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## GRAB & GO

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

Monthly on the second Wednesday, RML offers Grab & Go activity bags on a first-come, first-serve basis. Bags include instructions and supplies for at-home activities; are new monthly; and include age appropriate activities for kids and teens.

## 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, January 25 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](mailto:robeymemorial@waukon.lib.ia.us), or [www.waukon.lib.ia.us](http://www.waukon.lib.ia.us).



## Thursday Night 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.

### Upcoming in 2024:

January 18	Bestselling author
February 15	Book with a unique title
March 21	By author Lisa See
April 18	Iowa author or topic
May 16	WWI or WWII
June 20	Nature-themed
July 18	Recycled book (from 2nd-hand sale/friend)
August 15	Teaches you something
September 19	Classic
October 17	Mystery
November 21	Book or character that inspires you
December 19	Holiday Theme

# World Read Aloud Day

Robey Memorial Library in Waukon celebrates World Read Aloud Day on Wednesday, February 6 with events from 10am to 8pm.

On World Read Aloud Day people from all around the world read aloud together to celebrate and advocate literacy.

Reading aloud is beneficial to all--from children to adults. "Reading aloud to children every day puts them almost a year ahead of children who do not receive daily read alouds regardless of parental income, education level or cultural background." (Melbourne Institute of Applied Economic and Social Research)

## Celebrate World Read Aloud Day with us:

- ⇒ Sign up to read aloud during a 15-minute session—choose your own book or select a title from our special display!
- ⇒ Listen to read alouds throughout the day!
- ⇒ Take a story walk through the library!

Robey Memorial Library offers literacy and reading programs throughout the year:

- Tuesday, Story Times, 10:30-11am, including Story Time with the Driftless on the second Tuesday of the month
- After School with the Driftless every fourth Tuesday, 3:30pm
- Special Story Times: Pajama Party & Teddy Bear Sleepover
- Thursday Night Book Club, third Thursday at 6pm
- Teen Summer Book Clubs
- Summer Reading Challenge for Infants through High Schoolers
- Reading programs for all ages: 1,000 books before Kindergarten 100 books before High School; Read for a Lifetime; 52-week Read (for 7th through 12th) and the Adult Reading Challenge.



# FOUNDATION BOOK SALE

Third Thursday, monthly  
2-6pm



## Foundation Book Sale

The Robey Memorial Library Foundation hosts its monthly book sale on Thursday, January 18 from 2-6pm.

The book sale opens in the lower level conference room every third Thursday from 2-6pm. Selection changes monthly. All proceeds benefit the Robey Memorial Library Foundation to fund projects like:

- VMH Books for Babies
- Little Free Libraries of Allamakee County
- Re/newal Project
- Wonderbook Project
- And more!

### HOMESCHOOL SHOW & TELL

The Homeschool Show & Tell program is a dynamic and interactive series of sessions specially crafted for homeschool students of all ages. The program aims to provide a platform for young learners to:

1. Explore fascinating topics
2. Develop public speaking skills
3. Encourage critical thinking
4. Build lifelong learning habits

The Homeschool Show & Tell program is open to students of all ages. Sessions are held monthly on the first Tuesday at 11am Guidelines for show & tell items: you must be able to carry your show & tell item yourself; the item must be appropriate for all ages; and it can be nothing too expensive or irreplaceable (we recommend a photo of such an item).

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| January 2  | Favorite book              |
| February 6 | Favorite animal            |
| March 5    | Item beginning with an "A" |
| April 2    | Favorite piece of clothing |
| May 7      | Something from nature      |



**STORY TIME**  
tuesdays  
10:30am  
Join us for stories & activities!

Caregivers are expected to remain with children.

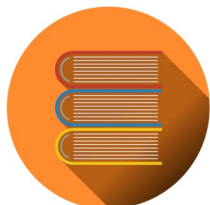




**Program  
Spotlight:  
Tech Tutor**

RML offers a weekly drop-in computer & technology help session from 10 am to 12 pm on Thursdays.

During Tech Tutor, anyone may stop in and get one-on-one assistance with eReaders, BRIDGES audiobook & eBook borrowing, tablets, smart phones, mp3 players, basic computer instruction including: internet, e-mail, word processing, spreadsheet, and more.



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# January Events

## Monday, January 1

- \* Library Closed

## Tuesday, January 2

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

## Thursday, January 4

- \* Tech Tutor, 10am-12pm

## Tuesday, January 9

- \* Story Time with the Driftless, 10:30am
- \* Library Board Meeting, 4:30pm

## Wednesday, January 10

- \* Grab & Go for Kids and for Teens—first come, first-served

## Thursday, January 11

- \* Tech Tutor, 10am-12pm

## Tuesday, January 16

- \* Story Time , 10:30am
- \* TAB (Teen Advisory Board), 4pm

## Thursday, January 18

- \* Tech Tutor, 10am-12pm
- \* Foundation Book Sale, 2-6pm
- \* Thursday Night Book Club, 6pm

## Tuesday, January 23

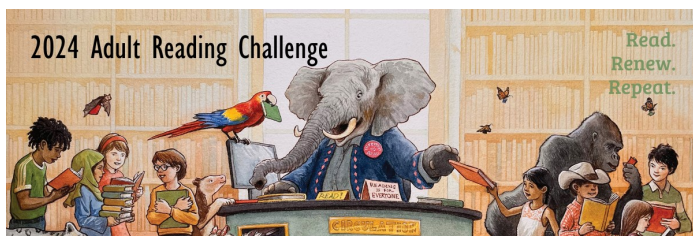
- \* Story Time, 10:30am
- \* Afternoon with the Driftless, 3:30pm

## Thursday, January 25

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

## Tuesday, January 30

- \* Story Time, 10:30am



## 2024 ADULT READING CHALLENGE

“Read. Renew. Repeat.” is the theme of Robey Memorial Library’s 2024 Adult Reading Challenge beginning January 1st and ending December 31st. RML challenges you to read something new or different this year!

Receive a prize drawing entry for reading from one of each of twelve categories:

- ◆ Animal-themed
- ◆ Based on a true story
- ◆ Classic
- ◆ From your childhood/youth

- ◆ Nature-themed
- ◆ Reader’s Choice
- ◆ Recycled—from a garage sale, second-hand store, friend, etc.
- ◆ Science
- ◆ Teaches you something
- ◆ Tragedy
- ◆ Travel-themed
- ◆ Weather-related

Prizes given by random drawing after the challenge is complete on December 31, 2024.