

CROWN POINT COMMUNITY


LIBRARY


JANUARY 2025
PROGRAM GUIDE




READ DISCOVER CONNECT

HOW TO REGISTER FOR A PROGRAM OFFERED AT THE LIBRARY

 Online: Visit crownpointlibrary.org, and click on the tab labeled "EVENTS".

 Call the library
Adult | 219-306-4593
Children/Teen | 219-306-8068
Winfield: All ages | 219-662-4039

 In-person:
Adult | Reference Desk, 2nd Floor
Children/Teen | Children's Library, 2nd Floor
Winfield: All ages | Front Desk

- **ALL EVENTS ARE FREE UNLESS NOTED OTHERWISE.**
- **REGISTRATION IS REQUIRED UNLESS NOTED OTHERWISE.**
- **REGISTRATION OPENS TWO WEEKS BEFORE THE EVENT.**
- **REGISTER ONLINE OR AT THE LIBRARY.**

- **Family programming:** Designed for children under 18 with their caregivers.
- **All Ages programming:** Open to library patrons of all ages.
- **Adult programs:** Ages 18 and above.
- **Preschool programs:** Ages birth to 5.
- **School Age programs:** Grades K-5
- **Teen programs:** Grades 6-12

PHOTO/VIDEO RECORDING FOR LIBRARY PURPOSES

The Library reserves the right to photograph/video record program participants. Such material is only for Library use and may be published in any type of Library publicity materials. If you do not wish to be photographed/video recorded please notify staff.

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. #CPLibrary



BLOOD DRIVE at the CROWN POINT LIBRARY

**THURSDAY, JAN. 9
12 - 6 P.M.**

To register for a time to donate,
please call 1-800-REDCROSS or visit www.redcrossblood.org
and use sponsor code "CPCL."



**COLLECTING NEW OR HANDMADE
HATS, SCARVES, GLOVES, MITTENS**

December 16 - January 13



<https://www.facebook.com/CrownPointLibrary>



<https://tinyurl.com/CPCL-Virtual-Programming>



<https://www.pinterest.com/CrownPointLib>



<https://www.instagram.com/crownpointlibrary/>

WINTER READING EVENT

JANUARY 1 - FEBRUARY 28, 2025 For all ages!



SNOW IS FALLING BOOKS ARE CALLING

**READERS OF ALL AGES ARE ENCOURAGED TO JOIN THE FREE EIGHT-WEEK READING EVENT!
THE MORE YOU READ, THE BETTER YOUR CHANCES TO WIN AMAZING PRIZES!**

How It Works:

ADULTS:

- Sign up online or at the library.
- Record the books you read during the months of January and February.
- Submit your reading log online or at the library. (Printed reading logs are available at both library locations).
- Participants will be entered into the weekly drawing for every reading log submitted. (Drawings occur weekly on Monday).

CHILDREN & TEENS:

- Sign up online or at the library.
- Receive a BINGO card or print one from the website. Finish a row down, across, or diagonally for a BINGO.
- Visit the library once a week to collect a prize and enter the grand prize drawings!



Grand Prizes:

For children/teens:

- Bellaboo's Play Pass
- Squishmallow Pack
- Neon Light
- Pokemon Vinyl Characters
- Kindle Fire Tablets (3)
- Candy Bundle
- Bluetooth Speaker
- Karaoke Machine
- Story Projector

For adults:

- Kindle Fire Tablets (2)



Scan the QR code to register online and download reading logs and Bingo cards.

STORYWALK®

The Crown Point Community Library has two permanent StoryWalk® installations. Located on the greenspace in front of the Crown Point Library building, and at Randolph Park in Winfield. Each StoryWalk® consists of 20 exhibit signs, each displaying a page from a children's book and library information. The book changes seasonally.

The winter stories will be available in mid-January. Be sure to take photos of you enjoying the Storywalk® and share them with us on Facebook @CrownPointLibrary!



Crown Point

Winfield



Winter

Open House

Join us to celebrate the winter season!

