

The Word on the Shelves



A Holiday Newsletter from the Ida Grove Public Library

A year in review at your library

As 2024 comes to a close, we reflect on the many exciting moments, accomplishments, and milestones we've shared together. Our library has been a hub for knowledge, creativity, and community connection. Whether you visited us for a new book, attended a program, or participated in one of our special events, we are grateful for your support and enthusiasm!

Highlights of 2024

STEM After-School Program:

This year, our STEM after-school program has grown, offering exciting opportunities for young learners to engage in science, technology, engineering, and math activities. From rubber band racers, crazy contraptions and a lot of hands-on experiments, we've provided an engaging, educational environment for kids to explore STEM topics in a fun, interactive way.

Summer Movies @ the King:

We were thrilled to partner with the King Theatre this last summer to bring our community a 5-week Summer Movie Series. Coordinated with our Summer Reading Program, this series featured family-friendly films that aligned with the theme from our reading program, creating a unique experience for families to enjoy together.

Expanded Digital Services:

In recent years, we have made great strides in expanding our digital services to meet the needs of our community. Through subscriptions to services such as Hoopla and Kanopy, we now offer an even broader selection of e-books, audiobooks, movies, and TV shows for free with your library card. These digital platforms allow you to access thousands of titles from the comfort of your home or on the go, anytime and anywhere.





Upcoming in 2025

Pergola Project:

We are thrilled to announce plans for a new pergola outside the Children's Library in 2025! This beautiful outdoor space will provide a shaded area for reading and programs, offering a peaceful and inspiring environment for our community to enjoy.

New Computers and Better Internet Service:

To enhance your library experience, we are upgrading our computers and hardware in the new year. This upgrade will provide faster internet service and better access to digital resources. We're committed to ensuring you have the best technology for all your educational and recreational needs.

Adult Speaker Programs:

In 2025, we are adding to our Adult Speaker Programs, bringing in guest speakers to share their knowledge and inspire our community. From health and wellness to literature and local history, we are looking forward to hosting more speakers to engage and educate.



Thank You!

None of this would have been possible without the continued support of our library patrons. Whether you've checked out books, donated, or volunteered your time, you've played a key role in our success.

We can't wait to see what 2025 brings, and we look forward to serving you for another year of learning and discovery.

Wishing you a happy and peaceful holiday season!

Sincerely,

Your Library Team

Good to Know

As we wrap up this special holiday edition of The Word on the Shelves, we want to remind you that we're always happy to help you discover your next great read or find the resources you need.

Please don't hesitate to stop in, give us a call, or check out our online resources to find out more about the services and programs we offer.

Visit us today at 100 E 2nd Street, IG Call us: (712) 364-2306 Find us online: www.idagrove.lib.ia.us

Thanks for being part of our library family. See you in the new year!