

Check It Out! is a monthly newsletter of the Crown Point Community Library. It is available at both libraries, online, or sign up on our website to have it emailed to you directly.

LOCATIONS

Main Library

122 N. Main Street,
Crown Point, IN 46307
(219) 663-0270

Hours:

Mon. - Thurs.: 9 - 8 p.m.
Friday & Saturday: 9 - 5 p.m.
Sunday: Closed

Winfield Branch Library

10771 Randolph St.
Crown Point, IN 46307
(219) 662-4039

Hours:

Monday & Sunday: Closed
Tues. & Thurs.: 10 - 7 p.m.
Wed. & Fri.: 10 - 5 p.m.
Saturday: 10 - 2 p.m.

LIBRARY MEETINGS

Friends of the Library -

Tuesday, December 11 |
10 a.m.

Board of Trustees, -

Monday, December 17 |
5 p.m.
Regular meeting
Public Welcome!

LIBRARY CLOSINGS

December 24, 25, 26, 31
January 1

CELEBRATE THE SEASON AT THE LIBRARY!

The library staff would like to thank the community for their library patronage and support. We look forward to another great year of service, programming, community support and (of course) providing you with all the books, movies, and resources you could want.

Looking for great gift ideas or something fun and free to do with your family and friends this holiday season? Look no further than your library! We're hosting a variety of holiday and winter themed programs for all ages. From a holiday celebration day, author visits, storytelling performances to music concerts, there's something for everyone to enjoy! Details for these programs and new arrivals of holiday readings are on pages 2 - 8.

As we approach the winter months, don't forget to use the outdoor book returns. The Main Library's drive up book return is located on Robinson Court. This return slot allows easy and convenient returns 24/7 without leaving the comfort of your vehicle. The Winfield Branch also has an outdoor book return located near their front entrance.



Happy Holidays from the Crown Point Community Library

**The Library will be closed on
December 24, 25, 26, 31 and
January 1, 2019**

**Don't forget to mark your calendars
for our new hours for 2019!**

**The Winfield Branch will be open on
Mondays from 10 a.m. - 5 p.m. and the
Main Library will be open on
Sundays from 1 - 5 p.m.**

Annual Discarded Magazine Sale!



Discarded magazines are available for purchase in the Internet Cafe.

\$1.00 per Bundle

Please pay at the Circulation Desk.

FOR SALE - Great Gift Idea!

Carnegie Library Ornament & Miniature Light Up Carnegie Library Building

Ornaments \$5.00
Buildings \$20.00

Purchase at the Main Library, Circulation Desk.



South Lake County
Community Services

MITTEN TREE

Annual collection for new mittens, gloves, hats and scarves are accepted at the Crown Point Community and Winfield Branch Libraries through January 7.

Items are distributed local residents in need.

A One-man CHRISTMAS CAROL

Presented by Master Storyteller
GRANT FITCH

**Tuesday, December 11
6 p.m.**

Crown Point Library - Meeting Rooms
Free - Registration encouraged.



Sounds of the Season

Concerts are held in the meeting rooms at the Main Library and sponsored by the Friends of the Library.

Free | No registration

CROWN POINT HIGH SCHOOL CHOIR

Monday, December 6 | 6 p.m.

Under the direction of Bill Woods, the choir will present an a Cappella concert.

HARMONY HANDBELLS

Monday, December 10 | 6 - 6:25 p.m.

Enjoy an informal handbell concert as the Harmony Handbells ring in the holidays at the library lobby.

ORCHESTRA CONCERT

Monday, December 10 | 6:30 - 7:30 p.m.

Under the direction of Mr. Rovelli Grib, local student musicians will perform a string concert including holiday favorites.

CONNECT WITH THE LIBRARY!

As you visit the library and attend your favorite programs, take a photo and share it with us on social media! We would love to hear what you liked about the library event you attended and what your Library means to you. During your next visit, please ask for a story form and share your library story. You can also submit your story online at crownpointlibrary.org/about/whats-your-library-story/

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ADULT PROGRAMS - CROWN POINT

INDIANA ROOM

Visit the Indiana Room to celebrate the Crown Point Garden Club and enjoy some flowers during the dreary winter months. Through early March, a display featuring the CP Garden Club will be in the display windows between the Reference Department and the Indiana Room on the second floor of the Crown Point Library. *Flowers: Sunshine for our Soul* will feature flowers, photographs, and ephemera of the club leading up to its 90th anniversary.