Saturday, January 18 from 10 a.m. - 2 p.m.

at the Crown Point Library

**Activity and crafts - Hot Chocolate Bar
Holiday Photo Booth - Sign up for Winter Reading**

Free for all ages!



Crown Point Community Library's Annual
PRESCHOOL PREVIEW NIGHT

Monday, February 3 from 5:30 - 7 p.m.

Crown Point Library Meeting Rooms

Know someone starting preschool in 2025?

Visit with representatives from several local preschools and learn about the school and the programs they offer!



**This event is free
and open to the public!**

FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY

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, and services and to help fund items not generally covered in the library's regular operating budget.

Exciting Changes in 2025

Join us in welcoming our 2025 Board of Officers: President, Vicky Klein, Vice President, Melanie Krcmery, and Treasurer/Secretary, Rose Kendall. The Friends are making some exciting updates to their membership meeting schedule for 2025! To better accommodate members and encourage broader participation, the organization is transitioning from monthly meetings to quarterly gatherings, and adding an evening meeting time. This change reflects the Friends' commitment to inclusivity and flexibility, allowing more members to get involved in supporting their local library. Meetings are held at the Crown Point Library in Meeting Room 2 (unless otherwise noted). The 2025 meeting schedule is as follows:

- Tuesday, February 11 at 10 a.m.
- Tuesday, May 13 at 6 p.m. (Evening meeting)
- Tuesday, September 9 at 6 p.m. (Evening meeting)
- Tuesday, December 9 at 10 a.m.

All meetings will continue to offer valuable updates, opportunities to volunteer, and a chance to connect with other library supporters.

Mark your calendar!

Friends of the Library

HALF PRICE

Book Sale!

*Every 1st Saturday of the month,
in the Internet Cafe at the
Crown Point location.*

**Jan. 4, Feb. 1, Mar. 1,
April 5, May 3, June 7,
July 5, Aug. 2, Sept. 6,
Oct. 4, Nov. 1, Dec. 6**

*Scan the QR code for more
Friends information!*



Friends of the Crown Point Library 2025 MEMBERSHIP FORM

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| <input type="checkbox"/> New Member | <input type="checkbox"/> \$10 Adult Single |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Renewing my membership | <input type="checkbox"/> \$15 Adult Family (2 members) |
| | <input type="checkbox"/> \$150 New Lifetime |
| | <input type="checkbox"/> Update my contact information |

I would like to make an additional donation of \$ _____

In honor of: _____

TODAY'S DATE _____

First Name _____

Last Name _____

If purchasing a Family membership, please print the name for the second card _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone Number _____

Email _____

Yes, sign me up to receive the Library's newsletter by email (option to opt out)

Yes, contact me to volunteer at an event

Mail or bring to either library location.

FRIENDS OF THE CROWN POINT LIBRARY

122 N. Main Street, Crown Point, IN 46307

email: cpclfriends@gmail.com

(219) 663-0270

www.crownpointlibrary.org/library-friends

CROWN POINT Youth Programs

Scan the QR code to view programs
and register for an event



Storytime at the Library!

Enjoy stories, songs, and engaging activities for children and their caregivers! Storytime lasts about 30 minutes. Registration is not required, but space is limited.

No storytime on Jan. 1, 2.

Toddler Time (Ages 2-3 years) - Tuesdays at 10 and 11 a.m.
Preschool (Ages 3-5 years) - Wednesdays at 10 and 11 a.m.
Book Babies (Ages 0-24 months) - Thursdays at 9:30 and 10:30 a.m.



A huge THANK YOU to Brian Spears, the generous owner of CP Trains Stop, for his incredible donation of a Lionel Polar Express Train to the Crown Point Library! For years, Brian has graciously donated a Lionel train set for the library to raffle. Congratulations to Lilly, the lucky winner!

PRESCHOOL

AGES 0-5 YRS.

Caregiver Cafe

Mondays, Jan. 6, Feb. 3 at 10 a.m.

