# LET'S BE FRIENDS

# Friends of the Creston Public Library Newsletter

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The Friends of the Library Board will meet October 20th at 1:00 at the library. All are welcome to attend.



#### ANNUAL USED BOOK SALE

Our annual used book sale is a great way to spread used books back into the community and earn dollars to support our local library. This year's sale was another big success. Funds raised during the book sale are used to buy materials for the Library, fund special projects and for general library programming.

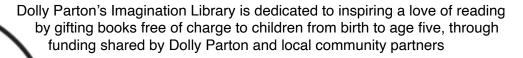
Thank you to all the volunteers who organized and set up the book sale. The Friends of the Library appreciate the community's involvement in the Used Book Sale project. Thank you to all for helping and shopping at the 2024 Used Book Sale.

You may shop year round at the Used Book Area in the old print shop area of the Creston News Advertiser, Monday through Friday, 8:00 - 3:30, when the CNA is open. Please use the east door by the parking lot. You may also donate used books at the CNA site. The library is unable to accept used books at the library.



#### FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY WEEK

October 19-25, 2025 is National Friends of the Library week. All preschools in Union county will receive books for their students from FOL.



Inspired by her father's inability to read and write Dolly started her Imagination Library in 1995 for the children within her home county. Today, her program spans five countries and gifts millions of free books each month to children around the world.

"When I was growing up in the hills of East Tennessee, I knew my dreams would come true. I know there are children in your community with their own dreams. They dream of becoming a doctor or an inventor or a minister. Who knows, maybe there is a little girl whose dream is to be a writer and singer.

The seeds of these dreams are often found in books and the seeds you help plant in your community can grow across the world."

Dolly's vision is to foster a love of reading among preschool children and their families by providing them with the gift of a specially selected book each month.

#### Register a Child

Dolly Parton's Imagination Library is free for all families in Union County, Iowa. Children can be registered from birth to age five to receive new, high-quality, age-appropriate books addressed to them in the mail each month until their fifth birthday. Registration is quick and easy - stop by the Gibson Memorial Library to learn how.

# **Dolly Parton Imagination Library Celebration**

Saturday, October 25, from 10 AM - 11:30 AM.

Join us for a celebration of the launch of our branch of Dolly Parton's Imagination Library! Families can come and go for a variety of early literacy activities, with a special Dolly-themed story time at 11 AM.

### **Chair Yoga w/Radiant Wellness Solutions**

Wednesday, October 15th 12 PM - 1 PM Genealogy Room

A 1-hour class taught by Michelle Wilson, certified Accessible Yoga teacher.

A gentle class designed for those looking for a practice that is gentle yet effective. The class will focus on mindful yoga techniques to improve brain health, resilience to stress, and increase mobility. Michelle calls this type of practice innercise--yoga that incorporates all aspects of the ancient practice: evidence-based mindful movement for your busy life. All bodies are welcome. Multiple variations of each posture will be taught in this class, allowing truly anyone to practice. Breathing, postures, relaxation, and mindfulness. No experience or flexibility is needed. A handout will be provided for you to practice at home, if you choose.

The library staff have been busy planning lots of fun activities for you and your family to enjoy, learn and experience. If you have email, O.J. Fargo sends a complete listing of all of the offerings each month. The Friends of the Library newsletter highlights some of the activities, but for a full list, please check O.J.'s email or pick up a monthly calendar at the library.