



## Niabi Zoo Hosts Endangered Species Classes

Niabi Zoo in Coal Valley is presenting a wintertime interactive learning opportunity for area children. Children will have the opportunity to learn about a variety of the endangered species Niabi’s Zookeepers care for, the threats facing them, and how we can help to save these species before it’s too late! They will hear animal stories, make creative crafts, and see amazing animals on exclusive tours.

Niabi Zoo is located at 13010 Niabi Zoo Road, Coal Valley and is owned and operated by the Rock Island County Forest Preserve District.

Below is a listing of the endangered species series. While each day is themed, each age level has a different curriculum.

### February 8 – Umbrella Cockatoo

See how birds like the exuberant Umbrella Cockatoo, famous for its dancing ability, has nothing to celebrate when it comes to deforestation of its natural habitat. See our Cockatoos on an exclusive tour!

### February 22 – Red Wolf

Find out about the importance of carnivores to all ecosystems. Learn how the most endangered canid on the planet, the Red Wolf is trying to survive persecution and humans overhunting their prey. You’ll have an opportunity to see our Red Wolves on an exclusive tour!

### March 8 – Giraffe

The tallest animal in the world, the Reticulated Giraffe, as well as other hoofed animals are facing a crisis from the illegal Bushmeat Trade. What can be done to help our towering friends? Find out and see our big boy Kenya on an exclusive tour!

### March 22 – Gibbon

Monkeys and apes are considered primates. All apes, great and small are endangered including the Buff-Cheeked Gibbon. The loss of habitat for human use such as Palm Oil plantations poses one of the greatest threats to our closest relatives. Check out our primates on an exclusive tour!

### April 5 – Pollinators

Pollinators are responsible for nearly 30% of the food we eat. Yet we are seeing the greatest reduction of pollinators in human history due to pesticide use and loss of habitat. Rusty Patched Bumblebees are an endangered species Niabi Zoo is working to save along with other at risk pollinators such as the Monarch butterfly and so many more. See our pollinator gardens on an exclusive tour!

Your child can attend one of three Zoo Classes based on age with the corresponding time below:

### Class Times are:

- Animal Tales: Ages 4-5 10:00 am – 11:00 am
- Animal Adventures: Ages 6-9 12:00 pm – 1:30 pm
- Animal Expeditions: Ages 10-13 2:30 pm – 4:00 pm

Become a Zoo Member before registering and save 20% on Zoo Classes! Member discount is given at the end of the registration process.

### Cost per class:

- Ages 4-5 Zoo Member = \$12 Non-member = \$15
- Ages 6-9 Zoo Member = \$16 Non-member = \$20
- Ages 10-13 Zoo Member = \$16 Non-member = \$20

Classes will take place in the Niabi Zoo Discovery Center’s Conservation Classroom as well as on Zoo grounds and buildings. Please be sure your child is dressed for the weather.

To register online, go to <https://www.niabizoo.com/education/classes/zoo-class-registration/>





# BICENTENNIAL SCHOOL NEWS

## BICENTENNIAL KINDERGARTEN PRE-REGISTRATION

Kindergarten Pre-Registration and Open House is scheduled for Thursday, April 17th at 5:30 - 7:00pm, at Bicentennial School.

All potential Kindergarten students for 2025-2026 and their parents are encouraged to attend the open house. Students must be at least 5 years of age on or before September 1, 2025 to register.

Please share this information and form with any neighbors or friends who have a child who may be registering for Kindergarten!

Please print the form off below, complete, and return to school

Or email [jekstam@molineschools.org](mailto:jekstam@molineschools.org)

Or call the school at 309-743-1614

Thank you.

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# Coal Valley Police Department Police Calls

	Traffic Tickets	Written Warnings	Ordinance Tickets	Crash Reports	Mental Health	Arrests Made	DUI	Calls For Service	Total Calls
January 2024	15	4	0	4	0	4	1	163	191
February 2024	11	14	3	8	1	6	0	189	232
March 2024	8	23	1	3	1	3	1	158	198
April 2024	8	4	13	1	1	2	0	172	201
May 2024	16	18	5	1	2	1	0	275	318
June 2024	16	27	3	1	3	3	0	299	352
July 2024	4	27	2	3	2	5	0	297	340
August 2024	9	23	0	2	2	5	1	347	389
September 2024	5	7	2	5	5	2	1	260	287
October 2024	9	17	2	2	2	1	1	236	270
November 2024	4	6	2	2	0	0	0	240	254
December 2024	5	8	0	0	1	3	2	309	328
January 2025	5	2	0	2	0	2	1	326	338
12 MonthTotals	110	178	33	32	20	35	7	2945	3360

**Presidents' Day**

The Coal Valley Village Hall  
will be closed Monday, February 17th  
in observance of  
Presidents' Day.

