



SUMMER READING CELEBRATION

Plant a Seed, READ!

Thursday, June 4 • 2-4pm • All ages
Aalfs Downtown Library • 529 Pierce Street

Jump start your summer of fun at the Library!
Come by anytime during this drop-in event!

- Sing and dance at the Family Karaoke Dance Party.
- Visit the Creation Stations and make wildflower seed bombs, grass people and more!
- Get moving by reading along the indoor StoryWalk®.
- Go on a scavenger hunt around the Library and earn a prize!
- Decorate a flower to add to the Library's garden mural.

Can't make it to the Event?

No problem! Visit any Library location from June 1 - July 31 to get your **Summer Reading Starter Pack!**

Read all summer for chances to **WIN PRIZES!!**

ALL EVENTS AT THE LIBRARY ARE FREE!

FEATURED EVENTS

✓ Illusionist Keith West

Monday, June 15 • All Ages
2 SHOWS! (same show repeats)

- 2pm at Morningside Branch Library
- 6:30pm at Aalfs Downtown Library

Illusionist Keith West and his assistant Miss Kitty return to the Library for a show filled with magic, fun and mind-boggling illusions!



Pokémon-a-thon!

All Library Locations

Wednesday, June 24 • All Ages • **ALL DAY!**

"Catch 'em all!" as we celebrate 30 years of Pokémon! Take part in a Pokémon Scavenger Hunt and make cool Pokémon crafts!



✓ Great Plains Zoomobile

Morningside Branch Library

Tuesday, July 14 • All Ages
2 SHOWS! (same show repeats)
1:30pm & 3pm

Get excited about animals when the zoo comes to YOU at the Library! Zookeepers from The Great Plains

Zoo introduce small animal ambassadors during this informative, family-friendly program! Fun for all ages.



Aalfs Downtown Library

529 Pierce St • 51101
712.255.2933

Monday-Wednesday.....9am - 8pm
Thursday-Saturday.....9am - 5pm
Sunday (June-August).....Closed

Perry Creek Branch Library

2912 Hamilton Blvd • Lower B • 51104
712.255.2926

Monday-Friday.....10:30am - 5:30pm
Saturday-Sunday.....Closed

Morningside Branch Library

4005 Morningside Ave • 51106 • 712.255.2924
Monday-Wednesday.....10am - 6pm
Thursday-Friday.....10am - 5pm
Saturday.....9am-5pm
Sunday.....Closed

SUMMER READING EVENTS CALENDAR

Events at the Library are FREE!

✓ = Registration Required

Register online at siouxcitylibrary.org or by calling (712) 255-2933 x2234.

If you cannot attend, please call to cancel your registration.

🌿 = Outdoor Event

Feel free to bring blankets or lawn chairs. In case of inclement weather, this event will be indoors.

👋 = ASL Interpreter

An American Sign Language interpreter will be translating at these events.

👣 = Non-Library Events

Join the Library and other community groups **off-site** for fun this summer!

