wednesdays @ 10:30am:

- 6/4 : *The Davenports*
- 7/2 : *Thieves' gambit*
- 8/6 : *The notorious Benedict Arnold*

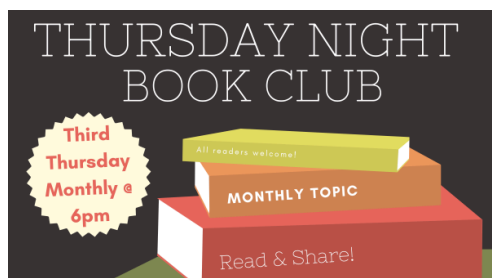


Passport to Reading

RML invites students who have completed grades 4–6 to join Passport to Reading, a fun and engaging book club just for kids! Each month, readers choose a book based on the discussion theme and come together for lively conversation and hands-on activities. Participants complete a reading passport and be entered into a drawing for a free book of their choice!

Passport to Reading meets monthly @ 10:30am:

- June 12 – Read an outdoor-themed book
- July 10 – Read a puzzle-themed book
- August 14 – Read a sport-themed book

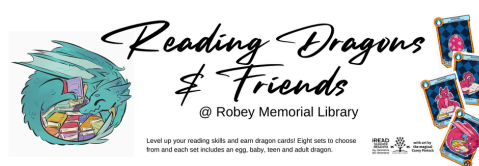


Book Club

Interested in discussing the books you read with other readers? Meeting new people? Are you looking for a new author or genre to read but not quite ready to jump all in? Are you at a loss for what to read next? Join us for Thursday Night Book Club the third Thursday monthly at 6pm.

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

June 19 **Foodie/Cookbook**
July 17 **Puzzle theme**
August 21 **Technology theme**



Reading Dragons

RML invites young readers to join "Reading Dragons and Friends" this summer, an innovative program aimed at nurturing a love for reading while enhancing skills.

From June through August, readers can grab a reading log from the library or print one online to start their journey. By logging reading time in 30-minute intervals, participants earn collectible dragon cards featuring eight unique dragon families, illustrated by Carey Pietsch. This program encourages all reading levels to participate, fostering a fun and rewarding reading experience.



June Events

June 1-30

- Main Street Story Walk

Tuesday, June 3

- Story Time, 10:30am
- Lego Club (ages 7-17), 10:30am
- Stay & Play, 11am

Wednesday, June 4

- Teen Summer Book Club, 10:30am-

Thursday, June 5

- Tech Tutor, 10am-12pm

Monday, June 9

- Classic Book Club for Teens, 4-5pm

Tuesday, June 10

- Story Time with the Driftless, 10:30am
- Lego Club (ages 7-17), 10:30am
- Library Board Meeting, 4:30pm

Thursday, June 11

- Grab & Go for Kids & For Teens, first-come, first served
- Summer Explorers: Cardboard Construction, 10:30am
- Teen Game Night, 5-7pm

Thursday, June 12

- Tech Tutor, 10am-12pm
- Passport to Reading Book Club (4-6th Grade), 10:30am
- Pinterest Projects, 5:30pm

Tuesday, June 17

- Story Time, 10:30am
- Lego Club (ages 7-17), 10:30am

Thursday, June 19

- Tech Tutor, 10am-12pm
- Foundation Book Sale, 2-6pm
- Thursday Night Book Club: Foodie/Cookbook, 6pm

Tuesday, June 24

- Story Time, 10:30am
- Lego Club (ages 7-17), 10:30am
- Afternoon with the Driftless, 3:30pm

Wednesday, June 25

- Summer Explorers: Dr. Seuss (portrayed by Duffy Hudson), 10:30am
- Live & Learn: Houdini (portrayed by Duffy Hudson), 1:30pm

Thursday, June 26

- Tech Tutor, 10am-12pm

Coming Soon:

- Teen Book Clubs & Passport to Reading
- Summer Reading Challenge



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