

SUMMER '24

# OFF THE SHELF

*Montezuma Public Library's Official Newsletter*



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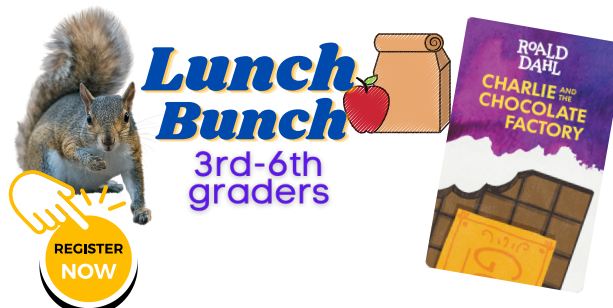
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Our Story Time kids welcomed Miss Iowa 2023 Alys Goethe to the library for stories, a special Disney song & crafts. Miss Iowa showed the kids how to make crowns out of pipe cleaners. Thanks again, Miss Iowa, for taking the time to visit us!



**REGISTER NOW!**



Kids going into grades 3rd-6th can join us every Tuesday in June for games, activities & socialization as we read the classic book "Charlie And The Chocolate Factory." Books will be provided. Click on any of the "Register Now" buttons to get your child(ren) registered. Kids just need to bring a sack lunch & have fun!

**June: 4, 11, 18, 25 11am-12:30pm**



## June Play 2 Learn Camp Will Focus On Five Senses

We're so excited for See The Light Education to bring some fun summer day camps to the library! These will be specifically for children ages 3-7 years old. The first one kicks off on **Thursday, June 20th**, from **9am-10:30am**. Children will get to explore interesting foods, stinky things, sticky stuff & more! Register by clicking on the above photo.

**Donations  
Needed!**

IF YOU'RE SPRING CLEANING, CONSIDER  
DONATING YOUR UNWANTED BOOKS, DVDS,  
CRAFT SUPPLIES, GAMES & PUZZLES TO THE  
LIBRARY!



Thanks to **Pleasant Grove Homestead** for sponsoring the bee hive decorating contest, and for providing the bee hives! We had an amazing turnout, and we're very certain the bees will "bee" ecstatic about their new homes!

**COMING  
SOON**





# WHAT'S NEXT?

## UPCOMING EVENTS

**Mega Foam Blaster!**

July 12th  
11am-1:30pm



**COLD-BLOODED  
REDHEAD  
REPTILES**



**August 7th @ 1pm**



**Story Time For  
All Ages  
Sponsored By**

June 28    July 26  
July 12    August 9  
**10am**



**SO  
MUCH  
FUN**

## Digital Resources

Borrow  
ebooks &  
audiobooks



**Libby.**  
The reading app from our  
library, built by OverDrive.

The digital library  
is always open.



**OPEN  
24  
HOURS**

**Libby.**  
The library reading app

**DID YOU KNOW?**  
You can log into your library  
account & reserve books  
right now!



**1** Download the  
Librista app & find  
"Montezuma Public  
Library."

**2** Sign in with your  
library card #  
& use temporary  
password "books"

Contact library staff if you are  
unsure of your library card #.




**MONTEZUMA PUBLIC LIBRARY**

*Read, Renew, Repeat*  
Summer Reading Program

**REGISTER NOW!**

**CLICK HERE**



**OUR LIBRARY HAS**

**TumbleBook  
Library**  
eBooks for eKids

**What are TumbleBooks?**

- Animated, talking picture books which teach kids the joy of reading in a format they'll love!
- They are created by taking existing picture books, adding animation, sound, music & narration to produce an electronic picture book which you can read or have read to you!
- Recommended for kids up to 10 years old!
- Access them anytime, for FREE!

