

ODELL PUBLIC LIBRARY OUTREACH



OCTOBER 2026

With cooler temps and changing leaves, Fall is simply one of the best seasons for cozying up with a good book! It's also the best season to stock up on reading materials for the whole year by shopping the Friends' Annual Book & Bake Sale! Mark your calendars and plan to stop in on Saturday, November 7th from 9am-1pm. Odell will have hundreds of gently-used books as well as an abundant supply of homemade goods to enjoy. All sales are by donation only. Can't make the sale? The book sale will move to the main area of the library for the following two weeks. There are always plenty of treasures to uncover. Hope to see you there!



1

Contribute to the bake sale. Homemade items can be delivered to Odell the morning of 11/7.

2

Donate your clean, gently-used books. Please limit donations to 1-2 boxes/bags.

3

Shop the Friends Annual Book & Bake Sale of November 7th from 9:00-1:00.

ODELL LIBRARY FRIENDS

PLANT PARENTING 101

Madi-Do is back this month with a plant parenting workshop to keep your plants happy! Participants will receive a free potted plant, courtesy of the Odell Public Library Friends.



PLANT PARENTING 101

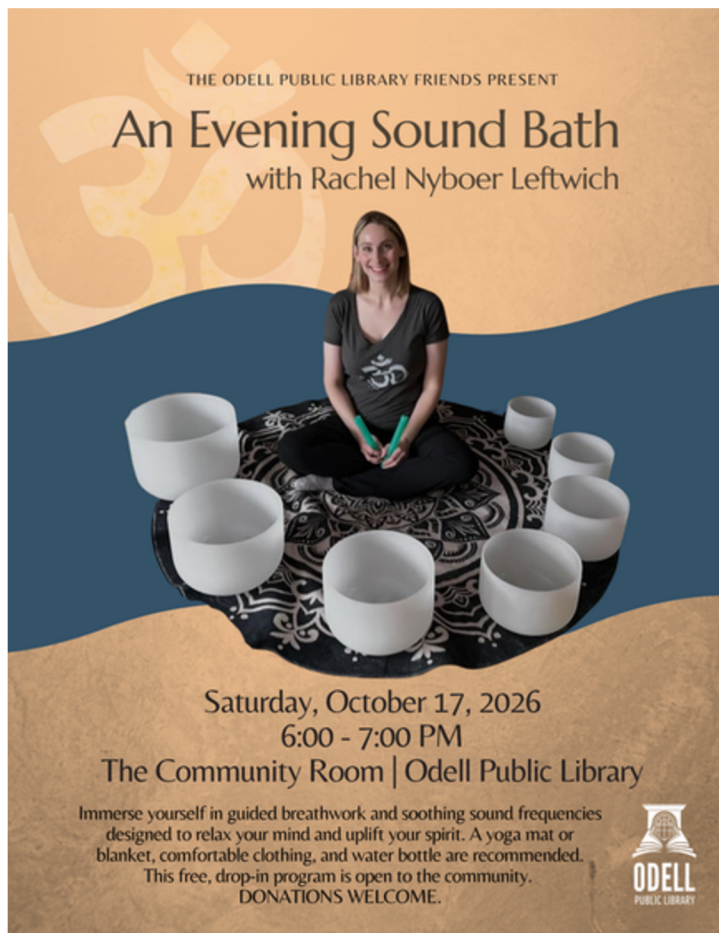
OCTOBER 13TH | 6:30 PM

ODELL PUBLIC LIBRARY PROGRAM ROOM
307 S. MADISON ST. MORRISON, IL 61270

 Due to limited seating,
Registration Required
815-772-7323

Learn the basics of keeping your houseplants happy and thriving! We'll cover watering, light, repotting, troubleshooting common plant problems, and how to better understand what your plants are trying to tell you. Participants will also get to pick out a plant and a pot to repot and take home.

