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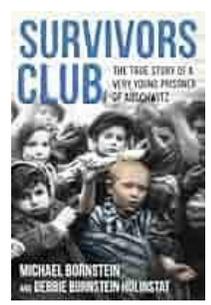
**July Calendar**



7/2	Creature Feature With Fontana	9:00
7/4	Independence Day-Library Closed	
7/10	"Pop Up Program" LEGOs	10:00
7/14	Friends Meeting	10:00
7/15	Library Board Meeting	5:00
7/23	VR Game Truck Nebraska	2:30-5:30
7/28	Book Talk	10:00
7/29	"Pop Up Program" Book Art	6:00

**Oelwein Reads Book Club**  
**August 7th at 6:00 p.m.**

This book club gathers at Ampersand, located in downtown Oelwein. For the month of August we will be discussing *Survivors Club: The True Story of a Very Young Prisoner of Auschwitz* by Michael Bornstein & Debbie Bornstein Holinstat.



If you would like to obtain a copy of this book, please reach out to the library. We invite you to join the discussion.

**Donor's Corner**

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

**In memory of Seth Garceau**  
Jens & Joanne Nielsen



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.

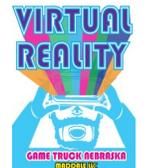
Get ready for an epic afternoon of fun & games at the library!

On July 23rd, the library will welcome VR Game Truck Nebraska. This truck can accommodate 24 players and features 18 multiplayer game consoles along with 6 virtual reality stations and will be stationed in our parking lot from 2:30 p.m. to 5:30 p.m. This exciting program is sponsored by the Oelwein Public Library Foundation.

Each group of 24 will be given an hour to play.

Sign up sheets are available at the circulation desk.

Would you like more information on this truck & what it offers?



Check out their website at <http://www.vrgametrucknebraska.com/>

Facebook page at <https://www.facebook.com/vrgametrucknebraska/>

Youtube: [VR Game Truck Nebraska Youtube Channel](#)

**Coming Soon!**

**FRIENDS & FAMILY FEUD**

You've watched it, you've shouted answers from your couch, and now it's your turn to shine! Introducing the library's very own FRIENDS & FAMILY FEUD! Mark your calendars for August 18th, 2025, at 6:00 p.m. Ready to jump in? Head to the library to sign up. You can register as a team or fly solo. Don't worry, lone wolves will be matched up with a team.

We're setting the stage for four teams, each with five fabulous members. Let the feud-tastic fun begin!

Register by Friday, August 15th.

**Library Hours | Monday-Tuesday 9:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. | Wednesday-Thursday 9:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. | Friday 9:00 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. | Saturday 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.**

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## New items on the shelf

### DVD's:

The Friend, A Working Man,  
Bridget Jones: Mad About The Boy

### Fiction:

The Knight and the Moth-Rachel Gillig  
It Happened on the Lake-Lisa Jackson  
The President's Shadow-James J. Patterson  
Don't Let Him in-Lisa Jewell  
The Tenant-Freida McFadden  
Atmosphere-Taylor Jenkins Reid  
A Mother's Love-Danielle Steel

### Non-Fiction:

Empire of AI-Karen Hao  
The Kingdom of Cain-Andrew Klavan

### New YA:

Lady or the Tiger-Heather M. Herman  
Shipshock-Caroline O'Donoghue

### Ladybug:

The Clock Problem-Bill Wise  
Gertie is Not All Dogs-Siski Kalla  
Do Not Open This Book, It Stinks-Andy Lee  
Professor Nincompoop-Jimmy Vee

### New J:

Junie B. Jones and the Stupid Smelly Bus-Graphic Novel-Barbara  
Parks

The times, they are a changin'...or at least our programs are. Starting in July, instead of regularly scheduled programs, we will be switching to "Pop-up Programs." These will be programs covering a range of topics and ages on different times and days. We will also be continuing our weekly Storytime through the month of July. Keep an eye out for more information on these upcoming programs!

**Pages & Play Club every Wednesday at 10:00 a.m.**  
**7/2 Frogs & Toads, 7/9 Summer Fun, 7/16 Dinosaurs**  
**7/23 I Can Ride a Bike, 7/30 Money**

**July "Pop Up Programs"**  
**7/10 LEGOs at 10:00 a.m.**  
**7/29 Hedgehog Book Art at 6:00 p.m.**

Thank you to all who participated in our Summer Reading Program, *Level Up at Your Library*. We started out with decorating our book bags at registration, hosted author Michelle Cowan, listened to stories read by some of our local heroes, had a Pokemon Party, raced our Lego cars in the Lego Derby, met Noggin, the sled dog, & her owner and musher, Karen. We learned about butterflies and were able to feed them in the Butterfly Tents from Absolute Science. The library held a stuffed animal sleepover. Who knew that these animal friends could have so much fun in the library? The Finale Party was held Thursday, June 26th. We had the prize drawing and pizza for all who attended. This year we had fifty kids and seven teen & adults signed up for the Summer Reading Program. Congratulations to all of our prize winners. We look forward to next year!

The Oelwein Public Library would like to thank our generous sponsors who help make this program a success; Kim for the doll, Casey's for the pizza, Iowa Cubs Baseball, OCAD, Blank Park Zoo, and the Friends of the Library for sponsoring programs.



# LEVEL UP AT YOUR LIBRARY

To request an accommodation for programs call 319-283-1515 or email [oelwein@oelwein.lib.ia.us](mailto:oelwein@oelwein.lib.ia.us).



Would you like more information on these programs?  
Ask a librarian



## Take & Make Kits

Tissue Paper Butterflies



Children under the age of seven (7) must be accompanied by a responsible person at least fourteen (14) years old. It is the responsibility of parents/guardians/caregivers to supervise and monitor the behavior and safety of their children or persons in need of a caregiver at all times. The library is not responsible for children or persons in need of a caregiver left in the building.

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