

CROWN POINT COMMUNITY

# LIBRARY

JANUARY 2026  
PROGRAM GUIDE





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## HOW TO REGISTER FOR A PROGRAM OFFERED AT THE LIBRARY

 Online: Visit [crownpointlibrary.org](http://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



**DOLLY PARTON'S  
IMAGINATION LIBRARY  
IS AVAILABLE  
COUNTY-WIDE IN  
LAKE COUNTY, INDIANA!**


Dolly Parton's Imagination Library is dedicated to inspiring a love of reading by gifting books free of charge to children from birth to age five, through funding shared by Dolly Parton and local community partners. **Our local funding partner is the Crown Point Rotary Club.**

**What is it?**  
Dolly Parton's Imagination Library is a 60 volume set of books beginning with the children's classic, The Little Engine That Could. Each month a new, carefully selected book will be mailed in your child's name directly to your home. Best of all, it is a FREE gift!

**Who is eligible?**  
Preschool children, ages birth until their 5th birthday, who are residents of Lake County, Indiana.

**Enroll your child today!**  
Official registration forms are available at both library locations. Completed forms can be dropped off at the library. Books will begin to arrive 8-10 weeks after your registration form has been received.

**If you have any questions, email Julie Wendorf at [jwendorf@crownpointlibrary.org](mailto:jwendorf@crownpointlibrary.org)**



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# CROWN POINT LIBRARY **PARENT BOOK CLUB**

2026 TITLES  
QUARTERLY | MONDAY | 6 P.M.  
AT THE CROWN POINT LIBRARY

Our quarterly **Parent Book Club** is designed to engage entire families while providing parents with valuable resources for supporting their children's mental health and development.

### What makes this book club special?

- Family-friendly format with childcare built in
- Carefully selected books focusing on child development and mental health
- Quarterly meetings that fit busy schedules
- Free book lending (20 copies available per selection)
- Connection with like-minded parents in our community

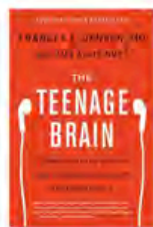
**Monday, March 9 at 6 p.m. | Meeting Rms 2 & 3**  
***Bringing Up Bébé* by Pamela Druckerman**

*Pick up your copy starting February 9 at the front desk!*

*Bringing Up Bébé* by Pamela Druckerman explores French parenting techniques, contrasting them with American methods, and highlights how French children learn to sleep through the night, eat diverse foods, and develop self-control through a framework of firm but flexible boundaries, encouraging independence, and allowing parents to maintain their own lives.



**Bring the whole family:** While parents talk, little ones (ages 0–5) can enjoy toys and coloring in the same room, and children ages 6–12 can take part in activities in the adjacent meeting room.



### Mark Your Calendar:

- **June 15:** *There's No Such Thing as Bad Weather* by Linda Akeson McGurk
- **September 14:** *The Teenage Brain* by Frances E. Jensen & Amy Ellis Nutt

***Sponsored by the Crown Point Rotary Club as part of its support of community mental health programming in partnership with the Crown Point Community Library***





**Crown Point Community Library**  
**WINTER READING PROGRAM**

**January 1 - February 28, 2026**  **All Ages**

**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.
- Follow the instructions in each BINGO box and mark them off as you complete them.
- Check in once a week with one or more BINGO boxes marked off to play the Plinko game and win a prize.
- A full BINGO earns a raffle ticket for our grand prize raffle. Earn a bingo by filling in a row vertically, horizontally, or diagonally. Limit one entry per person, per week.
- Grand prize drawings will take place in the first week of March.

**GRAND PRIZES:**

**Children/teens:**

- Deluxe Art Set
- Bellaboo's Play Pass
- Squishmallow Bluey
- Mini Karaoke Machine
- Dog Squishmallow Bundle
- Little Tykes Dream Projector
- Kindle Fire 7 Kids Tablet (Ages 3-7)
- Kindle Fire 8 Pro Kids Tablet (Ages 6-12)
- Kindle Fire 8 HD (Ages 12+)
- Pokemon Bundle
- Laser Tag

**Adults:**

- Kindle Fire Tablets (2)

Kick off Winter Reading and celebrate the season

# Winter Open House

**Saturday, January 3**  
**10 a.m. - 2 p.m.**  
**Crown Point Library**

- **Activities & Crafts**
- **Hot Cocoa Bar**
- **Photo Op**
- **Sign up for Winter Reading**

**Fun for all ages!**  
**Free - No Registration**



## 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.

Be sure to take photos of you enjoying the Storywalk® and share them with us on Facebook @CrownPointLibrary!



