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February Events at the Oakdale Library

The Oakdale Library will host free programs for all ages this month, beginning with a celebration of the works of children's author Mo Willems Feb. 2-5. Children can participate in a number of Mo Willems-themed activities, including drop-in crafts and a special Story Time on Thursday, Feb. 5 at 3:30 p.m. Additionally, children who find the pigeon hidden in the library will win a prize!

Children may take part in the Crazy 8's Math Club on Tuesdays at 3:30 p.m. this February. The Crazy 8's Math Club helps children learn early math skills through fun and creative activities. "Bouncy Dice Explosion" will take place on Feb. 3. Children will learn about probability by playing with bouncy dice and trying their hand at the giant Human Bingo board. Participants can "Get Loud" on Feb. 10 by building a working flute and playing musical instruments made out of random objects. Children will find out how fast their stuffed animals can travel on a zip line on Feb. 17 as part of a "Zip Line Zoo." The month concludes with "Spy Training" on Feb. 24. Participants will learn if they have what it takes to be a spy by cracking codes to find hidden treasure.

On Feb. 9 at 3:30 p.m. teens can make Valentine's Day gifts for friends and family. Teens can make pen flowers, chocolate roses, and special buttons.

Children of all ages can build with the library's LEGOs on Feb. 12 at 3:30 p.m. Completed LEGO creations will be displayed in the library. Children under the age of 4 are welcome to participate, however they must have direct parental supervision at all times.

"Building STEAM (science, technology, engineering, arts, and math) with Día: Make a BristleBot" will take place on Feb. 19 at 3:30 p.m. Following a reading and discussion of *Boy + Bot* by A. Dyckman, children will test their engineering skills by making a BristleBot, a small robot whose body is made out of the head of a toothbrush. Refreshments will be served. "Building STEAM With Día" is made possible through a grant from the Dollar General Literacy Foundation and the Association for Library Service to Children (ALSC).

Adults can visit the library on Feb. 24 at 6:30 p.m. for the newly formed Oakdale Library book club. This month's discussion will focus on Gabrielle Zevin's *The Storied Life of A.J. Fikry*. Light refreshments will be provided.

These programs are sponsored by the Friends of the Oakdale Library. The Oakdale Library is located at 151 S. First Ave. in Oakdale. For more information, please call (209) 847-4204.

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