Oshkosh Public Library Highlights January 2018

- 1. Reptiles invaded the library on Dec. 28 when the Madison Herpetological Society presented *Lizards and Turtles and Snakes, Oh My!* The society shared amazing facts about these creepy, crawly critters and even brought some of their cold-blooded friends along for the audience to touch. Originally offered as a teen program, the event was opened to all ages and drew 61 people.
- 2. OPL closed out 2017 with a Noon Year's Eve program for children and families. With treats, activities and a balloon drop at the stroke of noon, the event brought 84 people to the library.
- 3. The library is embracing the Danish concept of Hygge (hue-guh), with programs and other opportunities to join in cozy, comfortable experiences that engender a feeling of contentment or well-being. Programs offered so far include *Making tracks with Snowshoes*, *Scents of the Season* and *Get Hygge with It*, a drop-in time complete with comfy spaces, soothing music, warm drinks and plenty of good books. These Hygge programs, along with a meeting of our What's Cooking Book Club featuring comfort food, have drawn more than 40 people to the library. OPL has also started weekly Hygge Facebook contests that will run through February.
- 4. As OPL continues to offer a wider variety of adult programming, attendance continues to increase. So far this month, eight programs geared specifically to adults have drawn 75 people; that's an increase over the 57 who attended the same number of programs in January 2017.