

Orange City Public Library
Newsletter
March 2021



**Upcoming: National
Library Week!**

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Library Hours: Monday & Thursday 10:00 am - 7:00 pm; Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday 10:00 am - 5:00 pm; Saturday 10:00 am - 2:00 pm.

No-contact pickup is available upon request. Please contact the library for more details.

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Education & Literacy

Register for events on the library website.

Youth



PRESCHOOL STORY TIME

Thursdays @ 11:00 am— Join us virtually for stories, games, rhymes, and take-home crafts that come together in a fun time for kids ages 3-6. (1/14-3/18)

1,000 BOOKS BEFORE KINDERGARTEN

Ongoing - Enroll your child in this fun, self-paced literacy program aimed at increasing word count in young children. Increased vocabulary significantly correlates to academic success later in life! Call the library or email pvangelder@orangecitylibrary.org for more information.



SONG & RHYME TIME

We've wrapped up our first session of Song & Rhyme Time, which was centered around the book Clifford's Peekaboo! Join us next time for Clifford's Noisy Day and related songs, rhymes, and crafts for children 6 months-TK and their caregivers. Next session: 3/25-4/29, Thursdays @ 10:00 am.

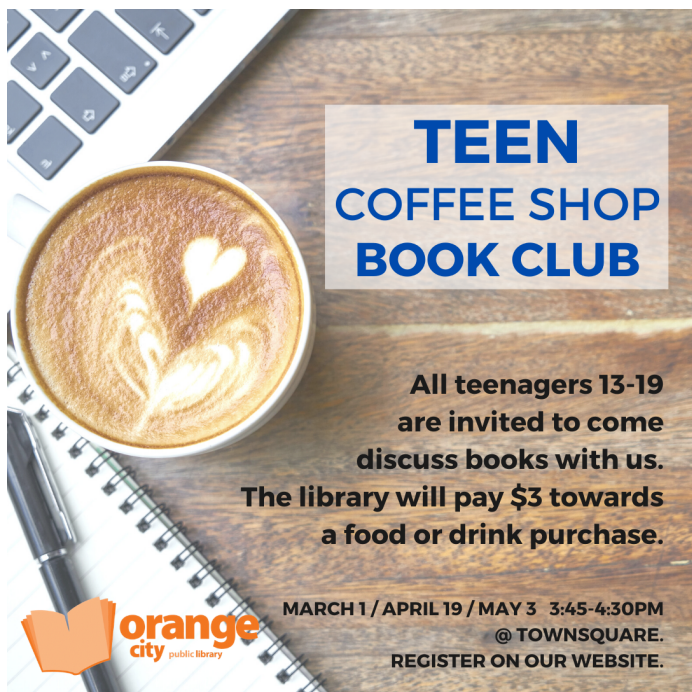


TWEEN ZONE: 6TH-8TH GRADE EVENTS

2nd/4th Tuesdays Feb-April @ 4:00-5:00 pm — Last month we played group games on zoom and decorated cookies. Sign up to join us on more adventures!

Adults, Teens & All Ages

Coffee Shop Book Clubs

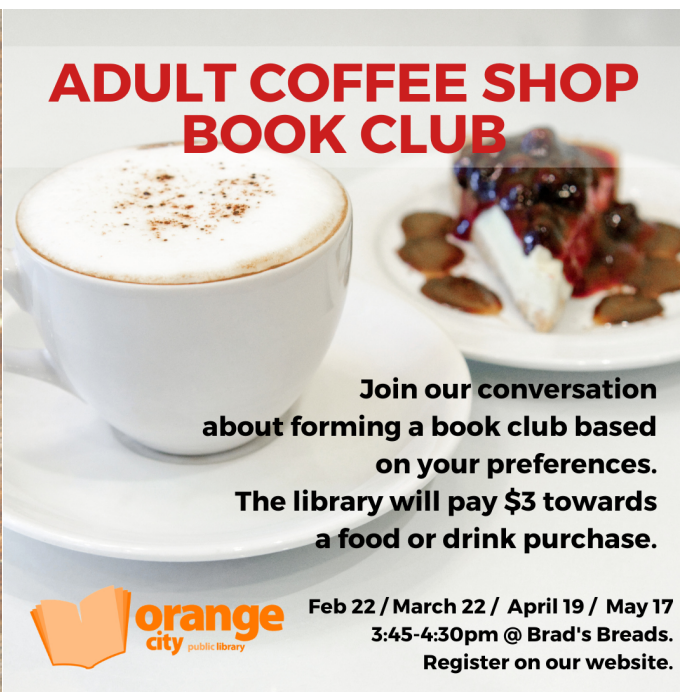


**TEEN
COFFEE SHOP
BOOK CLUB**

All teenagers 13-19
are invited to come
discuss books with us.
The library will pay \$3 towards
a food or drink purchase.

