

Amery Area Public Library Newsletter

Friday, January 3, 2025

Hello Trevor,

Happy New Year!

This week felt like two different weeks because of New Year's Day falling on Wednesday. On Monday, we had a big watch party of Wish and Despicable Me 4, and then on Tuesday we celebrated New Year's with a Noon Year's Eve party! Almost fifty people came and helped us countdown to noon and a balloon drop. Thursday our Books & Brews Book Club had their monthly meeting, and the Friends of the Library had the first day of their monthly book sale - the second day is this Saturday, January 4th from 9:30 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

Next week we have our weekly Chess Club on Monday at 4 p.m. and our weekly Storytime program returning on Wednesday at 10 a.m. Our Adult Writing Group usually meets on the first and third Wednesday of the month, but this week's meeting was rescheduled to next week due to the holiday. On Thursday, the teenagers are taking over the library at 6 p.m. for their monthly Teen Thursday, and Saturday we have our monthly Saturday Storytime (January 11th). See below for details.

Two weeks from Saturday we are having a special guest: Inga Witscher, the host of Around the Farm Table! She will be here Saturday, January 18th at 10:00 a.m. See below for more information.

Have a great week!

Thanks for reading,
the Library Staff

Winter Reading Challenge

January 1 - 31



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](#)

Weekly Poll

Last week, we asked what your favorite New Year's Eve tradition is. Three of the answers tied at 25%. No one said their favorite tradition was eating twelve grapes at midnight, but maybe you learned something new!

- going to or hosting a New Year's Eve Party: 25%
- watching the New Year's Eve ball from New York City: 25%
- something else: 25%
- make New Year's resolutions: 17%
- reading your last book of 2024: 8%

Would you prefer your favorite book or series to be adapted for film or TV?

Let's make a movie!

TV all the way!

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

The graphic features a light wood-grain background. At the top center is a logo for "AROUND THE Farm Table" with a hat and boots icon. Below it, the name "Inga Witscher" is written in red, with "of Around the Farm Table" in smaller blue text underneath. A circular inset photo shows Inga Witscher smiling next to a brown horse. A white circular callout with a blue border contains the text "Saturday, Jan. 18th at 10 AM". In the bottom left corner is the logo for "aa pl AMERY AREA PUBLIC LIBRARY".

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.

