

March, April, May 2021

OSHKOSH PUBLIC LIBRARY

SUMMER READING CHALLENGE

All ages

June 1 – Aug. 21

Register at oshkoshpubliclibrary.beanstack.org

Track your reading and activities online for fun and prizes. Committing to a reading goal keeps your skills sharp, expands your imagination and increases your motivation to succeed!

Details will be posted at oshkoshpubliclibrary.org by May 3. If you need tech help, are a childcare provider/teacher who would like to register a group, or just have a few questions about the program, call (920) 236-5205 (Info Services) or (920) 236-5208 (Children's Dept.) and we can help!

Register. Read. Rewards.

Wonderlab: S.T.E.A.M. Take Home Kits

Ages 5 and older

March 1 – May 30 (while supplies last)

Let's explore and experiment using the principles of S.T.E.A.M. (science, technology, engineering, art, and math)! Free kits include everything you need to create cool projects. Claim your kit by scheduling a pickup time at calendly.com/oshkoshpubliclibrary or call (920) 236-5208. Visit the library's YouTube channel for how-to videos.

March 1 – 31 LEGOmania!

April 1 – 30 Money Fun

May 1 – 31 Musical Mayhem

Children & Families

An Outdoor Reading Experience

Oshkosh StoryWalk®

The Shops at Oshkosh

March 1 – May 29

Let's get moving! Step out and read during the Oshkosh StoryWalk® presented by Oshkosh Public Library. Designed to promote reading, exercise and the outdoors, a StoryWalk® is a book that's presented page by page along a self-guided walking route.

March *Duck, Duck, Dinosaur* by Kallie George

April *This Moose Belongs to Me* by Oliver Jeffers

May *1, 2, 3, Jump!* by Lisl H. Detlefsen

The StoryWalk® Project was created by Anne Ferguson of Montpelier, VT and developed in collaboration with the Kellogg-Hubbard Library. StoryWalk® is a registered service mark owned by Ms. Ferguson.

LEGOmania Design Contest

Ages 2 – 17

Entries are due Wed., March 31

Calling all LEGOmaniacs! Unleash your imagination by designing and constructing an original LEGO creation. Submit a photo of your build to oshkoshpubliclibrary.org/legomania-registration. Additional details and guidelines are available there, too. Prizes are awarded to the top two places in several age categories. Winners announced Fri., April 2.

Need some inspiration? Beginning March 1, call (920) 236-5208 or go to calendly.com/oshkoshpubliclibrary to request a Wonderlab LEGOmania kit (containing LEGO bricks) to jumpstart your creativity!

Dial-A-Story

Take a break from screen time to listen to a short story that was selected and recorded by one of our children's staff. Dial-A-Story helps children with vocabulary, listening skills and reading comprehension. Stories are changed weekly, and you can call the storyline at (920) 770-2760 as often as you'd like!

Storytime in a Bag

Designed for ages 6 months – 6 years

Available for checkout with your library card

Sponsored by a grant from the Mildred and Edward Baar Youth and Education Fund through the Oshkosh Area Community Foundation.

Enjoy storytime at home or in the classroom with a themed collection of books and activities in a convenient to go bag. Log into your library account and search for "storytime in a bag" or call (920) 236-5208 to discuss with a Children's Librarian which storytime will meet your needs.

Storytime Live on Facebook

Preschoolers

March 1 – April 26

Mondays at 9:30 a.m.

Join Miss Cathy for stories, rhymes, songs and other literacy-building adventures for your active preschooler. Miss Cathy will greet your child when you enter their name in the comments. Each week a Mystery Box is presented to promote curiosity, interest and thinking skills.



Like us on Facebook, Instagram and YouTube.

Stories and Stretches

Ages 4 and older

YouTube | Oshkosh Media

Visit oshkoshmedia.org to view the program schedule

March – May

Let's expand our imaginations in fun, new ways! Each video combines creative movement and deep breathing with a picture book for a unique, whole body reading experience. New stories available on the library's YouTube channel at the beginning of each month (also available on Oshkosh Media). Be sure to bookmark your favorites!

High Flyers: At Home Early Literacy Kits

Includes a spring activity kit! (while supplies last)

6 months – 4 years

Anytime

Talk, sing, read, write and play every day with this self-paced, at-home program. Engaging in these activities is an important part of getting young children ready to read and learn.

Your High Flyers Kit includes tips, examples and activities.

Receive seasonal activities as well as incentives along the way!

Request a kit at calendly.com/oshkoshpubliclibrary or call (920) 236-5208. Check out the High Flyers resource page on the library's website for book recommendations including how to order a customized Book Bundle for check out.

Tween Book Club

Ages 9-11 years

Fridays 4:30 p.m.

Zoom

Join this virtual book club to meet new friends and talk about books! Ten copies are given away each month. Call the Children's Department at (920) 236-5208 to register for the Zoom meeting.

March 5 *The Creature in the Pines* by Adam Gidwitz

April 2 *Red: The (Fairly) True Story of Little Red Riding Hood* by Liesl Shurtliff

May 7 *Pax* by Sara Pennypacker

Library Closed

Sun., April 4 Easter

Sat., May 29 Summer Schedule Begins.

Library closes at 1 p.m.

**Sun., May 30
& Mon., May 31** Memorial Day

Hours Change Starting Tues., June 1

Mon. – Thurs. 8 a.m. - 8 p.m.

Fri. 8 a.m. - 6 p.m.

Sat. 9 p.m. - 1 p.m.

Sunday Closed

Teen Book Club

Grades 6-12

Fridays 4:30 p.m.

Zoom

Teen Book Club has gone virtual. Go to bit.ly/2P9711A to register and we'll send you the Zoom meeting link and password, plus instructions on how to pick up your free book (while supplies last).

March 5 *The Best Kind of Magic* by Crystal Cestari

April 2 *Dry* by Neal Shusterman and Jarrod Shusterman

May 7 *The Bone Houses* by Emily Lloyd-Jones

Adults

Adult DIY Take Home Kit

2nd Tuesdays 6 p.m.

YouTube

While we can't gather in person, we're here to help inspire you at home with our Adult DIY Kits. Call (920) 236-5205 or email reference@oshkoshpubliclibrary.org to reserve your kit and schedule a time for pickup. A limited supply of kits is available when the how-to video is posted on YouTube. Want to show off your crafty creations? Tag us, @OshkoshPublicLibrary in your photos and share with #OPLDIYAtHome!

March 9 Mason Jar String Art

April 13 Book Page Easter Egg

May 11 Mini Pallet Coasters

Librarian Learns

3rd Fridays 9 a.m.

YouTube

Local History Librarian Michael McArthur dives into some Oshkosh history each month in these short, fun videos. Impress your friends with your deep knowledge of the who, what, why, where, and how of Oshkosh's past.

April 16 Picasso Plaza Motor Inn (1968-1973)

May 21 Outdoor Theater

Anytime Online Book Club

3rd Tuesdays

Facebook Live

7 p.m.

Searching for a book club? Want to participate from the comfort of your couch? Join Librarian Michael McArthur and guests on Facebook Live to discuss books and receive reading recommendations. Topics are general. No reading is required.

March 16 Literary Fiction

April 20 Romance

May 18 Summer Reads