Ages 3 and under

Let your little ones play while you enjoy a coffee break at Caregiver Café! Age-appropriate toys will be available for the kids, and complimentary coffee will be provided for adults. No registration required.

Sensory Play

Friday, Jan. 10 at 10 a.m.

Ages 3-5

Discover all things squishy, slimy, soft, and smooth! Allergens may be present in "taste-safe" activities. No registration required.

Discover and Explore

Mondays, Jan. 13, Feb. 10 at 10 a.m.

Ages 3 and under

Babies and toddlers and their caregivers will learn about the world around them with sensory play, art, science, and more. No registration required.

Baby and Toddler Sensory Playdate

Mondays, Jan. 20, Feb. 24 at 10 a.m.

Ages 0-3

Bring your little ones to explore and play through sensory activities created just for them! Be sure to dress for messy fun! No registration required.

1-2-3 Sing with Me

Friday, Jan. 24 at 10 a.m. and 11 a.m.

Participants will sing, dance, and play instruments.

Registration is required unless noted.

REGISTRATION OPENS two weeks prior to the event.

ELEMENTARY

GRADES K-5

(unless noted otherwise)

Greyt Readers

First Saturday of the Month at 10 a.m.

All ages

Greyt Readers provides an opportunity for your child to read to retired greyhound dogs in a relaxed atmosphere. No registration required.

Chess Club

Thursday, Jan. 2, Feb. 6 at 4:30 p.m.

School-age children are invited to chess club where they can learn and practice their chess skills.

Beginners welcome. No registration required.

Let's Get Cooking!

Friday, Jan. 3 at 10 a.m.

Do you love to help in the kitchen? Young chefs are invited to this fun culinary program.

Pokemon Club

Tuesday, Jan. 7, Feb. 4 at 4:30 p.m.

Join us for a night of Pokemon fun. Cards and hand held devices are welcome to show, trade, and battle. No registration required. Younger siblings are welcome if an adult remains in the room.

American Girl Club

Thursdays at 4 p.m.:

Jan. 9 (Josefina)

Feb. 13 (Marie Grace and Cecile)

Grades 3-5

Come learn about history through the lens of the American Girl line of dolls. Each month we will learn about the history of America by learning about a different historical character. We will have crafts, games, snacks and more! Participants are welcome to bring a doll, but it is not required.

Snow Much Fun

Tuesday, Jan. 14 at 4:30 p.m.

Join us for fun snowman games and crafts!

Lego Club

Tuesdays, Jan. 21, Feb. 18

at 4:30 p.m.

Join us for an evening of building. Participants can choose from a variety of challenges to inspire their Lego creations.

S.T.E.A.M.

Tuesdays at 4:30 p.m.:

Jan. 28 - Snow-themed

Feb. 25 - House of Cards

Grades 1-5

Future engineers join us for fun STEAM activities. All supplies will be provided; just bring your imagination. Register multiple children separately.

President's Day Book, Snack & Craft

Tuesday, Feb. 11 at 4:30 p.m.

Grades 1-5

Join us to learn more about George Washington, and Abraham Lincoln. Supplies are provided.

Sunday Family Movies

Every Sunday at 2 p.m.

Popcorn is served.

This is a family program for children under 18 with their caregivers. Registration is not required.

January

- 5: Anastasia
- 12: Artic Dogs
- 19: Smallfoot
- 26: Balto

February

- 2: Ant Bully
- 9: The Adventures of Tintin

New Program!

Latin Club at the Library

Thursday, January 23 at 4:30 p.m.

Grades 3-8

The Crown Point highschool Latin Club members invite you to join them at the Library to learn about the Latin language. The first session will meet in Meeting Room 1, registration is not required.

TEENS

GRADES 6-12

Dungeons & Dragons Club

Wednesdays, Jan. 15, Feb. 12

at 3:30 p.m.

Learn about the game where you can make up characters, lead them through adventures and save the day.

Latin Club (Grades 6-8)

Thursday, Jan. 23 at 4:30 p.m.