**Crown Point Library**

**Randolph Park –  
Winfield**



# CROWN POINT

## Adult Programs - Ages 18+

Registration required unless noted.

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### ONGOING MONTHLY ACTIVITIES

*Registration not required*

#### Undercover Quilters

Tuesdays, Jan. 13, 27, Feb. 10 & 24 • 9 a.m.

#### Hooked on Crochet

Mondays • 9 a.m.

#### Wednesday Afternoon Knitters

Wednesdays • 12:30 p.m.

#### Mah Jongg (American) Instruction

First Monday of the month • 1 p.m.

#### Mah Jongg (American) Open Play

Thursdays • 1 p.m.

#### Bunco

Friday, Jan. 2, Feb. 6 • 1 p.m.

### New Program!

#### Point in Time: A History Series

Join Indiana Room Specialist Jeanene for this new monthly program exploring and discussing local history. Topics will vary every month, focusing on Crown Point, Lake County, Northwest Indiana, or the Hoosier State.

- History of the Crown Point Community Library - Thursday, January 15 • 6 p.m.

- Marriage Mill Era in Crown Point - Thursday, February 19 • 6 p.m. -

### ADULT CRAFTING

#### Card Making Class

Tuesdays, January 20 • 10 a.m. OR 1 p.m.

Thursday, Jan. 22 • 5:30 p.m.

Create multiple paper crafting projects. Registration required; \$7 supply fee payable to instructor.

#### Winter Sign - Wednesday, January 14 • 2 p.m.

Create a decorative winter sign. Registration required; opens December 29.

#### Block Printed Tea Towels - Monday, January 26 • 6 p.m.

Create hand-stamped tea towels using DIY printing techniques. Adults only. Registration required; opens January 12.

#### Puzzle Picture Frame - Wednesday, January 28 • 2 p.m.

Create a picture frame using puzzle pieces. Registration required; opens January 5.

#### All-Ability Crafting - Friday, February 20 • 2 p.m.

Inclusive craft program painting mini birdhouses. Registration required; opens February 2.

#### Woven Landscape Wall Hanging - Monday, February 23 • 6 p.m.

Create a fiber art landscape using yarn and texture. Adults only. Registration required; opens February 2.





### Civil War Roundtable

• **Sunday, January 11 • 2 p.m.**

"Leading the Way—Preserving the Gettysburg Battlefield" with Chuck Rebesco.

• **Sunday, February 8 • 2 p.m.**

Discussion of the Army of Northern Virginia at Gettysburg with Tom Rock.

### C.U.R.E./Senior Planet Programs

• **Staying Civically Informed Online**

Tuesday, January 13 • 2 p.m.

Learn to find elected officials, track legislation, and share your views online.

• **Technology for Aging in Place**

Tuesday, February 10 • 2 p.m.

Learn how smart technology can support independence, health, and safety.

### Winter Sowing (Purdue Extension)

**Wednesday, January 14 • 2 p.m.**

Learn how to start seeds outdoors during winter. Registration required; opens December 29.

### Unwind: A Sound Bath Experience

**Sunday, January 18 • 2 p.m.**

A relaxing, meditative experience using crystal singing bowls. Adults only. Registration required; opens January 5.

### Winter Yoga

**Sunday, January 25 • 2 p.m.**

Beginner-friendly yoga with instructor Becca. Bring a mat or towel and optional blocks. Registration required; opens January 12.

### Making the Most of Your Non-Perishable Foods

**Monday, January 26 • 2 p.m.**

Learn creative ways to use shelf-stable foods. Registration required; opens January 12.

### Puzzle Swap

**Saturday, February 21 • 10–11 a.m.**

Drop off puzzles February 16–20 and swap for new-to-you puzzles. No registration; while supplies last.

### CPHS Stray Dogs Improv

**Wednesday, February 25 • 6 p.m.**

An interactive look at improvisational theater with Crown Point High School students. Free, all ages. Registration preferred.

### Tea Tasting

**Thursday, February 26 • 2 p.m.**

Learn about tea history, brewing, and sampling. Bring your favorite cup or use one provided. Registration required.

