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Alden, Buckeye & Popejoy

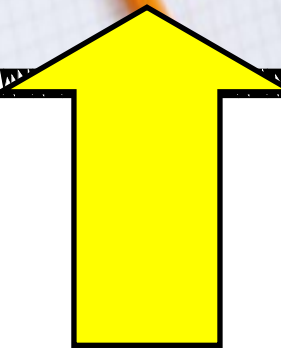
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Alden United Church of Christ

SUNDAYS:

9:30 SUNDAY SCHOOL (CHILDREN AGE 3 YEARS-5TH GRADE)
10:30 WORSHIP. COMMUNION FIRST SUNDAY OF THE MONTH

WEDNESDAYS:

1:30 BIBLE STUDY
3:45 TWEENS GROWING IN FAITH (STUDENTS IN 3RD-6TH GRADE)
4:00 CONFIRMATION (STUDENTS IN 7TH AND 8TH GRADE &
ABOVE)

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ST PAUL BUCKEYE LADIES AID
FALL BAZAAR

**Sunday – November 7th from
11 am to 1 pm
at the Buckeye Community Building**

ON THE MENU - BEEF BURGERS, POTATO
SALAD AND PIE.

BAKED GOODS & CRAFTS WILL BE
AVAILABLE FOR SALE.
Take outs are available.

NO EARLY SALES



Thank You

Randy Shillington for taking care of the garden
through the dry summer at Casey's Corner.

ANNUAL FALL TURKEY SUPPER



IMMANUEL MEMORIAL UNITED
CHURCH OF CHRIST
212 WEST STREET
ALDEN

**SUNDAY, OCTOBER 17
4:30 P.M. TO 7:00 P.M.**

SERVING TURKEY AND ALL THE TRIMMINGS
CARRY-OUT ONLY

ADULTS: \$10.00
CHILDREN 12 & UNDER: \$5.00

Trick or Treat

OCTOBER 31, 2021
5:30PM-7PM
ALDEN, IOWA

ALDEN FIRE DEPARTMENT SOUP SUPPER
OCTOBER 31ST, 2021
5:00-7:00 PM IN THE FIRE STATION
CHILI, POTATO SOUP, GRILLED CHEESE SANDWICH, DESSERT, & DRINK
FREE WILL OFFERING

Thank you!



Dates closed:

October 11

November 11 & 25



515-859-3820

lisa@alden.lib.ia.us

Aldenlibrary.lib.ia.us



YARN CLUB

First and third Wednesdays of the month from 1pm-2pm at the Alden Public Library

erin@alden.lib.ia.us

Resumes August 23, 2021

LIBRARY HOURS

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

Must RSVP & pay by October 8th!! We need one more to have the class. There is a list of supplies to bring & it will be provided with registration.

QUILTS
WITH PHYLLIS SCHRAG

including information on four quilts from the late 1800s & early 1900s donated to the library

OCTOBER 16, 2021 • 10:30 AM-11:30 AM

Special thanks to Lawrence Bigelow & family for donating a historical Alden Quilt and a handcrafted quilt rack. You may see both items hanging in the Alden Library starting on September 1st.

Alden Public Library
1012 Water Street, Alden, Iowa
515-859-3820

Join Phyllis Schrag for a hands-on workshop!

T-shirt & Memory Quilts WORKSHOP

October 16, 2021 • 12:30PM-3:30PM

\$30 per participant. Must have four paid participants to hold workshop.
Registration and payment due by October 8th at Noon.

Friends of the Alden Public Library

Pop Up Shop
November 6th * 9am-12pm
at the Alden Public Library



**OCTOBER
AFTER SCHOOL PROGRAM EVENTS
TUESDAYS 3:45-4:45
MUST BE REGISTERED TO ATTEND
GRADES K-6TH**



October 5

LEGO/Coloring Day

October 12

Music day with Aaron

October 19

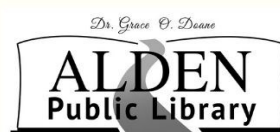
STEM activities

October 26

Halloween crafts and games

**NOVEMBER
AFTER SCHOOL PROGRAM**

- November 2 Lego/Coloring Day
- November 9 Nature Bingo (Outside)
- November 16 Game Day
- November 23 Thanksgiving Craft
- November 30 Cupcake Creations



Tuesdays, 3:45-4:45
Grades K-6th
Must be registered.



BOOM!!
Why do things explode?

School's Out Event!



Science Center of Iowa

November 1, 2021



1PM - 2PM





INTRODUCTION TO GENEALOGY

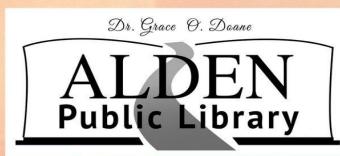
with Linda McCann

November 2nd at 11am



Interested in learning about your family history? Want to learn some new tricks and tips? Join us on November 2nd at 11am at the Alden Library!

Calling all vendors!!



The Alden Library will be hosting a Pop-Up shop AT the library on Nov. 6th from 9-12.

Cost of set up will be \$20 plus an item to donate for a raffle giveaway.

