



August Library News

- **Every Tuesday morning**—Adult program—**Coffee and Conversation**, 9:00 to whenever
- **Saturday, August 8**, 10:00-11:00 AM — Children's program, **Story Hour**
- **Tuesday, August 18** —9:30-11:00 AM Adult Program, RSVP (Retired or Senior Volunteer Program), Fraud Fighting Program
- **Tuesday, August 25**, 3:30-4:30 PM,--- Adult program, **Book Club** discussing *The Five-Star*

Weekend by Elin Hilderbrand.

Welcome to August! For many it is a countdown for school to begin. Just not long ago kids were counting down the days until summer vacation. Now it is a scramble to get school supplies to begin a new year. Gardens are producing and the continued battle to keep ahead of the lawns and the weeds. It is an exciting time of the year for all as we rush to get the last summer goals accomplished. At the library we have enjoyed the flurry of activities in the summer reading program, but we too look forward to a couple weeks at a slower pace.

Story Hour will begin Saturday, August 8, at 10:00 to 11:00. We will have a fallish program with activities for our younger ones. At the moment we are catching our breath from summer reading so do not have a program in mind, but with our creative minds, we will come up with something fun.

Cristee' is weeding (removing books that have not been checked out for years) in our nonfiction and young adult section. Keep your eye on our book cart with books that you can purchase by freewill donation. Who knows what you may find?

Tuesday, August 18, at 9:30-11:00 AM, RSVP (Retired or Senior Volunteer Program) will present a program entitled **Fraud Fighters** to help us be knowledgeable on the handling of spam emails and text messages. Every day, Americans fall victim to fraud. Older adults are especially at risk, with 1 in 3 Americans age 65 and older experiencing scams. **AmeriCorps Seniors Northeast Iowa RSVP**, in partnership with the **Iowa Insurance Division**, invites you to the **Iowa Fraud Fighters Seminar**. Learn how to recognize common scams, spot red flags, and protect yourself and your loved ones with practical fraud prevention tips. Hope to see you there.

There is an ongoing discussion on when **Geri-Fit** will continue. Keep watching our news, Facebook, and Instagram for further information.

Book Club will meet Tuesday, August 25 at 3:30-4:30 PM to discuss *The Five-Star Weekend* by Elin Hilderbrand. "In *The Five-Star Weekend*, grieving food blogger Hollis Shaw hosts a

weekend getaway on Nantucket for her closest friends from different life phases following her husband's sudden death. The reunion sparks drama, forces the women to confront personal secrets, and helps them heal through unexpected twists." Come join us!

New books this month include:

Young adult—*When the Rain Came* by Matt Eicheldinger. "Seventeen-year-old Aurora knows how to survive. Life in the foster system has taught her how to stay quiet, stay smart, and stay ready. But nothing could prepare her for this: a never-ending storm that swallows cities, drowns forests, and turns the world into a flooded wasteland.

And then her foster parents disappear without a trace. She's alone. Abandoned. And running out of time. All Aurora has is a waterlogged scrap of paper and a name : The Hill.

With looters closing in and the floodwaters rising higher each day, she's left with one impossible choice—stay and wait for the storm to take her, or risk everything on a journey through the drowned remains of the world to find a place that may or may not exist. It's forward or nothing."

Large print—*Shot in the Back* by William W. Johnstone. "Granbury Texas, 1942. A ninety-five-year old man walks into a recruiting office with the crazy idea to enlist—and an even crazier story. He claims to be the one and only Jesse James, the infamous bank robber allegedly shot by Robert Ford sixty years earlier. Using another man's corpse to collect the reward, Ford allowed James to slip away and start a new life as Jesse Dalton, a cattle broker in Fort Worth. So begins the wildest story the West has never known, proving that some legends are bigger than life— and a lot harder to kill."

Adult fiction—*The Secret of Lost Things* by Sheridan Hay. "Eighteen years old and completely alone, Rosemary arrives in New York from Tasmania with little other than her love of books and an eagerness to explore the city. Taking a job at a vast chaotic emporium of used and rare books called the Arcade, she knows she has found a home. But when Rosemary reads a letter from someone seeking to "place" a lost manuscript by Herman Melville, the bookstore erupts with simmering ambitions and rivalries."

Enjoy these last weeks of summer. Come in to cool off and choose a book/books, DVD/DVDs, and investigate all the changes that have occurred. Our graphic novel collection for one. Remember if we don't have the book or DVD you want, we can order it for you. Until next time..... Keep Reading!