Generously sponsored by the
Odell Public Library Friends



THE ODELL PUBLIC LIBRARY FRIENDS PRESENT

An Evening Sound Bath
with Rachel Nyboer Leftwich



Saturday, October 17, 2026
6:00 - 7:00 PM

The Community Room | Odell Public Library

Immerse yourself in guided breathwork and soothing sound frequencies designed to relax your mind and uplift your spirit. A yoga mat or blanket, comfortable clothing, and water bottle are recommended. This free, drop-in program is open to the community. DONATIONS WELCOME.



EVENING SOUND BATH

enjoy this free, drop-in experience with Morrison native, Rachel Leftwich. Sound baths promote relaxation and restoration of the body and mind.



NEXT FRIENDS MEETING:
TUESDAY, OCTOBER 6TH
- 1:00 PM --
ODELL PROGRAM ROOM



**Self-Serve
MICROGREEN
SAMPLES**

Help yourself to samples of our fresh microgreens ♡ Check the mini fridge by the front door!

Excellent source of nutrients!

Grown & harvested at Odell Public Library with support from the Ogle County Health Department



The latest book orders can be found by scrolling to the bottom of Odell's [website](#) or stopping by the circulation desk. You can "Adopt-a-Book" for just \$15 to ensure the first read!

OCTOBER 2026 | MONTHLY PROGRAMS



October Storytimes

6:30 - 7:00 PM 2026

THURS 01	 TRACTORS
THURS 08	FOXES 
THURS 15	 FALL
THURS 22	BIRD WATCHING 
THURS 29	CATS 

Perfect for Preschoolers! Stories, Songs, Rhymes, & Art

STORYTIME

Storytime is a 30-minute drop-in program each Thursday evening, designed for families with preschool through early elementary-aged kids (or anyone who still loves a good read-aloud!). Families will enjoy stories, songs, rhymes, and a craft each week as they become familiar with the library and meet new storytime friends. Pajamas are always welcome. Come play and learn with us at Storytime!



1ST SATURDAYS

LEGO CLUB

10:30 – NOON

SEPTEMBER – MAY | NO NOVEMBER MEETING

ALL PROGRAMS ARE FREE AND OPEN TO THE COMMUNITY. COME PLAY AT ODELL

LEGO CLUB

LEGO Club is FINISHED for the season, but keep your eyes peeled for pop-up LEGO activities over the summer and don't forget: you can always check out our mobile LEGO cart!



2ND SATURDAYS

POKEMON CLUB

10:00 – 11:30

SEPTEMBER – MAY

ODELL

POKEMON CLUB

Whether your Pokemon trainer plays the card game or just likes to collect, Pokemon Club brings fans together to play, trade, and share their Pokemon knowledge! Gotta catch 'em all!

Whether you're a Country Mouse or a City Mouse, Odell library cards are FREE FOR ALL MORRISON KIDS UNDER 18!



All you need is a parent/guardian's signature & proof of address! A student card gives access to so many print and e-materials! Sign up for your student card today!

*Please note: **Student cards** are only meant for **student materials**. Anyone residing within city limits can receive a library card at no cost. Adults who reside outside of city limits & do not own city property must pay Odell's yearly \$60 rural household fee to check items out & access e-reading services.

SCAVENGER HUNT

Complete our monthly Scavenger Hunt to solve the riddle and win a small prize! Thanks to the Odell Public Library Friends for sponsoring our goodies!



HOT SPOTS AVAILABLE

Did you know Odell has hot spots available for checkout? Hot spots are a great addition to vacation, travel, and for other temporary internet needs. Hot spots let you connect devices like laptops and tablets to the internet from almost anywhere. Like all Odell materials, hot spots check out for a 2-week period and may be renewed if there are no holds on the item. Check out a little tech at Odell!