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1 Summer Reading Begins! Download Beanstack and Register Today!	2 Library Storytime 🌿 11am Perry Creek Branch Library	3 Library Storytime 🌿👋 10:30am Morningside Branch Library	4 Summer Reading Celebration Event: Plant a Seed, Read! 2-4pm • Drop in anytime! AalFs Downtown Library	5 Family Movie Friday: <i>Zootopia 2</i> (PG) 10am AalFs Downtown Library	6
7 SUNDAYS	8 LEGOs at the Library 2-4pm • Drop in anytime! AalFs Downtown Library	9 Library Storytime 🌿 11am Perry Creek Branch Library Read-To-Me Dogs 2-3pm • AalFs Downtown Library Pop-Up Park Event 👣 6-7:30pm • Lyons Park	10 Library Storytime 🌿👋 10:30am Morningside Branch Library TEEN Crafternoon: ✓ <i>Upcycled T-shirt Tote Bag</i> 2pm • AalFs Downtown Library	11 Innovation Studio: <i>Can You Dig It? Artifact Investigations</i> ✓ 2pm AalFs Downtown Library	12 Family Movie Friday: <i>Bad Guys 2</i> (PG) 10am AalFs Downtown Library	13
14 SUNDAYS	15 Imagination Builders: <i>Plant a Seed, Read!</i> ✓ 11am Morningside Branch Library Illusionist Keith West ✓ 2 SHOWS (same show) 2pm - Morningside Branch Library 6:30pm - AalFs Downtown Library	16 Library Storytime 🌿 11am Perry Creek Branch Library Read-To-Me Dogs 2-3pm AalFs Downtown Library	17 Library Storytime 🌿👋 10:30am Morningside Branch Library	18 Innovation Studio: <i>Spintronics - Exploring Switches</i> ✓ 2pm AalFs Downtown Library	19 Family Movie Friday: <i>Toy Story 4</i> (PG) 10am AalFs Downtown Library	20 Family Yoga! ✓ 10am AalFs Downtown Library
21 SUNDAYS	22 Imagination Builders: <i>Adventures in Coding with Bee-Bots</i> ✓ 11am Morningside Branch Library	23 Library Storytime 🌿 11am Perry Creek Branch Library Read-To-Me Dogs 2-3pm AalFs Downtown Library	24 Library Storytime 🌿👋 10:30am Morningside Branch Library Pokemon-a-thon! ALL DAY! Drop-in anytime! All Library Locations	25 Innovation Studio: <i>Build-a-Boat</i> ✓ 2pm AalFs Downtown Library	26 <i>Seeking Sasquatch 2: A TEEN After-Hours Mystery</i> ✓ 6:30-8:30pm AalFs Downtown Library	27
28 CLOSED	29 Imagination Builders: <i>All About Balance - Making Mobiles</i> ✓ 11am Morningside Branch Library	30 Library Storytime 🌿 11am Perry Creek Branch Library Read-To-Me Dogs 2-3pm AalFs Downtown Library	1 Library Storytime 🌿👋 10:30am Morningside Branch Library	2 Happy Birthday America! Celebrating 250 Years 2-4pm, Drop-in anytime! AalFs Downtown Library	3 LIBRARY CLOSED FOR HOLIDAY Happy 4th of July!	
5 CLOSED	6 LEGOs at the Library 2-4pm • Drop in anytime! AalFs Downtown Library	7 Library Storytime 🌿 11am Perry Creek Branch Library	8 Library Storytime 🌿👋 10:30am Morningside Branch Library	9 Innovation Studio: <i>Map It! Featuring Blue-Bots</i> ✓ 2pm AalFs Downtown Library	10 Little Sprouts Jamboree ✓ 10am AalFs Downtown Library Family Movie Friday: <i>Hoppers</i> (PG) 2pm AalFs Downtown Library	11
12 CLOSED	13 Imagination Builders: <i>Fairy & Gnome Gardens</i> ✓ 11am Morningside Branch Library TEEN Crafternoon: ✓ <i>Holographic Kneading Putty</i> 2pm • AalFs Downtown Library	14 Library Storytime 🌿 11am Perry Creek Branch Library Great Plains Zoomobile ✓ 2 SHOWS (same show) 1:30pm & 3pm Morningside Branch Library Pop-Up Park Event 👣 6-7:30pm • Dale Street Park	15 Library Storytime 🌿👋 10:30am Morningside Branch Library	16 Innovation Studio: <i>Medical Mysteries</i> ✓ 2pm AalFs Downtown Library	17 Family Movie Friday: <i>GOAT</i> (PG) 10am • AalFs Downtown Library After-Hours @ The Library: TEEN Trivia Night ✓ 6:30-8:30pm AalFs Downtown Library	18
19 CLOSED	20 Imagination Builders: ✓ <i>The Buzz About Bees</i> 11am Morningside Branch Library	21 Library Storytime 🌿 11am Perry Creek Branch Library	22 Library Storytime 🌿👋 10:30am Morningside Branch Library	23 Innovation Studio: <i>Spintronics - Exploring Parallel Circuits</i> ✓ 2pm AalFs Downtown Library	24 Family Movie Friday: <i>The SpongeBob Movie: Search for Squarepants</i> (PG) 10am AalFs Downtown Library	25 Family Yoga! ✓ 10am AalFs Downtown Library
26	27 Imagination Builders: ✓ <i>Outdoor Science Fun</i> 11am Morningside Branch Library	28 Library Storytime 🌿 11am Perry Creek Branch Library	29 Library Storytime 🌿👋 10:30am Morningside Branch Library	30 Meet an Owl at the Library! 10:30am ✓ Morningside Branch Library Whoooo Ate This? Exploring Owl Pellets ✓ 2pm Morningside Branch Library	31 Family Movie Friday: <i>The Super Mario Galaxy Movie</i> (PG) 10am AalFs Downtown Library LAST DAY to log reading & submit entries for prizes!	Add these events on Facebook! 

June 2026

July 2026

Start NOW Online!

Join the **Grand Prize Summer Reading Challenge** and log your reading on Beanstack for chances to WIN big prizes!

Join Beanstack:
• Get the **Beanstack Tracker** app or visit siouxcitylibrary.beanstack.org online to sign up!

- Find your library: **Sioux City Public Library (IA)**
- Create an account and enter reader profiles for your family members.
- Log reading, attended events, or participation in activities to earn chances to win prizes!

Sign up for updates!

Get ALL the updates, weekly event reminders, registration links, and more when you sign up for our **Kids & Families e-Newsletter** at siouxcitylibrary.org/kidsevents

SCAN THE CODE WITH YOUR PHONE TO SIGN UP!



Sioux City Explorers Celebrate Reading Night WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 5 • 6:35pm • ALL AGES!