Space is limited, must be signed up by Oct. 23rd.

If interested, please contact the library via

Phone: 515-859-3820

Email: lisa@alden.lib.ia.us

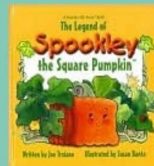
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Dr. Grace O. Doane
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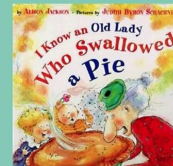


Storytime & Activity
Ages 0-5 & sibling(s)
Every Third Thursday of
the month at 10:30 A.M.

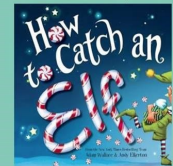
October 21st



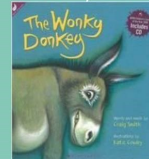
November 18th



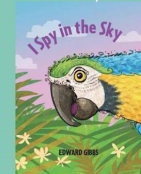
December 16th



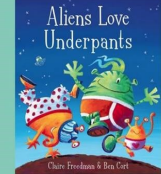
January 20th



February 17th

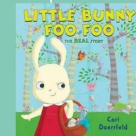


March 17th



Book selection may
change!

April 21st



FRIENDS OF THE ALDEN
PUBLIC LIBRARY

WE ARE LOOKING FOR VOLUNTEERS!

Do you have two hours per month?

WHY NOT READ TO STUDENTS?

Contact lisa@alden.lib.ia.us if you are interested in reading to students one day per month during the school year. The Friends of the Alden Library partners with the school to provide books to students monthly.



It's a Stuffed Animal Sleepover, at The Library!

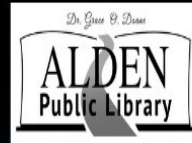
Drop off your stuffed pal for a sleepover adventure, on Saturday, November 6th between 10a.m. - Noon. Pick up your stuffed pal Monday, November 8th between 2p.m. - 5p.m. or contact us for arrangements. Phone: 515-859-3820 or Email: felicia@alden.lib.ia.us

(SORRY KIDS, THIS SLEEPOVER IS ONLY FOR THE STUFFED ANIMAL! DOLLS ARE INVITED AS WELL. ONE PAL PER CHILD.)



Meet for Coffee?

Friday, October 29th at 10am
All are welcome.



GAME DAY

LAST MONDAY OF THE MONTH

1PM-2PM

OCTOBER 25TH
NOVEMBER 29TH

FOR ADULTS



NEW PATIO FURNITURE

Come and sit on our patio!
We have new comfortable seating and you can utilize our WIFI.

We will be starting coffee groups in the Spring.



Friends of the Alden Public Library

You can help the youth of Alden to obtain free books!

DONATIONS ARE BEING ACCEPTED FOR THE LIBRARY LITERACY INITIATIVE WHICH INCLUDES DOLLY PARTON'S IMAGINATION LIBRARY, 1000 BOOKS BEFORE KINDERGARTEN, & THE DISTRIBUTION OF BOOKS AT THE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL (5-6 TIMES PER YEAR). THE FRIENDS OF THE ALDEN PUBLIC LIBRARY FUNDS ALL OF THESE PROGRAMS AND NEEDS FUNDS TO CONTINUE THESE AWESOME PROGRAMS.



Friends of the Alden Public Library

Dolly Parton's Imagination Library is a **FREE GIFT** to our Alden/Buckeye preschool (birth until their fifth birthday) children!



Register at the Alden Public Library.

Every child enrolled will have books of their very own, at no cost to you, thanks to Friends of the Alden Public Library, Hardin County Community Endowment Foundation and Dolly Parton.

Introducing our newest staff member



CRICUT MAKER CHANGES EVERYTHING.

IT HANDLES FABRICS, LEATHER, PAPER, AND Balsa WOOD WITH EFFORTLESS PRECISION. CUTS SEWING PATTERNS IN JUST A FEW CLICKS. AND PLACES MORE CREATIVE POSSIBILITIES THAN EVER AT YOUR FINGERTIPS. MEET CRICUT MAKER - THE ULTIMATE SMART CUTTING MACHINE.

APPOINTMENTS FOR USING THE CRICUT (IN LIBRARY ONLY) WILL BE AVAILABLE STARTING MAY 17TH. MUST HAVE LIBRARY CARD & APPOINTMENT. IT IS HIGHLY SUGGESTED THAT YOU WATCH THE CRICUT MAKER TUTORIALS BEFORE YOUR APPOINTMENT AS STAFF ASSISTANCE IS LIMITED.



Read a book to your newborn, infant, and/or toddler. The goal is to read 1,000 books before your child starts kindergarten.

Sign up at aldenlibrary.org and look for the 1000 books logo.

Read to your child, track your books, collect your prizes after each 100 books completed.



OPEN TO CHILDREN IN ALDEN/BUCKEYE WHO HAVE NOT YET STARTED KINDERGARTEN

THANK YOU!

Thank you to the Schiller Fund & the Hardin County Community Endowment Foundation for funds to help purchase books for the Alden Elementary School in partnership with the Friends of the Alden Library.