Learn about the Latin language. Members from the CPHS Latin Club will help introduce this interesting language to young learners. This month's session will take place in Meeting Room 2 on the first floor of the library.



CROWN POINT

Adult Programs - Ages 18+

Scan the QR code to
view event calendar
and register for an event!

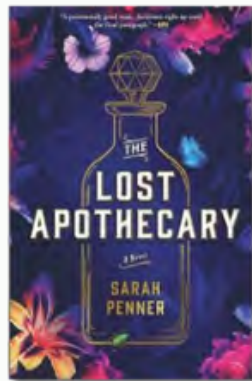
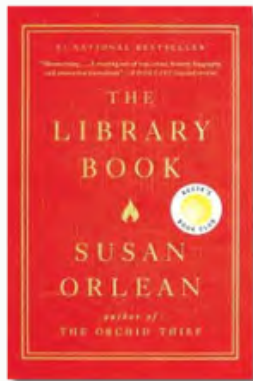
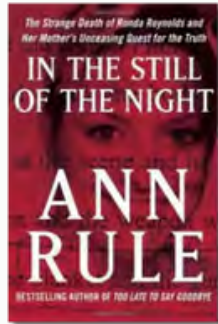


BOOK DISCUSSIONS

Books are available at the Circulation Desk.
For more information call Erika at (219) 306-4597.

True Crime BOOK CLUB

Monday, Jan. 27
at 6 p.m.
Crown Point Library



EVENING BOOK GROUP - CROWN POINT LIBRARY

2nd Thursday | 6 - 7:30 p.m.

January 9: *The Library Book* by Susan Orlean
February 13: *The Diamond Eye* by Kate Quinn
March 13: *The Nature of Fragile Things* by Susan Meissner
April 10: *Notes on an Execution* by Dayna Kukafka
May 8: *The House of Eve* by Sadeqa Johnson
June 12: *Becoming Mrs. Lewis* by Patti Callahan

3RD MONDAY AT 1 - CROWN POINT LIBRARY

3rd Monday | 1 - 2:30 p.m.

January 20: *The Lost Apothecary* by Sarah Penner
February 17: *The Stationery Shop* by Marjan Kamali
March 17: *Lessons in Chemistry* by Bonnie Garmus
April 21: *The Collected Regrets of Clover* by Mikki Brammer
May 19: *Tom Lake* by Ann Patchett
June 16: *The Four Winds* by Kristin Hannah

ONGOING MONTHLY ACTIVITIES

Registration not required

Bunco group

First Friday of every month at 1 p.m.

Undercover Quilters

Tuesdays, Jan. 14, 28 at 9 a.m.

Crochet

Mondays at 9 a.m.

Hand and Foot Card Club

Wednesdays from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Wednesday Afternoon Knitters

Wednesdays at 12:30 p.m.

Mahjong

Thursdays at 1 p.m.

Mahjong Instruction

First Monday at 1 p.m.

Movies at the Library

Movies are offered at the Crown Point location. They are intended for an adult audience. Registration is not required. Popcorn will be served. Call the library for title and rating information.

- Monday Movie Matinee

Monday, January 13 at 1:30 p.m.

- Foreign Film Movement

Wednesday, January 15 at 6 p.m.



Registration is required unless noted.

REGISTRATION OPENS two weeks prior to the event.

Red Cross Blood Drive

Thursday, Jan. 9 from 12 - 6 p.m.

To register, contact the Red Cross at 1-800-REDCROSS or www.redcrossblood.org and enter sponsor code CPCL.

Decoupage Candle Craft

Monday, Jan. 13 at 2 p.m.

Create an elegant decoupage candle during this easy craft.

Paper Quilling with LCSWM

Tuesday, Jan. 14 at 2 p.m.

Join the staff of the ReUz Room to learn quilling, a paper craft, using recycled book pages. Supplies provided.

Card Making

Tuesdays, Jan. 21, Feb. 18 at 10 a.m. OR 1 p.m.

Thursdays, Jan. 23, Feb. 20 at 5:30 p.m.

