

**The Library Noise**  
**November 2025**

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**November Calendar**

11/4 Election	7 a.m.-8 p.m.
11/5 Storytime: Get Caught Reading	10:00
11/5 Bookmark Decorating	2:30
11/10 Friends Meeting	10:00
11/12 Library Board Meeting	5:00
11/13 Pumpkin Book Art "Pop Up Program"	5:00
11/20 Oelwein Reads at Ampersand	6:00
11/22 Woodcarving Class	9:00
11/22 Woodcarving Class	1:30
11/24 Book Talk	10:00
Theme: Book with an Iowa setting	
11/26 Close Early Thanksgiving	5:30
11/27 Thanksgiving Closed	
11/28 Thanksgiving Closed	

We would like to express our gratitude to our patrons for their patience as we transition from our previous book vendor to a new one. Obtaining new books has not been as quick and straightforward as it once was. Rest assured, we are addressing the challenges and will soon have the ordering process streamlined, ensuring you have access to fresh reading materials.

**Donor's Corner**

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

**In memory of Seth Garceau**

Jens & Joanne Nielsen

**In memory of Lynn and Betty Kellogg**

Deb Kellogg-Rummel

**In memory of Bonnie J. Kastli**

Kurt & Mary Lou Cosselman

**In memory of Gerald D. DeTimmerman**

Friends of the Library



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.

**Programs in November**

**Pumpkin Book Art Pop-Up Program**

Thursday, November 13th at 5:00 p.m.

This program is for all ages. If you can use scissors, this program is for you. We'll use recycled book pages to make a decorative pumpkin.

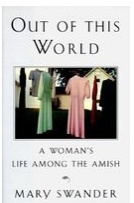


**Oelwein Reads Book Club**

Thursday, November 20th at 6:00 p.m. Meet at Ampersand (110 S. Frederick).

November's book selection is *Out of This World: A Woman's Life Among the Amish* by Mary Swander.

**Brief summary:** Because of a severe allergic illness the author ended up in the middle of the largest Amish community west of the Mississippi. In this book she celebrates her time among the Amish people, explores what it means to be a lone woman homesteader at the end of the twentieth century, and ponders the quiet spirituality born of a life on the land.



**Book Talk**

Monday, November 24th at 10:00 a.m. This month's topic is read a book with an Iowa setting. Not sure what to read? Check out the book display.

**Woodcarving Class with Steve Russell**

Saturday, November 22nd 9:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m.

Carve your own Christmas ornament. Classes are limited to 6 people and they must be at least 16 years old. Cost is \$30, all supplies provided.

Pre-register and pre-payment required to hold your spot.

**The morning class is full.**

A second class from 1:30 p.m.-5:30 p.m. is available.



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

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## New items on the shelf

### DVD's:

F1, How To Train Your Dragon, I Know What You Did Last Summer, Nobody 2

### Fiction:

Twice-Mitch Albon, Denied Access-Don Bentley, The Fallen & the Kiss of Dusk-Carissa Broadbent, The Secret of Secrets-Dan Brown, The Portrait-Danielle Steel, The Ghostwriter-Julie Clark, Sharp Force-Patricia Daniels Cornwell, The Love Haters-Katherine Center, The Enchanted Greenhouse-Sarah Beth Durst, The Missing Half-Ashley Flowers, Silver Elite-Dani Francis Circle of Days-Ken Follett, The Hallmarked Man-Robert Galbraith, The Names-Florence Knapp, Robert Ludlum's the Bourne Escape-Brian Freeman, My Beloved-Jan Karon, The Impossible Fortune-Richard Osman, The Unexpected Grace-Tracie Peterson, The Compound-Aisling Rawle, The Last Letter-Rebecca Yarros, The Intruder-Freida McFadden, End Game-Jeffrey Archer, The Academy-Elin Hilderbrand, Remain-Nicholas Sparks

### Non-Fiction:

Confronting Evil-Bill O'Reilly, Bone Valley-Gilbert King, 107 Days-Kamala D. Harris

### New YA:

A Steeping of Blood-Hafsah Faizal, The Taylors Version: Love Stories-Elizabeth Eulberg

### Ladybug:

Archibald and the Furry Dinosaurs-Suzanne Lang, Millie Fleur Saves the Night-Christy Mandin, Fly Like a Bird-Olga Ptashnik,

November 3rd-9th is Children's Book Week, when we celebrate books for our youngest patrons and the joy of reading. This year, we have some help from Dog Man and his friends, who encourage everyone to "get caught reading".

### Get Caught Reading Storytime

**Wednesday, November 5th at 10:00 a.m.**

Discover all that children's books have to offer during this storytime filled with fun, movement, and play.

### Bookmark Decorating

**Wednesday, November 5th at 2:30 p.m.**

Decorate a bookmark which you can then use to "get caught reading". Attendees will be entered in a drawing to win Dav Pilkey books.

### Pumpkin Book Art

**Thursday, November 13th at 5:00 p.m.**

This program is open to all ages. Learn how to turn a discarded book into seasonal art at this hands-on program. All materials supplied.


Keep an eye out for a special scavenger hunt in the children's area during Children's Book Week. Anyone who completes the hunt will be entered in a drawing to win Dav Pilkey books.

## Did You Know?


Children's Book Week: November 3rd-9th, 2025  
Children's Book Week is an annual event that celebrates books for young readers and promotes the joy of reading.

- Established in 1919, it is the longest-running national literacy initiative in the United States.
- Each year, children across the country participate by attending events held at schools, libraries, and bookstores, as well as celebrating at home.

**Join us for programs at the library celebrating Children's Book Week. See above for program schedules.**



**These programs are great ways to share a love of reading with your kiddos. Sign up today.**



## Take & Make Kits

Weave yourself a recycled paper basket.



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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