December 11, 2018, is Indiana's 202nd birthday! There will be a small display honoring the 19th state and its history in the Indiana Room for December.

Interested in genealogy? Have a stumper in your research? *Descendant Drop-In: The*

Genealogy Help Program, is here to help with your genealogy questions and stumpers. Drop into the Indiana Room on Monday, December 10 from 10 a.m. - 12 p.m. This is intended for quick questions and help; if you require additional services you may be asked to make an appointment.

Take your learning home and visit the Indiana Room's online blog *If Solon Could See Us Now?* <https://crownpointlibrary.org/research/indianaroom/if-solon-could-see-us-now/> Or, if you are on Twitter you can follow the Indiana Room @CPCL_INRoom for tweets on genealogy, preservation, and history. Any questions, please contact the Indiana Room genealogy@crownpointlibrary.org or 219-306-4593.

ONGOING ACTIVITIES FOR ADULTS

Free unless otherwise noted.
Registration required for some programs.

MAHJONG:

Thursdays | 1 - 3 p.m.

MAHJONG INSTRUCTION:

1st Monday of the month | 1 - 3 p.m.

STICKS & STRINGS KNITTING CLUB

Mondays | 9:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

CROCHET GROUP

Mondays | 9 - 11 a.m.

UNDER COVER QUILTERS

Tuesdays | 10 - 3 p.m.

WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON KNITTERS

Wednesdays | 12:30 - 2:30 p.m.

COLOR YOUR STRESS AWAY

4th Monday of the month | 1 p.m.

PAPER CRAFTING *

Tuesday, December 18 |

10 a.m. or 1 p.m.

Thursday, December 20 | 5:45 p.m.

Join your fellow paper crafters as we make three projects each month. The projects will vary, but will include such items as handmade greeting cards, gift items, and treat holders. There is something new every month and also appropriate for the season.

Please register for this program and bring adhesives such as tape runner, glue dots and liquid glue.

There is a \$6 fee for materials payable at the time of class.

PLAYING WITH PAPER:

Monday, Dec. 10 | 10 a.m. - 12 p.m.

Bring your craft to work on while sharing ideas and meeting other crafters.

Understanding & Responding to Dementia Related Behaviors

**WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 5
6 P.M.**

Join us to learn to decide behavioral messages, identify common behavior triggers, and learn strategies to help intervene with some of the most common behavioral challenges of Alzheimer's disease.

Free | Registration encouraged



Crown Point Community Library

ADULT YOGA

**2nd Wednesday of the Month
10 a.m. & 6 p.m.**

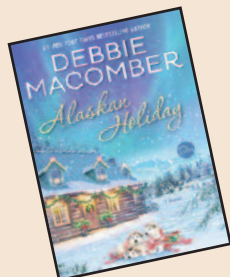
Free. Registration required.

**Bring a water bottle,
yoga mat/towel and
wear comfortable clothing.**

SEASON'S READINGS

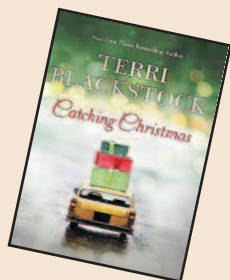
Here are a few new titles to add to your holiday reading list. For additional titles, check out the library displays.

Alaskan Holiday,
Debbie Macomber



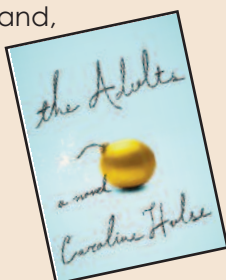
The Adults,
Caroline Hulse

Catching Christmas,
Terri Blackstock



A Christmas Cake
Murder,
Juane Fluke

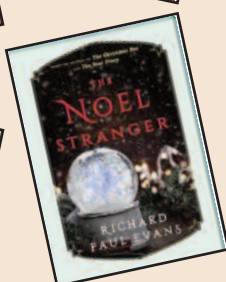
Christmas by
Accident,
Cameron Wright



Christmas on the Island,
Jenny Colgan

Coming Home For
Christmas,
Fern Michaels

The Noel Stranger,
Richard Paul Evans



MOVIES AT THE LIBRARY

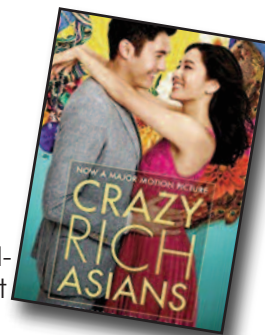
Popcorn will be served.

MATINEE

Crazy Rich Asians

Monday, December 10 | 1:30 p.m.

