

# NEWSLETTER

Orange City, Iowa  
February 2024

## DROP-IN EVENTS

### Dog Therapy with Libby, Layla, & Lottie

Monday, Feb. 12, 4:00-5:00 pm

### Seed Swap Giveaway

Saturday, Feb. 24, 10:30 am-12:30 pm

## BABIES-KINDERGARTEN

### Preschool Story Time

Wednesdays, 9:30 am  
(January 24-March 27)

### Movin' & Groovin' Sensory Story Time

Thursdays, 9:30 am  
(January 25-March 28)

### Out & About Story Time

Wednesday, Feb. 14, 3:45 pm  
at Kweken Co.

## K-4TH GRADE

### Movie & Popcorn

Please register for each.

*Lyle, Lyle Crocodile*

Friday, Feb. 2, 1:45-3:15 pm

*Space Jam: A New Legacy*

Friday, Feb. 9, 1:45-3:15 pm

*Rumble*

Friday, Feb. 23, 1:45-3:15 pm

### Early Out Chess Fun

Please register online.

Friday, Feb. 2, 1:45-2:45 pm

Friday, Feb. 16, 1:45-2:45 pm

### Early Out Lego Challenge

Please register online.

Friday, Feb. 9, 1:45-2:45 pm

Friday, Feb. 23, 1:45-2:45 pm

### Wood Scorching

Please register online. Adult helper required.

K-1st Grade, Tuesday, Feb. 6, 3:45-4:45 pm

Grades 2-4, Tuesday, Feb. 13, 3:45-4:45 pm

### STEAM Challenge

Please register online.

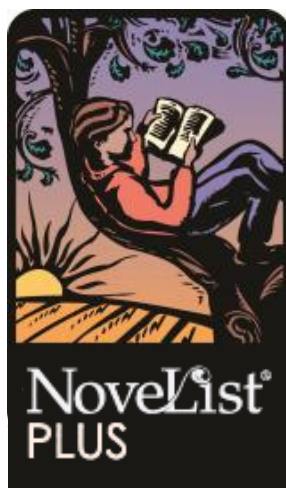
K-1st Grade, Tuesday, Feb. 20, 3:45-4:45 pm. Adult helper required.

Grades 2-4, Tuesday, Feb. 27, 3:45-4:45 pm



Dear Readers (especially our 5th-8th grade parents and students), Embark on an exhilarating adventure where creativity meets science! Directed online gaming is coming to the Orange City Public Library in February, March and April. Three exciting cooperative challenges await. Minecraft Physics Roller Coaster Challenge is a team collaboration to design and build a gravity-defying roller coaster, while using and exploring the principles of physics. Minecraft City Builder Extravaganza is a work together scenario to design and construct a fantastic virtual city, with soaring skyscrapers, daring bridges and bustling airports. Minecraft Space Drop Exploration brings an out-of-this-world program to players who journey to the Moon and explore craters, search for alien life, and work together on a lunar base. [Register online today!](#)

## FEATURED THIS MONTH: NOVELIST PLUS



### Find books that match your reading style with NoveList Plus.

Have you recently finished a great book and you'd love to read something similar? NoveList's librarian-created read-alike suggestions and appeal mixer can help. Log in to your library account from our online catalog and click on the NoveList Plus link found under Electronic Resources. From there you can search for read-alikes based on a title or author you love, or a variety of other options. There are also many reading lists for all ages in a wide variety of genres.





## 5TH-12TH GRADE

### Bound Creativity: A Book Binding Class (9th Grade-Adult)

Please register for the series.  
Thursdays, Feb. 8, 15, 22, & 29,  
5:30-7:30 pm

### Minecraft Roller Coaster Challenge (5th-8th Grade)

Tuesday, Feb. 20, 4:00-6:00 pm

## ADULTS

### Makerspace Mondays

Mondays, Jan. 8-May 6, 6:00-7:45 pm

### Board Games & Snacks

Tuesday, Feb. 6, 6:30 pm

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### "O Brother, Where Art Thou?" Film Screening, Discussion, & Charcuterie

Tuesday, Feb. 27, 5:00 pm

## ALL AGES



Record your reading minutes for the chance to win prizes!  
January 22-March 9.

Visit our website for more details and to register for these events and others.  
[orangecitylibrary.org](http://orangecitylibrary.org)



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Tuesday, February 27 at 5:00 pm

**Film Screening & Charcuterie**

Discussion led by Professor Mark Volkers

Enjoy the film, charcuterie, and casual discussion.  
Sign up at [orangecitylibrary.org](http://orangecitylibrary.org) Cost \$12



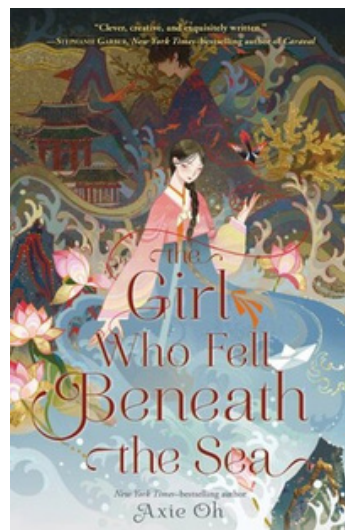
Fancy yourself a film critic? Or simply want a movie night out? Come to the library's film screening of the award-winning "O Brother, Where Art Thou?" and enjoy charcuterie while you watch. Afterwards, Professor Mark Volkers will lead a discussion based on the movie. Seating is limited so registration is required. [Register and pay online.](#)

## BOOK REVIEW:

### "The Girl Who Fell Beneath the Sea" by Axie Oh, reviewed by Anna

If, like me, you enjoy reading young adult fantasy novels with strong female leads and sweeping mythology, then you might enjoy *The Girl Who Fell Beneath the Sea*, which is a retelling of the classic Korean folktale *The Tale of Shim Cheong*. The Sea God is supposed to protect the people, but for generations, they have felt abandoned as storms, floods, and wars destroy their land and their villages. Each year, a beautiful maiden is thrown into the sea as a sacrifice, in hopes of appeasing the Sea God with a bride. The story follows Mina after she throws

herself into the sea to save the life of her brother and his love, Shim Cheong. Mina enters the Spirit Realm, where she encounters spirits, gods, and demons, and discovers that the Sea God appears to be caught in an enchanted sleep. The story is filled with unexpected twists, as Mina tries to break the Sea God out of his enchanted sleep and save her people. She finds allies along the way, including a mysterious young man named Shin, as well as assassins who want to stop her from succeeding. The charming characters and fast-paced plot will sweep you along as you learn about the importance of passing culture and traditions down through generations and making personal sacrifices for the good of those you hold dear.



## Celebrate National Library Lovers Month