Registration is required and a supply fee of \$7 is payable to the instructor during class.

Vision Board Craft

Wednesday, Jan. 22 at 2 p.m.

Join us to set goals for the new year, and create a vision board to help keep your motivation going! Supplies provided.

Self-Care DIY: Balms

Monday, Jan. 27 at 6 p.m.

Learn how to make lip and hand balms. Supplies provided.

Introduction to AI

Monday, Jan. 27 at 2 p.m.

Join IUN's Center for Urban and Regional Excellence (CURE) for an introduction to the basic ideas around artificial intelligence. This program is intended for adults 60+ and is offered through AARP's Senior Planet licensing program. **To register, call (219) 980-6907 or visit go.iu.edu/3AVG**

Super Snacks for the Super Bowl

Charlie Cart Program

Wednesday, Feb. 5 at 2 p.m. OR 6 p.m.

Join us for a hands-on food program where we will prepare and sample some snack ideas for the weekend's big game!

Valentine's Day Craft

Wednesday, Feb. 12 at 2 p.m.

Get in the Valentine's Day spirit by crafting a heart garland with us. Supplies provided.

Civil War Roundtable

Sunday, Feb. 16 at 2 p.m.

Join speaker Chuck Rebesco to learn about "The Gallant 14th."

Celebrating Excellence

In November 2024, the Crown Point Community Library received the prestigious 2024 Collaboration Award from the Indiana Library Federation (ILF) during its Annual Conference. This award celebrates exceptional partnerships by organizations, individuals, or libraries that enhance library services at the community, regional, or state level.

Additionally, the Library proudly announces that Crown Point Community Library, Julie Wendorf has been elected as the 2025 President of the Indiana Library Federation (ILF). This esteemed leadership role highlights her dedication to library services and her commitment to advancing the impact of libraries within the State of Indiana.



Pictured from left: Cindy Baumeister (Winfield Branch Manager), Jacob Davis (IT Specialist), Erika Wagner (Outreach and Adult Programming Librarian), and Julie Wendorf (Library Director).

WINFIELD BRANCH Youth Programs

Scan the QR code to
view event calendar!



Storytime at the Library!

Enjoy stories, songs, and engaging activities for children and their caregivers! Storytime lasts about 30 minutes. Registration is not required, but space is limited.

Book Babies (Ages 0-24 months)

Every Tuesday at 10:30 a.m.

Little Listeners (Ages 3-5 years)

Every Thursday at 10:30 a.m.

Read To A Dog!

Jan. 4, Feb. 1 at 11 a.m.

All ages are invited to read to a Power Paws dog!

Registration is required unless noted.

REGISTRATION OPENS two weeks prior to the event.

SCHOOL AGE

GRADES K-5

We Want Snow!

Thursday, January 9 at 5 p.m.

Make your own fake snow and create snow-themed crafts in a fun, hands-on experience.

Winter Wonderland with Legos

Saturday, January 11 at 12 p.m.

Bundle up your creativity and join us for a frosty LEGO adventure!

All things Winter in ASL

Thursday, January 16 at 5 p.m.

This is a fun interactive program where kids will learn American Sign Language signs related to the winter season.

Game Night

Thursday, January 23 at 5 p.m.

Gather your friends or come meet some new friends for a fun-filled evening of classic board games.

Chopstick Challenge

Thursday, February 6 at 5 p.m.

Celebrate National Chopstick Day with a fun and tasty adventure! Supplies for crafts and activities are provided.

For the Love of Legos

Thursday, February 13 at 5 p.m.

Create Lego masterpieces inspired by hearts, friendships, and everything we love. Legos provided.

Yeti to Party

Thursday, February 20 at 5 p.m.

Yeti to Party is a fun and frosty program featuring all things Yeti! Supplies for crafts and activities are provided.

Groundhog Day Fun!

Saturday, February 22 at 12 p.m.

Will the groundhog see his shadow? Join us for some fun as we celebrate this quirky tradition. Supplies for crafts and activities are provided.

