

Crete Public Library
1515 Forest Avenue
Crete, Nebraska 68333
402-826-3809
www.crete.ne.gov/library

Library Hours
Monday & Friday
9:00am - 5:00pm
Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday
9:00am - 7:00pm
Saturday 9:00am - 4:00pm
Sunday - Closed

Check out our web site at
www.crete.ne.gov/library

Reading With Friends—July



Reading With Friends will be back this July and we need you!

Reading With Friends is a month-long program that helps kids with their reading skills during the summer months. Each Tuesday in July, a volunteer will meet with a child at the library for one hour to read to/with the child.

If you are unable to be here for the full four weeks, that's okay. We'll take you for whatever time you have to give! We have need of 20-25 volunteers.

It is such a rewarding use of time that you will want to sign up each summer to help! If you are able to volunteer, call the library at 402-826-3809, or email susan.church@crete.ne.gov to let us know what dates you are available.

Five Years of Beachy Reads That Are Not Too Beachy

Looking for a book that reads like a dream, but isn't all "fluff"? Then pick up one of these books. They are easy-to-read, yet have more depth than the typical beach read. These are contemporary, historical, suspense, and romance genres (even one science fiction) and have been at the library since 2017.

Miss You by Kate Eberlen

The Child Finder by Rene Denfeld

The Last Mrs. Parrish by Liv Constantine

Grace after Henry by Eithne Shortall

The Henna Artist by Alka Joshi

Have You Seen Luis Velez? by Catherine Ryan Hyde

One More River to Cross by Jane Kirkpatrick

The Bookshop of the Broken Hearted by Robert Hillman

Fresh Water for Flowers by Valerie Perrin

He Started It by Samantha Downing

The Night Swim by J. P. Delaney

The Vanishing Half by Brit Bennett

Oona Out of Order by Margarita Montimore

The Last Flight by Julie Clark

Leave the World Behind by Rumaan Alam

Under the Tulip Tree by Michelle Shocklee

Sparks Like Stars by Nadia Hashimi

West with Giraffes by Lynda Rutledge

The Girls in the Stilt House by Kelly Mustian

The Midnight School by Suzanne Fisher

We Are Not Like Them by Christine Pride

The Unsinkable Greta James by Jennifer Smith

Beach Read by Emily Henry

The Wives by Tarryn Fisher

Still Life by Sarah Winman

Raft of Stars by Andrew Graff



Crete Welcoming Circle Community Survey

The Crete Welcoming Circle is collecting feedback from Crete community members age 18 years or older to better understand Crete's areas of strength and areas of need. Please help the Crete Welcoming Circle by completing this survey.

Survey link: <https://bit.ly/3tptnyF>



Crete Public Library

Founded 1878



May 2022



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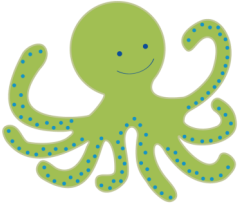
Joy Stevenson



The Summer Reading Program at the Crete Public Library will begin with the Kick-off on June 2, 2022 from 6 pm to 8 pm. There will be "Oceans of Possibilities" for the children. Bruce Jacoby will be creating balloon twisting magic and a very special guest, Pete the Cat, will be greeting and interacting with the children. There will be two sessions of a special story time with Ingrid Lindal Chavarria from the Saline County Extension office. It will be fun for the entire family with games, button making, face painting, crafts and a bounce house.



Registration is now open through the kick-off. We'll have a month of programming for preschool and elementary-aged children. There is no cost for participating but registration is required so we can plan for all of the events. You can sign up in person at the library or go to our website crete.ne.gov/library and look for the registration. Participants will receive a reading log and stickers as well as a bookmark and a calendar. Children will put a sticker on their log for every 15 minutes they read or when somebody reads to them. The reading logs may be returned any time after June 20th. They will also receive a ticket for every hour they read. These go into the grand prize drawing. All participants will receive a prize package with coupons for food, tickets for admission to fun places and little prizes. If the log is completely filled out, children will be able to make a reading t-shirt using our new heat press.



