

Odell Public Library OUTREACH



January 2023

Happy New Year, Readers! As we turn the page on 2022, we are reminded how lucky we are to exist in such a supportive community. Of special importance, the last year saw the completion of a new library roof and the success of a flooring fundraiser. These projects would not have been possible without your support and we thank you sincerely for investing in your library. May the year ahead be filled with good health, good friends, and of course, good books. Cheers from the Odell Public Library Staff!



Odell Friends: Joann Kilgus, Susan Noble, Maisie Renkes, Beth Wroble, Lorna Temple, Jan Horberg, Anne Frame, & Barb Peterson

ODELL PUBLIC LIBRARY FRIENDS

The Odell Public Library Friends are an amazing group of library supporters who come together to actively support Odell through advocacy, volunteer services, programming, and fundraising. The Friends have been responsible for a great range of library improvements over the years. From helping purchase new books or new paint to raising funds for all-new flooring, their efforts truly enhance your local library. Interested in becoming a friend? You're invited to attend their next meeting (1/10/23 at 1pm) or you can complete a short interest form [here](#).

Odell Public Library Friends



Tuesday, January 10th
Odell Program Room
1:00 PM

PODCAST

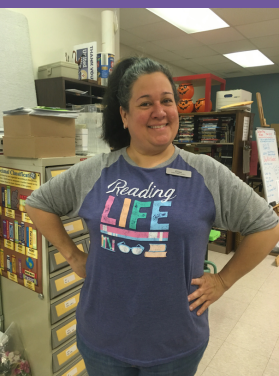
On this month's episode of Between the Stacks, host Victoria Horn answers listener requests for personalized book recommendations, shares Odell happenings, highlights the December book order, and reads her original poem, "Portrait of Christmas Eve." [Listen here](#) or wherever you find your podcasts.

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AROUND ODELL



1) Victoria Horn puts the finishing touches on the "Books of Januarys Past" adult fiction display. 2) Katie Rider shares a snowy day book at Storytime. 3) Winter books are on display in the children's department. 4) Director Meridith Layne accepts a check from Kiwanis President Steve Davis.



Please submit your memories, stories, or kind thoughts about Elisa "Nicki" Rideout by Monday, 1/16/23. Paper is available at Odell or you may use your own cut to 6"x3.75" or you can email remembrances to krider.odell@gmail.com.

CARPET UPDATE

The Odell Board of Directors approved the flooring bid submitted by Boss Carpet One Floor & Home out of Dixon, IL. Carpet and LVT have been ordered! Follow us on Facebook for updates on the installation timeline.



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PROGRAMS

Programs are free, drop-in activities offered to all ages and take place in Odell's Program Room unless otherwise noted.

- **Storytime** takes place every Thursday evening from 7:00-7:30pm in the children's area. Bring your young ones for stories, songs, and rhymes!
- **LEGO Club** takes place the first Saturday of the month (1/7/23) from 10:30-noon. Lego, Duplo, and MegaBlok provided. January's theme is PIRATES! Yo ho ho, builders!
- **Pokemon Club** will meet Saturday, January 21st from 10-11:30. Come /learn play the card game, trade, and more! All ages.
- **Magic the Gathering** will meet Saturday, January 21st from 12:00-3:00pm. Open play. Ages 10-adult.

AARP TAX HELP

Interested in receiving AARP assistance in preparing your taxes? Call Odell to start the process today. Be prepared to provide Odell staff with your name, town, and phone number. An AARP representative will then call you to schedule an appointment. At this time, AARP plans to begin assistance on Wednesday, February 1st and continue through April 12th. Everyone must have an appointment this year. Tax assistance will take place in the Community Room adjacent to Odell Public Library.

SENIOR CENTER

A representative from the Whiteside County Senior Center will be at Odell the 2nd Tuesday of each month from 2:00 - 4:00 pm. They are able to assist the license sticker discounts, respite funds, Medicare and Medicaid programs, Social Security extra help, and much more.

The latest book orders can be found by scrolling to the bottom of Odell's [website](#) or stopping by the circulation desk. The December book order can be found [here](#).

MUSEUM PASS

Looking to explore locally? Check out Odell's Putnam pass and enjoy a day at this Quad Cities museum on us! Passes are available to Odell library card holders on a first-come, first-serve basis. Call us at 772-7323 to reserve your pass!

ALWAYS AVAILABLE

- Odell Play Kitchen & Puppet Theater
- Discovery Book Packs
- Leapfrog Readers
- Hot Spot checkouts
- Free library cards for kids
- Free wi-fi and public computers
- LEGO cart
- Coloring and activity pages
- [Access to Ancestry.com](#)

