## "BEST TOWN(S) BY A DAM SITE" Alden, Buckeye & Popejoy

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## WE DID IT!!!

It is with great pride and much gratitude that we announce the purchase of the Alden Food Pantry by the Alden Development Corporation. An outstanding fundraising effort resulted in the goal of \$70,000 being reached and surpassed in just six weeks. Ownership of the building will be transferred to the City of Alden, and a ribbon-cutting ceremony and open house are planned for 11:30 a.m. Saturday, January 15th. The public is invited to attend.

The ADC wishes to thank all those who contributed to the fundraiser. In a community the size of Alden, achieving this goal is a testament to our community's commitment to the well-being of all our citizens. We also wish to recognize those who served on the Food Pantry Acquisition Team: Rev. Bob Miller, Chair; Greg Lascheid, Vice-Chair; Steve Hunt, Treasurer; Rev. Kerryn Oliver, Publicity and Secretary; Barb Jass, Food Pantry Board President; Susan Essing, Food Pantry Vice-President; Linda Lisle, Board member;



Kathy Clouse, Janaan Harding, Cheryl Huebner, Shawn Loughren, Joe Scholte, Bea Smuck, and Carol Vanderloop. We also offer our sincere thanks to Betty Thomas and Pat Kielsmeier for their years of financial contributions and service to the Food Pantry and our community.

## Alden United Church of Christ 212 West Street

Office phone: 515-859-7259 email: aldenucc@gmail.com Facebook: Alden United Church of Christ Rev. Bob Miller, senior pastor Rev. Kerryn Oliver, associate pastor

**Sundays:** 9:30 Sunday School for children age 3 years through 5th grade, 10:30 worship. Communion first Sunday of the month

Wednesdays: 1:30 Bible Study, 3:45 TGIF (Tweens Growing in Faith) for students in 3rd through 6th grade; 4:00 Confirmation for students in 7th & 8th grade and above.

## **Advent activities:**

**Sun. Nov. 28**: Church decorating following worship--all are welcome to "Dress the House!" Mittens will be available from the Mitten Tree for the School Nurse's Fund

Sun. Dec. 12: Mitten tree gifts due back

Sun. Dec. 19: Children and youth present their Christmas program during worship.

Fri. Dec. 24: 6:30 pm Christmas Eve worship

Sun. Dec. 26: No worship service or Sunday School

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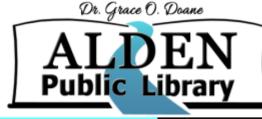
What:	Alden Days Fundraiser
When:	Saturday, February 5, 2022
Where:	Alden Legion Building
	506 West Street, Alden
5-6:30 pm	Spaghetti Supper
	\$5 for Adults & \$2.50 for children
5-7:30 pm	Silent Auction
6:30 pm	Live Auction Begins
Also – there will be a raffle and grocery certificates – Must be present to win.	

Newsletter December/January

**Dates closed:** 

December 24, 25

January 1



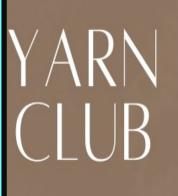
Library Hours: Mon & Wed 12:30pm-5pm Tues & Thurs 10am-6pm Fri 9am-1pm Sat 9am-12pm



# Holiday Open House

DECEMBER 6 • 1:00 PM - 4:00 PM ALDEN PUBLIC LIBRARY 1012 WATER STREET, ALDEN

> DOOR PRIZES & SNACKS DO NOT NEED TO BE PRESENT TO WIN



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

For questions, contact Erin at 515-859-3820 or erin@alden.lib.ia.us

ALDEN PUBLIC LIBRARY TUESDAYS & THURSDAYS 10:30-11:00 (MAY GO LONGER IF NEEDED)

## **30 MINUTES OF FITNESS**

ADULTS ONLY PLEASE Free and no registration required. Must sign waiver to participate.



