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monthly news



Musical Movie Month @ RML!

Grab some popcorn and enjoy a month of beloved musicals at Robey Memorial Library during Musical Movie Month this August. Community members of all ages are invited to attend free movie showings every Monday at 1:30 p.m. in the library.

The August lineup includes a variety of family-friendly favorites:

- Monday, August 3: The Prince of Egypt (Rated PG)

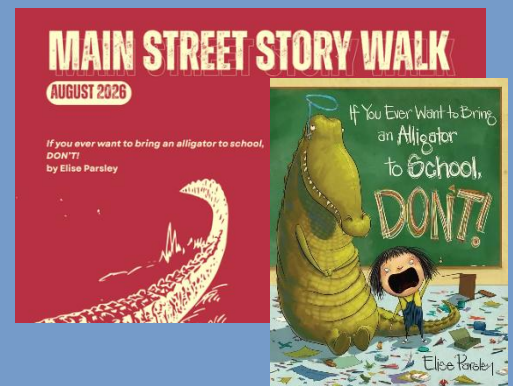
This animated retelling of the Book of Exodus follows Egyptian Prince Moses as he discovers his true heritage and embarks on a courageous journey to free the Hebrew people from slavery.

- Monday, August 10: The Wizard of Oz (Rated G)

Young Dorothy Gale and her dog Toto are swept away by a tornado from their Kansas farm to the magical Land of Oz, where they join three unforgettable companions on a journey to meet the mysterious Wizard.

- Monday, August 17: Trolls (Rated PG)

When the Bergens invade Troll Village, the ever-optimistic Poppy and the reluctant Branch set off on an exciting adventure to rescue their friends. (continued on page 2)



Take a walk and read along Allamakee Street, Main Street, and Spring Avenue!

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- Monday, August 24: The Little Mermaid (2023) (Rated PG)

Ariel, a curious young mermaid, dreams of experiencing life on land. Against her father's wishes, she ventures to the surface, setting off a magical adventure of self-discovery.

Musical Movie Month is free and open to the public, making it a fun way for families, friends, and movie lovers to spend an afternoon together enjoying timeless songs, memorable characters, and inspiring stories.

2026 Adult Reading Challenge

RML invites you to embark on a literary adventure with the 2026 Adult Reading Challenge, Plant a Seed, Read. Running through December 31st, this year-long challenge encourages adults to explore new genres, themes, and authors while earning chances to win fantastic prizes.

Challenge yourself to read one book from each of the twelve exciting categories:

- Agriculture-themed
- Book from your Childhood
- Cross-Cultural
- Family-themed
- Foodie/Cookbook
- Garden-themed
- Health-themed
- History
- Humorous
- Midwestern Author or Theme
- Recommended
- Set in Summer



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Afternoon with the Driftless

RML is pleased to announce the return of Afternoon with the Driftless, a fun and educational monthly program presented by a naturalist from the Allamakee County Conservation Board.

Beginning in August, the program is held on the **fourth Tuesday of each month** from **August through April at 3:30pm** in the library.

Designed for children and families, each session features a story followed by an engaging presentation about animals, nature, and conservation. Participants can also enjoy a variety of hands-on activities that make learning about the natural world fun and interactive.

Thursday Night Book Club

The Thursday Night Book Club, a monthly gathering for book enthusiasts. Meeting **every third Thursday of the month at 6 PM**, the club invites members and newcomers alike to delve into a range of themes, offering both in-person and virtual participation options to accommodate everyone's preferences.

Whether you're a seasoned bookworm or just looking to read more, our book club offers something for everyone.

- August 20** — Historical fiction NOT set in the United States
- September 17** — Agriculture theme
- October 15** — A book that knocks your socks off
- November 19** — Humorous book
- December 17** — A book from your childhood



Pinterest Projects



RML invites community members to get creative at the Pinterest Projects Class on Thursday, August 13, at 5:30 PM in the Community Room (lower level) of the library. This bi-monthly class brings Pinterest-inspired projects to life, providing a fun and engaging way to explore new crafting techniques.

August's featured project is a Beaded Forever Plant. The class is free of charge, and all materials will be provided by the library. Registration is recommended to ensure enough supplies are available for participants.

Pinterest is a popular visual bookmarking tool that helps users discover and save creative ideas. The Pinterest Projects Class brings these ideas into reality, offering hands-on instruction in a welcoming environment.

Register online at www.waukon.lib.ia.us or call 563-568-4424.

Join us for an evening of crafting, creativity, and community at Robey Memorial Library!

Passing on the Family Farm

Farmers, landowners, and their families to attend Passing on the Family Farm: Educational Session on Generational Farming Legacy, an informative program designed to help families prepare for the successful transition of their farming operation to the next generation.

The educational session will be presented by Eric Guth, Advisor, CLF, FSS, LUTCF, and Nick Wilz, Advisor, who will share practical strategies and resources to help families navigate the complexities of farm succession.

