

# Library Report to the City Council – April 2020



The Oelwein Public Library closed to the public at noon on March 16 until further notice for the safety of the public and to help slow the spread of the Coronavirus (COVID-19).



Even though the library is closed, patrons are still able to access ebooks, audiobooks, emagazines, comics, TV programs, movies, and music through Hoopla and Bridges. The checkout limits for both sources have been increased and, Hoopla and Bridges both have “always available” or “bonus borrows” that do not count against their monthly borrows.



Other online resources available are Credo Reference, Transparent Language, Gale Resources, and the Oelwein Daily Register Archives.



What a perfect time to learn a new language or tinker with your car using Chilton Repair Manuals!

Library Staff have posted online Story Times, Virtual Book Club, and Digital Escape Rooms.



## Online Library Card Registration

Now, patrons can access all these resources if they have not previously had a library card by signing up for a card online. They will fill out the application and upload an image of their driver license. Upon approval, a card will be issued that is only good for online access. It's as easy as that!