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

Visit the "Around the Farm Table" Website

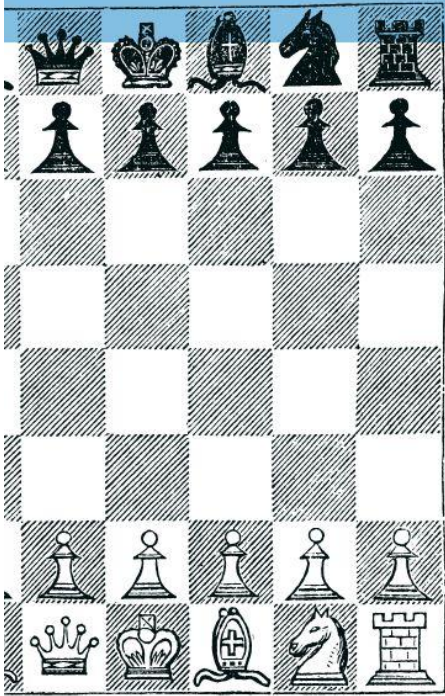
Upcoming Events & Programs

FRIENDS OF THE AMERY AREA PUBLIC LIBRARY

Friends of the Library Book Sale at
Amery Area Public Library, Lower Level

- Thursday, January 2nd 3:00-5:00 PM
- Saturday, January 4th 9:30 AM-12:00 PM





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

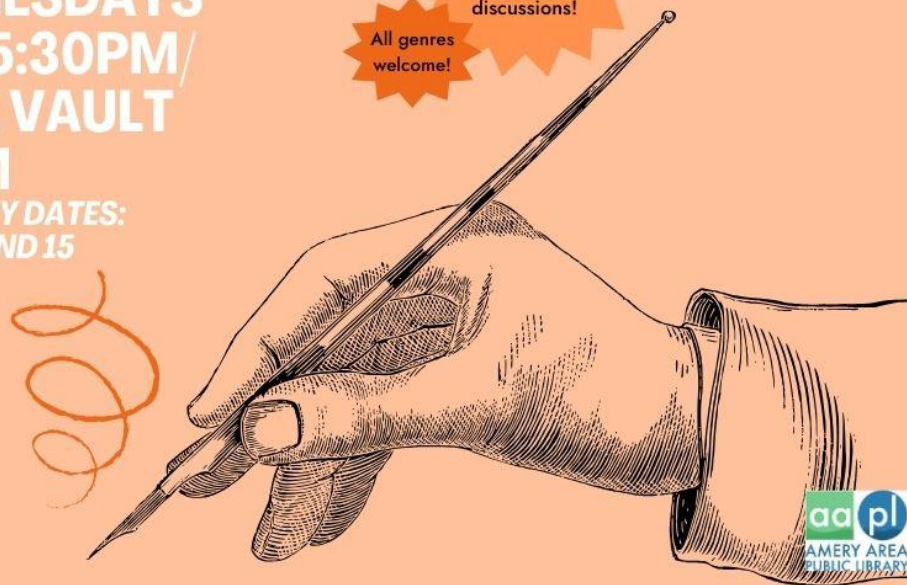
ADULT WRITING GROUP MEET UP

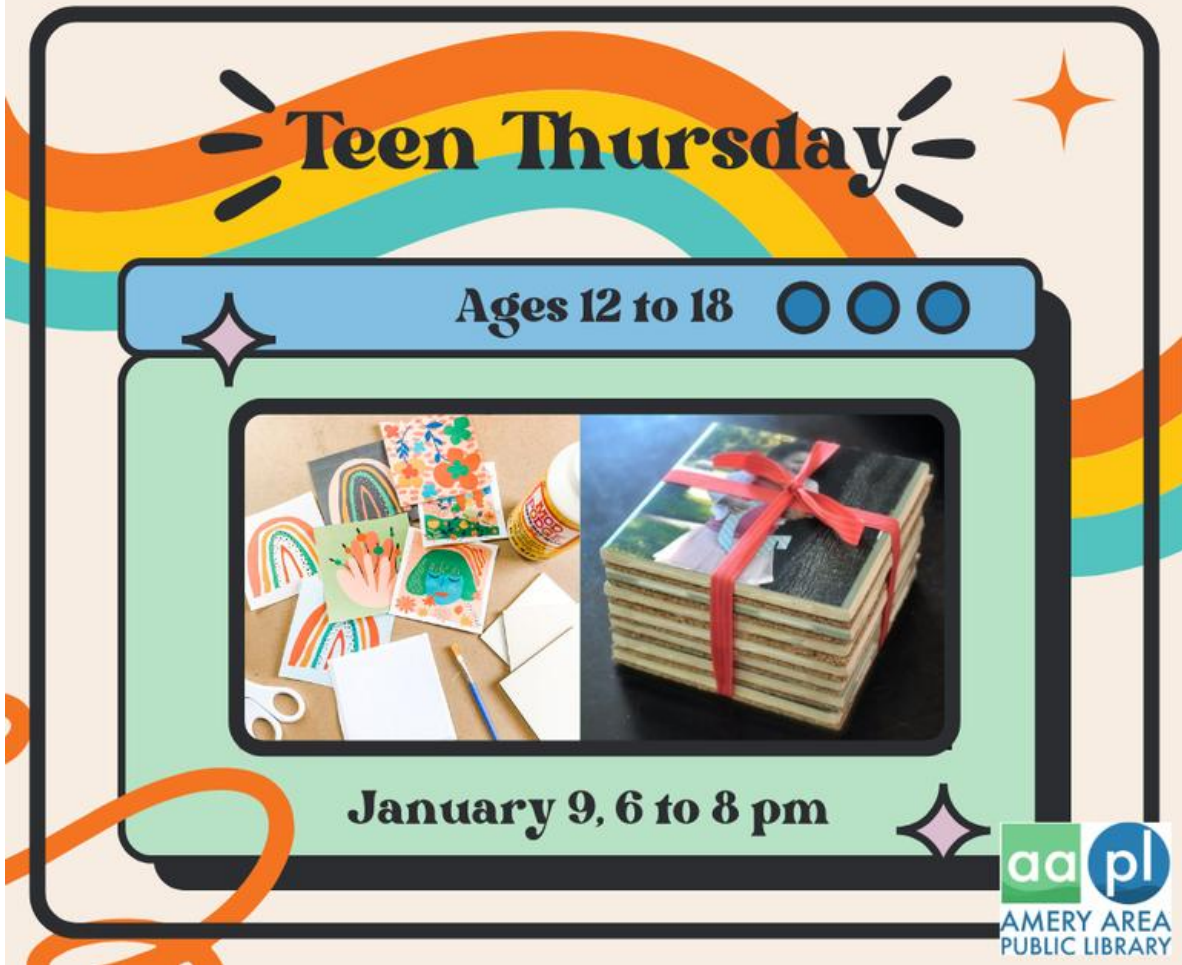
FIRST AND THIRD
WEDNESDAYS
4:30-5:30PM/
IN THE VAULT
ROOM

JANUARY DATES:
JAN. 8 AND 15

Join us and take part in prompts, critiques, and literary discussions!


All genres welcome!






Teen Thursday

Ages 12 to 18



January 9, 6 to 8 pm



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The poster features a rainbow background with a central window-like frame. The window has a blue header with the text 'Ages 12 to 18' and three circles. Inside the window is a collage of craft supplies like paint, brushes, and a stack of books tied with a red ribbon. The date and time 'January 9, 6 to 8 pm' are at the bottom of the window. The aa pl logo is in the bottom right corner.



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SATURDAY STORYTIME

JOIN MISS EMMA FOR
STORYTIME ON
SATURDAY, JANUARY 11
AT 10 AM



The poster has a dark blue background with a string of colorful triangular bunting at the top and small white stars scattered throughout. The title 'SATURDAY STORYTIME' is in large yellow letters. Below it, the event details are in white and yellow text. At the bottom, there is an illustration of five hands holding up books of various colors (red, yellow, white, blue, purple).

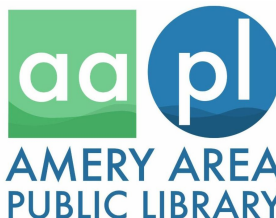
JANUARY 2025



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 amerylibrary.beanstack.com/reader365 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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