## Author Visit

### Joseph S. Pete

Local author **Joseph Pete** shares stories of historic Indiana places.



**Monday, January 19  
at 6 p.m.**

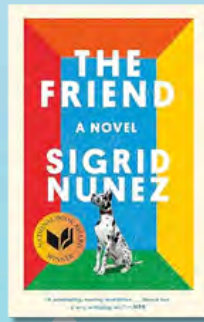
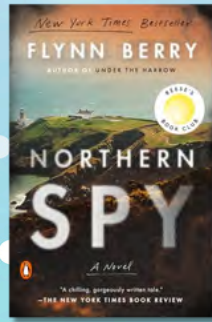
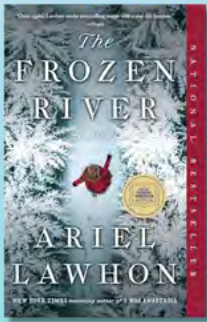
**Crown Point Library**

**Free | Please register**



## BOOK CLUBS

Books are available at the Circulation Desk. New members are always welcome.  
Questions, call Erika (219) 306-4593



### Crown Point Library Clubs

#### Third Monday Book Club • 1 p.m.

- Monday, January 19: The Frozen River by Ariel Lawhon.
- Monday, February 16: Northern Spy by Flynn Berry

#### Evening Book Club • 6 p.m.

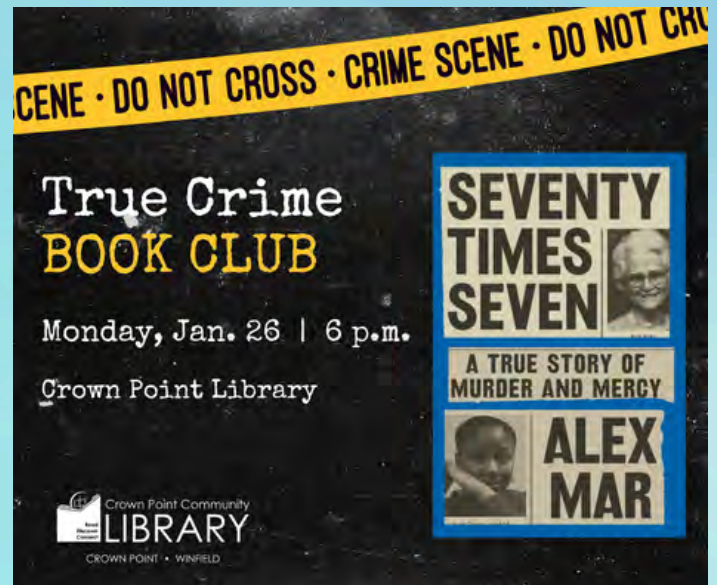
- Thursday, January 8: The Friend by Sigrid Nunez.
- Thursday, February 12: Ordinary Grace by William Kent Krueger

#### True Crime • Quarterly • 6 p.m.

- Monday, January 26: Seventy Times Seven

#### Parent Book Club • Quarterly • 6 p.m.

- Monday, March 9: Bringing Up BeBe by Pamela Druckerman (Books available February 9)



## MOVIE MATINEE

- Movies are held monthly on the third Monday at 1:30 p.m. at the Crown Point Library.
- These film screenings are intended for an adult audience.
- Free to attend • No registration required • Popcorn provided
- For movie titles and rating information, please call the library.



#### True Grit -

Monday, January 12 • 1:30 p.m.

1969 classic starring John Wayne and Glen Campbell. Popcorn served.

#### White Bird -

Monday, February 9 • 1:30 p.m.

Based on the novel by R.J. Palacio.





# Thank You for a Train-Tastic Event!

We extend our sincere thanks to the members of Roundtoit Train Club, CP Train Stop, Illiana Garden Railway Society, Crown Point High School Train Club, and Tyler's Tenders for bringing their fascinating and beautifully detailed train displays to the Crown Point Community Library. Their time, talent, and enthusiasm created a memorable experience for visitors of all ages and inspired curiosity, learning, and a shared love of model railroading. We are grateful for their generosity and community spirit, which helped make this annual event such a success.



