

CROWN POINT COMMUNITY

LIBRARY

SEPTEMBER 2026
PROGRAM GUIDE



READ DISCOVER CONNECT

HOW TO REGISTER FOR A LIBRARY

Unless noted otherwise:

All events are free and require registration.

- **Family programming:** children under 18 with their caregivers.
- **All Ages programming:** open to 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

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

 **Call the library**
Crown Point:

- 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

LIBRARY MEETINGS

Board of Trustees

Monday, September 28 • 5 p.m. • CP, Board Room
Public Welcome!

Friends of the Library

Tuesday, December 8 • 6 p.m. • CP, Meeting Room 2
New members welcome!

LIBRARY CLOSINGS

September 6 - Labor Day Weekend (Sunday)
September 7 - Labor Day
September 19 - Winfield Branch Closed (Winfield Festival)



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



**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**





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



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



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



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



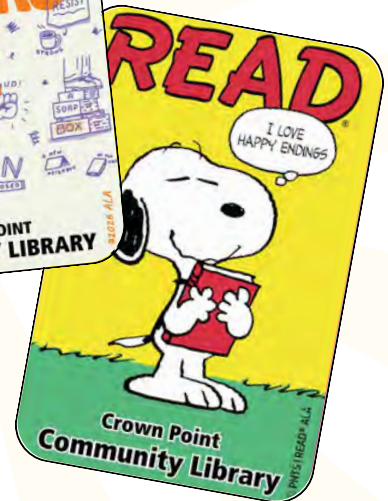
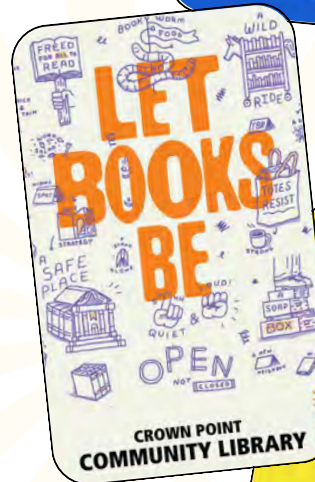
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LIBRARY CARD

SIGN UP MONTH

Special edition library cards!

COMING
SOON



One Card. Endless Possibilities!

Your Crown Point Community Library card opens the door to books, movies, music, digital resources, programs, and so much more.

Whether you're looking for a place to study, a reliable Wi-Fi connection, or simply a quiet moment with a good book, the Library has space for you. Stop in to work, relax, explore, and connect with others.

Whatever you're looking for, your library card can help take you there.

New limited edition library cards coming soon!

The Crown Point Community Library is introducing four new special edition library card designs! Each design celebrates a different part of the Library's story, including our history, the joy of reading, and the ways the Library connects with our community. Don't worry, whether you are signing up for your first card or already have a CPCL card, you can bring it with you during your next visit and exchange it for one of the new designs when they become available.

Library Card Design Contest!

Our celebration doesn't stop there. The Library is inviting community members to help create a future library card through our **Library Card Design Contest**. The contest is open to participants from Kindergarten through adults.

Contest guidelines and entry forms are available at both libraries.

- Contest Deadline: September 30
- Winning Designs Announced: October
- Limited Edition Card Available: January 2027

HOW CAN I GET A LIBRARY CARD?

- Visit the Crown Point Library or Winfield Branch, or apply online.
- Residents of Center or Winfield Townships are eligible for a library card at no charge.
- Reciprocal cards are available to individuals outside our library district at no charge.

DID YOU APPLY FOR A LIBRARY CARD ONLINE?

- If you applied for a library card online, visit the Library to convert your virtual card into a physical card.

ALREADY HAVE A LIBRARY CARD?

- Bring your current library card with you the next time you visit the Library and exchange it for one of our new designs.



SCAN HERE

To apply for a
library card online

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.

Get Involved with the Friends!

Have you ever considered taking a more active role in supporting your library? Now is the perfect time to learn more!

The Friends of the Crown Point Library will hold their **next meeting on Tuesday, September 8, at 6 p.m.** at the Crown Point Library, and everyone is welcome to attend.

