

Amery Area Public Library Newsletter

Friday, October 25th, 2024

Hello Trevor,

Next week is the last week of October, which means Halloween is upon us! Then it'll be November, with Election Day on the 5th, Veterans Day on the 11th, and Thanksgiving Day on the 28th.

This week started with our monthly Saturday Storytime. Then on Monday the library was taken over by bats! Heather Mishefske, a Wisconsin Master Naturalist, who is trained by the DNR to conduct bat outreach as part of the Wisconsin Bat Ambassador program, presented about the bats of Wisconsin. On Tuesday we had a **Homeschool Hangout**, where we came together to play games while talking about homeschool life, and on Thursday we had a **History talk** about the siege of Yorktown. Next month's history talk on November 21st will be on the Gettysburg Address, which was given by President Abraham Lincoln on November 19, 1863.

This Saturday, October 26th, we are participating in the Amery Community Club's Trick or Treat event! We will be giving away a free book and candy to every kid that visits the library during the event (while supplies last). Stop by between noon and 2:00 p.m.!

On Monday, the Amery Area Public Library Board of Trustees will have their regular meeting starting at 5:45 p.m. The meeting is open to the public. Also, next week we have our monthly **Pokémon Club** and **Non-fiction Book Club** meetings as well as our regular **Weekly Storytime** on Wednesday at 10 a.m.

We have had people ask about having a Chess Club at the library. We will be having a meeting on November 25th at 4 p.m. to see if there is sufficient interest to start a chess club and to ascertain what people would like from the club.

Special programs in November and December will include a Family Game Night and a holiday themed cooking demonstration.

Have a great week!

Thanks for reading,
the Library Staff

Spotlight Article: Home Delivery Service



The Home Delivery Service is a free service provided by the Amery Area Public Library. The program offers a once-monthly delivery of library materials to your door. All items are checked out for you by a librarian and returns are picked up the same day. There are no overdue fines, but you are responsible for lost or damaged materials.

You are eligible for free delivery of library materials if you are not able to visit the library due to advanced age or a temporary or long-term disability. Persons residing within the Amery City limits will

be served by the Amery Area Public Library, those outside of the Amery City limits will get delivery from Interfaith Caregivers.

You may request specific items for us to bring to you, based on availability. Our librarians can also hand-select items for you based on your profile information.

To sign up for the service do one of the following things:

- Download the Home Delivery Service Brochure & Application, fill it out, and return it to the library by mailing it to us at the address on the brochure or by having someone bring it to the library for you.
- OR use the online form to apply
- OR you can call us at 715-268-9340 and we will assist you over the phone.

[Brochure & Paper Application](#)

[Apply Online](#)

Weekly Poll

Last week our poll asked if people dress up for Halloween at work or another place? Only 28% of respondents said they dress up for Halloween.

Some of the library staff will be dressing up so come by Thursday, October 31st and check out our costumes!

This week we have a new poll topic: pumpkin spice.

What do you think of pumpkin spice being in food and drinks?

I love it and add it to everything!

I like it in some things but not in everything.

It should only be in pumpkin pie!

How do I Place a Hold on an Item?

Placing Holds

You place holds on items you want to borrow from search results, or from a title's details page. If you want to pick up the item at a specific location, you can see which branches currently have the item, as well as the circulation status of all available copies.

To place a hold from search results

1. Log in to your account.
2. Enter some keywords and run your search.
3. Find the title that you want.
4. Titles with at least one copy in the library system show Available. To see the current status of all copies of the item, click the "View location availability" link.
5. Click the Place Hold button.
6. In the Place hold popup, select the library where you'd like to pick up the title. The default location is your home library, or the one you specified on your Preferences page as your preferred location. (If you have enabled single-click holds, you won't see this option.)
7. Click the Place hold button.

Your requested title will now appear on your On Hold page (see Managing Your Hold Items below).

