

Save the date for summer fun!

Tues., May 26 – Sat., Aug 22

All ages

Children, teens and adults are invited to join the library's Summer Reading Challenge. Have a great time reading, learning and discovering something new while earning prizes. Imagine what you could accomplish by the end of the summer!

Children & Families

Family Storytime

Preschoolers

March 2 – May 18

Mondays 9:30 a.m.

Lower Level Meeting Room

Stories, songs and fun themed activities designed to be engaging for caregivers and kids.

Read to a Dog

March 2 – April 27

Mondays 4 – 5:15 p.m.

Call 236-5208 to register.

Lower Level Meeting Room

Practice reading aloud with a trained therapy dog. Reserve your 15-minute time slot today.

High Hopes Early Literacy Storytime

Infants and toddlers

March 3 – April 29

Tuesdays & Wednesdays 9:30 a.m. & 10:15 a.m.

Lower Level Meeting Room

Note: High Hopes is in the library's First Floor Reading Room on Tues., April 7.

Enjoy stories, songs, fingerplays and rhymes while you learn how to teach your baby or toddler important early literacy skills.

Stories by Starlight

Preschoolers

March 3 – May 19

Tuesdays 6 p.m.

Explorers Grove

Relax at the end of a busy day with stories and activities.

Children are welcome to wear their pajamas and bring a favorite blanket.

Wonderlab

Ages 6 – 9

Wednesdays 6 p.m.

Call 236-5208 to register

Lower Level Meeting Room

Join us for hands-on STEAM learning sessions. Check out past projects on the library's YouTube channel.

March 4 Daring Dairy

March 18 Rube Goldberg Challenge

April 1 Hydraulic Robotics

April 15 Cardboard Kingdom

Baby Bounce Storytime

Infants

March 5 – April 30

Thursdays 9:30 a.m.

Lower Level Meeting Room

Reading, songs, rhymes and repetition provide a chance for you to connect with your infant. Storytime is followed by free play and social time.

Smart Starts Play Stations

Ages 1 – 4

March 6, April 3, May 1

Fridays 9 – 11:30 a.m.

Lower Level Meeting Room

Let's play together! Multiple activity stations encourage interactive learning and early literacy skills. Drop in anytime during the session.

Tween Book Club

Ages 9-11 years

Fridays 4:30 p.m.

Lower Level Meeting Room

Join us for free pizza, activities and talking about books! Bring your library card to check out next month's read.

March 6

Hello, Universe by Erin Entrada Kelly

April 3

Because of Winn-Dixie by Kate DiCamillo

May 1

The Bicycle Spy by Yona Zeldis McDonough

Teen Book Club

Fridays 4:30 p.m.

Lower Level Conference Room

Eat pizza, meet new friends, and talk books. Fifteen free copies of the next book are given away at each meeting.

March 6

The Cruel Prince by Holly Black

April 3

Scythe by Neal Shusterman

May 1

Warcross by Marie Lu

LEGO Wall Open Build

March 7 – May 30
Saturdays Noon – 3 p.m.
Lower Level Tech Lab
Grab a bucket of bricks and build on our LEGO wall.

Anytime Fitness Gym Kids

Ages 4 – 12 years
Wed., March 25 Noon
Sat., April 11 11 a.m.
Thurs., April 16 5:30 p.m.
Sat., April 25 11 a.m.
Lower Level Meeting Room
Kids need at least one hour per day of physical activity and we're here to help! Certified coaches use their Base, Burn and Build technique with Bosu Balls, Ladders, Battle Ropes, and Box Jumps galore. We guarantee your kids will use all their muscles, burn some energy and have lots of fun!

Spring Break at the library

Oshkosh Area School District's Spring Break is March 23 – 27. Stop in all week for books, movies and activities.

LEGO Wall Open Build

Tues., March 24 Noon – 3 p.m.
Lower Level Tech Lab
Anytime Fitness Gym Kids
Ages 4 – 12 years
Wed., March 25 Noon
Lower Level Meeting Room

Exhibits

Helen Mears Art Contest
March 3 – 30

Art Fest Art Exhibit

April 3 – 28
Art created by Oshkosh Area School District elementary school students is on display in the library's Lower Level.

Adults

Movies with Friends

2 p.m.
Lower Level Meeting Room
Sun., March 8 *City Slickers*

Considerations at OPL

Tuesdays 6 p.m. refreshments | 6:15 p.m. discussion
First Floor Reading Room
A community discussion of timely topics.
March 10 Second Amendment Sanctuary Movement
April 14 USMCA: aka new NAFTA deal
May 12 Medicare for all

Adult DIY

Tuesdays
6-7 p.m.
Due to limited supplies registration is required. Call 236-5205.
Lower Level Meeting Room
Get crafty at the library with a DIY project to make and take. All supplies provided. No cost.

Mar. 10 & 24 Ceramic Mugs
Apr. 14 & 28 String Art
May 12 & 26 Mini Pallet Coasters

LEGOmania 2020!

LEGOmania Design Contest

Ages 2 - 17
Children's Department
Submit entries on Thurs., March 26 8 a.m. – 7 p.m.
Hey LEGOmaniacs, it's time once again to turn your original LEGO design ideas into creations. Top two places in several age categories will be awarded. Check the website for details and guidelines.

LEGOmania STEAM Day and Contest Results

Fri., March 27 11 a.m. – 1 p.m.
Come and view all the LEGO entries and enjoy a STEAM activity with engineers from Oshkosh Corporation. Our LEGO Wall will also be open for building. Contest winners announced at noon.