Native New Yorker Rachel Chu accompanies her longtime boyfriend, Nick Young, to his best friend's wedding in Singapore. Excited about visiting Asia for the first time but nervous about meeting Nick's family, Rachel is unprepared to learn that Nick has neglected to mention a few key details about his life. It turns out that he is not only the scion of one of the country's wealthiest families but also one of its most sought-after bachelors.



FOREIGN FILM

La Familia – Spanish with English Subtitles

Wednesday, December 19 | 6 p.m.

Twelve-year-old Pedro roams the streets with his friends, raised by the violent urban atmosphere around him in a working class district of Caracas. After Pedro seriously injures another boy in a rough game of play, single father Andrés decides they must flee to hide. Andrés will realize he is a father incapable of controlling his own teenage son, but their situation will bring them closer than they have ever been.



BOOK CLUBS

There will be no assigned book titles for our book discussions for the month of December. Come join your fellow book club members and share a title or two of your favorite reads of the year! We will bring holiday cookies to share and create a special bookmark.

"3rd Monday at 1" - Crown Point Library

1 - 2:30 p.m.

Monday, December 17: Book Share and Holiday Cookies

Monday, January 21: The Trouble with Goats and Sheep, Joanna Cannon

Monday, February 18: Eleanor Oliphant is Completely Fine, Gail Honeyman

Evening Book Group- Crown Point Library

6 - 7:30 p.m.

Thursday, December 13: Book Share and Holiday Cookies

Thursday, January 10: Crazy Rich Asians, Kevin Kwan

Thursday, February 14: Magpie Murders, Anthony Horowitz

Winfield Branch Library Book Group

1 - 2:30 p.m.

Tuesday, December 11: Book Share and Holiday Cookies

Tuesday, January 8: Little Fires Everywhere, Celeste Ng

Tuesday, February 12: Saints for All Occasions, J. Courtney Sullivan

FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY

DOWNTOWN CHICAGO BUS TRIP - SECOND BUS ADDED! WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 5 \$25 PER PERSON / \$20 FRIENDS MEMBER PRICE



One-stop gift shopping this holiday season
at the Friends Ongoing Book Sale
located in the Internet Cafe.
Most items are only \$1.
New bargain books arrive daily.

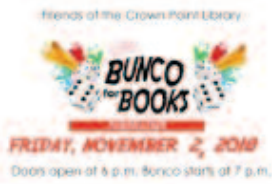
Support your library & save!

BUNCO FOR BOOKS HUGE SUCCESS!

The Friends extend a special thank you to the sponsors and volunteers who supported Bunco For Books!

Carol Bangsburg, MaryAnn Batista, Cindy Beckman, Belinda Bosch, Richard & Marie Cooper, Laura Clemons, Deb Deaton, Carol Doty, Rose Kendall, Carol Fisher, Donna Hill, Vicky Klein, Joyce Graves Wistoff.

Sponsors: Crown Town Grill, Joe's Cafe, Cost Cutters, Rosati's Pizza, Great Harvest, Tavern on Main.



MISSION

The Friends of the Crown Point Library's mission is to enhance and promote the use and enjoyment of the library.

They raise funds to support library programs, services and to help fund items not generally covered in the library's regular operating budget.

MEETINGS

Tuesday, December 11 at 10 a.m. at the Crown Point Library, Meeting Room 2.

MEMBERSHIP

December is the time to renew your Friends membership. If you are a new member, you can join by simply filling out a membership form available at both libraries. Membership is open to all individuals who want involvement in the library.

Joining the Friends of the Library is a terrific way to make new friends and give back to the community to make its library even better!

GIFT BASKET RAFFLE

The Friends are raffling a gift basket at both library locations, just in time for the holidays. The basket will be displayed at the Circulation Desk at Crown Point and on the public information desk at the Winfield Branch. Tickets can be purchased for \$1 each or six for \$5. The winner will be called on Monday, December 17.

2019 TRAVEL TOURS

The Friends of the Library present two travel tours, through Collette, in 2019: Canadian Rockies & Glacier National Park in July and Italy in October.

Book your trip for the Canadian Rockies tour by January 23, 2019 and receive \$100 off, per person. For more information about the tour visit <http://crownpointlibrary.org/about/library-friends/>

STORYTIME EVENTS AT CROWN POINT

Story time events are grouped into six-week sessions. Registration is required and is for the entire session. If an event is full, please place yourself on the waiting list. Please be thoughtful of others and cancel your registration if you realize you are unable to attend.

