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WIN PRIZES BY READING!

WHERE WE COME FROM

Winter Reading Challenge

All Ages!

Jan. 1 - Feb. 29

Spencer Public Library
 beanstack + Lerner

Challenge the whole family and join us by participating in our Winter Reading Bingo Challenge "Where We Come From" sponsored by Beanstack.

This challenge is for all ages and includes some fun prizes!

To sign up, register for an account with Beanstack at <https://spencerlibrary.beanstack.org> or download the Beanstack app available for Apple and Android.

Paper forms will also be available at the library.

UPCOMING EVENTS

JANUARY:

COFFEE & CONVERSATION

JUST BEFORE THE BATTLE MOTHER: A VISIT FROM A CIVIL WAR SOLDIER

ALL AGES WINTER READING CHALLENGE

FEBRUARY:

POETRY CONTEST OPEN FOR ENTRIES THROUGH MARCH 15

JUST BEFORE THE BATTLE MOTHER: A VISIT FROM A CIVIL WAR SOLDIER

JOIN O.J. FARGO AS HE PRESENTS AN INDIVIDUAL IOWA SOLDIER'S CIVIL WAR EXPERIENCE.

After a brief overview of the state's involvement, the audience is introduced to a returning Civil War veteran (played by O. J. Fargo in full military uniform).

Artifacts will be displayed as well as a full electronic Civil War roster of men who served in and from Iowa.

Sponsored by Humanities Iowa.

JANUARY 26TH AT 2:00 PM



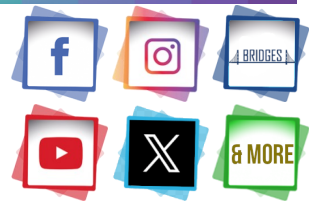
HAPPY NEW YEAR

WE ARE CLOSED
 DECEMBER 31ST
 JANUARY 1ST



HOURS

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



KIDS

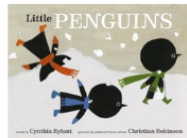
STORYTIME

TUESDAYS AT 10:00 AM



Join us each week as we explore a different theme through stories, songs, and rhymes!

January 2



Penguins

January 9



Polar Bears

January 16



Bundle Up

January 23



Snow

January 30



Food



PLAYDOUGH PLAY TIME

**Monday, January 15
10-11 AM**

Shape, create, or just get messy! A variety of Play-Doh, 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!

BLUEY PARTY

**Saturday, January 27
10-11:30 AM**

Join us for a Bluey Party at the Library! Drop in for activities inspired by your favorite heeler family, Dad, Mum, Bluey, and Bingo!



TWEEN BOOK CLUB

For readers in 3rd, 4th, & 5th grade

Winter Book Pick: The Magician's Elephant by Kate DiCamillo

When ten-year-old orphan Peter Augustus Duchene encounters a fortune teller in the marketplace one day and she tells him that his sister, who is presumed dead, is in fact alive, he embarks on a remarkable series of adventures as he desperately tries to find her

**Sign up by January 20th by calling 580-7290 or email Kayla at
kschlichte@spenceriowacity.com**

Meeting dates: Tuesdays, January 23, February 6 and February 20 @ 4:00 pm

1,000 BOOKS BEFORE KINDERGARTEN

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

Here's how it works:

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



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January Teen Events



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SPLAM: GLOW PAINTING

LGBTBQ+ & Allies Group

Saturday, January 6 @ 2:00 PM

REGISTRATION REQUIRED



JUST WRITE

All Ages Open Writing Group

Tuesdays @ 5:30 PM

TEEN MOVIE DAY

Spiderman Across the Spiderverse

Saturday, January 20 @ 2 PM

TEEN BOOK BOXES

Sign Up Today!

Email sandresen@spenceriowacity.com

for more information!

Adult Programs

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*Prizes must be picked up at the library to win.

Geri-Fit



Mondays and Fridays 1:00
No Geri-Fit Jan 1, 22 & 26



Movie Matinee

ABOUT MY FATHER

January 10
2:00 PM





SPENCER



Coffee & Conversation

January 18, 2:00 PM




Join us for coffee and treats as we talk about Organization (Household clutter & Food waste). The New Year is a time of new hopes and goals. Each month we will discuss a different topic of interest.

January 26 2:00 PM

OJ Fargo Just Before the Battle Mother - A Visit from a Civil War Soldier

A FIRST PERSON PRESENTATION ON AN INDIVIDUAL IOWA SOLDIER'S CIVIL WAR EXPERIENCE.

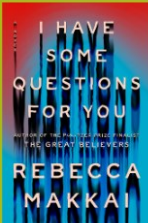
Book Discussion

January 29, 6:00 PM

I Have Some Questions for You

by Rebecca Makkai

"A twisty, immersive whodunit perfect for fans of Donna Tartt's The Secret History." —People



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Poetry Contest

Open to ALL AGES.

Poetry entries are accepted
February 1st through March 15th!

No entry fee is required.
Northwest Iowa residents only.

Entries should include your name, address, and phone number.
K-12 students should include their school and grade level.

For more details or the full listing of rules,
contact Spencer Public Library.

DATES TO REMEMBER

KIDS

Storytime:
Tuesdays at 10:00 am

Clover Kids
Wednesday, January 3rd at 4:00 pm
Register at <https://go.iastate.edu/INXROL>

Playdough Play Time
Monday, January 15th at 10:00 am

Tween Book Club: *The Magician's Elephant*
Register by January 20th. First meeting on
Tuesday, January 23rd at 4:00 pm

Bluey Party
Saturday, January 27th, 10:00 to 11:30 am

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TEENS

SPLAM: Glow Painting
Registration required.
Saturday, January 6th at 2:00 pm

Teen Movie:
Spider-man: Across the Spider-verse
Saturday, January 20th at 2:00 pm

Just Write: Writer's Group
Tuesdays at 5:30 pm

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ADULTS

Movie Matinee: *About My Father*
Wednesday, January 10th at 2:00 pm

Coffee & Conversation
Thursday, January 18th at 2:00 pm

Just Before the Battle Mother with O.J. Fargo
Thursday, January 26th at 2:00 pm

Book Discussion:
Monday, January 29th at 6:00 pm

Geri-fit Mondays & Fridays at 1:00 pm
No Geri-fit on January 1st, January 22nd, or January 26th.

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WEEKLY EVENTS

STORYTIME: TUESDAYS AT 10:00 AM
DROP-IN TECH HELP: WEDNESDAYS AT 1:30 PM
GERI-FIT: MONDAYS & FRIDAYS 1:00 PM
JUST WRITE: TUESDAYS AT 5:30 PM
NO GERI-FIT 12/8 & 12/25

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FEBRUARY 1ST

UPCOMING HOLIDAY HOURS

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JANUARY 1ST **CLOSED**

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