YOU'RE ONE IN A MILLION



Alden Food Pantry Acquisition

Purpose: To raise funds to purchase the building and property that house the Alden Food Pantry and set up a seed fund for future expenses related to the building. The City of Alden has agreed to take over ownership and maintenance of the building following the purchase.

Goal: \$70,000

To make a donation: Checks should be made out to ADC/Horizons, with the notation Alden Food Pantry on the memo line. The Alden Development Corporation is the 501(c)3 organization which has set up an account for the purpose of acquiring the food pantry, and Horizons is the subgroup of the ADC which will facilitate the transfer.

Donations may be mailed or taken directly to the United Bank and Trust, P O Box 68, 914 Main St. Alden, Iowa 50006, placed in the offering at any of the three churches in Alden, or given directly to a member of the Acquisition Team.

Food Pantry eligibility and usage: Approximately 75-100 people per month are utilizing the food pantry. Of those, approximately 35 are children. Anyone who is in need of food assistance is eligible to come to the food pantry. Current hours of operation are 4 - 6 pm on Friday and 9 - 11 am on Saturday.

Members of the Acquisition Team include: Rev. Bob Miller, chair; Greg Lascheid, vice-chair, Rev. Kerryn Oliver, publicity and recording secretary; Steve Hunt, treasurer; Barb Jass, food pantry president; Susan Essing, food pantry vice-president, Linda Lisle, food pantry board member; Evelyn Tirevold, Carol Vanderloop, Kathy Clouse, Bea Smuck, Cheryl Huebner, Joe Scholte and Janaan Harding. Shawn Loughren of UBT is an advisory member of the team.

Receipt

This acknowledges receipt of a donation toward the Alden Food Pantry Acquisition Fund from

_____ in the amount of _____

\$ _____ on (date) _____.

Signature of Team member

(Check one) (Team member—record response)

_____ I would like my name included as a donor to this fund. (Optional: _____ include the amount of my gift)

_____ I prefer that my donation be kept anonymous

ALDEN CITY COUNCIL ELECTION – NOVEMBER 2, 2021

On November 2, 2021 I would greatly appreciate your vote for my re-election to the Alden City Council. For anyone that doesn't know me, I have lived in the Alden area nearly all of my life and enjoy calling this community home. I am an Alden High School graduate and am the Office Manager at Martin Marietta here in Alden, where I have worked for over 36 years. I am the Secretary for the Alden Horizons Group, Secretary for the Alden American Legion Auxiliary, and we are active members of the Immanuel Memorial United Church of Christ here in Alden.

In July of 2008 I was honored to be asked to fill out Dale Hansen's term after his death. I am proud of the many projects I have helped complete such as finishing the portage park project, helping with the \$1.3 million sewer replacement system grant, renovating the swimming pool, completing the downtown Welcome Center corner park, the new highway *Welcome to Alden* sign, the new campground, campground shelter, the major renovation of the Alden Legion community building, planting 78 new trees around town, the new park stage, the park gazebo renovation, the addition of the showers in the park restroom building for the campers, and most recently the new pickleball and basketball courts in the Alden Park. I want to give thanks to my husband, Duane who has also helped me with many of these projects. As with many small towns, funding is always an issue when you want to complete new projects. Therefore, I have written and received many grants during my time on the council, which have helped to pay for all of these projects.

I am always looking for ways we can improve Alden. If you have ideas please contact me. Alden is a great town with a lot of great people and I look forward to serving the people of Alden for the next four years.

I hope you will consider voting for me on November 2nd.

Thank you,

Janaan Harding

Alden Food Pantry News

The Alden Food Pantry has two new volunteers, Kerry Oliver and Diane Hruby. We want to thank these ladies for donating their time to work at the Food Pantry.

We also want to thank the following people and businesses:

Alden Methodist Church, St. Paul's Lutheran Church, Centrum Farms, Alden ILC RAGBRAI Team, Pat Kielsmeier, Erik Cleveland Jr., Jackie Jass, Aaran & Julie VanLangen, Ron Bates, Joy Lettow, Linda Ramspott, Janet Grandgeorge, Darlene Hulber, Miro & Jeanette Moore, Diane Hruby, and anonymous.

Without the generosity of these people and organizations, we would not be open.

thank you!

PLAY PICKLEBALL



The Alden Library has "pickleball equipment" to borrow with your library card.

Must be in good standing to borrow.

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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 Post Office
515-859-7531

Hours
M - F 9:45am-12:30 pm &
1pm-4:15pm

Alden Food Pantry

Hours:
Friday 4-6 & Sat 9-11
Serves Alden School District, bring proof of residency

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

Hardin County Sheriff Emergency 911

Non-Emergency
641-939-8190

Alden Library

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lisa@alden.lib.ia.us

Hours

M & W 12:30pm—5pm
T & Th 10:00 am—6pm
F 9am -1pm
S 9am-12pm
Closed Sundays

Churches

St. Paul Lutheran
Pastor Traphagen
515-859-3901

United Church of Christ

Rev. Bob Miller
515-859-7259

United Methodist Church

Pastor Jason Ellingson
jasonellingson24@gmail.com
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