Recycled Reads

Sat., April 18 1 – 2 p.m.
Lower Level Meeting Room
Bring in the books you no longer read and pick up some new-to-you titles. Sponsored by the Fox Valley Reading Council and Oshkosh Public Library.

What's Cooking Book Club

Wednesdays
6:30 p.m.
Under the Dome
Choose a print or digital cookbook from the library's collection and make a recipe based on the current theme. Bring along a few samples and the recipe to share. New members welcome.

March 11 Go-To Recipes
April 8 Italian
May 13 5-Ingredient Dishes

Memory Café

Wednesdays
March 11, April 8, May 13
1-3 p.m.
Lower Level Meeting Room
A comfortable way for you and your care partner to have fun and socialize with others who are living in the early stages of Alzheimer's disease or other dementia.

Considerations at Evergreen

Program held at Evergreen.
Open to the public.
Thursdays 9:30 a.m.
Elmer Harvey Room

March 12 Second Amendment Sanctuary Movement
April 9 USMCA: aka new NAFTA deal
May 14 Medicare for all

Monday Movie Matinee

12:30 p.m.
Lower Level Meeting Room
March 16 *The Art of Racing in the Rain*
April 20 *Judy*
May 18 *A Beautiful Day in the Neighborhood*

Forgotten Women of Oshkosh

Wed., March 25 6 p.m.
Under the Dome
Debra Daubert, Oshkosh Public Museum Curator, will introduce us to some women who made Oshkosh what it is today. Their names may not be on the tip of your tongue, but their contributions abound.

Census Community Day

Wed., April 1
All day
First Floor Reading Room | Light refreshments
Every 10 years, the United States counts everyone who lives here. Census data guides the distribution of more than \$675 billion in federal funding each year, your representation in Congress, community initiatives, and more. When you respond to the 2020 Census, you help local organizations like the library secure funding so we can serve you better! Volunteers will be available to help you complete the online form. Information is confidential.

Harry Potter and the Goblet of Fire

Sat., Apr. 4 7 p.m.
Time Community Theater
Get out your wands and put on your capes; but don't forget your library card! Kids (ages 12 and younger) with a library card get in free with an adult admission. Not sure if you have a card? The library will be there to help you out.

Unity in Community

Sun., April 5
Noon – 4 p.m.
Best Western Premier Waterfront Hotel & Convention Center
The library will have a table at this free, family event featuring food and music from around the world! Great opportunity to learn about the ethnic and cultural diversity in our community. There will also be kids' activities and crafts.

Green Card Youth Voices Exhibit

April 8 – 10
Open during library hours.
First Floor Reading Room
The photo exhibit of immigrants telling their life stories uses digital storytelling to share personal narratives of America's immigrants. The exhibit includes several portraits – each containing a 200-word bio, a quote and a QR code that can be scanned to watch a first-person video story.

Researching Family History with Newspapers

Thurs., April 9 6 p.m.
Lower Level Meeting Room
Randi Ramsden, Program Manager, National Digital Newspaper Program Division of Library, Archives and Museum Collections with the Wisconsin State Historical Society, will give an overview of the historic newspaper landscape of Wisconsin, and discuss what is available for research and how to find it. We will also explore how to work with the newspapers once they are in your hands, or, more likely, on the microfilm reader or computer screen in front of you.
*Hosted by the WinnebagoLand Genealogical Society.

Summer Schedule begins:

Sat., May 23 9 a.m. – 1 p.m.

Summer Hours:

Mon. – Thurs. 8 a.m. - 8 p.m.
Fri. 8 a.m. - 6 p.m.
Sat. 9 a.m. - 1 p.m.
Sunday Closed

Library Closed

Sun., April 12
Sun. and Mon., May 24 & 25

Genealogy/Local History Lock-In

Fri., April 24 6 p.m.

Under the Dome

Whether you're new to the genealogy game or a pro; there may be that one puzzle piece that eludes you. We're opening up the evening to people with local history questions! Have questions about your house? A local business? Why that statue is there? Come to this after-hours research event and get one-on-one help from a WinnebagoLand Genealogical Society member or local librarian. You may know something that unlocks someone else's mystery.

*Participants will have access to Ancestry.com, as well as newspapers online and on microfilm.

Under the Dome (Enter through the Washington Avenue doors.)

Space: Musical Performance

Mon., May 4

6:30 – 7:15 p.m.

All ages

Lower Level Meeting Room

Oshkosh Area Music Teachers Association students perform space-themed pieces they've been practicing and perfecting.

Lakefly Writers Conference

Fri., May 8 and Sat., May 9

Best Western Premier Waterfront Hotel & Convention Center

Join our supportive community of writers at the Best Western Premier Waterfront Hotel and Convention Center for a fun-filled two-day conference. We offer more than a dozen workshops on the craft and business of writing designed to inspire and guide your creative journey. Sponsored by Oshkosh Public Library in partnership with the Oshkosh Area Writers Club and the Wisconsin Writers Association.

For conference details and registration fees, please visit lakeflywriters.org.

Lakefly Open Mic

Fri., May 8 7 p.m.

Under the Dome

Tonight is about sharing! Grab the mic for a five-minute reading of your original work, or sit back and enjoy offerings from writers throughout the state. No cost and open to the public; refreshments will be served.

Under the Dome (Enter through the Washington Avenue doors.)

Book Release: *Butte Des Morts, Winnebago County, WI: Its History and Its People*

Thurs., May 14 6 p.m.

Lower Level Meeting Room

Celebrate the newest edition to the chronicles of Winnebago history with the release of *Butte Des Morts, Winnebago County, WI: Its History and Its People*.

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