

**“BEST TOWN(S) BY A DAM SITE”  
Alden, Buckeye & Popejoy**

*Alden Newsletter Association  
Compiled by the Alden Public Library*

*October/November 2020  
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welcome

**Please welcome the following individuals and families to our community:**

JIM & CARRIE GOODKNIGHT and DILLON & DENISE HUTZEL

**City of Alden Code of Ordinance:**



Chapter 55.08 Annoyance or Disturbance:

It is unlawful for the owner of a dog to allow or permit such dog to cause serious annoyance or disturbance to any person or persons by frequent & habitual howling, yelping, barking or otherwise or by running after or chasing persons, bicycles, cars or other vehicles.

Chapter 45.03(2)

Noise. Make loud and raucous noise in the vicinity of any residence or public building which causes unreasonable distress to the occupants thereof.



October 31st, 2020 from 5-7 PM



**Alden Fire Department Soup Supper**

October 31st @ the Fire Station

4-7 PM Eat In or Carry Out

Chili, Potato Soup, Grilled Cheese, Cookies and Drink

Free Will Offering

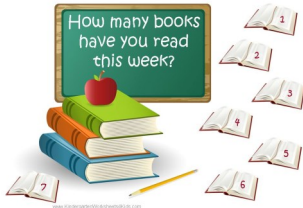
Dr. Grace O. Doane



515-859-3820  
director@aldenlibrary.org  
www.aldenlibrary.org

**Dates closed:**  
October 12, 2020  
November 26 & 27,

**YOUR LIBRARY**



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## OCTOBER HOURS

Monday	12:30pm-5pm
Tuesday	10am-6pm
Wednesday	12:30pm-5pm
Thursday	10am-6pm
Friday	9am-1pm
Saturday	9am-12pm

AFTER SCHOOL PROGRAM IS ON TUESDAYS OR THURSDAYS, MUST BE REGISTERED TO ATTEND.

HOURS WILL BE REVIEWED AND SUBJECT TO CHANGE FOR NOVEMBER

**SPOOKY LEGO CHALLENGE!**

FOR OCTOBER 12TH WE WANNA SEE YOUR SPOOKY LEGO CREATION! FROM GHOST TO A HAUNTED HOUSE! IF YOU DON'T HAVE ANY LEGO'S YOU CAN DRAW OR USE ANY MATERIALS YOU HAVE! PLEASE SUBMIT A PICTURE TO OUR FACEBOOK PAGE OR EMAIL US AT FELICIA@ALDEN.LIB.IA.US

**Music Kit**

*NOW AVAILABLE*

**KITS FOR CHECKOUT**

MUST BE AN ADULT WITH A LIBRARY CARD IN GOOD STANDING

ABC Kit

State Capitals Kit

Nature Kit

**2020 Summer Reading Program Top Readers**

ISAAC SMITH  
IRIS SMITH  
ZACHARY DOERING

**ALDEN Public Library**

GRADES K-6TH

**After School Program**

TUESDAYS OR THURSDAYS FROM 3:45-4:45 AT THE ALDEN LIBRARY

MUST BE REGISTERED & SIGNED UP FOR TUESDAYS OR THURSDAYS





NATIONAL MISSISSIPPI RIVER MUSEUM & AQUARIUM

presents  
**Rockin' Reptiles & Awesome Amphibians**

**NOVEMBER 2ND @ 10:30 AM**  
MUST RSVP TO 515-859-3820 (SPACE LIMITED)

Do you know the difference between a reptile and an amphibian? After this program you will! Be a herpetologist and explore hands-on the world of herps (collective name for reptiles and amphibians)! Learn about some of the different species living here at the aquarium and even have a few visitors stop by to help us learn more about them. You won't want to miss it!

Thank you to the Schiller Fund through the Hardin County Community Foundation for helping to fund this program.

ALDEN PUBLIC LIBRARY  
TUESDAYS & THURSDAYS  
10:30-11:15

# SENIOR FITNESS WITH GERIFIT

Free and no registration required.  
Must sign waiver to participate.  
*Drop in and try a class!*

*Sacagawea Adventures with Lewis & Clark*

**Virtually for the Month of November**

You've heard of Lewis and Clark—the men who explored the western half of the United States, the men who charted the uncharted. But how much do you know of their companion Sacagawea? This incredible Lemhi Shoshone tribeswoman was an indispensable part of the most significant journey ever on US soil.

Sacagawea: Adventures with Lewis and Clark will immerse you in her life, her experiences, and her incredible journey into the Louisiana Purchase.