## All aboard for learning!

With guidance from James Kennedy (Roundtoit Train Club), young members of the Illiana Garden Railway Society are hard at work building multiple train layouts—and sharing what they've learned with curious visitors. This hands-on collaboration offers a wonderful educational experience for everyone involved.



**Future conductors in the making!** Young train enthusiasts get an up-close look at the detailed model trains in action.



Visit the Children's Library on the second floor to see the model train on display through January! Kids can press the button to make the train move and whistle—a delightful experience for the whole family. (Courtesy of the Roundtoit Train Club)



Lucy (center) was our lucky winner of the Lionel Polar Express train and track extension kit, generously donated by Brian Speers (right, CP Train Stop) and Mike Thompson. With a little help from Frankie, Lucy happily showed off the train and shared the exciting news with Julie Wendorf, Library Director (left)—she plans to gift the train to her brother, Spencer, for Christmas.



# CROWN POINT Youth Programs

Registration required unless noted.

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



## ALL AGES

### Greyt Readers

Saturdays, January 3 & February 7 • 10 a.m.  
All ages. Children read aloud to calm, retired greyhounds in a relaxed, judgment-free environment. A great confidence builder for young readers. No registration required.

### Drop-In Crafts

Monday, January 19 • 9:30–11:30 a.m.  
All ages. School's out—get crafty! Drop in anytime for a variety of crafts. Small children must have an adult present. Supplies available while they last.

### Snowcone Party

Saturday, February 7 • from 10:30–12 p.m.  
All Ages. Enjoy icy treats, snowy crafts and activities, and watch a movie to celebrate the midway point of our Winter Reading Event. Young children must be accompanied by an adult. Supplies available while they last.

### Cabin Fever Cure

Monday, February 16 • 11 a.m.  
All ages. Games, crafts, and fun to beat the winter blues in meeting rooms 1 & 2. Registration required; opens two weeks prior.

### Sunday Family Movies

Sundays • 2 p.m. • Youth Program Room  
Enjoy a movie with popcorn!  
No registration required.

- **January:** 4–Frozen 2; 11–Abominable; 18–Arctic Dogs; 25–Bad Guys 2
- **February:** 1–Smallfoot; 8–Gabby's Dollhouse; 15–Igor; 22–Snow White

## STORYTIME PROGRAMS

Enjoy stories, songs, and engaging activities for children and their caregivers! Storytime lasts about 30 minutes. Registration is not required, but space is limited. *\*There is no storytime the week of New Years.*

**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.

## PRESCHOOL

### Toddler Sensory Play & Art

**Monday, February 2 • 10 a.m.**  
Ages 1–3. Sensory play and art activities for toddlers and caregivers. Dress to get messy. Supplies may be limited. No registration required.

### Babies 1-2-3 Sing With Me

**Fridays, January 9 & 23 and February 6 & 20 • 10 a.m.**  
Ages 3 and under. Music, movement, singing, and instruments. Registration required.

### Preschool Sing & Play

**Fridays, January 9 & 23 and February 6 & 20 • 11 a.m.**  
Ages 3–5. Songs, movement, and instrument play. Registration required.

### Sensory Play

**Friday, January 16 • 10 a.m.**  
Ages 3–5. Hands-on sensory exploration. Allergens may be present. Adult accompaniment required. No registration required.

### Preschool Cook and a Book

**Tuesday, January 20 & Tuesday, February 24 • 1 p.m.**  
Ages 3–5. Storytime followed by a themed snack-making activity. Registration required.

### Discover & Explore

**Monday, January 12 • 10 a.m.**  
Ages 1–3 with caregiver. Explore early science, math, art, and more. No registration required.

### Preschool "Drive-In" Movie

**Monday, February 23 • 10 a.m.**  
Ages 3–5. Decorate a box "car," then enjoy a short movie and popcorn. Registration required.

### Let's Move

**Monday, January 26 & February 9 • 10 a.m.**  
Ages 5 and under. Movement-based activities to get the wiggles out. Space may be limited. No registration required.

### Preschool Winter Crafts

**Friday, January 30 • 10 a.m.**  
Ages 3–5. Make winter-themed crafts. Registration required; opens two weeks prior.

### Music for Little Ones

**Saturday, January 31 • 10 a.m.**  
Ages 5 and under. Singing, dancing, and playing instruments. No registration required.

