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January Library Programs and Activities

Creston, IA – Gibson Memorial Library is offering several virtual programs, activities and two take and make crafts for the month of the January.

Below is a detailed listing of programs and activities:

Staircase Renovation Project Gibson Memorial Library received a grant from South Central Iowa Community Foundation for \$1,846.50.

The Library is needing help from community members with book title suggestions to create book spine stair decals that will be placed on the risers for the renovated staircase. Please go online to complete a survey of book titles that were suggested by community members from November to December 2020. *The Survey will remain open from Tuesday, December 15, 2020 to Friday, January 1, 2021.*

Link to Survey on Survey Monkey: https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/6WPNMDH

Library Board Meeting will be on *Monday, January 4, 2021 at 5:15 PM* in the Library's Genealogy Room to discuss Phase II reopening of the library, which includes opening the library up to meetings and gatherings.

The next monthly Library Board meeting will be held on *Monday, February 1, 2021 at 5:15 PM* in the Genealogy Room. Library Board meetings are open to the public.

Patrons can always view upcoming Board meetings, and the Library Board's Agenda on the Library's Facebook page and online at the Library's website at: <u>https://www.creston.lib.ia.us/about/library-board</u>

Uptown StoryWalk Gibson Memorial Library is hosting another Uptown StoryWalk, which will be *on display starting December 8, 2020 to January 8, 2021*.

Thank you to the following businesses who are stops this year:

1-Create Creston
2-Trinity Salon and Day Spa
3-Carroll Family Chiropractic
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5-Adams Street Espresso
6-Hazel Marie's
7-Wishing Well
8-Family Shoe Store
9-Every Step Home Care
10-Every Step Home Care
11-House of Pain
12-House of Pain
13-Euphoria
14-Euphoria

<u>The book this year is:</u> Sneezy the Snowman by Maureen Wright Illustrated by Stephen Gilpin

The StoryWalk Project was created by Anne Ferguson of Montpelier, VT and developed at the Kellogg-Hubbard Library. StoryWalk is a registered service mark owned by Ms. Ferguson.

Open Coffee on *Wednesday's: January 6th and 20th* at 10 AM through Zoom. Join us for a casual coffee group online. We will chat, get to know one another and possibly learn what is going on in our community. Most importantly though, we will be able to connect during this time of social and physical distancing. Reminder – this is an online event!

Need help with ZOOM? Watch this useful tutorial: <u>https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=d7xXZxRDFUU&t=7s</u>

ZOOM Link: https://us02web.zoom.us/j/8524207703 Meeting ID: 852 420 7703 Mobile:13126266799, 8524207703, # - US (Chicago)

"What is on your nightstand?" on Thursday: January 14th at 5:00 PM

through Zoom. Join us for a casual conversation about the books you are currently reading and the books you wish you had time to read or simply come to connect with other people.

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Find your next read by looking at our compiled lists of previous nightstand events on our website at: https://www.creston.lib.ia.us/events/what-your-nightstand-2

Social Justice Book Club (*NEW*) will be held on Monday, January 25th at

5 *PM on ZOOM.* The book being discussed is *Born a Crime: Stories from a South African Childhood* by Trevor Noah. Copies of the book may be picked up at the library to be checked out.

This book club provides space for thoughtful conversation on issues of social justice and activism.

Themes discussed will include: racial justice, gender, age, religion, nationality, education, mental or physical ability, immigration, LGBTQIA+* rights and more - this group is also open to member suggestions in terms of titles to explore.

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Adult Book Discussion will be held on *Tuesday, January 26th at 5 PM on* **ZOOM.** The book being discussed is *All the light we cannot see* by Anthony Doerr. Copies of the book may be picked up at the library to be checked out.

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Take & Make Crafts:

Ice Cream Cone Bird Feeders. Make your own bird feeder for your yard! This is a take and make craft geared toward (youth ages 2 - 11). Supplies for the craft will be provided. Pre-registration is required. Register online: <u>https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c0d4eabaa23a1f9ce9-icecream</u>

Felt Lanterns.

Make your own Felt Lantern just in time to bring in and celebrate the New Year! This is a take and make craft geared toward young adults (youth ages 12 - 18). Pre-registration is required. Register online:

https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0D4EABAA23A1F9CE9-felt

Both crafts will be handed out on Friday, January 29, 2021 from 10 AM to 5:30 PM.

For more information, please visit the Gibson Memorial Library website at: <u>www.creston.lib.ia.us</u> and the Gibson Memorial Library Facebook page.

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