Note:

- You can skip the step of choosing a pickup location every time if you enable single-click hold ([click here for instructions on enabling single-click hold](#)).
- Placing a hold on an electronic item such as an eBook is slightly different. If the item is available now, the button is labelled Check out. If it isn't, the button is labelled Place hold.

To place a hold from a title's details page

1. Log in to your account,
2. Find the title you'd like to place a hold on by searching or browsing the catalog. Go to its details page by clicking its title.
3. The details page shows all the formats of the title held by the library system.

To see the location and current status of each available copy of your selected format, click the "Availability by location" link.

4. Click the Place hold button.
5. Select the branch where you'd like to pick up the title. The default location is your home branch, or the one you specified on your Preferences page as your preferred location.
6. Click the Place hold button.

Your requested title will now appear on your On Hold page.

Managing Your Hold Items

When you are logged into your account, from the drop-down menu next to your username (top right), click "On Hold". On the On Hold page, you're able to keep track of the titles you've requested, and where and when they will be available for pickup. By default, items on the page are sorted by status, with items ready for pickup first. If you prefer, you can sort the page by hold position, expiry date, title, author or format.

For holds that are ready for pickup, you can also sort by pickup location or pickup expiry date.

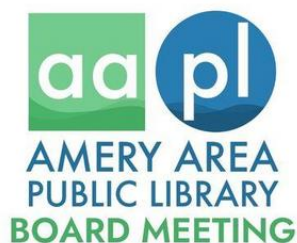
If necessary, filter your holds by clicking Ready, Not ready or Pause under the My Borrowing summary on the left of the page. On a tablet or smartphone, tap the My Borrowing button first to display the filters.

You can also cancel and pause your hold requests. To change the status of a request, click the Pause or Cancel button for the item you want to change. Active and paused holds are each shown in separate blocks.

You can activate a paused hold by clicking the Resume hold button.

The content of your On Hold page is visible only to you.

Upcoming Events & Programs



Amery Area Public Library Board of Trustees

Monday, October 28th
5:45 p.m.

The meeting is open to the public.

POKÉMON CLUB



TRADE CARDS AND
DO POKEMON-THEMED ACTIVITIES!

OCTOBER 29, 4-5 PM



NON-FICTION BOOK CLUB



The theme for October is Politics. Read any book about politics and join us for a lively and respectful discussion!

EVERYONE WELCOME!

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 31ST

2:00 - 3:30 PM



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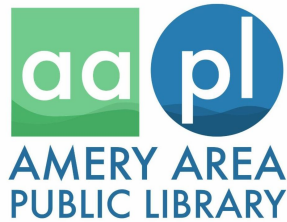


2024

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
		1	2 Storytime - 10 am	3 Friends of the Library Book Sale - 3 - 5 pm Books & Brews - 6 pm	4	5 Friends of the Library Book Sale - 9:30 am - 12 pm
6	7 Home Delivery	8 Mystery Book Club - 2 pm Election Integrity Talk - 6 pm	9 Storytime - 10 am Genealogy Class - 4 pm	10	11	12 Mustard Making Class Registration Required Call 715-268-9340 10 am - 12 pm
13	14 Tortured Poets Club - 4 - 5 pm	15	16 Storytime - 10 am Writing Group - 5 - 6 pm	17 Teen Thursday - 6 - 8 pm	18	19 Saturday Storytime - 10 am
20	21 Friends of the Library Board Meeting - 4:30 pm Bats of Wisconsin - 5 - 6 pm	22 Homeschool Hangout - 1 pm	23 Storytime - 10 am	24 History Talk: Yorktown 6 - 7 pm	25	26 Halloween Business Trick or Treat 12 - 2 pm
27	28 Amery Area Public Library Board of Trustees Regular Meeting 5:45 - 6:45 pm	29 Pokémon Club - 4 - 5 pm	30 Storytime - 10 am	31 Non-fiction Book Club 2 - 3:30 pm Friends of the Library Book Sale - 3 - 5 pm		

Calendar

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