MARCH 1 / APRIL 19 / MAY 3 3:45-4:30PM
@ TOWNSQUARE.
REGISTER ON OUR WEBSITE.

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**ADULT COFFEE SHOP
BOOK CLUB**

Join our conversation
about forming a book club based
on your preferences.
The library will pay \$3 towards
a food or drink purchase.

Feb 22 / March 22 / April 19 / May 17
3:45-4:30pm @ Brad's Breads.
Register on our website.

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DOG THERAPY WITH LIBBY KARSSSEN

March 22, 4:00-5:00 pm - Well-trained, calm, and friendly, Lottie and Layla come ready to play and be petted. All are welcome! Sign up by contacting the library or by registering on the library website.

Help us build a new adult book club that suits your needs! Join our next conversation and fill out the survey on our website to let us know your thoughts!

ADULT READING CLUB

Ongoing - Log your personal reading on our READsquared app or pick up a paper log at the library--each book counts as an entry into a monthly drawing for Chamber Bucks!



Library Resources:



Brainfuse is all about helping you improve your skills through live tutoring and providing resources. Log in to your online account on our catalog and go to "Brainfuse" under "Electronic Resources" for job hunting and veteran resources. Alternatively, go to "Brainfuse HelpNow" for tutoring of: students (upper elementary-college), college entrance exams, English-language learners, adult learners, parents, and chess enthusiasts!

Upcoming: National Library Week



National Library Week begins April 4, and we are excited to celebrate! Come to the library to find craft bags for kids as well as a Downtown Book Scavenger Hunt and Spring Bingo Challenges for all ages - participants enter to win Chamber Bucks! Activities will extend throughout April.



Opportunities:

The library is partnering with PIECE to enable weekly one-on-one English Language (EL) lessons! The PIECE team trains any individual in the community willing to donate their time to tutor an adult EL student while building authentic and reciprocal relationships. Materials and resources are provided and bi-monthly meetings are offered to support and equip tutors. No previous training or experience is required and it is not necessary to speak another language to participate! Applications for tutors and students can be found at the library. Contact Anna Bartlett at abartlett@orangecitylibrary.org for more information.



The library board is seeking a new trustee:

Did you know that there are over 500 public libraries in Iowa? Most of these are governed by a board of trustees. This is the case for the Orange City Public Library. In June, the board will have a vacancy as one board member's term expires.

Trustees are responsible for overseeing the operations of the library. This includes adopting policies and budgets, evaluating the director (who manages the day-to-day operations of the library), and long-term strategic planning for the library's future.

As the library is a department of the city, board members are appointed by the mayor. Trustee applications are available at the library and on the library website on the About page.

All persons may apply; however, since state law requires library boards to be gender balanced the Orange City Public Library is specifically seeking a male candidate at this time.

For more information on the trustee responsibilities, see the State Library of Iowa's Iowa Library Trustee's Handbook on their website (<https://www.statelibraryofiowa.org/ld/tz/Trustees>) or you may view a copy of the handbook at the library.

Library Services: Disc Cleaning

Did you know that the library has a disc resurfacing machine? Dirty and scratched DVDs, CDs, and Blu-ray discs can be made to play like new for a \$2-3 fee.

Dear Readers, Supporters and Friends,

Have you ever participated in a book club? Have you ever wanted to? The library book club experience is being rebooted. We are interested in what you want in a book club. Tell us what you are thinking by taking a survey on the library website. Questions include the following: What kind of book club – highly social, seriously academic or somewhere in-between? How often should it meet and when? What are the guidelines?

Book clubs have a long history. The first book club was formed in the Massachusetts Bay Colony in 1629 and the popularity of talking about books has soared since then. In 2014 the *New York Times* estimated that over 5 million Americans were members of book clubs. No doubt celebrity book clubs have increased their popularity, with Oprah leading the way. There is even a movie with the title *The Book Club*.

Check out the survey and let's have a conversation - about books. It is a great way to build community as well as have a lot of fun.

Peace be with you,

Lisa Johnson, MLIS Director – Orange City Public Library

NEW BOOKS AT THE ORANGE CITY PUBLIC LIBRARY

**Something
for everyone,
come check
us out.**