The Friends are seeking members interested in serving as officers for 2027. If you've been thinking about becoming more involved with the organization, this is a great opportunity to learn about leadership roles, ask questions, and discover how you can help shape the Friends' future. Elections for the 2027 slate of officers will be held in December.

Whether you're a longtime member or recently joined, we encourage you to attend and see how you can make a difference!

Mark Your Calendar:

National Friends of the Library Week & Membership Drive - October 18–24

Join or renew your Friends membership during October, and you'll be entered to win a Lifetime Membership (a \$150 value)! The lucky winner will be announced on November 2.

Upcoming Friends Fundraising Events

Fall Book Sale - October 22–23

Shop thousands of books, DVDs, puzzles, more—all for \$5 per bag! Volunteers are needed to help at the sale; sign up at the meeting or the front desk at the Crown Point location.

Bunco Night at the Library

November 6 • 6 - 9 p.m.

Tickets go on sale October 1; more information to come.

Leslie Goddard Presents: Marshall Field's at Christmas

December 10 • 6 p.m.

Tickets go on sale November 1; more information to come.

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

Cash, or check payable to Friends of the CP Library

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

How do you prefer to be contacted? Phone/Email

FRIENDS OF THE CROWN POINT LIBRARY

122 N. Main Street, Crown Point, IN 46307

cplfriends@gmail.com

(219) 663-0270

www.crownpointlibrary.org/library-friends





Win A Kindle

During the month of September, every cardholder, at checkout, will receive a ticket (one per visit, per cardholder) for a chance to win a Kid's Edition or Regular Kindle Fire.

Self-checkout patrons can show the receipt at the Circulation Desk to receive their ticket.

The winner will be drawn on Friday, October 2.

The Friends of the Crown Point Library sponsors this free raffle.

Travel

WITH THE FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY

Join us to learn about our Collette tours planned for 2027!

New date! ➔

TRAVEL PRESENTATION

Thursday, September 3 at 6 p.m.

CROWN POINT LIBRARY

FREE MOVIE NIGHTS at BULLDOG PARK

MOVIES START AT **7:30 P.M.**

FRIENDS of the Crown Point Library

Bad Guys 2

Friday, Sept. 4

Bring your chairs/blankets
 No pets, outside food, or beverages
 Concessions are available for purchase

Friends of the Crown Point Library

BOOK SALE!

OCTOBER 22: 9-6 P.M.

9-10 a.m. : Friends Only!

OCTOBER 23: 9-12 P.M.

Crown Point Library

Tickets go on sale November 1st!

Remembering Marshall Fields at Christmas

with historian Leslie Goddard

December 10 at 6 p.m.

at the Crown Point Library

A fundraiser for the Friends of the Crown Point Library

Fundraiser for Early Literacy!

BUNCO!

NIGHT AT THE LIBRARY!

FRIENDS of the Crown Point Library

Tickets go on sale October 1st!

FRIDAY, NOV. 6, 2026

Crown Point Library | 6-8:30 p.m.

\$25 Member | \$30 Non-Member

Includes dinner

CROWN POINT Adult Programs - Ages 18+

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Program requires registration
Registration opens two weeks before the event

R **ADULT CRAFT: BEDAZZLE GLASS JARS**

Wednesday, September 9 • 1 p.m.

Bedazzle a glass jar of your choice. Perfect for a tealight or vase!

R **C.U.R.E. PROGRAM: FACEBOOK BASICS**

Tuesday, August 11 • 2 p.m.

Curious about Facebook but concerned about privacy? Learn how to create a profile or page, explore Facebook Live, understand privacy settings, and discover how advertising works on the platform. Registration is required through August 9. Register by phone at 219-980-6907 or online at go.iu.edu/3AVG (URL is case-sensitive).

R **RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVE**

Thursdays, Sept. 10, Oct. 8 • Noon–6 p.m.

Help save lives by donating blood. Schedule your appointment by contacting the American Red Cross at 1-800-REDCROSS or visit www.redcrossblood.org and enter sponsor code CPCL.