**If you register for a program and cannot attend, please cancel your registration to make room for another person.**



## **ELEMENTARY - (GRADES K-5 )**

### **Winter Break Chefs**

**Thursday, January 2 • 10:30 a.m.**

Grades K-5. Young chefs create delicious foods in this hands-on culinary program. Registration required.

### **Pokémon Club**

**Tuesdays, January 6 & February 3 • 4:30-5:30 p.m.**

Grades K-5. Trade, battle, and show off Pokémon cards and devices. No registration required.

### **National Sticker Day Celebration**

**Tuesday, January 13 • 4:30 p.m.**

Grades K-5. Celebrate with sticker crafts, scenes, and a reusable sticker book. Registration required.

### **American Girl Club (Note: New day & time!)**

**Wednesday, January 14 & February 11 • 4:30 p.m.**

Grades 3-5. Learn U.S. history through American Girl characters with crafts, games, and snacks. Registration required.

### **Kids Latin Club**

**Thursdays, January 15 & February 12 • 4:30 p.m.**

Grades 3-12. Learn the basics of Latin with help from CPHS Latin Club volunteers. No registration required.

### **Lego Club**

**Tuesday, January 20 • 4:30 p.m.**

Grades K-5. Build with themed challenges using library-provided Legos. Space may be limited. No registration required.

### **Dog Man Party**

**Thursday, January 22 • 4:30 p.m.**

Grades K-5. Games and activities inspired by the Dog Man series. Registration required.

### **Snow Much Fun!**

**Tuesday, January 27 • 4:30 p.m.**

Grades K-5. Stories, games, snacks, and snowman crafts. Registration required.

### **Let's Get Cooking!**

**Thursday, February 5 • 4:30 p.m.**

Grades K-5. Young chefs cook and learn kitchen skills. Registration required.

### **Extraterrestrial Culture Day Celebration**

**Tuesday, February 10 • 4:30 p.m.**

Grades K-5. Space-themed crafts, games, and alien fun. Registration required.

### **Hearts and Crafts**

**Thursday, February 12 • 4:30 p.m.**

Grades K-5. Valentine-themed crafting fun. Registration required.

### **Mysteries of History: Ancient Egypt**

**Wednesday, February 18 • 4:30 p.m.**

Grades K-5. Explore Ancient Egypt through activities and stations inspired by History Smashers: Ancient Egypt. Registration required.

## **TEENS - (GRADES 6-12 )**

### **Teen Art Club**

**Monday, January 5 & Monday, February 2 • 4:30 p.m.**

Grades 6-12. Create guided projects or your own art using provided supplies.

### **Teens With Beads**

**Thursday, January 8 • 4 p.m.**

Grades 6-12. Create with Perler beads, pony beads, and more. Supplies may be limited. No registration required.

### **Hot Chocolate Taste-Test**

**Monday, January 12 • 4:30 p.m.**

Grades 6-12. Sample hot chocolates and discover great YA reads. Registration required.

### **Galentine's Day Party**

**Monday, February 9 • 4:30 p.m.**

Grades 6-12. Celebrate friendship with crafts, snacks, and Valentine-themed fun. Registration required.

### **Will It Waffle?**

**Monday, February 16 • 4:30 p.m.**

Grades 6-12. Test fun recipes to see what really works in a waffle iron. Registration required.

## **New Program!**

### **SUNNY SAPLINGS**

Ages 3-5.

This new program series encourages young learners to get outside, get moving, and connect with nature.

Each month, Sunny Saplings will take place at a different outdoor location in our community.

The first session will be held at

**Sauerman Woods Park**

**Tuesday, February 17 at 1 p.m.**

Registration required; opens February 3

**If you register for a program and cannot attend, please cancel your registration to make room for another person.**



# WINFIELD BRANCH

## Youth Programs

Registration required unless noted.

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### ALL AGES

#### Read to the Dogs

Saturdays, January 3, February 7 • 11 a.m.

All ages. Come read one of your favorite books to a friendly Power Paws dog. No registration required.

### PRESCHOOL

#### Little Listeners

Thursdays • 10:30 a.m. • Ages 3–5

Books, songs, and rhymes designed for preschoolers. Held in the meeting room. Registration required (opens 2 weeks prior). Only one registration is needed per family.

#### Book Babies

Tuesdays • 10:30 a.m. • Ages 0–24 months

Stories, songs, and rhymes for babies, followed by playtime. No registration required, but space is limited.