Link will be available on Facebook or call the library at 515-859-3820.

Presented by Martina Mathisen  
Thanks to the Schiller Fund through the HCCEF for helping to fund this program.

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2020 GRANT RECIPIENT

AWARDED TO:  
Friends of the Alden Public Library  
Library Literacy  
Given by Hardin County Community Endowment Foundation  
April 1, 2020  
Sharon D Cox  
Sharon D Cox, HCCECF Chair

# WE APPRECIATE YOU!

Thank you Hardin County Community Endowment Foundation (HCCEF) for your support to the Alden Public Library and to the Friends of the Alden Public Library.

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Dr. Grace O. Doane Alden Public Library  
Publishing & Bookbinding Utilizing Historical Press  
Given by Hardin County Community Endowment Foundation  
April 1, 2020  
Sharon D Cox  
Sharon D Cox, HCCECF Chair

Thank you to the Schiller Fund for a grant to the Friends of the Library to sponsor Jonathan May, Aaron McClanahan, Martia Mathisen (3 shows), and the National Mississippi River Museum & Aquarium.

*Chicago : True Stories*

The 1920's are saturated with surprise, sequins, and murder!

Educational Entertainer, Martina Mathisen, plays a 1920's flapper named Flora who tells us how fashion, crime, and prohibition mixed with explosive creativity shaped the decade of the century. Join us and learn fact from fiction and how reality relates to the 2002 Oscar-winning film Chicago.

Get a front row seat for Chicago : True Stories and join the Alden Public Library online in the month of October. Find the link on Facebook or call the library.

Thanks to the Schiller Fund through the Hardin County Community Endowment Foundation for helping to fund this program.

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Traveling exhibit from the African American Museum of Iowa

ALDEN Public Library

# Riding the Freedom Train: The Underground Railroad in Iowa

November 10th–November 23rd

Follow Iowa's Underground Railroad routes and read stories about the safe houses, communities, and brave individuals who took their lives in their hands on a journey to freedom.

AMES, Iowa – Iowa State University Extension and Outreach will provide [virtual Mental Health First Aid trainings](#) throughout fall 2020. Due to the increased stressors produced by the COVID-19 pandemic, drought conditions and the derecho, this virtual program will be offered to provide adults with tools they can use to identify when someone might be struggling with a mental health and/or substance use problem.

Attendees also will learn how to connect others to appropriate support and resources when necessary. A five-step action plan will be taught to guide participants through the process of reaching out and offering appropriate support. Everyone can benefit from taking a mental health first aid course, from agribusiness professionals, producers, paramedics and faith leaders to teachers, mothers, fathers, siblings and friends. Learning more about mental health can help reduce the stigma associated with behavioral health problems, recognize signs of trouble and help people get the assistance they need, said David Brown, behavioral health specialist for ISU Extension and Outreach.

Each virtual program will last for four and a half hours. Unique URLs to access the Zoom link will be sent to registered participants prior to the program. Those dates and times are as follows:

- Thursday, Sept. 24 at 1:00 p.m.
- Thursday, Oct. 15 at 10:30 a.m.
- Thursday, Nov. 19 at 10:30 a.m.
- Thursday, Oct. 1 at 4:00 p.m.
- Thursday, Nov. 5 at 10:30 a.m.
- Thursday, Dec. 10 at 10:30 a.m.

The cost is \$35. However, agribusiness professionals, producers, commodity group members, bankers, veterinarians and vet techs can register at no cost for any of these programs by using the code AGPRO when registering. To register, go to <https://www.extension.iastate.edu/humansciences/MHFA>. Prior to attending the instructor led virtual course, participants will be required to complete a two-hour, online self-study class.

For more information, feel free to contact David Brown at 515-298-1505 or [dnbrown@iastate.edu](mailto:dnbrown@iastate.edu) or Anthony Santiago at 515-294-7042 [ads@iastate.edu](mailto:ads@iastate.edu).

### **Other resources:**

**Iowa Concern**, offered by ISU Extension and Outreach, provides confidential access to stress counselors and an attorney for legal education, as well as information and referral services for a wide variety of topics. With a toll-free phone number, live chat capabilities and a website, Iowa Concern services are available 24 hours a day, seven days per week at no charge. To reach Iowa Concern, call 800-447-1985; language interpretation services are available. Or, visit the website, <https://www.extension.iastate.edu/iowaconcern/>, to live chat with a stress counselor one-on-one in a secure environment. Or, email an expert regarding legal, finance, stress or crisis and disaster issues.