DECEMBER 30TH FROM IPM-2PM







Contact your library: 515-859-3820 lisa@alden.lib.ia.us www.Aldenlibrary.lib.ia.us





## ADULT GAME DAY!!!

Join us the last Monday of the month

December 27th 1pm-2:30pm

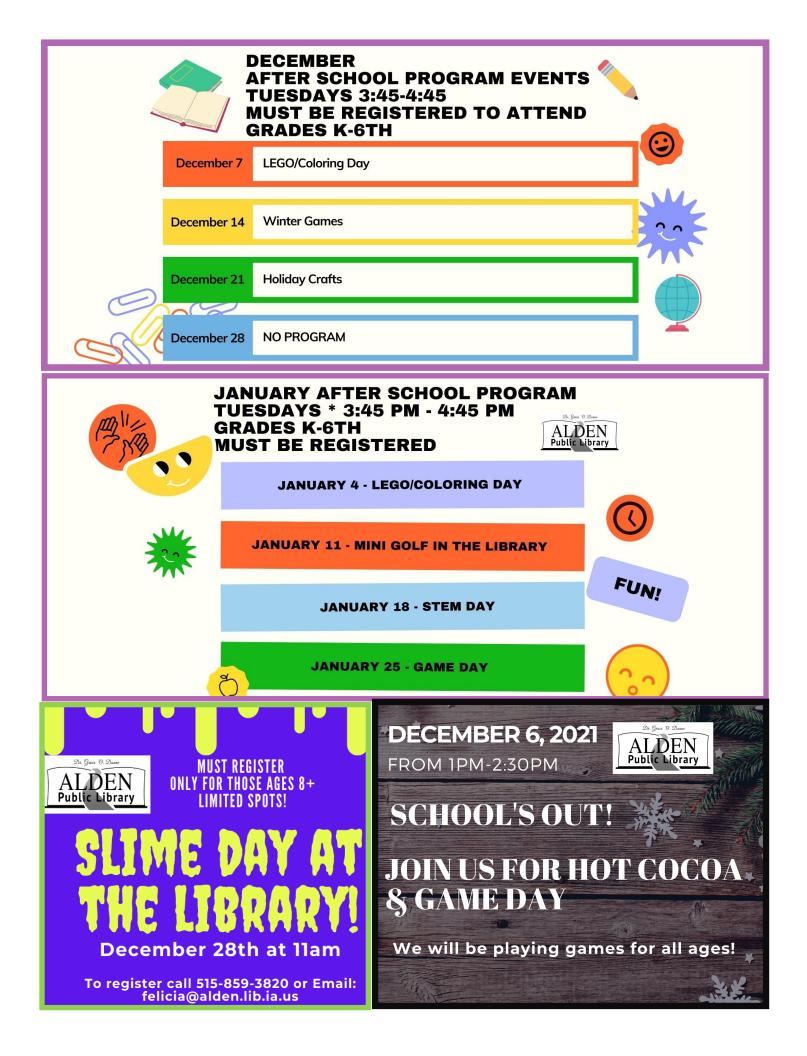
**\*\*Special time in January!** January 31st 12pm-2:30pm We will provide a soup lunch prior to games. Please let us know if you plan to attend.



Coming soon:

Alden Public Library's StoryWalk®

FOR MORE INFORMATION ABOUT STORYWALKS® VISIT HTTPS://WWW.KELLOGGHUBBARD.ORG/STORYWALK OR CONTATCT THE ALDEN PUBLIC LIBRARY