Earn one (1) FREE ticket to the Sioux City Explorers

Celebrate Reading Night baseball game by reading!
- Ages 0-5 have 100 books read to them by July 31.
- Ages 6-18 read 10 hours total by July 31.

Additional tickets may be purchased from the Sioux City Explorers' box office for a special rate of \$8/person.

\$2 Hot Dog Night and Bark in the Park will occur during Celebrate Reading Night - so bring your canine friends!



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SPECIAL EVENTS

Happy Birthday America! Celebrating 250 Years

AalFs Downtown Library
Thursday, July 2 • 2-4pm • All Ages
Let's party like it's 1776! Honor America's 250th anniversary by making your own patriotic craft creations at this drop-in event.

✓ Little Sprouts Jamboree

AalFs Downtown Library
Friday, July 10 • 10am
Ages 2 & under + their caregiver
Little sprouts and their adult caregiver are invited to a lively hour of musical fun, stories, and dancing at the Library.

✓ Meet an Owl at the Library!

Morningside Branch Library
Thursday, July 30 • 10:30am
All Ages
Meet the resident owls of the Dorothy Pecaut Nature Center right here at the Library in this informational program!

✓ Whoooo Ate This? Exploring Owl Pellets

Morningside Branch Library
Thursday, July 30 • 2pm • All Ages
Led by staff from Dorothy Pecaut Nature Center, investigate a sanitized owl pellet. Reveal fur, bones, and clues about what these nocturnal hunters eat.

FAMILY EVENTS: READING, GAMES & MORE

LEGOs at the Library

AalFs Downtown Library • Ages 4-11
2-4pm • Mondays, June 8 & July 6
Drop-in and build using the Library's LEGO collection.

Read-To-Me Dogs

AalFs Downtown Library • Ages 6-11
2-3pm • Tuesdays, June 9, 16, 23, 30
Drop-in and practice reading to trained therapy dogs.

✓ Family Yoga!

AalFs Downtown Library • All Ages
10-11am • Saturdays, June 20 & July 25
Yoga for the whole family! Learn relaxation and poses.

Weekly Library Storytimes

Ages 0-5 and their caregiver • *Weather permitting, storytime will be outside. Feel free to bring blankets and lawn chairs!*

Perry Creek Branch Library • Every Tuesday all year long • 11am

Morningside Branch Library ✋ Every Wednesday all year long • 10:30am

Build literacy, vocabulary, and social skills while experiencing the magic of stories.

✋ During June and July, Morningside Storytime will have an American Sign Language interpreter.

TEENS: AGES 12-18

✓ TEEN Crafternoons

Supplies and snacks provided.
AalFs Downtown Library
Wednesday, June 10 • 2-4pm
Upcycled T-shirt Tote Bag
Create a reusable bag out of a shirt!
Monday, July 13 • 2-4pm
Holographic Kneading Putty
Make mica-infused stress putty!

✓ Seeking Sasquatch 2: A TEEN After-Hours Mystery

AalFs Downtown Library
Friday, June 26 • 6:30-8:30pm
Teens are invited to take over the Library to find clues, solve puzzles, and compete in challenges to unravel this after-hours mystery! Prizes and snacks provided.

✓ After-Hours @ The Library: TEEN Trivia Night

AalFs Downtown Library
Friday, July 17 • 6:30-8:30pm
Show off your smarts at this after-hours, teens-only trivia night! Play as a team or form a group with other attendees. Prizes and snacks provided.

HANDS-ON FUN

✓ Innovation Studio

AalFs Downtown Library • All sessions 2-3pm
Ages 9-11 • Thursdays, June 11, 18, 25 & July 9, 16, 23
This summer, join us for fun, interactive STEM activities. Register for one, many, or all!

✓ Imagination Builders

Morningside Branch Library • All sessions 11am
Ages 6-8 • Mondays, June 15, 22, 29 & July 13, 20, 27
Go beyond the pages of the books through these hands-on STEM-based storytimes. Register for one, many, or all!

FAMILY MOVIE FRIDAYS

AalFs Downtown Library, all ages welcome - NO MOVIES June 26 & July 3. Feel free to bring a covered beverage. Popcorn provided by Jolly Time Popcorn.

June 5 • 10am
Rated: PG



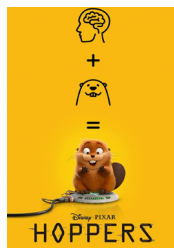
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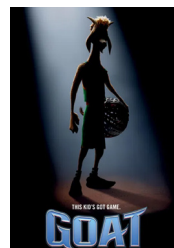
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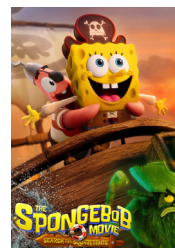
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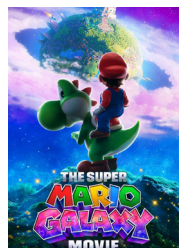
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July 24 • 10am
Rated: PG



July 31 • 10am
Rated: PG



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