# Robert R. Jones Library Events

Reading Program



# FEBRUARY



Toddler Program	Monday	10:00 AM - 8:00 PM
Grade School Program	Tuesday	10:00 AM - 8:00 PM
Middle/High School Program	Wednesday	10:00 AM - 8:00 PM
Adult Program	Thursday	10:00 AM - 8:00 PM
All Ages - Family Program	Friday	10:00 AM - 5:00 PM
	Saturday	10:00 AM - 3:00 PM

## HIGHLIGHTS:

### BLIND DATE WITH A BOOK

Unwrap the magic of reading with 'Blind Date with a Book!' Select a mystery book based on a tantalizing description, and let the journey into the unknown begin.



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<p>3 10:00 AM: Knit + Crochet Club of C.V.</p> <p>10:30 AM: Music + Movement</p> <p>1:00 PM: Mahjong Meet Up</p>	<p>4 6:30 PM: Pajama Story Time</p>	<p>5 10:30 AM: Wee Littles Art Start</p> <p>2:00 PM: S.T.E.M. Challenge</p> <p>3:15 PM: IRL Teen Hangout</p>	<p>6 10:30 AM: Read + Rhyme Baby Time</p>	<p>7 9:00 AM: Early Bird Sensory Play</p> <p>10:30 AM: Manipulation Stations</p> <p>2:00 PM - 4:00PM: Family Game Day Hangout</p> <p>3:45PM: Teen Gamers Club</p>	<p>8</p>
<p>10 10:00 AM: Knit + Crochet Club of C.V.</p> <p>10:30 AM: Music + Movement</p> <p>1:00 PM: Mahjong Meet Up</p> <p>6:00 PM: Romantic Reads by the Fire</p>	<p>11 6:00 PM: "What's For Dinner" presented by Gretchen Small</p> <p>6:30 PM: Pajama Story Time</p>	<p>12 10:30 AM: Wee Littles Art Start</p> <p>2:00 PM: Pokémon Club</p> <p>3:15 PM: IRL Hangout</p> <p>4:00 PM: Knot Krafters</p>	<p>13 10:30 AM: Read + Rhyme Baby Time</p> <p>3:30 PM: Eagle Eye Readers Book Club [9 - 11 years old]</p> <p>6:00 PM: Humor of Lincoln presented by Bill Hampes</p>	<p>14 10:30 AM: Manipulation Stations</p> <p>2:00 PM - 4:00 PM: Family Game Day Hangout</p> <p>3:45 PM: Anti - Valentines Activity Day</p> <p>Happy Valentines Day</p>	<p>15</p>
<p>17</p> <p>HAPPY PRESIDENT'S DAY</p> <p>Closed in observance of Presidents Day!</p>	<p>18 3:30 PM: Caterpillar to Monarch Book Club [5-9 years old]</p> <p>6:00 PM: Valley Readers Book Club</p> <p>6:30 PM: Pajama Story Time</p>	<p>19 10:30 AM: Wee Littles Art Start</p> <p>2:00 PM: Be A Maker</p> <p>2:30 PM: Craft + Color</p> <p>3:15 PM: IRL Hangout</p> <p>4:00 PM: Teen Craft Club</p>	<p>20 10:30 AM: Read + Rhyme Baby Time</p> <p>2:45 PM: Puzzlers</p> <p>3:15 PM: Read to a Dog</p> <p>6:00PM: Putnam Museum Egypt Travel Log</p>	<p>21 10:30 AM: Manipulation Stations</p> <p>2:00 PM - 4:00 PM: Family Game Day Hangout</p> <p>3:45 PM: Teen Gamers Club</p>	<p>22</p>
<p>24 10:00 AM: Knit + Crochet Club of C.V.</p> <p>10:30 AM: Music + Movement</p> <p>1:00 PM: Mahjong Meet Up</p>	<p>25 3:30PM: Weird + Wonderful Creations</p> <p>6:30 PM: Pajama Story Time</p> <p>5:00 PM: Mocktails &amp; a Movie</p>	<p>26 10:30 AM: Wee Littles Art Start</p> <p>2:00 PM: LEGO Free Build</p> <p>3:15 PM: IRL Hangout</p> <p>4:00 PM: Pokémon Club</p>	<p>27 10:30 AM: Read + Rhyme Baby Time</p> <p>4:00 PM: Pizza + Pages Book Club</p> <p>4:30 PM: Whispering Pages Book Club</p>	<p>28 10:30 AM: Manipulation Stations</p> <p>2:00 PM - 4:00 PM: Family Game Day Hangout</p> <p>3:45 PM: Teen Gamers Club</p> <p>WINTER IS COMING</p>	<p>1 10:30 AM: Sensory Saturday</p>

900 1st Street, Coal Valley, Illinois | 309-799-3047 | www.robertrjoneslibrary.org

## Early Bird Sensory Play

We invite families with young children who have diverse abilities to this special event designed to provide a calm and supportive environment where children can explore and engage in sensory activities at their own pace.