PATRON-LED PROGRAMS

@ ODELL PUBLIC LIBRARY



PINOCHLE

Every Monday
1 - 5 p.m.
Odell Program Room

SCRABBLE

Every Wednesday
1 - 3 p.m.
Odell Program Room



CHESS



Every 2nd, 3rd, 4th Monday
10 a.m. - 1 p.m.
3rd & 4th Thursdays 5 - 8 p.m.
Odell Program Room

CRAFTERS



Every Thursday
5 - 7 p.m.
Genealogy Room
Bring a project & socialize

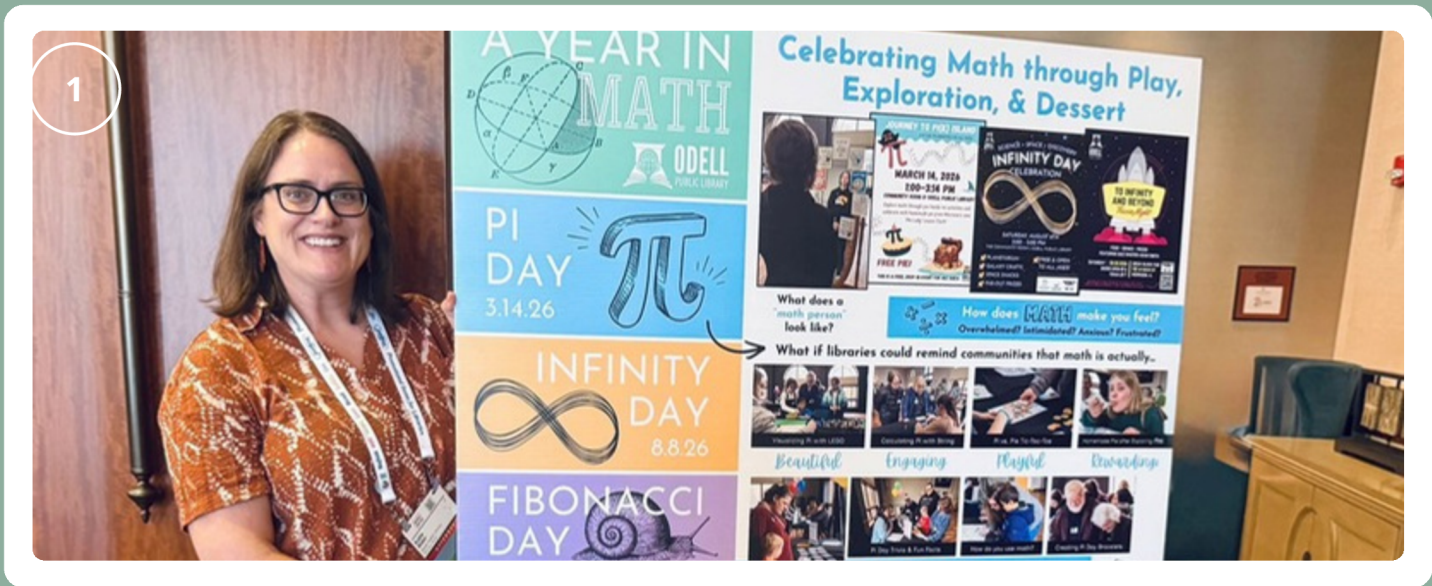
BOOK CLUB

2nd Thursday
2:30 - 4:30 p.m.
Odell Program Room
(Let the front desk know if you need
a copy of the month's book)



OCTOBER BOOK: 18 TINY DEATHS

All programs are free and open to the public. Beginners welcome.
Please note that these programs are not run by Odell Public Library,
though we are happy to host & pass on any questions.
Come together at your local library!



1) Director Katie Rider attended a national library conference in Alabama to present on ways that Odell has integrated math into programming! 2) Miss Kristina's storytime friends loved camping at Odell and went home with yummy s'mores treats! 3) LEGO Club is back and more creative than ever! 4) Miss Amy shares a smile at a silly zoo storytime. We're so happy to see all of our families!

MUSEUM & ZOO PASSES

Looking to explore locally? Check out Odell's **Putnam Museum**, **Sawmill Museum**, or **Niabi Zoo** passes and enjoy a day exploring on us! Passes are available to adult 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
- Educate Station: K-5 Curriculum