January/ February Storytime
Jan 15 - Feb. 21
Sign ups Begin
Monday, December 17

Book Babies

Thursdays at 10 or 11 a.m.

Children 0-24 months (with an adult) are invited to enjoy books, songs, rhymes and bubbles! This class helps your baby develop their earliest pre-reading skills with lots of language and play. Siblings are welcome.

Terrific Twos

Tuesdays at 10 or 11 a.m.

Children 24- 36 months (with a favorite adult) will enjoy a lively mix of books, songs, rhymes and movements that encourage their emerging language skills. Repetition and plenty of movement will help transition toddlers from Book Babies to Preschool Pals. Siblings welcome.

Preschool Pals

Wednesdays at 10 or 11 a.m.
and at 2 p.m.

Children 3-5 years (with a favorite adult) will enjoy a lively mix of books, songs, rhymes and movements that encourage their early literacy skills. Siblings welcome.



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KIDS PROGRAMS -CROWN POINT

HOMESCHOOL SCIENCE EXPERIENCE: FAIRY TALE STEM

Monday, December 10 | 2:30 p.m

Registration required

Homeschool students are invited to experience the science within stories. Using fairy tales, students will complete a STEM challenge similar to a problem the characters encountered. This month, students will design and create houses built to withstand a big, bad wolf.

FAMILY MOVIE AND MORE!

Saturday, Dec. 15 | 11 a.m. - 1 p.m.

Family Event

Join us in the children's department for an ELFishly fun day! Movie, crafts, scavenger hunt, photo booth, snowball fights, and Buddy the Elf's breakfast special!

AMERICAN GIRL CLUB

Tuesday, December 11 | 5 p.m. Featuring: Nanee

Grades 1-5 | Registration required

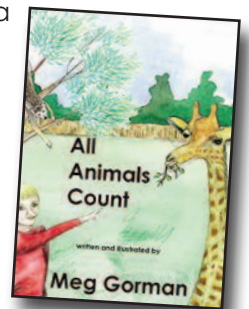
American Girl Club is back! Each month will focus on a different historical American Girl. Snacks, crafts and activities from the time period will be included.

AUTHOR VISIT: MEG GORMAN

Tuesday, December 11 | 6 p.m.

All ages | Registration required

Author Meg Gorman will read her book All Animals Count. Registration required



TEEN ADVISORY GROUP

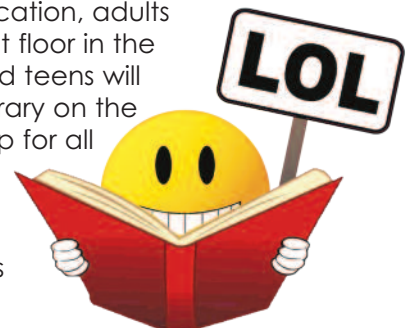
Are you a teen in grades 7 - 12 who is interested in making a difference in your library? The Teen Advisory Group may be the place for you! As a member, you play an integral role in developing the Young Adult (YA) collection, planning and implementing YA programs and making the library a friendly space for teens. If this sounds like something you would be interested in,

please pick up an application available at both library locations.

Applications are due by December 31. For more information, please call ERIKA at (219) 306-8068.

LOL! "LOVE YOUR LIBRARY" WINTER READING EVENT JANUARY 14 - FEBRUARY 17

This winter the library will sponsor a winter reading program for all ages. At the Crown Point location, adults will sign up for the Winter Reading on the first floor in the New Release book section, and children and teens will sign up for the program in the Children's Library on the second floor. At the Winfield branch, sign up for all ages at the Circulation Desk. There will be lots of special events to attend and participating patrons will have a chance to win great prizes! Be sure to look for details in the January and February newsletters.



"DINO"mite *Holiday Celebration!*

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 8
10 - 4 P.M.

Children's Library 2nd Floor

Make & Take Craft - All Day

Santasaurus Rex - 10 a.m. and 3 p.m.
Take a picture with Santa's prehistoric helper!

Silly Santa Stories - 11 am.
performed by storyteller Grant Fitch!
(1 p.m. at the Winfield Branch)

Cookie Decorating - 12 - 12:45 p.m.

BINGO for books - 1 - 1:45 p.m.
All ages play BINGO to win books! Registration required.

