

Happy  
New Year!

# The Library Noise



## Oelwein Public Library

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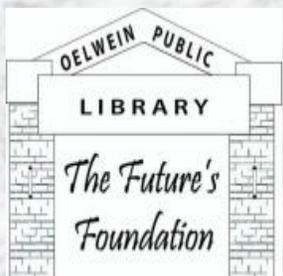
### Library Hours:

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

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

Friday:  
9:00 am-5:30 pm

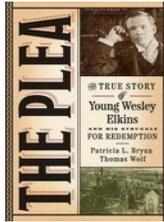
Saturday:  
9:00 am-3:00 pm



## 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...

The library has two American Girl Dolls for checkout. Rebecca and Kit can be checked out for two weeks, along with an assortment of clothes to dress them for any occasion. Borrowers must be at least 18 years old and are required to read and sign a user agreement.

Ask a librarian for more information.



Looking for a cozy spot to read?  
The library has just the spot.  
We'll leave the fire on for you.

## January Calendar

1/1	Closed New Year's Day	
1/8	Friends Meeting	1:30
1/8	OCSD Readers Read Aloud	5:30
1/9	Library Board Meeting	4:15
1/29	Book Talk	10:00

Book Talk Theme: Title matches song lyrics

## The Friends Chocolate Fest is Coming Soon!

Friday  
February 9th, 2024  
4:30-7 p.m.



## Donor's Corner

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

### In memory of Seth Garceau

Jens & Joanne Nielsen

### In memory of Iva Greco

Amelia Greco-Weldon

Friends of the Oelwein Library

Anne & Bill Allen, Mary Chase

### In memory of Loretta Treptow

Steve & Mary Reeder

### In memory of Beverly Casteel

Paula & Randy McDougall

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.



- 1/3 Penguins
- 1/10 Let It Snow!
- 1/17 Dinosaurs
- 1/24 Polar Bears
- 1/31 Get Up & Move!



## Theme Thursdays 4:00 p.m.



- 1/4 Bee-Bots
- 1/11 LEGOs
- 1/18 A Quilt Is A Story
- 1/25 Winter Science



## Take & Make Kit

Make your own paper lanterns



Stop in the library or visit our website at [www.oelwein.lib.ia.us](http://www.oelwein.lib.ia.us)



Improvements will be made to the children's area in January, partially funded by the Bequest Fund. An accent glass wall partition will define this active area.

### New Fiction

- Lone Oaks Crossing-Janet Dailey
- The Spectacular-Fiona Davis
- The Other Mothers-Katherine Faulkner
- The Other Half-Charlotte Vassell
- Two Dead Wives-Adele Parks
- The Other Half-Charlotte Vassell
- The Serpent & the Wings of Night-Carissa Broadbent



### New DVD's

Five Nights At Freddy's

### New Non-Fiction

- Oath and Honor-Liz Cheney
- I Am Bunny-Alexis Devine
- Outrageous-Kliph Nesteroff
- Following Caesar-John Keahey
- Endgame-Omid Scobie
- A Fever in the Heartland-Timothy Egan
- American Whitelash-Wesley Lowery
- When We Walk By-Kevin F. Adler
- Living the Beatles Legend-Kenneth Womack

### New Young Adult

- The Last Dragon King-Leia Stone
- Ruthless Vows-Rebecca Ross
- Flame & Crystal Thorns-Kay L. Moody
- House of Ash & Shadow-Leia Stone

### Ladybug

- The New Bicycle-Darcy Day Zoells
- The Red Fruit-Gee-Eun Lee
- I Am Mister Rogers-Brad Meltzer
- How to Love a Grandma-Jean Reagan
- Simon Says Goodnight-Orit Bergman
- When the Stars Came Home-Brittany Luby
- Rainy Day-Mary Man-Kong
- My Big Fantastic Family-Adam Guillain
- A Story No One Has Ever Heard Before-Avi Steinberg
- In Every House, On Every Street-Jess Hitchman

### New J

- Juniper's Christmas-Eoin Colfer
- The Outsider-Danica Davidson
- I Survived the Great Alaska Earthquake-Lauren Tarshis

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.