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## Fall Programming and Library Operations

CRESTON —Gibson Memorial Library will be hosting two new virtual programs starting September 2020.

Gibson Memorial Library will be hosting its first every **Adult Book Club**. The book club will be held online due to the global pandemic. Copies of the book may be reserved and picked up at the Library during the Library's regular hours Monday through Friday 10 AM to 6 PM.

The book club event will be held Tuesday, September 29, 2020 at 5 PM with the book being discussed titled, *Where the Crawdads sing* by Delia Owens.

A YouTube tutorial on how to use Zoom will be provided on the Library's Facebook event. Please make sure to look at the Facebook event for details as well as Zoom meeting room information.

The Library will also be hosting an event called, "**What's on your nightstand?**". This is a casual group to share a love of literature and perhaps find a new book to read! This event will be held every Thursday starting on Thursday, September 3<sup>rd</sup> at 5 PM using Zoom.

Please look at the Library's Facebook event for further information as well as Zoom meeting room information. A list of books discussed will be printed off, shared and posted at the library to help other patrons find their next read!

For questions, comments or concerns regarding either programs, please contact Director Aric Bishop for more information. Please look to Facebook, our website and press releases for future programming!

### Library Operations

As of June 15, 2020 the Library still remains in its Phase 1 for Re-opening. Until further notice, meetings and gatherings remain prohibited. The following guidelines and restrictions are being adhered to:

1. A maximum of ten (10) members of the public, regardless of age, will be permitted to enter the library building.
2. Library Visits shall be limited to thirty (3) minutes.
3. Library staff will disinfect all incoming materials, interior touchpoints and public computers after each use.
4. Plexiglass sneeze guards have been placed at the downstairs circulation desk and at each upstairs staff desk.
5. Library staff are required to wear masks at all times and patrons are encouraged to do the same.
6. Operating hours for the library are Monday through Friday 10 AM to 6 PM.

7. All library material returns should be directed to the drop box.
8. Restrooms are closed to the public.

**About the Gibson Memorial Library**

In 1930 Mrs. Frank Phillips of Bartlesville, Oklahoma gave Creston \$25,000 in memory of her mother, Matilda Gibson, who had been very active in church and charity work.

This money was used in buying the grounds and erecting a beautiful joint clubroom and library. The Matilda J. Gibson Memorial Library was formally opened on April 7, 1931.

The Gibson Memorial Library provides a welcoming place to meet and gather, offering staff skilled in providing access to the collection of materials and electronic resources to satisfy recreational and lifelong learning needs. <https://www.creston.lib.ia.us/>

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