### ELEMENTARY (GRADES K–5)

#### Kid's Book Club

Thursday, January 8 • 5 p.m.

Grades K–3. A fun, no-pressure book club just for kids. We'll read a picture book together—no reading ahead required—followed by a themed activity or craft.

#### Winter Legos

Thursday, January 15 • 5 p.m.

Grades K–5. Let it snow with LEGO! Kids will build unique snowflakes and winter creations using LEGO bricks. No registration required.

#### ASL Explorers

Saturday, January 17 • 12 p.m.

Grades K–5. Start the new year by learning everyday ASL signs through games and fun, interactive activities.

#### Popcorn STEAM

Monday, January 19 • 1–3 p.m.

Grades K–5. Drop in to celebrate National Popcorn Day with hands-on science, technology, engineering, art, and math activities centered on popcorn.

#### We Want Snow

Thursday, January 22 • 5 p.m.

Grades K–5. Kids will make their own snow and enjoy playful winter activities featuring penguins. Registration required.

#### Penguin Canvas Painting

Thursday, January 29 • 5 p.m.

Grades K–5. Paint a winter penguin on canvas using simple shapes and step-by-step guidance. No experience needed. Registration required.

#### Build-A-Snowball Game Workshop

Thursday, February 5 • 5 p.m.

Grades K–5. Kids and their grown-ups will work together to build a wooden Snowball Toss game to take home. All materials provided. Registration required.

#### Valentine Vibes: A Friendship Celebration

Thursday, February 12 • 5 p.m.

Grades K–5. Celebrate Valentine's Day with crafts, games, messy science, and activities focused on kindness and friendship.

#### For the Love of LEGOS

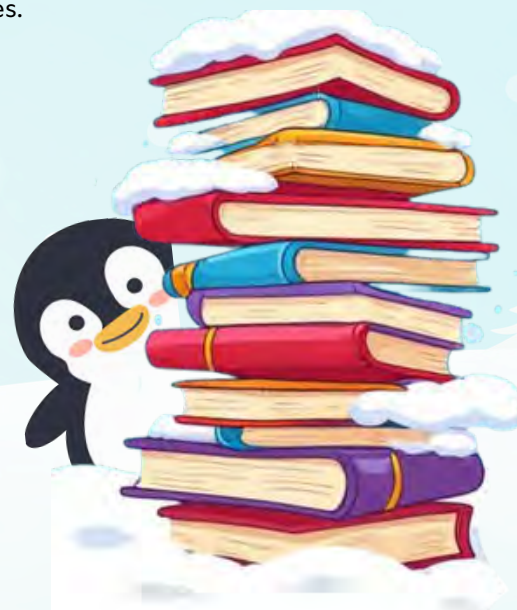
Thursday, February 19 • 5 p.m.

Grades K–5. An open-ended LEGO building program where creativity is the only rule. Build anything you can imagine.

#### Penny Power

Thursday, February 26 • 5 p.m.

Grades K–5. Explore all the big things a little penny can do through games, experiments, and hands-on STEM challenges.



If you register for a program and cannot attend, please cancel your registration to make room for another person.

## ADULT PROGRAMS (AGES 18+)

### Card Making Class

**Thursday, Jan. • 1 p.m.**

Create multiple paper crafting projects. Registration required; \$7 supply fee payable to instructor. Registration required.

### Block Printed Tea Towels

**Tuesday, January 6 • 5 p.m.**

Transform plain cotton tea towels into hand-stamped works of art using easy DIY stamping techniques. Registration required; opens December 22.

### Perler Bead Orchids

**Friday, January 9 • 12 p.m.**

Create a three-dimensional Perler Bead orchid in this beginner-friendly, guided adult craft program. All materials, patterns, and instructions are provided. Registration required; opens December 22.

### Record Upcycling

**Saturday, January 10 • 11 a.m.**

Give old records a brand-new spin by turning them into stylish and functional crafts. Registration required; opens December 22.

### Flower Wax Lanterns

**Tuesday, February 3 • 5 p.m.**

Design a glowing pressed-flower lantern using dried flowers, wax paper, and basket reeds. All materials provided; no experience needed. Registration required; opens January 19.

### Chocolate Truffle Making

**Saturday, February 14 • 11 a.m.**

Celebrate Valentine's Day by making chocolate truffles from start to finish while learning simple shaping and finishing techniques. Registration required; opens January 26.