January 3rd, 2022 from 1 PM-2:30PM

## Popcorn & Movie Day in your PJ's!



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

ALDEN Public Library



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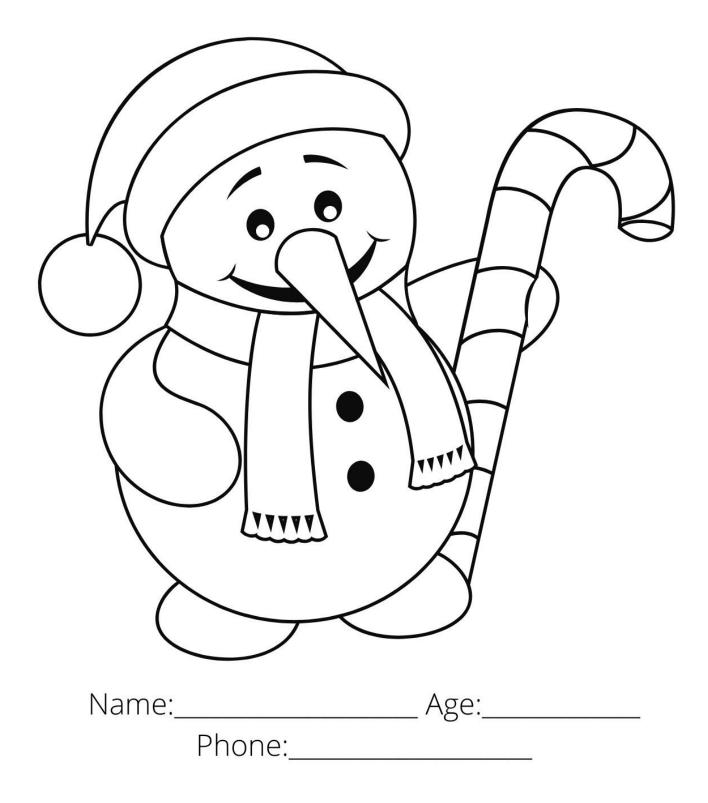
Coloring pages are included in the newsletter. Return to Alden Public Library by January 15th. Winners will be drawn for all entries and coloring pages will be displayed in the library.



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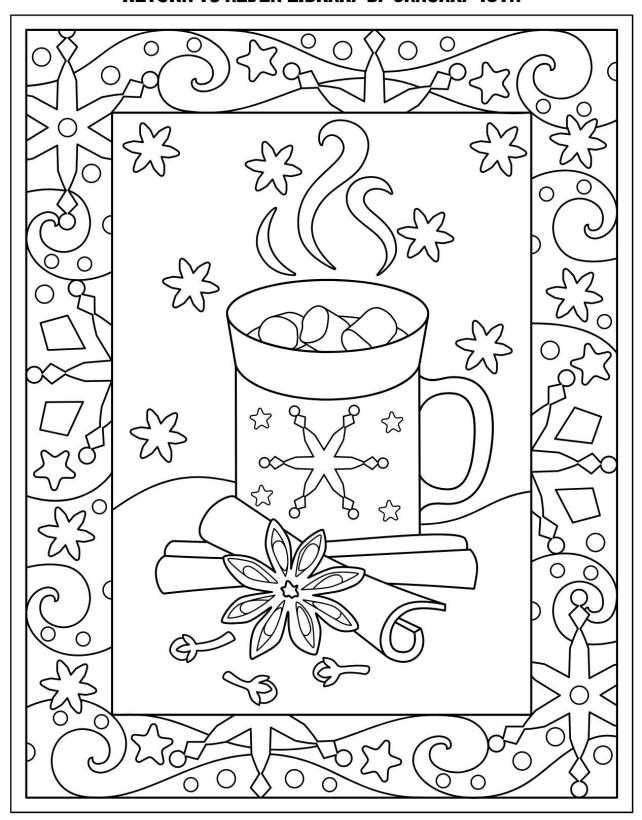
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## **RETURN TO ALDEN LIBRARY BY JANUARY 15TH**

HAPPY HOLIDAYS



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We want to thank those who have donated to the food pantry these past few months.

Individuals: Evie Bird, Aaron Van Langen, Eric Cleveland Jr, Jo French, Beverly Gagit, Janet Grandgeorge, Sandy Hoversten, Julie Van Langen, Barb Jass, Patricia Cooper, Diane Ziesman, Darlene Hulbert, Velma and Ivan Butt, Betty Thomas, Chris Falkavage and anonymous. Businesses: Alden UMC, Church Women United, Centrum Farms, Theisen's, Alden Fire Department, and Nancy Schroeder.

Without you, we could not run the food pantry.



Pat Kielsmeier and Betty Thomas sold the pantry building to the Alden Development Corporation. The closing will be early December. The pantry will stay in its current location allowing for a continuation of service to the clients. Pat and Betty made many improvements during the time they owned the building. These improvements included the following new items: roofing, furnace, air conditioning, cement driveway, lighting, flooring in 1/2, windows and shelves. The plumbing was also wrapped. The new windows have helped by reducing the electric bill by \$50 to \$70 a month. As life situations have changed, they have moved to Ames. Pat and Betty plan to continue to help support Alden with donations to benefits such as Alden days, volunteering at the pantry, etc.

**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 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 515-689-1164 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

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515-859-3820 Aldenlibrary.org 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 515-291-4797