

Odell Nebraska Library Monthly Newsletter

Upcoming

August 2026

- **Trivia @ 6:30 pm - Aug 1.
- **Wednesdays @ 6 pm - Mahjong
- **1st Friday Coffee - Aug. 7
- **Wine & Charcuterie @ 6 pm - Aug 7
- **Phone Workshop @ 5:30 pm - Aug. 19

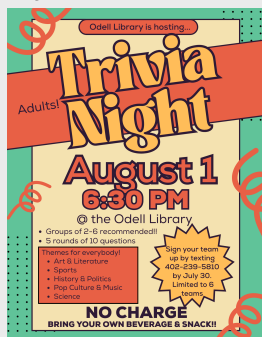
- **Book Club @ 6 pm - Aug. 24

September 2026

- **First Friday Coffee - Sep 4.
- **Wednesdays @ 6 pm - Mahjong
- **All About the Pause @ 4 pm - Sep. 20
- **Book Club @ 6 pm - Sep. 28

Hours (starting August 1)

Monday: 9 a - 11 a & 3-5 p
Tuesdays: 9-11 a & 3-8 p
Wednesdays: 9 a - 1 p
Thursdays: 9-11 a & 3-8 p
Fridays: 9 a - 1 pm
Saturdays: 10 a - noon



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Instagram: @odellnebraskapubliclibrary. Need a space for a meeting or small gathering? Contact us!
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**Friends of the
Library or Donate**

Wine & Charcuterie

Event & Fundraiser
Friday, August 7, 2026

ODELL NEBRASKA LIBRARY

6:00 - 8:00 PM

JOIN US AT THE LIBRARY FOR AN EVENING OF WINE, CHARCUTERIE, CONVERSATION, AND RELAXATION

Friends of the Library

ARE INVITED WITH NO DONATION NECESSARY!

RSVP to Joyce @ (402)239-5810

Non alcoholic sparkling wine, water, and tea will be available



Official Ribbon Cutting

OACE hosted several Ribbon Cuttings the evening of Friday, June 26, as the kick off to Odell Days. Our Library was part of this ribbon cutting. We thank OACE for doing this, as it was a lovely event! Shown in the photo below from left to right: Eileen Kostal, Remi Carpenter, Joyce Carpenter, Reagan Carpenter, Joyce Kostal, and Barb Zarbynicky.



Second Annual Wine & Charcuterie

We will be hosting our Wine & Charcuterie Event and Fundraiser on Friday, August 7 from 6-8 pm. Join us for a suggested donation of \$20. IF you are are a "Friend of the Library", you can come to this event with no expectations of a donation, just a thank you for being a Friend! If you wish to become a "Friend of the Library", you can sign up that evening and come to the event with no donation. You can become a Friend for as low as \$5.00 a month. Our Friends are the ones who keep the library doors open by covering utilities, books, and programming. Either way, you are all welcome to come to this event! It is a lovely evening of good food and good company!

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PAUSE

**Perimenopause,
Menopause,
Postmenopause**

Sunday, September 20, 2026

4:00 pm

Presented by: Dr. Amanda McKinney

Odell Nebraska Library

NO CHARGE

Light Refreshments Provided

RSVP to 402-239-5810 or come in to the library and sign up!

Scully Reading Room

The Library has had a very generous donation made for us to "finish" off some space in the back garage space of our building at 214 Main Street. This space will be called the "Scully Reading Room" and will be a Quiet Area where patrons can go to read, study, or do research. Part of the space will have the ability to be closed if a patron needs it for studying in more privacy, holding a zoom call, or meeting for a group discussion. Florian Mährt of Diller is our general contractor and Eickmann Electric is our Electrician. We are excited for this space to be finished and offer more options for our community!



Volunteer Spotlight

Our first spotlight this month is Jamie Schluter. Jamie volunteers at the Library 8 hours a month during the summer. Her favorite part of volunteering at the library is the

atmosphere and seeing just how much the space gets used by the community. Jamie loves the Harry Potter series and any dystopian fiction. Jamie is a Business teacher at Southern schools and her "spare time" she enjoys recreational volleyball, working out, listening to audiobooks, going on family walks, going to family gatherings, and as any mother, taking naps!

About the Odell Library, Jamie says "The interior and exterior design are both beautiful. The amount of books available is amazing, and the backroom "maker space" for the youth is the best!"

MAHJONG CLUB

@ the Odell Library

WEDNESDAYS @ 6:00 pm

TEXT Joyce @ 402-239-5810 to sign up!!

ODELL LIBRARY
book club
AUGUST SELECTION
THE PARIS
LIBRARY
BY JANET SKESLIEN CHARLES



Based on the true story of the heroic librarians at the American Library in Paris during World War II—The Paris Library is a moving and unforgettable "ode to the importance of libraries, books, and the human connections we find within both"

DISCUSSION: MONDAY, AUGUST 24 @ 6 PM

Join us for a Victorian Christmas Program at the end of November! Scan the QR code to the right or go to our website. You will be asked to purchase a \$10 ticket - which will be refundable upon attendance. This is to ensure you spot in our limited seating for this event!

DO YOU NEED SOME BIBLIOTHERAPY?

Whatever's got you down, there's a reading list to help you get through it. Boosting mental health through books is called Bibliotherapy. How does it work? Reading novels with characters in predicaments similar to yours helps you find new perspective, develop empathy, and just feel less alone. You can find book "recessions" for coping with breakups, work stress, family issues, and more on book blogs like Book Therapy, Tolstoy Therapy, and the Lotus Readers. Or just visit your local library and browse! In fact, the world's first library, that of Egyptian Pharaoh Ramses II, bore an inscription calling it the house of healing for the soul.

Summer Story Hours

Our Summer Story hours will be ending the last week in July. It has been a super fun summer as we learned all about Dinosaurs! We want to thank Judy Flores for all her time and work in leading the Preschool Story Hours on Wednesdays - the kids loved Ms. Judy! We also want to thank Sharon Gydesen for being our reader for our Friday Story Hours for K-3 & 3-6 grades. Kimber Snyder & Kasen Kotas also spent a lot of Wednesdays and Fridays with us as our Helpers! Thanks to all parents who made the effort to bring kids!