Elementary programs will be held on Tuesday afternoons at 1:30 pm. Programs include making bee houses, enjoying a shark party which includes digging for shark teeth, a magic show and Wildlife Encounters (the only program that begins at 10:30 am). Preschool story times will be held on Thursdays at 10:30 am or 1:30 pm and include the pollinator and ocean themes. There will also be events on Wednesday afternoons at 1:30 pm for all ages: Dinosaur Dimensions; an interactive movie starring a clown fish; shark shows, and a treasure hunt. During our pollinator week we will encourage children to complete a scavenger hunt, plant seed balls, honey tasting and conduct a BioBlitz at Doane for the entire family. Of course, we will have a pool party for the entire family again this year. It will be on Sunday, June 26th from 6pm-8pm.



The summer reading program is free to all participants and is possible with generous donations from the Friends of the Crete Library, Nestle Purina and Crete Ace Hardware.

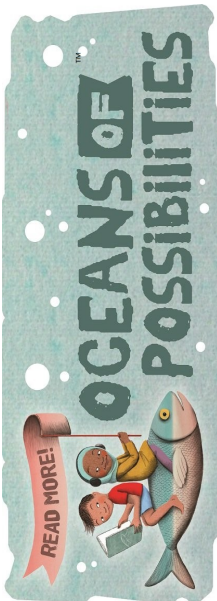
Book Bingo for Teens is available now.

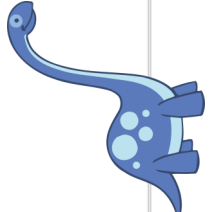

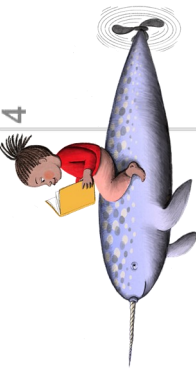







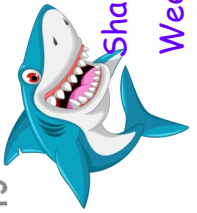


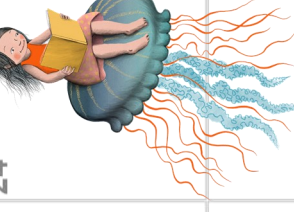
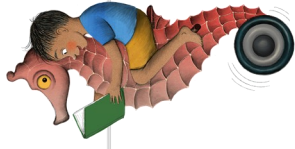


The participants will get a ticket for each bingo row they complete. Grand prize is a \$50.00 gift card. There will also be an adult book bingo game available this summer during July and August.



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Summer Reading Program



SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
Sponsors: Friends of the Crete Public Library	Nestle Purina	Crete Ace Hardware	1  Dinosaur Dimensions (all ages)	2  Kick-Off 6pm-8pm	3  4	
5  "Bee"yond the Ocean 'Week	6 Pollinator Scavenger Hunt in library all week (all ages)	7 Let's Bee Friends Program followed by making bee house	8 15  Nemo Interactive Movie 1:30pm (all ages) Please RSVP	9 Bees & Butterflies 10:30am	10 Seeds and Honey Program (all ages)	11 6/11 ONLY Bioblitz @ Doane 9:00am-Noon (Drop-In) All families and individuals of the
12 	13 	14 Wildlife Encounters 10:30am WILDLIFE ENCOUNTERS	15  Shark Party Games, crafts, books, trivia, digging for shark teeth, & prizes!	17  Sea Creatures 10:30am 1:30pm	17  17	
19  Shark Week	20 	21 Jeff Quin Splash of Magic 1:30pm	22 Shark Shows 1:30pm	23  Sharks Alive! 10:30am	24 	25 
26 POOL Party Entire Family WELCOME! 6pm-8pm	27 Blue-All Ages Green-Elementary Red-Preschool	28 Treasure Hunt 1:30pm	29 	30  Treasures 10:30am		



Join us at Doane University at the Outdoor Classroom on June 11, from 9:00am to 12:00pm for a BioBlitz!

What is a BioBlitz? A BioBlitz is an event where people try to find and identify as many plants and animals as they can in a specific area in a short time.

For our BioBlitz, we'll be focusing on the south part of the Doane campus, from 9 am to noon. All members of the community are invited to attend. We're encouraging people to download the free iNaturalist app from Google Play or the Apple store and sign up for a free account ahead of the event. Using the app on our phones, we'll take pictures of the different plant and animal species we see around us and submit them to the iNaturalist website.

Don't worry if you aren't able to recognize many plants and animals yourself; the iNaturalist app will help with identification. The pictures we take can then be used by scientists and other researchers in their study of different species and the natural world. And if you don't have a cell phone or digital camera, there will be other ways to help out and contribute. The main reason for our BioBlitz is to get people outside and enjoying nature.