R **NWI CIVIL WAR ROUNDTABLE**

Sunday, September 13 • 2 p.m.

Presentation on coins of the Civil War by Steve Alban.

NATIONAL VOTER REGISTRATION DAY

Tuesday, September 15 • 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Stop by and visit with representatives from The League of Women Voters this National Voter Registration Day!

R **CARD MAKING CLASS**

Tuesday, September 15 • 10 a.m. or 1 p.m.

Thursday, September 17 • 5:30 p.m.

Join fellow paper crafters to create several projects while learning new techniques in a fun, social setting. Please bring your own adhesives, including a tape runner, glue dots, and liquid glue. Morning and afternoon/evening sessions feature the same projects. A \$7 supply fee is payable to the instructor at class. Registration is required and opens Monday, August 3.

Point in Time: A History Series

Bulldogs & Beyond: School Pride & History in Crown Point

Thursday, September 17 at 6 p.m.

Join Indiana Room Specialist Jeanene for a look at the history of our City's school spirit, the history of education in Crown Point, and how we became the Bulldogs. Registration appreciated.

ONGOING MONTHLY ACTIVITIES

Registration not required unless noted

Undercover Quilters

Tuesdays, Sept. 1, 15, 29 • 9 a.m.

Hooked on Crochet

Mondays • 9 a.m.

Wednesday Afternoon Knitters

Wednesdays • 12:30 p.m.

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Mah Jongg (American) Instruction

First Monday of the month • 1 p.m.

(No instruction in September due to the holiday)

Mah Jongg (American) Open Play

Thursdays • 1 p.m.

Bunco

First Friday of the month • 1 p.m.

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Adult Craft: Fall Paper Flower Bouquet

Thursday, September 24 at 1 p.m.

Using fall themed paper cupcake wrappers we will create a colorful fall bouquet to add to your seasonal home decor.

Registration is required and opens September 7. This program is intended for adults.

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Adult Craft: Stenciled Book Edges

Monday, September 28 at 6 p.m.

Using specially designed stencils, patrons will add eye-catching patterns and designs directly onto the page edges creating a hidden masterpiece that reveals itself when the book is closed. The supplies and books will be provided but feel free to bring your own. Registration required and opens September 14. This program is intended for adults.

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Medicare 101

Wednesday, September 30 at 6:15 p.m.

Changes are coming to Medicare in 2027. Attend this FREE educational presentation and get the answers to your Medicare questions.

To register: Call (219) 306-4593 | Online: crownpointlibrary.org/events

CROWN POINT Adult Programs - Ages 18+



**Online
Event
Calendar**

Getting Started with facebook

**In-Person:
Crown Point
Community Library**

**Tuesday,
September 22
2:00 to 3:30 pm**



During this hands-on workshop, you will sign up for Facebook and begin building your profile. You'll also learn how to find friends and will get an introduction to Facebook's privacy settings. If you're ready to join Facebook, then this workshop is for you!

This Senior Planet from AARP class is being offered through the Senior Planet licensing program. It is intended for adults ages 60+.

Registration:

- Deadline: Sept 17
- Phone: 219-980-6907
- Online: go.iu.edu/3AVG



**CENTER FOR URBAN AND
REGIONAL EXCELLENCE**
INDIANA UNIVERSITY
NORTHWEST



SENIOR PLANET
AARP

MONDAY MOVIE MATINEE

Free to attend • No registration required • Popcorn provided

Movies are held monthly on the second Monday at 1:30 p.m. at the Crown Point Library. These film screenings are intended for an adult audience. For movie titles and rating information, please call the library.

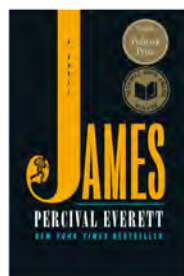


Monday, September 14 • 1:30 p.m.

Extremely Loud and Incredibly Close
2011 film starring Tom Hanks and Sandra Bullock. Based on the book by Jonathan Safran Foer.

