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### **Avon Grove Library Plans Winter Programs for All Ages and Interests**

West Grove, Pa., January 19, 2018 – From daily storytimes, homeschool programs, and special event weekend programming, to a teen service club, book club for adults, and crafting sessions, Avon Grove Library offers many opportunities for learning and enjoyment this February. Check the website [www.avongrovelibrary.org](http://www.avongrovelibrary.org) often for updates and additions.

#### Children's and Family Programs:

- Babies, toddlers and preschoolers, along with their caregivers, can attend free **storytimes** held every weekday at the library. Most are themed for certain age groups, but older and younger siblings are always welcome. No registration is necessary.
  - **Toddler Storytimes** are held every Tuesday at 9:30 and 10:30 a.m.
  - **Preschool Storytimes** are held every Monday at 10 a.m., Wednesday at 9:30 and 10:30 a.m., Thursday at 10 a.m. and Friday at 10 a.m.
  - Avon Grove Library partners with Starbucks Coffee in Jennersville to offer a weekly **Storytime at Starbucks**, held every Thursday at 1 p.m.
  - **Pets and Friends Storytime**, a recent partnership with the Pets and Friends store in Jennersville, is held the first and third Monday of each month at 1 p.m. in the store.
  - **Storytime at TreeTops Kitty Café** is held on the third Tuesday of each month at 10 a.m. Miss Lisa reads stories while families make friends with the cats up for adoption. The Kitty Café is at 305 W. State Street, Kennett Square. Registration is required by Café; call 610-925-2908. The Café also charges a small entrance fee.
- On the first Saturday of each month at 1 p.m., visitors can build setups with tracks, buildings and accessories using the library's collection of **GeoTrax Trains**. This is a free program and no registration is needed. All ages of children are welcome.
- **Books and Breakfast "Hugs, Kisses and Valentine Wishes"** returns on Saturday February 10 at 10 a.m. Families can enjoy themed stories, crafts and a delicious breakfast. No registration is necessary for this free program.

- On the first Saturday of each month 11 a.m. to noon, slots are available for a 10-minute session reading aloud to “Cooper” or “Wesley,” our **Paws for Reading** canine partners. All ages are welcome. Registration is required prior to this free program.
- **Lego Club** and **Lego Block Party** are free, open to children of all ages, and need no registration. Lego Club is held the first and third Thursday of each month 4:30-5:30 p.m.; Lego Block Party is held the fourth Saturday of each month 1-2 p.m. Legos, Duplos and/or MegaBlocks are provided.

#### Homeschool Programs:

- **Lunch Bunch Book Club** is a homeschool book club for 1<sup>st</sup> to 3<sup>rd</sup> graders, who read an assigned book at home then come to the library to enjoy a bring-your-own lunch with friends while discussing the book and doing fun extension activities. Registration is required for this free program that meets the 1<sup>st</sup> Thursday of each month during the school year from 12:00-1:30 p.m.
- **Cooks Among Books** is a homeschool book club for 4<sup>th</sup> to 6<sup>th</sup> graders, who read an assigned book at home and come to the library to enjoy a bring-your-own lunch with friends while discussing the book and then making a related tasty treat. Registration is required for this free program that meets the 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday of the month during the school year from 12:00-1:30 p.m.

#### Teen Programs:

- The **Teen Service Club** meets every Tuesday 3:30-5 p.m. Teens can accrue volunteer service hours by preparing storytime crafts, helping out at family programs, and participating in other activities to benefit the library. No registration is needed.
- **Teen Writing Workshop** meets the third Saturday of each month noon-1 p.m. Participants will discover more about writing and how to find a creative voice. This free, no-registration program is for grades 6 to 12. Snacks are provided.
- **Young Adult Book Club** meets the third Saturday of each month 1:00-2:00 p.m. Teens read and discuss a featured young adult book chosen from all genres. No registration is necessary for this free program.
- **“Finding Your Best College Fit”** Teens and their parents are invited to this informative seminar by Kandice Cruice from Princeton Review on Thursday, February 1 at 6:00 p.m. Topics include the application process, the aspects of a school to compare and more. Registration is required for this free program.
- **Chocolate Candy Making for Teens** On Saturday February 10, 2-3:30 p.m. 6<sup>th</sup> to 12<sup>th</sup> graders are invited to make cards and a variety of chocolate treats, just in time for Valentine’s Day. All materials will be provided. Registration is required for this free program.

#### Adult Programs:

- Avon Grove Library’s **Book Club for Adults** meets the third Thursday of each month at 6:30 p.m. Participants vote on the titles to read and gathers monthly for lively conversation. No registration is necessary for this free program.
- **Craft and Create for Adults** meets the first and second Thursday of each month at 6:30 p.m. Participants bring their own favorite project (painting, sewing, scrapbooking, etc.) and enjoy the company of other adults while crafting. No registration is necessary for this free program for adults 18 and over.

- **529 Plans/Saving for College** On February 15, 6:30-7:30 p.m. parents can learn about changes to the 529 Plan and the best ways to save for college with speaker Krista Finegan from Morgan Stanley. This talk will not be a sales pitch, just good information. No registration is required for this free program.

Area residents can learn more about storytimes, classes and programs at [www.avongrovelibrary.org](http://www.avongrovelibrary.org), which is updated frequently with new programs and details.

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Located in the heart of West Grove, Pa., Avon Grove Library is a vital educational institution, offering equal opportunity for self-directed learning, research assistance and instruction, and enriching experiences to over 30,000 people of all ages in southern Chester County. The library is a member of the Chester County Library System.

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