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GIBSON MEMORIAL
LIBRARY

MAY'S LIBRARY PROGRAMMING IS BEGINNING TO BLOOM

Creston, Iowa — The rain has arrived and the flowers have begun to bloom. Gibson Memorial Library programming is also beginning to bloom. A more detailed listing of activities and programming happening in May are as follows:

Library Board Meeting

The Library Board meeting will be on Monday, May 2, 2022, in the Library's Genealogy Room at 5:15 PM.

The next monthly Library Board meeting will be held on Monday, June 6, 2022, 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>

Evening Adult Coloring

Join us at the Gibson Memorial Library for an evening of adult coloring on May 2 from 5 PM - 7 PM! Coloring materials will be provided but feel free to bring your own if you have a set of colored pencils or a coloring book you like and feel comfortable with. Stay for a few minutes or stay the whole two hours! Don't feel the need to arrive on time either. This is a come and go as you please type of gathering!

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 Bookwyrms 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.

A Journey Through Parkinson's Disease

If you are struggling with Parkinson's disease (PD) or know someone who is, it's helpful to know where to find support on the journey. Learn about the causes, symptoms, and treatments of PD and therapeutic activities that can be done in the home.

Three separate hour long sessions will be held at the Gibson Memorial Library on May 4, May 11, and May 18 from 5:45 PM - 6:45 PM led by Leah Brooke and Union County Iowa State Extension office.

To register, follow the link below:

<https://go.iastate.edu/CWKYTA>

Newspapers! with Linda Greethurst

Join the Union County Genealogical Society for their first Saturday program on May 7 from 12 PM - 3 PM. This month's will be Newspapers! with Linda Greethurst.

The program, open to the public, will also be made available over Zoom. Registration and payment for the seminar can be made at the Society's website, <https://unioncgs.org> through the society's gift shop, The Roots Seller. If registering to attend the seminar over Zoom, be sure to include an email address to receive a hand-out of the presentation as well as the link and information on how to join.

Crafts with Karen's Crafty Corner

The Gibson Memorial Library will be hosting eight separate crafts geared towards youth. Individuals may sign up for a maximum of two different crafts and each craft has a maximum capacity of ten participants.

If a specific craft day is full and you are still interested in attending, sign up for a reserve spot. Signing up for a reserve spot does not mean you may attend. It just means that if a participant(s) can no longer make it, you may be bumped into a spot to be able to attend. You will be informed if this happens so be sure to sign up with a working phone number.

If you sign up and at some point before the scheduled date for the craft you can no longer make it, please alert the library of this conflict as soon as possible so that you can be removed from the sign up and someone from the reserve list can take your place.

The dates, times, and crafts for the individual craft dates are as follows:

Wednesday, May 11th at 5 PM - 7 PM - Garden stakes

Saturday, May 14th at 10 AM - 12 PM - Bookmarks

Wednesday, May 18th at 5 PM - 7 PM - 8x10 chalking

Saturday, May 21st at 10 AM - 12 PM - Tie dye canvas tote bag

Wednesday, June 1st at 5 PM - 7 PM - Gnomes

Wednesday, June 8th at 5 PM - 7 PM - Paint pour on 8x10 canvas

Wednesday, June 15th at 5 PM - 7 PM - Screen print transfer/inking on shirts

Wednesday, June 22nd at 5 PM - 7 PM - 4th of July macrame key chain

To sign up, follow the Sign Up Genius link below:

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c0f4ea9a92ca1fcc25-crafts>

Funding for this program has been provided by a mini-grant with Community Partnerships for Protecting Children (CPPC).

Products, services and class instruction provided by Karen Drake of Karen's Crafty Corner in Creston, IA.

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.

Prohibition in Iowa with Linda McCann

Join Iowa historian and author Linda McCann as she shares her stories on Prohibition in Iowa on May 16 from 6 PM - 8 PM.

Prohibition was the period of time in U.S. history when it was illegal to manufacture, sell or transport liquor in the U.S. So, why then did Iowa farmers turn to using their corn to produce liquor? Linda spoke with the children of moonshiners and bootleggers and shares their memories. Linda will have specific instances of Creston and prohibition activities. She will have copies of all her books available for purchase.

Friends of the Library Board Meeting

The Friends of the Library Board will meet for their regular monthly meeting on Monday, May 16, 2022, at 5 PM in the library's genealogy room.

Adult Coloring

Join us at the Gibson Memorial Library for an afternoon of adult coloring on May 17 from 1 PM - 3 PM! Coloring materials will be provided but feel free to bring your own if you have a set of colored pencils or a coloring book you like and feel comfortable with. Stay for a few minutes or stay the whole two hours! Don't feel the need to arrive on time either. This is a come and go as you please type of gathering!

The History of Mt. Pisgah with Jane Briley

Listen to local historian, Jane Briley, as she discusses the settlement of Mt. Pisgah on May 19, 1846. Learn about Mt. Pisgah's rich history on May 19 from 5 PM - 6 PM.

Online Video Studio

Join us at the Gibson Memorial Library on May 20 from 5 PM - 6 PM and film your next viral online video. We will have a video studio set up with a backdrop, filming equipment, ringlight, and accessories to aid you in filming your next video that is sure to amass millions of views and likes! Take part in the latest TikTok trend or even start your own!

Participants will learn how to edit short form video intended for online social media and DIY video production.

Evening Storytime

Join youth services librarian, Danielle, for an evening of stories and songs on May 23 at 7 PM.

Union County Genealogical Society Meeting

The Union County Genealogical Society will host their monthly meeting on Monday, May 23, 2022, at 6 PM in the library's genealogy room.

Watercoloring with Brain Zachary from Create Creston

Join Brain Zachary from Create Creston on May 24 from 4 PM - 5 PM for a fun hour of watercolor painting at the library.

There will be several designs from which to choose. The class is limited to 10 participants. Pre registration is required to attend. Registration can be achieved through the Sign Up Genius below:

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c0f4ea9a92ca1fcc25-watercoloring>

This program is sponsored by the Friends of the Creston, Iowa Library.

Famous People of Union County

Join us at the Gibson Memorial Library for Famous People of Union County led by Jane Briley on May 25 at 6 PM.

Learn about the famous people that have come from Union County and the famous people that have had an impact on Union County.

Adult and Social Justice Book Club

Adult and Social Justice Book Club will be held on Tuesday, May 31st at 5 PM in the library's genealogy room.

The book being discussed is, *The Boys in the Bunkhouse: Servitude and Salvation in the Heartland* by Dan Barry.

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)

The Matilda Cinema Society

The Matilda Cinema Society will be held on Friday, May 27 at 5 PM in the library's genealogy room.

The movie being discussed is *Minari* (2020) directed by Lee Isaac Chung.

DVD copies will be available for checkout through the Gibson Memorial Library. Participants are asked to view the movie before coming to discuss it on Friday, May 27.

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>.

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