### Woven Landscape Wall Hanging

**Friday, February 20 • 12 p.m.**

Create a small woven landscape using assorted yarns while exploring color, texture, and form. All supplies provided; no weaving experience required. Registration required; opens February 2.

### Mahjong - Wednesdays • 1 p.m.

Discover the simplicity and fun of Mahjong. Whether you are new to the game or looking to try a variation, stop by to play, connect, and enjoy the fun! Registration not required.

- Cantonese version - 1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday
- American version - 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesday

### Unwind: A Sound Bath Experience

**Tuesday, January 20 • 5 p.m.**

Enjoy a deeply restorative meditative experience using crystal singing bowls, chimes, and harmonic instruments to promote relaxation and renewal. Intended for adults.

### Tea Tasting

**Friday, January 30 • 2 p.m.**

Warm up with a hands-on tea tasting experience. Learn tea history, brewing techniques, and sample several varieties. Bring your favorite teacup or use one provided. Registration required.



## WINFIELD BRANCH BOOK CLUBS

### Monthly Book Group

2nd Tuesday • 1 - 2:30 p.m.

- January 13: *The Seven Husbands of Evelyn Hugo* by Taylor Jenkins Reid
- February 10: *The One Hundred Years of Lenni and Margot* by Marianne Cronin

### Cookbook Club

Tuesday, January 27 • 5 p.m.

Sample a recipe from one of the library's cookbooks through a demonstration and hands-on cooking experience. Registration required; opens Monday, January 12.



# 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.

## Indiana Room Raffle — Hand-Painted Polish Tea Set

Support the Crown Point Library's Indiana Room by participating in a special raffle featuring a beautiful, hand-painted tea set from Poland.

The set—complete with a teapot, serving tray, and two cups and saucers—was generously gifted to Indiana Room Specialist Jeanene by an individual she assisted with an intensive international genealogy search. After other avenues, including the International Red Cross, were unsuccessful, Jeanene was able to locate the person abroad and reunite the family with long-sought information.

Raffle tickets are \$1 each or six for \$5 and may be purchased at the front desk at the Crown Point location from January through February 9. All proceeds benefit the Indiana Room. The winning ticket will be drawn on February 10.

Stop by, enter to win, and help support local history and genealogy research at your library.



**Tickets: \$1 each or 6 for \$5**

**The winner will be drawn on February 10**

You can purchase tickets at the Crown Point Library.

Cash or checks made payable to  
"Friends of CPCL" are accepted.

## Friends of the Crown Point Library 2026 MEMBERSHIP FORM

☐ **New Member**      ☐ **Renew my membership**

☐ **\$15 Adult Single**

☐ **\$25 Adult Family (2 members)**

☐ **\$150 New Lifetime**

**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, contact me to volunteer at an event

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**FRIENDS OF THE CROWN POINT LIBRARY**

122 N. Main Street, Crown Point, IN 46307

cpclfriends@gmail.com

(219) 663-0270

[www.crownpointlibrary.org/library-friends](http://www.crownpointlibrary.org/library-friends)



## Free Income Tax Preparation

### APPOINTMENT DAYS:

**Tuesdays & Fridays from 9-12 p.m.**

**beginning February 3 - April 14**

Meeting Room 1 - Crown Point Library

**Appointments will be taken starting on Monday, January 12, 2026**

**Call (219) 663-0270 or in-person at the Crown Point location.**

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

### MEETING ROOM RATE UPDATE

The Crown Point Community Library offers meeting room space at both locations for local groups, businesses, and community members. To continue providing high-quality facilities and services, updated meeting room rates will take effect immediately for reservations in 2026.

#### New Rates (Effective Jan. 1, 2026):

- Not-for-Profit Organizations: No charge (proof of status may be required).
- For-Profit Organizations/Businesses/HOA/POA: \$40 an hour, per room.
- Private Events: \$40 an hour, per room.
- Cleaning Fee: \$50 (if meeting room guidelines are not followed).
- Additional Before/After Hours Use: \$25 an hour (waived for partnership organization programs).
- Payment is due two weeks before the reservation date. Refunds are not issued unless the Library must close or cancel an event; however, credits may be applied to future rentals if the user cancels an event.