February 7, 9:00 AM - 9:45 AM

## What's for Dinner? A Taste of Family History

Learn how to preserve your family's history through treasured recipes, storytelling, and kitchen traditions. Whether it's Grandma's famous pie or Dad's secret barbecue sauce, you'll learn how to turn culinary memories into a lasting legacy.

February 11, 6:00 PM - 7:00 PM

## The Humor of Lincoln

Abraham Lincoln was not only one of America's most beloved presidents but was also a master of humor. Discover how his quick wit and clever jokes reflected the depth of his character and helped him navigate the challenges of his presidency.

February 13, 6:00 PM - 7:00 PM

## Egypt Travelogue

Escape the cold and join us in the warm sands of Egypt! Putnam Museum curators share stories from their 2024 Egyptian trip. Listen as they take you on their journey up the Nile learning about the pyramids, tombs, and temples of Ancient Egypt!

February 20, 6:00 PM - 7:00 PM



## February

- 2 Sun. Groundhog Day**
- 4 Tue. Storm Warning Siren Test** at 10 a.m.
- 4 Tue. Coal Valley Township Meeting**, 7 p.m. at the Coal Valley Township Hall, 104 W. 1st Avenue, Coal Valley
- 10 Mon. Moline-Coal Valley School District #40 Committee of the Whole & Board of Education Meeting** 6:00-8:00pm, Black Box at the Bartlett Performing Arts Center, Moline High School 3600 Avenue of the Cities, Moline.
- 11 Tue. Rock Island County Forest Preserve Executive Committee Meeting**, 9:30 am at the Rock Island County Building, 1504 3rd Avenue, Rock Island.
- 11 Mon. Colona Township Meeting**, meets 7 p.m. at 801 1st Street, Colona. For more information, call the Colona Township office at 309-792-8770 or 309-792-8774.
- 12 Wed. Lincoln's Birthday**
- 12 Wed. Coal Valley Village Board Meeting**, 7 p.m. at the Municipal Center Hall, 900 1st St. Coal Valley.
- 12 Wed. Rock Island County Board Committee of the Whole Meeting**, 5:30 pm, County Board Chambers on the 3rd floor of the County Office Building located at 1504 3rd Avenue, Rock Island.
- 14 Fri. Coal Valley Fire Protection District Board Meeting**, 10:00 am at the fire station located at 103 W. 18th Avenue, Coal Valley.
- 14 Fri. Valentine's Day**
- 17 Mon. President's Day**
- 18 Tue. Rock Island County Board Meeting**, 5:30pm, County Board Room on the third floor of the County Office Building, 1504 3rd Avenue, Rock Island,
- 18 Tue. Rock Island County Forest Preserve Meeting**, immediately following the Rock Island County Board Meeting at 5:30 pm at the Rock Island County Building, 1504 3rd Avenue, Rock Island.
- 18 Tue. Valley Readers Book Club**, at 6:30 p.m. in the Coal Valley Municipal Center meeting room, 900 1st St. Contact the library at 799-3047 for more information or register online at <https://www.robertrjoneslibrary.org/events>.
- 19 Wed. Orion Community Unit School District #223 Board Meeting** at the District Office, 1002 11th Ave., Orion, at 7:00 pm. <https://www.orionschools.us/o/ocusd/page/meeting-dates-and-agendas>
- 20 Thur. Henry County Board Meeting**, 6:00pm, Henry County Courthouse, Room 102J, 307 West Center St., Cambridge.
- 20 Thur. Lions Club Dinner Meeting**, 7:00 p.m. at Happy Joe's, 320 W.1st Avenue (U.S. 6), Coal Valley.
- 22 Sat. Washington's Birthday**
- 24 Mon. Moline School District 40 School Board Meeting**, 6:00 p.m. Moline High School Bartlett Performing Arts Center, 3600 Avenue of the Cities
- 24 Mon. Moline-Coal Valley School District #40 Board of Education Meeting** 6:00 p.m, Black Box at the Bartlett Performing Arts Center, Moline High School 3600 Avenue of the Cities, Moline.
- 26 Wed. Zoning Commission Meeting**, 7 p.m. at the Mun. Ctr Hall.

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- 12 Wed. Village Board Meeting**, 7 p.m. at the Municipal Center Hall, 900 1st St. Coal Valley.
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(regular session meetings are also live-streamed on the school district's website. [www.orionschools.us](http://www.orionschools.us))
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# 2025 Coal Valley, IL Recycling, Trash and Yard Waste Collection Calendar

Yard waste collection requires a prepaid tag or subscription to a yard waste cart.

■ Holidays   
 ■ Recycling   
 ■ Trash   
 ■ Yard Waste

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