

# SPILLING INK

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**SPENCER PUBLIC LIBRARY** APRIL 2024  
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## NATIONAL LIBRARY WEEK

**CELEBRATE NATIONAL LIBRARY WEEK  
 WITH US AT SPENCER PUBLIC LIBRARY!**



**APRIL 7-13**

**FREE POPCORN  
 AFTERNOONS**

**ENTER TO WIN A  
 PRIZE BUNDLE**

## NATIONAL LIBRARY WEEK

## UPCOMING EVENTS

- APRIL:**
- COFFEE & CONVERSATION
  - SPRING INTO ACTION:  
GETTING OUTSIDE
  - ASK ME ANYTHING ABOUT  
TEEN HEALTH
  - SOLAR ECLIPSE BAGS  
AVAILABLE APRIL 1ST  
WHILE SUPPLIES LAST

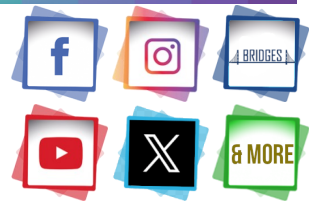
## READ, RENEW, REPEAT!

**OUR 2024 SUMMER READING PROGRAM KICKS  
 OFF AT THE END OF MAY!**

**JOIN US FOR KICKOFF & REGISTRATION WHEN  
 SPENCER SCHOOLS LET OUT FOR THE SUMMER!**



**HOURS**  
 MONDAY THROUGH THURSDAY: 9:00 AM TO 8:00 PM  
 FRIDAY AND SATURDAY: 9:00 AM TO 5:00 PM  
 SUNDAY: CLOSED



# KIDS

## STORYTIME

## TUESDAYS AT 10:00 AM



Join us each week as we explore a different theme through stories, songs, and rhymes! Storytimes support healthy, whole-child development and foster early literacy and social-emotional skills that are essential for reading readiness. Storytime is a great first group experience for children and an opportunity for adults to connect with others in our community.

## LEGOS @ THE LIBRARY



**Saturday, April 6  
2:00-4:00 PM Come-n-Go**

We've got the bricks, just bring your imagination! Try your hand at different build challenges or create whatever you want.

## KIDS' DROP-IN CRAFTERNOON



**Saturday, April 20  
@ 2:00-3:30 PM  
Come-n-Go**

Drop in for a fantastic time of creating Earth Day themed crafts.



## Spencer Area Kindergarten-3rd Graders

You're invited to join Clover Kids, a program specifically for you! We'll participate in hands-on activities to investigate Science, Technology, Art, Engineering, Math, Communication, and Literacy... all while having fun with friends and learning as we go.



Clover Kids is offered once a month throughout the school year from 4:00-5:00 p.m. at the Spencer Public Library on April 3, and May 1.

**Register for Clover Kids:**  
<https://go.iastate.edu/INXROL>

## 1,000 BOOKS BEFORE KINDERGARTEN

The library is excited to partner with #SpencerReads for this comprehensive and free program that encourages you to read aloud with your child.

### Here's how it works:

1. Register at [spencerlibrary.beanstack.com/](http://spencerlibrary.beanstack.com/) to create your account. If you prefer a low-tech version, ask for a paper log at the front desk.
1. Log your books as you go. As you reach each milestone, you'll receive rewards.



## PLAYDOUGH PLAY TIME

**Monday, April 22  
10-11 AM**

Shape, create, or just get messy! A variety of playdough, tools, and mats will all be available during this program.

This is a fun, sensory playtime to foster creativity and exploration. Perfect for ages 2-5, but all ages are welcome!

## bookworms APRIL SHOWERS BRING MAY FLOWERS

Stop in and check out some of the new books in the Children's Department



# APRIL TEEN EVENTS



## SPLAM: FRIENDSHIP BRACELETS

LGBTBQ+ & Allies Group  
Saturday, April 13 @ 2:00 PM



## ASK ANYTHING about teen health WITH DR. AMY JOCHIMS

Thursday, April 18, 6:30-8:00 PM



## TEEN MOVIE DAY *Barbie*

Saturday, April 27th @ 2:00 PM



## JUST WRITE All Ages Writing Group Tuesdays @ 5:30 PM

Email [sandresen@spenceriowacity.com](mailto:sandresen@spenceriowacity.com)  
for more information!

ANONYMOUS FORMAT = SAFE & ZERO EMBARRASSMENT

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**THURS 18**  
**APRIL**

**6:30 - 8:00 PM**



**ask**



**WITH DR**  
**AMY**  
**JOCHIMS**



**ANY**  
**THING**



**NO PARENTS**  
**LEAVE PHONES AT THE DOOR**

**ABOUT**  
**TEEN**  
**HEALTH**

**GET MEDICALLY ACCURATE ANSWERS**  
**WITHOUT BIAS OR JUDGMENT**

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# ADULT PROGRAMS



Join us for a senior fitness class. Gain muscle and improve your balance! Every Monday and Friday at 1:00 PM. Call ahead to reserve a spot.



## Solar Eclipse Bags April 1-8

A solar eclipse approaches, and while Spencer won't witness a total eclipse, the 80% coverage we'll experience will still be impressive! Swing by the library to pick up your complimentary eclipse bags containing safety glasses and eclipse information for the April 8 eclipse. Available while supplies last!

## Coffee & Conversation Spring into Action: Getting Outside April 18, 2:00 PM

Join the Clay County Extension Office for coffee and treats as we discuss gardening and exercise.



## Book Discussion April 22, 6:00 PM

A deliciously funny, sharply observed debut of family, love, and class, this zeitgeisty novel follows three women in one wealthy Brooklyn clan. Get your copy today!



## Spring Into Reading April 1-30 on Beanstack

Spring into reading this season! Join us in reading, logging our minutes, and earning some new badges. Log into your Beanstack app and read!



# DATES TO REMEMBER

## KIDS

**STORYTIME**  
TUESDAYS AT 10:00 AM

**JUST WRITE: ALL AGES WRITING GROUP**  
TUESDAYS AT 5:30 PM

**CLOVER KIDS**  
WEDNESDAY, APRIL 3RD AT 4:00 PM  
REGISTER AT [HTTPS://GO.IASTATE.EDU/INXROL](https://go.iastate.edu/inxrol)

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SATURDAY, APRIL 6TH FROM 2:00 TO 4:00 PM

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## ADULTS

**GERI-FIT:**  
MONDAYS & FRIDAYS AT 1:00 PM

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TUESDAYS AT 5:30 PM

**SPRING INTO READING CHALLENGE**  
APRIL 1ST - 30TH ON BEANSTACK

**COFFEE & CONVERSATION**  
SPRING INTO ACTION: GETTING OUTSIDE HELP  
THURSDAY, APRIL 18TH AT 2:00 PM

**BOOK DISCUSSION: *PINEAPPLE STREET***  
MONDAY, APRIL 22ND AT 6:00 PM

**ECLIPSE KITS**  
AVAILABLE APRIL 1ST WHILE SUPPLIES LAST

### WEEKLY EVENTS

**STORYTIME:**  
TUESDAYS AT 10:00 AM

**GERI-FIT:**  
MONDAYS & FRIDAYS  
1:00 PM

**DROP-IN TECH HELP:**  
WEDNESDAYS AT 1:30 PM

**JUST WRITE**  
TUESDAYS AT 5:30 PM

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APRIL 7-13

**FREE POPCORN AFTERNOONS**

### UPCOMING HOLIDAY HOURS

**MAY 27TH**  
MEMORIAL DAY

**CLOSED**

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