



Amery Area Public Library Newsletter

Friday, January 10, 2025

Hello Trevor,

It warmed up today, but Sunday's forecast says the high will be -4! It'll be a good day to stay indoors with a book and some hot chocolate.

This week was another busy one at the library. We had our weekly chess club and Storytime programs. On Tuesday, the Mystery Book Club met. It's always a fun time with a lively discussion. The book for February's meeting is *Winter Counts* by David Heska Wanbli Weiden. If you enjoy a good mystery, pick up a copy to read and join us Tuesday, February 11th at 2 p.m. On Wednesday, the **Amery Library Wordsmiths** met. This is our writing group for adults. If you are an aspiring writer, join the group on the first and third Wednesdays of the month from 4:30 - 5:30 p.m.

Our Winter Reading Challenge continues through January 31st. Read 300 minutes and help the library win a prize! You will also get a prize - a Dove chocolate and a pack of cocoa. See below for more information.

Tomorrow at 10 a.m. (Saturday, January 18th), we are having a special guest. Inga Witscher, a dairy farmer, cheese maker, and host of the PBS series "Around the Farm Table" is coming to the library! Inga and her mother will showcase cooking with seasonal ingredients, share captivating stories from her farm, and offer a behind-the-scenes look at her filming process.

Next week we are having our weekly chess club meeting, Storytime, Homeschool Hangout, Family Game Night, and a talk on the Battle of the Little Big Horn. See below for details.

Have a great week!

Thanks for reading,  
the Library Staff

Love Your Library

A large red heart shape on the left side of the logo, with a smaller red heart above the word 'LIBRARY'.

# 2025 LIBRARY LOVE STORY

Our elected officials and funders need to hear from you! Tell them how the library helps you and your community.

We've made it so easy! Use the online form to tell us your story. We'll do the rest. Short or long, your story makes a difference!

[Submit Your Story](#)

## Winter Reading Challenge



Ready, set, READ! We encourage readers of all ages to challenge themselves to

become reading machines this winter. From January 1-31, the Amery Area Public Library is participating in "Be a Reading Machine," a national reading challenge sponsored by **Beanstack** and **Baker & Taylor**.

Everyone who completes the challenge by reading for 300 minutes will win a prize! You can track your reading on Beanstack - use the button below to register - or using a paper log you can download or pick up at the main circulation desk.

We challenge our community to read and log at least 20,000 minutes during the challenge. The top-performing libraries and schools will even win special prizes:

- \$1,000 Baker & Taylor Credit plus five signed books to use as giveaways (1 school and library)
- Author Visit Sponsored by Paw Prints Publishing plus five signed books to use as giveaways (1 school and library)
- Virtual Writing Workshop with Paw Prints Publishing and Jesse Byrd plus five signed books to use as giveaways (1 school and library)
- Five signed books to use as special giveaway prizes (22 schools or libraries)

[Register for the Winter Reading Challenge](#)

[Download the Paper Reading Log](#)

**Special Event:  
Inga Witscher  
of "Around the Farm Table"**



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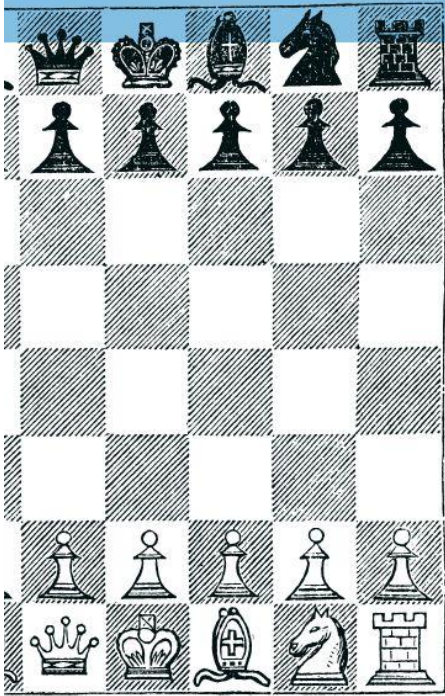
**Saturday,  
Jan. 18th  
at  
10 AM**



*Location: This event will be held in the City Council Chamber.*

Visit the "Around the Farm Table" Website

Upcoming Events & Programs



## CHESS CLUB

ALL AGES AND  
EXPERIENCE LEVELS  
ARE WELCOME!

Drop in anytime to play chess, learn chess tips and strategies, and solve a weekly checkmate puzzle.

MONDAYS  
4:00 - 5:30 PM

JANUARY 13: CITY COUNCIL CHAMBER  
JANUARY 6, 20 & 27: LIBRARY VAULT ROOM

# Homeschool Hangout

Meet other homeschoolers at this casual social/play group! Do crafts, play games, and let us know how the library can support you!

THIS MONTH:  
Creativebug Demo



**Family  
Game  
Night**

**JAN 21**  
**6 - 8 PM**

 **Amery Area  
Public Library**

Bring the family on **Tuesday, January 21 from 6 to 8 PM** for fun and games! Snacks will be provided.

Speaker: Local historian Kevin Iverson

**HISTORY NIGHT AT THE LIBRARY**

## THE BATTLE OF THE LITTLE BIGHORN



America in 1876 was a nation on the ascendency. Shaking off the trauma of the Civil War we were a nation celebrating our 100th anniversary. When word of Custer's defeat reached the East Coast, it was Pearl Harbor, The JFK assassination and 9/11 rolled into one. It defied the nation's concept of manifest destiny that George Armstrong Custer, the nation's premier Indian fighter and the elite 7th Cavalry could be defeated by primitive plains Indians. How could this have happened?

**EVERYONE WELCOME!**

**THURSDAY JANUARY 23RD, 2025**

**6:00 PM - 7:00 PM**

# Event Calendar

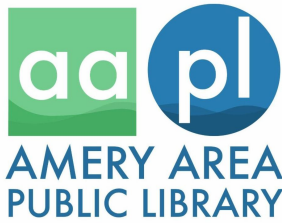
## JANUARY 2025



SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
<p>Join our Winter Reading Challenge and help us win a prize! It runs January 1 - 31 See <a href="http://amerylibrary.beanstack.com/reader365">amerylibrary.beanstack.com/reader365</a> for details.</p>			1 CLOSED for New Year's Day	2 Friends of the Library Book Sale - 3 - 5 pm Books & Brews - 6 pm	3	4 Friends of the Library Book Sale 9:30 am - 12 pm
5	6 Chess Club 4 - 5:30 pm	7	8 Storytime - 10 am Writing Group - 4:30 - 5:30 pm	9 Teen Thursday - 6 - 8 pm	10	11 Saturday Storytime 10 am
12	13 Chess Club 4 - 5:30 pm *in City Hall	14 Mystery Book Club - 2 pm	15 Storytime - 10 am Writing Group - 4:30 - 5:30 pm	16	17	18 Around the Farm Table 10 - 11 am
19	20 Chess Club 4 - 5:30 pm	21 Homeschool Hangout - 1 pm Family Game Night 6 - 8 pm	22 Storytime - 10 am	23 History Night: Battle of the Little Bighorn - 6 - 7 pm	24	25
26	27 Chess Club 4 - 5:30 pm	28 Pokémon Club - 4 - 5 pm	29 Storytime - 10 am	30 Non-fiction Book Club 2 - 3:30 pm Friends of the Library Book Sale - 3 - 5 pm	31	

Calendar

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