BOOK CLUBS - CROWN POINT

The following book discussions are held at the Crown Point Library. Books are available at the Circulation Desk approximately a month before the event date. New members are always welcome. For more information, call (219) 306-4593.



Evening Book Group

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

- September 10: *James* by Percival Everett
- October 8: *The Bright Years* by Sarah Damoff
- November 12: *The Names* by Florence Knapp
- December 10: NO ASSIGNED BOOK
- January 14: *All the Beauty in the World* by Patrick Bringley

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

- September 21: *My Friends* by Fredrik Backman
- October 19: *The Phoenix Pencil Company* by Allison King
- November 16: *The Women* by Kristin Hannah
- December 21: NO ASSIGNED BOOK
- January 18: *The Wedding People* by Alison Espach

True Crime

Mondays, Quarterly | 6 - 7:30 P.M.

- October 26: *If You Tell* by Gregg Olsen

WALKING TOURS OF CROWN POINT

Crown Point, then and now.



Presented by CPCL INDIANA ROOM

*Discover Crown Point's rich history
through guided walking tours of the
Historic Crown Point Square!*

SEPTEMBER 3 AT 6 P.M.

TOURS ARE FREE; DESIGNED FOR ADULTS | REGISTER ONLINE OR CALL (219) 306-4593

To register: Call (219) 306-4593 | Online: crownpointlibrary.org/events

CROWN POINT COMMUNITY LIBRARY AND INDIANA ARTS COMMISSION PRESENT

CREATIVE AGING WORKSHOP

Unearthed

FREE SIX-WEEK CREATIVE PROGRAM

FOR ADULTS 55+

Registration required

Taught by professional artist, Jennifer Weinert

Activities are made possible in part by grant funding received from the Indiana Arts Commission, which receives support from the State of Indiana.



Fridays, September 18- October 23
10 a.m. - 12 p.m.

Session #1 (9/18): Making Connections Through Story

Session #2 (9/25): A Vision Through Prompts

Session #3 (10/2): Harvesting the Elements of Story

Session #4 (10/9): Creating A Narrative

Session #5 (10/16): Building Structure

Session #6 (10/23): The Spoken, Expressive Word



AUTHOR VISIT

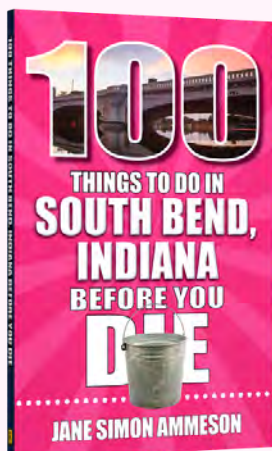
Jane Simon Ammeson

100 Things to Do in South Bend, Indiana Before You Die
Presentation & book signing

Jane is a well-established author who has written sixteen books on a variety of subjects ranging from food and travel to true crime and haunted histories. She has won numerous awards for her writing, including the Bronze Award in the Lowell Thomas Journalism Awards for Best Travel Book and many Mark Twain Awards for her stories of travel and food.

Tuesday, September 29 • 6 p.m.

Crown Point Library | Free | Registration appreciated





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.

MONDAY, SEPT. 14 AT 6 P.M.

Crown Point Library | Meeting Rooms 2 & 3

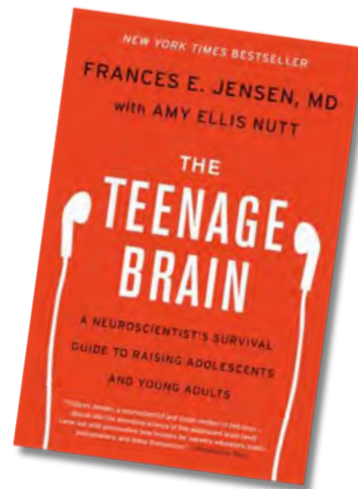
***Teenage Brain* by Francis E. Jensen, MD**

Copies available to check out at the CP Library front desk

A leading neuroscientist explains the biological and neurological changes occurring in the adolescent brain, helping parents understand why teenagers behave the way they do. The book translates complex brain science into practical guidance for navigating the teenage years, covering topics like decision-making, risk-taking, sleep patterns, and emotional regulation from a scientific perspective.

