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FALL IN LOVE WITH THE LIBRARY'S FEBRUARY PROGRAMMING

Creston, Iowa — February will provide plenty of opportunities for you to find your perfect programming match. A more detailed listing of events and programming taking place in February is as follows:

Author Visit: Karla Hynes

On February 4, 2022 from 5 PM - 6 PM, learn about Karla's recently published book, *Pass it On*, and her experience publishing her book.

The author has hosted a weekly radio show for over five years and has been a registered nurse for over 35 years. She resides in Creston, Iowa with her husband, Jerry, and her dogs, Avery and Bella. She is inspired by "Romans 8:38-39". A verse she hopes will inspire her readers as well.

Library Board Meeting

The Library Board meeting will be on Monday, February 7, 2022, in the Library's Genealogy Room at 5 PM.

The next monthly Library Board meeting will be held on Monday, March 7, 2022, at 5 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

Arts and Crafts Guild

The first and third Monday of each month from 5 PM - 8 PM, the library will be hosting an evening of arts and crafts where the public is welcome to come and work on any kind of arty or crafty project they may be currently working on. Attendees are encouraged to show off what they're working on and to share any crafting and skills or tips they may have. You may come and go as you please in this relaxed and casual programming.

Crochet Group

Come crochet with a casual group and learn tips, tricks, and techniques! This group meets every Wednesday from 1 PM - 3 PM in the Genealogy room.

Magic: The Gathering

Play a fun and casual session of Magic the Gathering card game at the Library on Wednesday's from 5 PM – 8 PM.

Welcome decks donated to the Library from the Bookwyrm will be passed out, while supplies last, to those who do not have a starter deck and wish to join the group!

This event is NOT sponsored by Wizards of the Coast LLC.

Is It Spring Yet? - Adult Reading Program

In this adult reading program that started January 6, participants must read or listen to 8 of our many library books revolving around spring. Eligible non-fiction books must be about gardening, flowers, or plants. If non-fiction isn't your cup of tea and fiction is, the book title for eligible fiction books must contain one of the following words: Flower(s), flowering, name of a flower, tree or a name of a tree, garden, gardener, gardening, planter, plants, planting, spring, rain, or raining. Readers may select from adult fiction, young adult, e-books, and inter-library loan. All titles must be checked out through the Gibson Memorial Library and titles and authors are required on your book log which must be completed and returned by 6 PM on Friday, March 11.

Registration is required and can be done through the Sign Up Genius link provided under the events tab on the library website or in person at the Gibson Memorial Library on the second floor.

Three prizes will be awarded. NO incentives.

LEGO Lab

Use your creativity and architectural instincts to build your next masterpiece with LEGOs in the Gibson Memorial Library LEGO Lab. The second and fourth Thursday of every month from 4 PM - 5 PM, LEGOs will be available for participants to build whatever their building savvy minds lead them to. If you feel like your brain isn't hardwired that way, building challenges will be available to lead you in a more guided approach to your build. This is a come and go activity and is open for ages kindergarten through 12th grade. The library will provide LEGOs and we ask that participants not bring additional LEGO pieces from home.

Gems & Junk: Beginners Guide to the Internet

Join the Union County Genealogical Society for their monthly seminar on Saturday, February 19 from 12 PM - 3 PM in the genealogy room at the Gibson Memorial Library. Partake in Gems & Junk: Beginners Guide to the Internet presented by Alice Hoyt Veen.

Friends of the Library Board Meeting

The Friends of the Library Board will meet for their regular monthly meeting on Monday, February 21, 2022, at 5 PM in the library's genealogy room.

Teen After Hours Lock In

Join us for an after hours activity at the Gibson Memorial Library! Students 6 through 12 are invited to the library on Thursday evening, February 24 from 6:30 to 9:00 PM for food and fun!! The lock-in is free and all materials are provided. Parents/guardians and participants will be required to read and sign a rules and contact information sheet when arriving the night of the event. An optional photo release form will also be available to sign when arriving. Sign up can be done through the Sign Up Genius link found under the events tab on the library website or by calling the library at 641.782.2277. The evening is limited to 10 participants, so register today!

Union County Genealogical Society Meeting

The Union County Genealogical Society will host their monthly meeting on Monday, February 28, 2022, at 6 PM in the library's genealogy room.

Evening Storytime

Join Youth Services Librarian, Danielle, for an evening of stories and songs on February 21 at 7 PM in the children's room.

Adult and Social Justice Book Club

Adult and Social Justice Book Club will be held on Tuesday, February 22 at 5 PM in the library's genealogy room.

The book being discussed is, *Homegoing* by Yaa Gyasi.

Copies of the books may be borrowed from the library or through OverDrive/Bridges the library's online eBook and audiobook platform.

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)

February Take and Make Craft

For the month of January, the library will be preparing take and make crafts for teens and children to take home and put together. Pre registration is required in order to pick up these prepared take and makes on February 25 from 10 AM - 6 PM. Sign up can be done through the Sign Up Genius link provided under the events tab on our website or by calling the library at 641.782.2277.

For more information, please visit the Gibson Memorial Library website at https://www.creston.lib.ia.us and at the library's social media channels on Facebook and Instagram.

If you would like to support the Gibson Memorial Library, you may volunteer your time by joining the Library Board, the Friends of the Library Board, the Capital Campaign, or consider making a contribution to the Library online at our website: https://www.creston.lib.ia.us.