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### Summer Book Scoop

Sample These

Deliciously

Good Reads.

Summer reading isn't just for kids!

Most of us are aware of the research that shows that well-run summer learning programs for children can mitigate summer learning loss and even produce learning gains. But what about us adults? While adults are not so concerned about mitigating reading loss, summer is the perfect time to put your feet up with an engrossing read.

Crete Public Library is the place to go for your summer reads. Look for the Summer Book Scoop display for these books specifically selected to be enjoyed this summer. In addition, most of these books are available from OverDrive in eBook and audio book formats.

The Little French Bistro, by Nina George - An extraordinary novel about self-discovery and new beginnings.

Do Not Become Alarmed, by Maile Meldy - A tropical vacation goes awry when two families go on a cruise and the children go missing. (CPL has audio book as well.)

The Fitness Junkie, by Lucy Sykes and Jo Piazza - An outrageously funny novel about one woman's attempt to win back her career, save her best friend, and lose thirty pounds.

The Sunshine Sisters, by Jane Green - A warm and wise novel about a mother who asks her three estranged daughters to come home to help her end her life.

Watch Me Disappear, by Janelle Brown - A mother with a troubled past vanishes while hiking, leaving her family to piece together her secrets.

The Shark Club, by Ann Kidd Taylor - A warm and wonderfully vivid novel about taking second chances-in life and in the sea.

Ten Dead Comedians, by Fred Van Lente - An homage to the Golden Age of Mystery and a thoroughly contemporary show-business satire.

**Shadow Man**, by Alan Drew – A gritty thriller about an idyllic community rocked by a serial killer and a dark secret.

# Read



**Reading With Friends Program** Wednesdays and Fridays 10:30 am - 11:30 am

July 1 - Lisa Scottoline (Birthday)

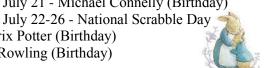


July 14 - National Macaroni and Cheese Day July 21 - Michael Connelly (Birthday)

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What's Coming Up?

July 28 - Beatrix Potter (Birthday) July 31 - J.K. Rowling (Birthday)



# Little Neighborhood Library

#### by Bunny Dudley

Our "LNL" (Little Neighborhood Library") was a birthday present from a daughter in Bellingham, Washington who had seen a number of these on hiking sprees around the city!

About May 4, 2014 our grandson drove up in front of our house, knocked at the door and said: "Hi Grandma. I'm bringing your birthday present." Our daughter had taken a number of pictures of LNL's in her area and sent Rob the pictures and the money to make one for me. The family and several neighbors watched him unload a box (about the size of a small dog house) on stilts, a bag of cement, a bucket of sand, a spade and several other tools. He then proceeded to dig four small holes, mix cement and pour it into the holes. Conversation flowed as one and all made guesses as to what this could possibly be! Some guesses: a collection box for glasses, a spot to collect coupons to help with special equipment for school and a house for bats! When Rob finished and attached a small sign which said: "Free books. Help yourself to as many as you wish!" the questions were answered. Unfortunately the sign blew away in the first severe windstorm but smaller explanations were attached inside the door.

The "library" has many visitors; some bring books and leave with different ones. Others just take a book - and perhaps return a week later to return that book and add several which they wish to add to the deposit. For us it has been a delight. We have met delightful new people. We have renewed friendships; a neighbor with whom I have had little contact for five years because our work schedules were conflicting suddenly appeared about three times each week at the LNL. I was working in the yard and she told me she had recently had surgery, could not drive at present, and that the availability of the "library" had been great. We have been able to share with another friend who shares our love of history and I was able to glean three books about WWII resistance in Europe which he enjoyed immensely. I've become friends with a teenage girl who loves science fiction - not my favorite genre - but in visits with her I have learned a great deal about it and have gained respect. And I have taken several books for my own enjoyment.

We would like to add books in Spanish and Vietnamese and hope to increase books which "tweens" and "teens" may enjoy. Please come and visit! All are welcome who love to read.



# Little Free Library

#### by Alison Clevette

Alison Clevette recently shared this:

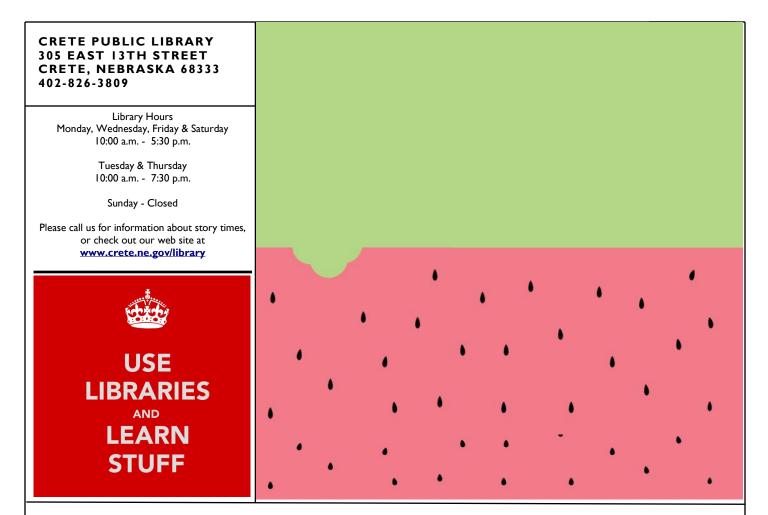
I wanted to share the short story I just submitted to the Little Free Library website:

Starting a little free library was a fun Clevette family summer project! We have a lot of books and many people walk by our house each day. Libbie, Grace and Emma helped to design the library and helped David to build it. It is a pleasure to be the first little free library registered in the small town of Crete! I hope it gets a lot of use and please stop by for a visit!

We live at 1342 Grove and they mentioned it might take a day or two to get our little library location added to their world library online registry. I look forward to adding more books to our little free library and I picked up a few \$1 bag / books recently a the Crete Library! What a great sale!







## New Children's Music CD's

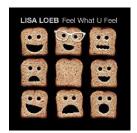
We're branching out! We have added seven music CD's to the children's collection. V one out today!



What if we became adventurers in our own backyards?



Catchy summer (or anytime) tunes for the whole family!



An all-ages album!

JUSTIN RO

All songs (except 2) suitable for a lazy,

late summer afternoon listen!



Nursery rhymes sung as you remember them!



Encouragement to lure families to enjoy the great outdoors one folk song at a time.



Stories of love, surprise, doing good and the passage of time.