Is My Grandpa Santa's Elf? - 2 p.m.
Author Visit: Heather Zivkovich

Meeting Rooms 1st Floor

Color Your Stress Away - All day

Hot Chocolate Bar - All day

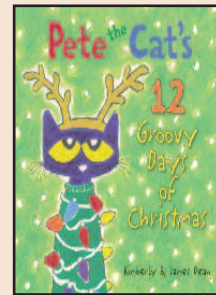
Holiday Photo Booth! - All Day

FUN
for
ALL AGES!
Registration encouraged

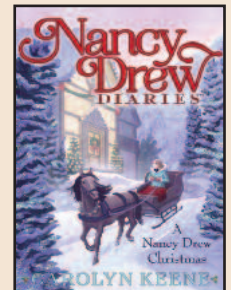
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SEASON'S READINGS

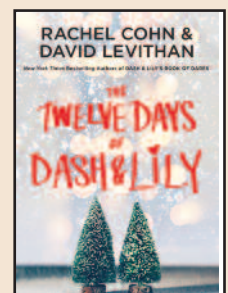
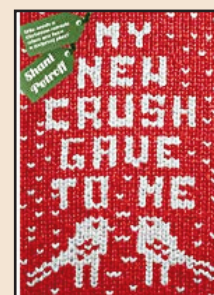
Picture Books:



Chapter Books:



Teens:



LIBRARY PROGRAMS ARE FREE
UNLESS OTHERWISE NOTED.

REGISTER ONLINE OR CALL 662-4039.

ONGOING EVENTS - ADULTS

COLOR YOUR STRESS AWAY

1st Friday of the Month

December 7

10:30 - 11:30 a.m.

Registration not required

PAPER CRAFTS

2nd Thursday of the month

December 13

10:15 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

Registration required

Join your fellow paper crafters as we make 3 projects each month. The projects will vary, but will include such items as handmade greeting cards, gift items, and treat holders. There is something new every month and also appropriate for the season.

Please bring adhesives such as tape runner, glue dots and liquid glue.

There is a \$6 fee for materials payable at the time of class.

MICROFIBER CRAFTERS

The 2nd Friday of the Month

December 14

10 a.m. - 12 p.m.

Registration required

PAPER CRAFTING

3rd Friday of the month

December 21

10:30 a.m. - 12 p.m.

Registration required

Bring your craft to work on while sharing ideas and meeting other crafters.

**THE WINFIELD BRANCH WILL BE
OPEN ON MONDAYS IN 2019!**

2019 Hours:

Mon., Wed., Fri.: 10 - 5 p.m.

Tues. & Thurs.: 10 - 7 p.m.

Saturday: 10 - 2 p.m.

Sunday: Closed

WINFIELD BRANCH EVENTS

Silly Santa STORIES

performed by Grant Fitch!

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 8 | 1 P.M.

FREE | PLEASE REGISTER ONLINE OR CALL 662-4039



KIDS PROGRAMS

READ TO THE DOGS

Saturday, December 1 | 11 a.m.

Registration required

Come to the library and pick out a book to read to a certified Power Paws dog!

LEGO CLUB

Tuesday, December 11 | 5 p.m.

Registration required

Bring your imagination and build some amazing Lego creations. Legos will be provided. For children in Grades 1-5. Creations will be displayed with the builder's name. Caregivers must remain at the library during Lego Club.

POKEMON CLUB

Thursday, December 27 | 5 p.m.

Registration required

Kids in grades K-8 are welcome at our monthly Pokemon Club meeting. Join other Pokemon fans the last Thursday of each month for the opportunity to watch the Pokemon series and movies while working on a Pokemon related activity. Pokemon trainers can also share, battle, and trade (with parents permission) their collected cards.

BOOK DISCUSSION GROUP

2nd Tuesday of the Month | 1 - 2:30 p.m.

Ask for titles at the front desk. New members always welcome.

There will be no assigned book title for the month of December. Come join your fellow book club members and share a title or two of your favorite reads of the year! We will bring holiday cookies to share and create a special bookmark.

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STORY TIME

Story time events are grouped into two-week sessions. Registration is required and is for the entire session.

Book Babies -

Tuesdays, Dec. 4, 11, 18 | 10:30 a.m.

Wed., Dec. 5, 12, 19 | 10:30 a.m.

Interactive story time with stories, crafts, and music for ages 0-3. Caregiver must attend with the child.

Little Listeners -

Tuesdays, Dec 4, 11, 18 | 11:30 a.m.

Interactive story time with stories, crafts, and music for ages 3-5. Caregiver must remain in the library during the program.



HOLIDAY SCAVENGER HUNT

December 18 - 21

Can you find all
the hidden
holiday items?



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