Love in ASL

Saturday, February 25 at 12 p.m.

Join us to learn American Sign Language.

International Polar Bear Day

Thursday, February 27 at 5 p.m.

Discover fascinating facts about polar bears, their icy habitats, and the challenges they face in a warming world. Supplies for crafts and activities are provided.

Registration is required unless noted.

REGISTRATION OPENS two weeks prior to the event.

TEENS

GRADES 6-12

Geode Bath Bombs

Tuesday, Jan. 21 at 5 p.m.

Make fizzing geode bath bombs. Supplies are provided.

Teen Mardi Gras Party

Tuesday, Feb 18 at 5 p.m.

Come by with your friends and celebrate Mardi Gras. We will be making Mardi Gras Masks and Mini King Cakes. Supplies provided.

*Get Your Craft On
at the Library!*



Explore your creative side and learn something new at the library! Our adult creative programs offer a wide variety of opportunities to try new techniques, discover fresh ideas, and hone your skills in a supportive environment. Whether you're an experienced artist or a complete beginner, there's something for everyone. Join us for hands-on workshops, engaging demonstrations, and fun projects designed to inspire creativity and connect with fellow enthusiasts. All materials are provided, and participation is free!

ADULTS

AGES 18+

Book Group

Meeting on the 2nd Tuesday of the month at 1 p.m. Books are available at the front desk.

- **January 14:** *The First Ladies* by Marie Benedict and Victoria Christopher Murray
- **February 11:** *The Four Winds* by Kristin Hannah
- **March 11:** *The Measure* by Nikki Erlick
- **April 8:** *The Stationery Shop* by Marjan Kamali
- **May 13:** *The Rose Code* by Kate Quinn
- **June 10:** *The Collected Regrets of Clover* by Mikki Brammer



Registration required for these adult programs.

Self-Care DIY: Balms

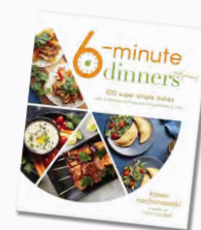
Tuesday, January 7 at 5 p.m.

Learn how to make lip and hand balms. Supplies are provided.

Cookbook Club

Tuesday, January 14 at 5 p.m.

We will create and sample a recipe from one of the cookbooks in our collection.



Safer Cleaning Solutions

Tuesday, January 21 at 1 p.m.

Join us to discuss healthier cleaning solutions and make a bottle of earth-friendly cleaner. Supplies are provided.

Card Making Class

Thursday, January 23 at 1 p.m.

Registration is required and a supply fee of \$7 is payable to the instructor at the time of class.

Self-Care DIY: Bath Teas and Bombs

Saturday, January 25 at 11 a.m.

Learn to make luxurious bath materials. Supplies are provided.

Paper Lanterns

Tuesday, February 4 at 5 p.m.

Let's celebrate the Lunar New Year together with a craft! Supplies are provided.

Book drops are open

As we approach the winter months, don't forget to use the outdoor book returns, available 24/7 at both locations. The Main Library has a drive-up book return located on Robinson Court; the Winfield Branch outdoor book return is located on the front side of the building.



LIBRARY MEETINGS

Friends of the Library

February 11 at 10 a.m.

Board of Trustee

Monday, Jan. 27 at 5 p.m. - Public Welcome!



Crown Point Community
LIBRARY

Main Library

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

Winfield Branch

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

www.crownpointlibrary.org

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TAX AIDE

Free Income Tax Preparation

**Appointments will be taken
starting on
Monday, January 13, 2025 at 9 a.m.**



To make an appointment:
Call (219) 663-0270 or
visit the front desk at the
Crown Point Library only.

TAX PREP APPOINTMENT DAYS:
Tuesdays & Fridays from 9-12 p.m. beginning
February 4 - April 15
Meeting Room 1 - Crown Point Library

**Tax Preparation is available
APPOINTMENT ONLY.
No walk-ins allowed.**

SAVE THE DATE

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APRIL 4-6, 2025

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