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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:

Avon Grove Library Plans December Programs for All Ages and Interests

West Grove, Pa., November 15, 2019 – 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 December. The website www.avongrovelibrary.org and the Avon Grove Library Facebook and Instagram will have updates and additions when necessary. With the exception of Adult Craft & Create on January 2, no programs (including in-house and off-site storytimes) will be held from December 23–January 3. Avon Grove Library wishes all of their patrons a safe and happy holiday season.

<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.
 - o **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.
 - 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.
 - Storytime at Treetops Kitty Café is held the third Tuesday 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.
 - o **Big Yellow Mug Storytime** will be held in the coffeehouse at the Christian Life Center located at 125 Saginaw Rd, Lincoln University, the second Thursday of this 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. There will be no program on December 26.
 - o In partnership with The Light Within Yoga Studio, Avon Grove Library will offer **Yoga Storytime** on the second Tuesday of this month at Penn Township Park from 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 A **Books and Breakfast** "Winter Celebration" will be held at 10 a.m. on Saturday December 14. Families can come enjoy storytime, fun crafts, a delicious pancake breakfast, and more.
- o **Bookworms Bash** is a special winter celebration for homeschooled students of all ages on Wednesday December 18 from 12:30–2 p.m. There will be no book club this month.

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

- **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.
- On Friday December 20 from 6–8 p.m., students in grades 6–12 are invited to a **Teen Snow Ball.** Participants are encouraged to wear their funniest holiday or winter sweaters and can enjoy winter-themed treats and activities at the library. Registration is required.

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

- Stained Glass Painting will be held on Saturday, December 14 and Saturday, December 21 at 2 p.m. Patrons ages thirteen and up are invited to attend both workshops and learn how to make beautiful stained glass creations to decorate their homes. Registration is required.
- **The Write Stuff** meets on the first and third Wednesdays of each month from 6:30–7:30 p.m. This weekly workshop is designed for adult writers of all genres and experience levels to brainstorm ideas 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.
- 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 with their fellow Young Adults at heart. This month's title is *The Last Boy and Girl in the World* by Siobhan Vivian.
- **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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