**Finding Answers Now**. As Iowans deal with disruptions to their families and communities, this website at <https://www.extension.iastate.edu/humansciences/disaster-recovery> provides information to help you cope with concerns about stress and relationships, personal finance, and nutrition and wellness.

**COVID Recovery Iowa** offers a variety of services to anyone affected by the COVID-19 pandemic. Virtual counselors and consultants provide counseling, family finance consultation, farm financial consultation, referral information and help finding resources for any Iowan seeking personal support. Iowans of all ages may join groups online for activities and learn creative strategies for coping with the effects of the pandemic. COVID Recovery Iowa will announce upcoming programs on the website and via all social media to help Iowans build coping skills, resilience and emotional support. To request support, go to <https://www.COVIDrecoveryiowa.org> or call the Iowa Warm Line at 1-844-775-9276.

## Alden Food Pantry News

Summer is about to end and we are looking forward to fall. We are very appreciative to those who have shared items from their garden and trees.

Individuals who have donated since the last newsletter are:

Jo French, Burce Nering, Darlene Hulbert, Raymond Moore, Evie Bird, Eric Cleveland, James Robertson, Barb Jass, Julie Hook, Duane Harding, Ron Tirevold, Greg Lascheid, Tim Pekaerk, Janet Grandgeorge, Tom Danger, Joy Lettow, Pat Kielsmeier, Evelyn Schiller Estate and Betty Thomas.

Thank You



Business and churches that have donated are:

Alden Community Fund, Walmart, HyVee, Centrum Farms, Iowa Select and Alden United Methodist Church. We are very grateful to all that have donated. If any one is interest in volunteering to work, Please call Betty Thomas at 641 640 8087. We have 2 hour shifts on Friday 4 to 6 and Saturday 9 to 11. Plus the volunteer would need to help on delivery day and attend a monthly meeting.

The Alden United Church of Christ (UCC) will begin holding worship services in our sanctuary on Sunday, October 4 at 10:30 a.m. with a celebration of World Communion Sunday! In order for everyone to feel as safe as possible, all CDC guidelines will be followed: pews are designated for seating; offering plate and communion trays will not be passed; no bulletins, etc. Those attending are asked to wear masks. We are excited to be able to worship in the sanctuary again, and look forward to seeing you there!

## ALDEN UCC FALL TURKEY SUPPER

**Sunday, October 18** is our fall Turkey Supper from **4:30pm-7pm**

Our COVID edition of the famous meal will be drive-through only, and will include turkey, dressing, potatoes, gravy, and corn. (No Jello, pie, or pickles).

Cost will be \$10 adult, \$8 child. For more information, or to place your order ahead of time, call the church office 515-859-7259 and leave a message, or visit our FB page.







Due to Coronavirus our Bazaar will not be held this year.  
We hope to see you all next year.

- Buckeye Ladies Aid



The Annual Friends of the Alden Library "Pop Up Shop" will be postponed until Spring.

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## Alden United Methodist Church

Drive-Thru-Hamball Meal

Sunday September 27

Serving 11am -1pm or until gone

including Hamballs, cheesy potatoes, roll, cookies

Freewill donation



### NUMBERS TO KNOW

#### City Hall 515-859-3344

Jeff Fiscus (Mayor)

641-751-0052

Eric Eugenio 641-373-6423

Andy Jass 641-373-6422

#### City Hall Hours

M-Th 8-12, 1-5

Fri 8-12

#### Council Members:

Janaan Harding

Robert Hoversten

Jerry Hartema

Michael Oliver

Mark Oliver

#### Laude Alden Memorial Pool

515-859-7535

#### Alden Food Pantry

##### Board Members

Linda Lisle 515-859-75121 or  
515-689-1164

Betty Thomas 641-640-8087

Pat Kielsmeier 515-859-7827

Nancy McKinley 515-859-7396

Charlene Wilke 515-859-7262

Lavonne Hoversten 515-859-7564

Barb Jass 641-425-6644

Susan Essing 515-460-2454

Janet Grandgeorge 515-859-3036

#### Churches

##### St. Paul Lutheran

515-859-3901

##### United Church of Christ

515-859-7259

##### United Methodist Church

515-859-7338

#### Alden Library 515-859-3820

##### Hours

M & W 12:30pm—5pm

T & Th 10:00 am—6pm

F 9am -1pm

S 9am-12pm

Closed Sundays

##### Summer Hours

M,T,Th 9:30-4

W 12:30-6

F 9-1, S 9-12

Closed Sundays

#### Hardin County Sheriff

##### Emergency 911

Non-Emergency 641-939-8190