

The Library Noise



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Library Hours:

Monday-Tuesday:
9:00 am-8:00 pm

Wednesday-Thursday:
9:00 am-7:00 pm

Friday:
9:00 am-5:30 pm

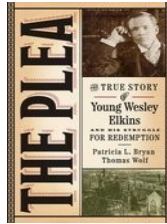
Saturday:
9:00 am-3:00 pm



Oelwein Reads

This new Community Book Club will meet quarterly in **Ampersand's fireplace room located at 110 S. Frederick Ave in Oelwein.** The focus will be on books about Iowa or the Midwest. The first meeting will be on **January 25, 2024 at 6:00 p.m.** The first book will be *The Plea: The True Story of Young Wesley Elkins and His Struggles for Redemption* by Patricia L. Bryan.

The library has one copy of this book and will Interlibrary Loan more for interested patrons.



Brief summary of this book:
On a moonlit night in 1889, Iowa farmer John Elkins and his young wife, Hattie, were brutally murdered in their bed. Eight days later, their son, eleven-year-old Wesley Elkins, was arrested and charged with murder. The community reeled with shock by both the gruesome details of the homicides and the knowledge of the accused perpetrator - a small, quiet boy weighing just 75 pounds.

Did you know...

You can receive live FAFSA assistance on your application with Brainfuse HelpNow. Are you ready to secure financial aid for your student's education? The FAFSA application for the 2024-25 academic year opens in December! Don't miss out on potential grants, loans, and work-study opportunities. Visit our online resources page at www.oelwein.lib.ia.us/online-resources with your library card for help to get started.

Live FAFSA Application Assistance



Partnership to assist students in getting the best financial aid possible is provided by the assistance of Brainfuse HelpNow, a member of the Education Resources and Technology Association, and the Iowa State Library.

December Calendar

12/2	Chess Tournament	9:00
12/4	Read Aloud	5:30
12/11	ISU Ex. Final Arrangements	9:00
12/11	Friends Meeting	1:30
12/12	Library Board Meeting	4:30
12/18	Book Talk	10:00
December Theme: Book based solely on its cover.		
12/25 & 26 Closed for Christmas		

It's never too early, or too late, to set goals for staying independent in mid and later life. Learn about the benefits of eating well and moving more, avoiding fraud and scams, planning for future housing and care needs, and more! The Fayette County Extension will host a Stay Independent series of programs for Seniors over 60 through December. These programs are **FREE** and meet in the library's meeting room. **Please register with the library by calling 319-283-1515.** Put plans in place now that support your ability to continue independent living for the years ahead. Identify your priorities, assess your current environment, and explore home modifications to age in place safely.



Final Arrangements
Monday, Dec. 11th at 10:00 a.m.

Donor's Corner

The following people made donations in memory of loved ones during the month of November:

In memory of **Seth Garceau**

Jens & Joanne Nielsen

In memory of **Cooper Ingels**

Kurt & Mary Lou Cosselman

In memory of **Beverly Casteel**

John & Mary Jo Weber



For more information on how you can create this lasting tribute to someone you have lost or would like to honor, please contact Deann Fox at 283-1515.

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Pages & Play Club

Join Miss Katie every Wednesday at 10:00 a.m.

12/6 Germs Are Not For Sharing

12/13 Here Comes Winter

12/20 Santa and His Elves

12/27 Happy All Year



Theme Thursdays 4:00 p.m.



12/7 Snowflake Art

12/14 LEGOs

12/21 Polar Express

12/28 Maker Cart Mania!

Take & Make Kit

Decorate your windows with
some 3D Paper Snowflakes

A Social Chess Tournament will be held at the library on Saturday, December 2nd, starting at 9:00 a.m. This will be a "round robin" tournament for students in 3rd - 12th grade.

Participants must be registered.

Scan the code to
register.



Stop in the library or visit
our website at
www.oelwein.lib.ia.us



DO YOU HAVE A COLLECTION YOU'D LIKE TO SHARE?

We would love to show off your collection to the community in our secure display case! Stop in and ask us how.

New Fiction

The Watchmaker's Hand-Jeffery Deaver
Alex Cross Must Die-James Patterson
The Mystery Guest-Nita Prose
The Ball at Versailles-Danielle Steel
Absolution-Alice McDermott
Manner of Death-Robin Cook
West With Giraffes-Lynda Rutledge
The Heirloom-Beverly Lewis
A Fire in the Flesh-Jennifer L.
Armentrout
Unnatural Death-Patricia Daniels
Cornwell

New DVD's

Gran Turismo, Haunted Mansion, The
Miracle Club, Nun II, Oppenheimer,
The Equalizer 3, The Blind, Sound Of
Freedom, Expendables 4

New Non-Fiction

Wild Girls-Tiya Miles
In Light of All Darkness-Kim Cross
Emperor of Rome-Mary Ritter Beard
The Burning of the World-Scott W. Berg
Lucky Me-Rich Paul
Romney-McKay Coppins
Being Henry-Henry Winkler
The Forgers-Roger Moorhouse
Charlie Chapman vs. America-
Scott Eyman

New Young Adult

Curious Tides-Pascale Lacelle
Pritty-Keith F. Miller
Murtagh-Christopher Paolini
Stolen By Night -Steve Watkins

Ladybug

The Mouse Who Ate Books-Jose Carlos
Andrezs
My Favorite Animal-Andreu Llinas
Bathe the Cat-Alice B. McGinty
A Family Like Ours-Frank Murphy
What You Need to Be Warm-Neil
Gaiman
Where Dreams Take You-Elena
Ferandiz
The Little Explorer's Words-Evi
Triantafyllides
Mika and the Gurgler-Agatha Loth-
Ignaciuk

New J

The Wheel of the Year-Fiona Cook
The Godhead Complex-James Dashner
Zilot & Other Rhymes-Bob Odenkirk
Harry Potter Wizarding Almanac-
J. K. Rowling