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Teutsch announces retirement at Library Board Meeting

Creston, Iowa — On Monday, November 1, 2021, at the library's monthly board meeting, Sue Teutsch, Children's Librarian and Assistant Director, announced her retirement in a letter to the board set for Saturday, January 1, 2022.

On January 1, 2022, Teutsch will have dedicated 32 years of service to the Matilda J. Gibson Memorial Library and residents of Union County and local youth.

Teutsch began her career with the library on July 5, 1990, starting as a library page part-time and moved into the Librarian I position (coordinating children's services, Interlibrary Loan, assisting with circulation and reference) in 1992. On June 21, 2000, she moved into the full-time position as Children's Librarian and Assistant Director.

In June 2004, Teutsch was honored in the Creston Chamber of Commerce Hi-Five Recognition program with a comment in the Chamber newsletter, and Creston News Advertiser, stating Teutsch was, "so nice and helpful to young readers and making the library a place that they look forward to coming. My daughter adores them both (Sue Teutsch and Char Hudson)."

"I personally remember Sue when I was growing up in Creston and coming to the library to play Oregon Trail on the public computer, check out books, VHS tapes, or partake in the summer reading program or volunteer." Director Aric Bishop said. "Sue was always so kind to the group of kids I ran with and had extraordinary patience."

The library will honor Teutsch for her contributions at an Open House to be held on Thursday, December 16, 2021, from 2 PM to 5:30 PM. All community members are encouraged to attend.

"On behalf of everyone at the library, I would like to thank Sue for her service and wish her the best of luck as she starts her new chapter." Director Aric Bishop said. "We are indebted to her commitment for all that she has done for the library."

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

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