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Avon Grove Library Plans March Programs for All Ages and Interests

West Grove, Pa., February 3, 2020 – From daily storytimes and special event programming to a teen service club, book clubs for adults, and crafting sessions for all ages, Avon Grove Library offers many opportunities for learning and enjoyment this March. The website www.avongrovelibrary.org and the Avon Grove Library Facebook and Instagram will have updates and additions when necessary.

<u>Children's and Family Programs</u> (unless otherwise noted, all programs are free and require no registration):

- o Babies, toddlers and preschoolers, along with their caregivers, can attend **storytimes** held every weekday at the library. Most are themed for certain age groups, but older and younger siblings are always welcome.
 - o **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. and Friday at 10 a.m. Avon Grove Library is also offering a new weekly Afternoon Preschool Storytime on Mondays at 1:30 p.m.
 - o **Bilingual Storytime** is held Mondays at 10 a.m. Participants will have the opportunity to hear stories and songs in both English and Spanish. The session also includes a craft and open playtime. This storytime is open to all ages and no previous experience with Spanish or English is necessary.
 - o **NEW DAY: Storytime at Treetops Kitty Café** is held the third Wednesday of each month at 10 a.m. and includes stories, crafts and playtime fun with the cats that are up for adoption. Treetops Kitty Café is located at 305 State Street, Kennett Square. Registration and a fee are required. To register and for more information, visit www.treetopskittycafe.com.
 - Big Yellow Mug Storytime will be held in the coffeehouse at the Christian Life Center located at 125 Saginaw Rd, Lincoln University, the second and fourth Thursday of each month at 9:30 a.m.
 - Avon Grove Library partners with Starbucks in Jennersville to offer a weekly Storytime at Starbucks, held every Thursday at 1 p.m.
 - In partnership with The Light Within Yoga Studio, Avon Grove Library offers
 Yoga Storvtime on the second and fourth Tuesday of each month at Penn

Township Park 1–2 p.m. Caretakers and children of all ages are invited to listen to stories, learn the basics of yoga and enjoy a calming craft together. Participants should bring their own yoga mats or towels.

- On the first Saturday of each month from 11 a.m. to noon, slots are available for a 10-minute session reading aloud to our **Paws for Reading** canine partners. All ages are welcome. Registration is necessary for this free program.
- 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. Children of all ages are welcome.
- o **Lego Club** is held the first and third Thursday of each month 4:30–5:30 p.m.
- o **Books and Breakfast** "Happy Birthday, Dr. Seuss!" will be Saturday, March 14, 10–11:30 a.m. Families can come enjoy themed stories, fun crafts, a delicious pancake breakfast, and more.
- Avon Grove Library will partner with the Jennersville YMCA Performing Arts Center to host a special **Storytime with Belle** on Saturday, March 7, 10–11 a.m. Children of all ages are invited to come and listen to stories read by Princess Belle from JPAC's upcoming performance of Disney's Beauty and the Beast Jr. Light refreshments will be provided.
- o Homeschooled students of all ages are invited to get artsy at **Craftastic** on the second and fourth Wednesdays, 12:30–1:30 p.m.
- Students in grades 1–3 are invited to Avon Grove Library for School Age Book Club on the third Monday of each month, 4:30–5:15 p.m. This month's title is *The Chocolate Touch* by Patrick Skene Catling.
- O **Bookworms**, a book club for homeschooled students grades 3–6, will meet on the third Wednesday of each month, 12:30–1:30 p.m. Participants are invited to bring a bag lunch and meet together to discuss this month's title, *Charlie and the Chocolate Factory* by Roald Dahl.
- On Saturday, March 28, 12–1 p.m., Avon Grove Library will host Mrs. Johnson (K–3 principal) and Mrs. Hendrickson (K–3 assistant principal) for Reading with the Principals of Avon Grove Charter School.

Teen Programs:

• **Teen Service Club** meets every Tuesday from 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. This free program requires no registration.

Adult Programs (unless otherwise noted, all programs are free and require no registration):

- **The Write Stuff** meets on the first and third Wednesdays of each month from 6–7:30 p.m. This workshop is designed for adult writers of all genres and experience levels to brainstorm ideas, provide feedback, and build relationships with fellow writers.
- 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.

- **Young** @ **Heart**, formerly the Young Adult Book Club for Adults, meets the third Tuesday of each month at 6 p.m. Patrons 18 years and older read a book from the YA genre and discuss it. This month's title is *First Test* by Tamora Pierce.
- 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 gather monthly for lively conversation. This month's title is *A Gentleman in Moscow* by Amor Towles.
- **Sit and Knit** is held on the first and third Monday of each month 3–4:30 p.m. Participants of any experience level should bring a project they are working on to learn tips and share ideas with other knitters. This program is also intended for crochet and embroidery crafters. All adults and children accompanied by an adult are welcome.

Area residents can learn more about storytimes, classes and programs at www.avongrovelibrary.org, which is updated frequently with new programs and details.

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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