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.



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



TOY EXCHANGE

Save the date for our next toy exchange on Monday, November 9 at 5 p.m. at the Crown Point Library. More details to come!



**Win A
Kindle!**

During the month of September, every cardholder, at checkout, will receive a ticket (one per visit, per cardholder) for a chance to win a Kid's Edition or Regular Kindle Fire.

Self-checkout patrons can show the receipt at the Circulation Desk to receive their ticket.

The winner will be drawn on Friday, October 2. The Friends of the Crown Point Library sponsors this free raffle.

CROWN POINT Youth Programs

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Program requires registration

Registration opens two weeks before the event

ALL AGES

GREYT READERS

Sept. 5, Oct. 3 • 10 a.m.

Every first Saturday of the month, children of all ages are invited to read aloud to calm, retired greyhounds (from the Greyt Readers organization) in a relaxed, judgment-free environment.

SUNDAY FAMILY MOVIES

Sundays • 2 p.m. • Youth Program Room

Enjoy a family movie with popcorn!

- Sept 6 - Closed for Labor Day
- Sept 13 - The Iron Giant
- Sept 20 - The Fox & The Hound 2
- Sept 27 - Strange World

PRESCHOOL - BIRTH TO 5 YEARS

TODDLER TIME

Tuesdays in September and October • 10 a.m. or 11 a.m.

Children ages 2–3 are invited to toddle on over for storytime at the library! Each approximately 30-minute session includes stories and a craft. Siblings are welcome.

PRESCHOOL STORYTIME

Wednesdays, September & October • 10 a.m. or 11 a.m.

Children ages 3–5 are invited to enjoy books, songs, rhymes, and movement during this approximately 30-minute storytime. Siblings are welcome.

- On the second Wednesday of each month, join us at 10 a.m. for Super Storytime in the downstairs library meeting rooms in place of the regular Preschool Storytime. There will be no 11 a.m. session on those days.

BOOK BABIES

Thursdays, September & October* • 9:30 a.m. or 10:30 a.m.

Babies aged 24 months and younger are invited to enjoy books, songs, and rhymes during this special storytime. Siblings are welcome, and playtime follows each session. * (No session on Oct. 29, Toddler Trick or Treat)

BABIES 1-2-3 SING WITH ME

Fridays, September 4 & 18, and October 2 & 30 • 10 a.m.

Children ages 3 and younger are invited to enjoy a program filled with music and movement. Participants will sing, dance, and play instruments.



PRESCHOOL SING & PLAY

Fridays, September 4 & 18, and October 2 & 30 • 11 a.m.

Children ages 3–5 are invited to sing, dance, and play instruments during this energetic music and movement program.

SUPER STORYTIME

2nd Wednesdays • 10 a.m. Theme changes monthly

- September 9 - Mermaids vs. Pirates
- October 14 - Winnie the Pooh Party!

Children ages 6 and younger and their families are invited to a large-scale family storytime in the downstairs library meeting rooms. *This special program takes place instead of the regular Preschool Storytime on the second Wednesday of each month.*

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ANIMALS, ANIMALS, EVERYWHERE!

Friday, September 11 • 10 a.m.

Children ages 3–5 are invited to enjoy a fun animal-themed program featuring activities inspired by some of our favorite storybook animals. Siblings are welcome. Registration is required.

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TURTLE EGG HUNT AT LAKE COUNTY FAIRGROUNDS

Saturday, September 12 • 10 a.m.

Children ages 2–8 are invited to meet at Shelter 3, the large shelter next to the playground, for a turtle egg hunt. Enjoy a story about turtles, make a turtle craft, and search the fairgrounds for hidden turtle eggs. Registration required.

To register: Call (219) 306-8068 | Online: crownpointlibrary.org/events



BABY PLAY AND LEARN

Mondays, September 14 and October 5 • 10 a.m.