Topics covered during the session include:

- Succession planning
- Business planning
- Risk management
- Financial independence
- Estate planning services



Participants may attend one of four sessions at Robey Memorial Library:

- **Tuesday, August 18 at 9:30 am or 4:00 pm**
- **Wednesday, August 26 at 9:30 am or 4:00 pm**

Whether you are preparing to transition the family farm in the near future or simply beginning the conversation, this program provides valuable information to help protect your family's legacy and plan for the future.

Class sizes are limited, and advance registration is required. To reserve your spot, please **RSVP by calling 608-793-5589** or emailing aimeemeier@ffig.com.



Families interested in learning more about homeschooling are invited to attend Homeschooling 101 at Robey Memorial Library on Monday, August 10, 2026, at 5:00 pm.

This free informational session is an opportunity for parents and

caregivers to explore home education as an option for their children. The presentation will be led by Chelsea, the Region 3 Homeschool Iowa Regional Representative, who will discuss the corn basics of Iowa's homeschooling laws, including the different homeschooling options available, state requirements, and resources to help families get started. The session will explain Iowa's homeschool pathways in easy-to-understand terms and help parents choose the option that best fits their family's needs.

Whether you are considering homeschooling for the first time, planning a future transition, or simply want to understand your educational options, this session will provide practical information and an opportunity to have your questions answered.

The program is free and open to the public. No registration is required.



Live & Learn: Become a Dementia Friend

As part of Live & Learn: enriching lives through monthly learning series, RML is offering Becoming a Dementia Friend on Thursday, August 27 at 5 pm in the lower level Community Room.

Community members are invited to become a Dementia Friend by attending a free one-hour informational session. Presented by Madison Montorsi, this interactive session is designed to help participants better understand dementia and learn simple, practical ways to support individuals living with the disease. No prior knowledge or personal connection to dementia is required.

During the discussion, participants will:

- Learn the basics of dementia and how it affects individuals and families.
- Discover effective communication tips for interacting with people living with dementia.
- Explore local community resources available for individuals and caregivers.
- Gain practical ideas for creating a more supportive and inclusive community.



The session is led by a certified Dementia Friends Champion and is part of the Dementia Friends initiative, which encourages people to turn understanding into action through small, meaningful acts of kindness and support.

Whether you know someone living with dementia or simply want to make your community more welcoming and informed, this session offers valuable insights for everyone. Organizations and community groups interested in hosting a future Dementia Friends session are also encouraged to attend to learn more about scheduling a presentation.

The program is free and open to the public.



Reading Dragons & Friends

RML invites readers to embark on a literary adventure through August. Designed to foster a love for reading while leveling up skills, this program offers participants the chance to collect and play with dragon-themed cards.

Pick up a log from the library or print one from our website to begin your journey.

It's Story Time

- Join us **every Tuesday** for Story Time at **10:30am**. Each session features stories and activities. The 2nd Tuesday of the month RML collaborates with the Allamakee Conservation Board and a Driftless Center naturalist shares a story and interactive activities on various conservation and nature topic.
- Join us on the **first Thursday** of the month for a cozy evening Snuggle Story Time at **5:30pm**.



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August Events



Monday, August 3

- Musical Movie Month: *Prince of Egypt* (Rated PG), 1:30pm

Tuesday, August 4

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

Thursday, August 6

- Tech Tutor, 10am-12pm
- Snuggle Story Time, 5:30pm

Monday, August 10

- Musical Movie Month: *Wizard of Oz* (Rated G), 1:30pm

Tuesday, August 11

- Story Time with the Driftless, 10:30am
- RML Board Meeting, 4:30pm

Wednesday, August 12

- Grab & Go for Kids & for Teens: first-come, first served

Thursday, August 13

- Tech Tutor, 10am-12pm
- Pinterest Projects: Beaded Forever Plant, 5:30pm

Monday, August 17

- Musical Movie Month: *Trolls* (Rated PG), 1:30pm

Tuesday, August 18

- Passing on the Family Farm, 9:30am
- Story Time, 10:30am
- Passing on the Family Farm, 4pm

Thursday, August 20

- Tech Tutor, 10am-12pm
- Foundation Book Sale, 2-6pm
- Thursday Night Book Club: Historical Fiction NOT set in the United States, 6pm

Monday, August 24

- Musical Movie Month: *The Little Mermaid* [2023] (Rated PG), 1:30pm

Tuesday, August 25

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

Wednesday, August 26

- Passing on the Family Farm, 9:30am
- Passing on the Family Farm, 4pm

Thursday, August 27

- Tech Tutor, 10am-12pm
- Live & Learn: Become a Dementia Friend, 5pm



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Secret Word Search

In this newsletter, there is a random word in a sentence. The word is totally unrelated to the subject matter. Mention the word to Staff while visiting RML this month & select a free book from the book vault.

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