**Get Started Today!**

**CLICK HERE**

*Summer Hours*  
**June, July & August**

**Monday...9:30-5pm**  
**Tuesday...9:30-5pm**  
**Wednesday...9:30-5pm**  
**Thursday...9:30-6pm**  
**Friday...9:30-4pm**  
**Saturday & Sunday...CLOSED**

**Closed Saturdays from  
Memorial Day weekend to  
Labor Day weekend**





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# Friends Of The Montezuma Public Library



## We Couldn't Survive Without Our Friends!

Did you know that because of the Friends Of The Montezuma Public Library, we are able to bring cool programs like the Iowa State University Insect Zoo to the community? As you can see from the above photo, kids love getting to see nature up close! Because of this group, the library & community have benefited in SO many ways! Here are just a few more examples:

- New Wireless HP Printer
- Mobile Book Display Shelf
- Wooden Book Bins
- Sensory Table
- Summer Reading Program Prizes & Supplies
- Books, Books & Books!
- Contest Prizes
- Library Adventure Passes

And how do they accomplish this? By having book sales (consisting of donated books & discarded library books) & other fundraisers. Plus--did you know you can donate to the FOTMPL at ANYTIME? That's right! Donating to the FOTMPL is the BEST way for donations to help fund our programs, prizes, supplies & books.

## WAYS TO SUPPORT THE LIBRARY

The library is an important part of our community and patrons want to ensure it continues to be so for generations to come. For anyone wishing to support the library, here are valuable ways to do so:

**Friends of the Montezuma Public Library:** FOTMPL is a 501(c) 3 nonprofit organization directed by a volunteer board and supported by the community through fundraisers and sales of donated books. FOTMPL supports costs that might fall outside of the annual budget of the library such as programming and community outreach.

**Book Donations:** The library accepts book donations anytime throughout the year. We can accept your good, used children's books, young adult and adult books. They may be paperback or hardcover. We also accept games, puzzles and DVDs. Cookbooks are good also. Just ask us for a donation receipt if you need one.

**What We Don't Accept:** VHS tapes, old encyclopedias, old magazines, college textbooks

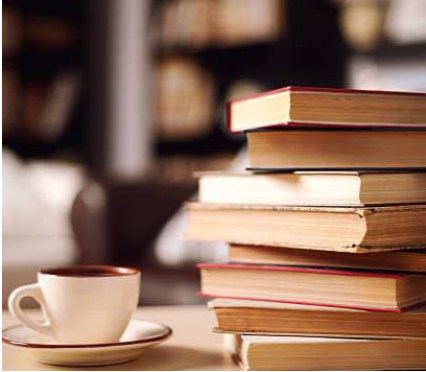
**Volunteer:** Sometimes it's nice to have extra hands on deck during some of our different programs. If you're interested in helping out--call the library at 623-3417 or email Christine at: [montepl@montezumaiaowa.org](mailto:montepl@montezumaiaowa.org) for more information on volunteering.

**Amazon Wish List:** The library has a wish list on Amazon where anyone can choose to make a purchase and then it'll ship directly to the library. This is a great way to help support the library.



[https://www.amazon.com/hz/wishlist/ls/2SHS2PUR45SLD?ref=wl\\_share](https://www.amazon.com/hz/wishlist/ls/2SHS2PUR45SLD?ref=wl_share)

# Friends Of The Montezuma Public Library



Find Friends On  
Facebook



Stay up-to-date about what is  
happening with FOTMPL by "liking"  
their Facebook page:

<https://www.facebook.com/FriendsoftheMontezumaPublicLibrary>

## WANTED: BOOK HOARDERS!

### BENEFITS OF DONATING...

- TAX WRITE-OFF (WE HAVE DONATION RECEIPTS)
- CLEARS CLUTTER OUT OF YOUR HOUSE (YOUR CHILDREN WILL THANK YOU LATER)
- JUST THINK OF HOW MUCH TIME YOU'LL SAVE NOW THAT YOU WON'T HAVE TO DUST THOSE BOOKS
- ERASES ANY GUILT YOU MAY HAVE ABOUT PURCHASING A BOOK & ONLY READING IT ONCE
- IT JUST FEELS SO GOOD TO DONATE BOOKS & KEEP SPREADING THE LOVE OF READING AROUND



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\*Donating to Friends is the best way to make sure the library  
benefits...which in turn the community (AKA--YOU!) also benefit!



Because of the support  
of our Friends group, we  
were able to purchase  
200 gently-used books,  
from the Des Moines  
Public Library's big  
book sale! This was like  
winning the lottery!  
Thanks Friends!