Babies and toddlers ages 24 months and younger are invited to play and learn at the library. Each program features a variety of toys and age-appropriate educational, creative, and sensory activities to explore.

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APPLE APPRECIATION

Monday, September 21 • 11 a.m.

Children ages 3–5 are invited to celebrate all things apples with apple-themed crafts and activities. Registration required.

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SUNNY SAPLINGS AT SAUERMAN WOODS

Tuesday, September 22 • 1 p.m.

Children ages 2–5 are invited to enjoy an afternoon of outdoor fun at Sauerman Woods. Meet at the big tree behind the playground for a story, then explore and play along the trail. Dress appropriately and be prepared to get muddy. *Families who register will be notified of any weather-related changes. If the program cannot be held outdoors, it will take place at the library instead.*

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LITTLE PUNKINS PUMPKIN PATCH AND CRAFTS

Monday, October 12 • 10 a.m.

Children ages 2–5 are invited to pick a tiny pumpkin from our pumpkin patch, decorate it, and enjoy pumpkin-themed crafts.

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PRESCHOOL COOK AND A BOOK

Saturday, October 17 • 11 a.m.

Children ages 3–5 are invited to enjoy a special storytime followed by a snack inspired by the story. Participants arriving more than five minutes late may lose their spot.

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PRESCHOOL HALLOWEEN CRAFTS

Monday, October 26 • 10 a.m.

Children ages 3–5 are invited to celebrate the Halloween season by creating simple, spooky crafts.

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TODDLER TRICK OR TREAT

Thursday, October 29 • 10:30 a.m.

Children ages 1–5 are invited to trick-or-treat at the library! Enjoy a short Halloween-themed storytime, decorate a treat bag, and then trick-or-treat throughout the library. Treats will include candy and non-candy surprises. Costumes are encouraged.



**CROWN POINT GARDEN CLUB
present the 2027**

**Smokey Bear & Woodsy Owl
POSTER CONTEST**

Children in grades 3-5 are invited to participate in the poster contest featuring conservation icons Smokey Bear & Woodsy Owl!
Entry forms/guidelines are available at both libraries.

**Starts: September 15
Deadline: October 15
Judging: October 22
Ceremony for winners: November 14**



ELEMENTARY - GRADES K-5

POKÉMON CLUB

Tuesdays, September 1, October 6 • 4:30 p.m.

Calling all Pokémon Trainers! Bring your cards or handheld gaming devices to show, trade, and battle with fellow fans. Younger siblings are welcome with an accompanying adult.

ELEMENTARY STORYTIME: YOUNG HOOSIER BOOKS

Tuesday, September 8 and October 13 • 4:30 p.m.

Children in grades K–5 are invited to enjoy stories featuring books nominated for a Young Hoosier Award, discover similar titles, and complete a fun craft.

KNITTING CLUB

Saturdays, September 12 and October 10 • 11 a.m.

Children in grades 3–6 are invited to enjoy an hour of yarn crafting. No previous experience is necessary. Some yarn, needles, and looms will be provided, but participants are encouraged to bring their own supplies if they would like to take a project home and continue working on it. Straight size 8 knitting needles and worsted-weight yarn are recommended. Those who crochet are welcome to attend, though crochet instruction will not be available.

CROWN POINT Youth Programs



Program requires registration
Registration opens two weeks before the event



Online
Event
Calendar



CARE BEARS: SHARE YOUR CARE DAY
Wednesday, September 9 • 4:30 p.m.

Celebrate kindness by assembling birthday cake kits for the local food bank, participating in a service project, and enjoying fun crafts inspired by *Share Your Care Day*.

Registration required:
Scan the QR code or
visit crownpointlibrary.org/events



Accepting donations now to
help create birthday cake kits!

ITEMS NEEDED:
Cake mix, Sprite, frosting,
sprinkles, birthday candles,
and 9 x 13-inch foil pans
with lids



CHESS CLUB

Saturdays, September 12 and October 10 • 2 p.m.

Children in grades 2–6 are invited to enjoy an hour of chess at the library. This is not an instructional program, but beginners are welcome.