To reserve a room, please visit  
<https://crownpointlibrary.org/about/meeting-rooms/>



**American  
Red Cross**

## BLOOD DRIVE at the CROWN POINT LIBRARY

**JAN. 29 | FEB. 19  
12 - 6 P.M.**

To register for a time to donate,  
please call 1-800-REDCROSS or visit [www.redcrossblood.org](http://www.redcrossblood.org)  
and use sponsor code "CPCL."

CROWN POINT HIGH SCHOOL

## THE STRAY DOGS Improv Comedy Club

**Wed., February 25 at 6 p.m.**

**at the Crown Point Library**

Free | All ages welcome



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Crown Point Community Library's Annual

# PRESCHOOL PREVIEW NIGHT

**Monday, February 2 | 5:30 - 7 p.m.**

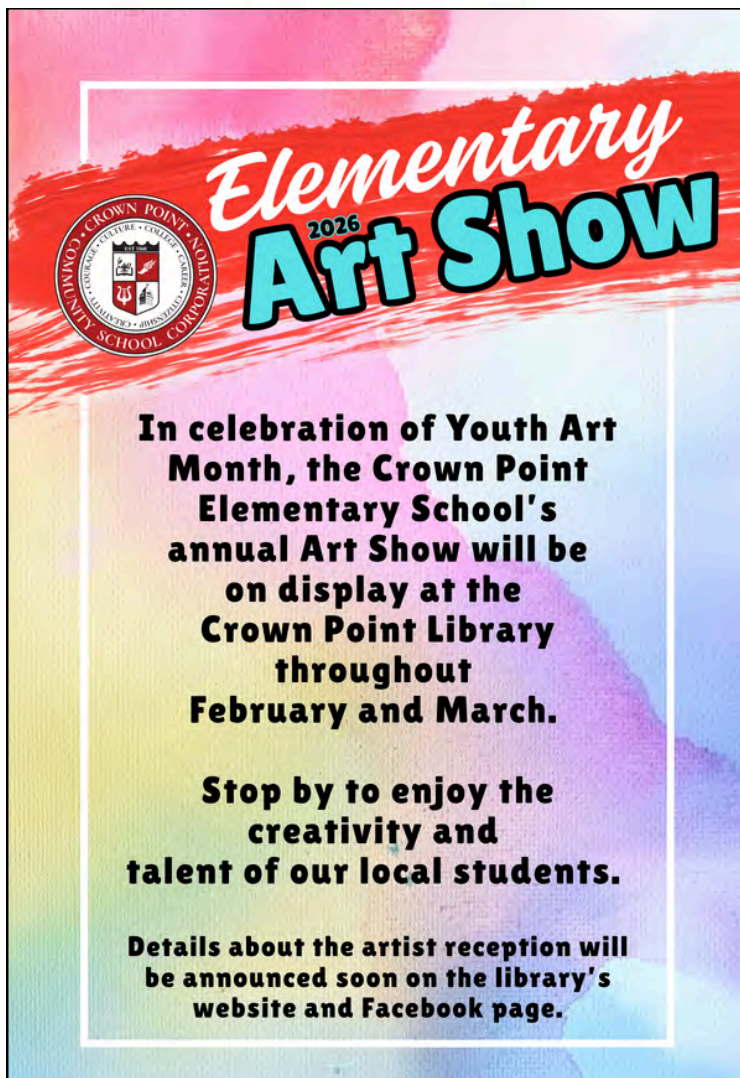
**Crown Point Library Meeting Rooms**



Know someone starting preschool in 2026?

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!**



**Elementary 2026 Art Show**

**In celebration of Youth Art Month, the Crown Point Elementary School's annual Art Show will be on display at the Crown Point Library throughout February and March.**

**Stop by to enjoy the creativity and talent of our local students.**

**Details about the artist reception will be announced soon on the library's website and Facebook page.**

## LIBRARY MEETINGS

### *Board of Trustees*

Monday, January 26 at 5 p.m.

Board Room, 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor, Public Welcome!

### *Friends of the Library*

Tuesday, February 10 - Meeting Room 2

- Annual Meeting at 10 a.m.
- Fundraising Meeting at 11 a.m.

## LIBRARY CLOSINGS

January 1 - New Year's Day

February 13 - Staff In-Service Day



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**LIBRARY**

### Main Library

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### Winfield Branch

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