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February Library Programs and Activities

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

Below is a detailed listing of events:

<u>Library Board Meeting</u> will be on <u>Monday</u>, <u>February 1</u>, 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, March 1st 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 and online at the library's website at: https://www.creston.lib.ia.us/about/library-board

Open Coffee on Wednesday February 3, 2021 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: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=d7xXZxRDFUU&t=7s

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: February 11, 2021 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

Make & Take Crafts:

Bird Pencil Topper Craft.

Make a fun and exciting Pencil Topper! This is a make and take craft that requires preregistration. Supplies for the craft will be provided. Pre-registration is required. Register online: https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0D4EABAA23A1F9CE9-pencil

Polar Bear Craft.

National Polar Bear Day is February 27, 2021! Make your own fun polar bear craft and learn about this animal. This is a make and take craft geared toward young adults (youth 12-18). Pre-registration is required.

Register online: https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0D4EABAA23A1F9CE9-polar

Both crafts will be handed out on Friday, February 26th from 10 AM - 5:30 PM. A special activity will be included in all craft materials - be sure to check them out!

Adult Book Discussion will be held on Tuesday, February 23rd at 5 PM on ZOOM.

The book being discussed is *Someone Knows* by Lisa Scottoline. Copies of the book may be picked up at the library to be checked out.

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Social Justice Book Club will be held on Monday, February 22nd at 5 PM on ZOOM. The book being discussed is *Evicted: Poverty and Profit in the American City* by Matthew Desmond. Copies of the book may be picked up at the library to be checked out.

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2021 Adult Winter Reading Program will begin on Friday, January 8, 2021 through Friday, March 5, 2021. With a theme of, "It's a Mystery".

Participants must read 8 Mysteries checked out from the Library: Books, Audio, YA, or InterLibrary Loan. Registration and book logs will be available at the Gibson Memorial Library. Please ask Merle Lee for more details or to register. Prizes will be handed out at the conclusion of the program.

2021 Public Library Association's Early Literacy Calendar beginning on January 1, 2021 through December 31, 2021.

Each month stop into the Library and grab an activity-packed calendar! On one side is a calendar with a fun skill-building activity for each day and the other contains supplementary content like nursery rhymes, early literacy tips, song lyrics or suggested reading material.

Get your copy today for FREE at the Library!

These materials have been made available by the Public Library Association (PLA).

2021 Beginning Genealogy

The Library will be offering, "Beginning Genealogy" packets for free. They will be placed in the Genealogy room upstairs. If patrons have further questions regarding this service, please ask for Terry Madison.

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

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