STORIES & CRAFT

Monday, September 14 • 6 p.m.

Enjoy an hour of stories and crafts focused on mindfulness. *This program is held alongside the Parent Book Club, providing an activity for children whose parents are attending the book club next door.*

Participation in the Parent Book Club is not required.

LEGO CLUB

Tuesday, September 15 • 4:30 p.m.

The library provides the LEGO bricks—you bring the imagination! Each month features a different theme.

IMAGINATION STATIONS

Tuesday, September 22 • 4:30 p.m.

Build, write, play, and explore during an afternoon designed to inspire creativity.

LEFTOVER STEM/STEAM

Tuesday, September 29 • 4:30 p.m.

Put your engineering and creativity skills to the test using a variety of leftover STEM/STEAM materials, including straws, pasta, paper plates, and more. See what you can build using your imagination!

FAT BEAR WEEK CELEBRATION

Wednesday, October 7 • 4:30 p.m.

Celebrate Fat Bear Week with stories, crafts, and activities inspired by the famous brown bears of Katmai National Park in Alaska. Learn about the bears as they prepare for winter and cast your vote for your favorite contender.



HALLOWEEN STEAM

Monday, October 12 • 4:30 p.m.

Enjoy a spooky afternoon of Halloween-themed science, technology, engineering, art, and math activities. Potion-making will be involved, so dress to get messy!

TEEN - GRADES 6-12



MAKE YOUR OWN ICE CREAM

Monday, September 21 • 4:30 p.m.

Learn to make your own ice cream using simple ingredients, Ziploc bags, and a little elbow grease. Add your favorite toppings and enjoy a sweet treat!

TEEN ART CLUB: SHRINKY DINKS

Monday, September 28 • 4:30 p.m.

Get creative with Shrinky Dinks! The library will provide the supplies and space—you bring the creativity.

TEEN ART CLUB

Monday, October 5 • 4:30 p.m.

Create, explore, and express yourself through art. The library will provide the supplies and space—you bring the creativity!



TEEN TASTE TEST CHALLENGE

Monday, October 19 • 5 p.m.

Put your taste buds to the test with a series of fun—and sometimes gross—food challenges.

ZOMBIE BARBIE

Monday, October 26 • 4:30 p.m.

Transform Barbies and other dolls into spooky creations for Halloween. Bring your own doll/Barbie to customize, or use one from the library's limited supply. The library will provide the materials needed to bring your zombie creation to life.

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

WINFIELD BRANCH

Youth Programs

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Program requires registration
Registration opens two weeks before the event

ALL AGES

READ TO THE DOGS

Saturdays, September 8 , October 3 • 11 a.m.

Children of all ages are invited to practice their reading skills by sharing a favorite book with a friendly Power Paws therapy dog. No registration.

PRESCHOOL - BIRTH - 5 YEARS

LITTLE LISTENERS

Thursdays • 10:30 a.m.

Children ages 3–5 are invited to enjoy books, songs, and rhymes during this interactive storytime held in the library's meeting room. No registration is required, but space is limited.

BOOK BABIES

Tuesdays • 10:30 a.m.

Babies aged 24 months and younger are invited to enjoy books, songs, rhymes, and playtime following storytime. No registration is required, but space is limited.

ELEMENTARY - GRADES K-5

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APPLE OLYMPICS

Thursday, September 3 • 5 p.m.

Celebrate the start of fall with apple-themed games, STEM challenges, crafts, and friendly competitions. See how many apples you can earn while enjoying an afternoon of seasonal fun.

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PAPER PLAYGROUND

Thursday, September 10 • 5 p.m.

Discover just how much fun a simple sheet of paper can be! Fold, build, design, and create through hands-on games, engineering challenges, crafts, and creative experiments.

LEGO Club

Thursdays, September 17, October 8 • 5 p.m.

This is a LEGO free-build club where you can create anything you can dream up. No registration.

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Melted Ice Cream Art

Thursday, September 24 • 5 p.m.

This is a fun and messy art adventure using melted ice cream as paint to create colorful, one-of-a-kind masterpieces.

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MONSTER ART LAB

Thursday, October 1 • 5 p.m.

Create your own monster masterpieces, from paint-splatter monsters to silly yarn creatures and haunted houses from cardboard. Materials provided.

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THE GREAT LIBRARY BOO BASH

Thursday, October 15 • 5 p.m.

Celebrate Halloween with spooky games, creepy crafts, fun activities, and plenty of Halloween surprises. Costumes are encouraged.

ASL EXPLORERS

Saturday, October 24 • 12 p.m.

Learn Halloween and fall-themed signs through games, activities, and interactive challenges. No registration required.

TEENS - GRADES 6-12

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TEEN OPEN STUDIO

Tuesday, September 8 • 4 p.m.

Explore your creativity with access to a variety of hands-on art and maker activities, including candle making, button design, sticker creation, resin art, screen printing, felting, Gelli printing, leather earrings, and more. Teens can also earn volunteer hours by assisting library staff during the program. No experience is necessary.

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TEEN DUNGEONS & DRAGONS

Tuesday, September 15, October 13 • 4 p.m.

A new adventure begins! Whether you're brand new to Dungeons & Dragons or an experienced player, you're invited to join a new campaign. Pre-made characters are available, so everyone can jump right into the action. No registration.

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TEEN Halloween Mask Making

Friday, October 16 • 3 p.m.

Learn professional fabrication techniques like scoring, cardboard slotting, and multi-layered relief modeling using templates and special tools to create an epic Halloween Mask.



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

WINFIELD BRANCH

Adult Programs 18+



Online
Event
Calendar

MAHJONG (CANTONESE)

Wednesdays • 1 p.m.

Discover the fun and strategy of Cantonese Mahjong, an exciting alternative to the American version. Whether you're new to the game or looking to learn a different style, join us to play, connect, and enjoy an afternoon of friendly competition.

R SHRINK ART JEWELRY

Tuesday, September 1 • 5 p.m.

Using markers and pencils, participants will decorate plastic sheets that will then be shrunk into delicate jewelry pieces. All materials provided.

R PAPER MACHE PUMPKIN (TWO - DAY WORKSHOP)

Friday, Sept. 11 & Saturday, Sept 12 • 12 p.m.

This guided class is for adults. On Friday, participants will learn to sculpt and create paper mache pumpkins, allowing them to dry overnight. On Saturday, you will paint and decorate your pumpkins.



CARD MAKING CLASS

R Thursday, September 17 • 1 p.m.

Create multiple paper crafting projects while learning new techniques in a fun, social setting. A \$7 supply fee is payable to the instructor at class. Registration is required.

Winfield Branch Closed Saturday, September 19

The Winfield Branch will be closed on September 19, but you can find us in the community! Visit the library at the **Winfield Fall Festival at Randolph Park from 12 - 7 p.m.** Stop by and say hello, and celebrate the season with your library!

BOOK CLUBS

The following book discussions are held at the Winfield Branch Library. Books are available at the front desk.



Daytime Group

2nd Tuesday, Monthly | 1 - 2:30 p.m.

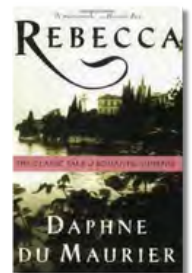
- September 8: *The Wedding People* by Alison Espach
- October 13: *The River Is Waiting* by Wally Lamb
- November 10: *The Women* by Kristin Hannah
- December 8: NO ASSIGNED BOOK
- January 12: *My Friends* by Fredrik Backman

Novel Intrigue Book Club

Tuesday, October 27 • 6 p.m.

Rebecca by Daphne Du Maurier

Where genres shift, plots thicken, and the predictable is forbidden. This is an adult book club designed for anyone who loves the absolute best of storytelling. We are jumping across genres, boundaries, and centuries to explore dark, dynamic plots where high-stakes stories take center stage, and a strand of romance runs subtly through the pages.



R Cookbook Club

Tuesday, September 22 • 5 p.m.

Freeze Fresh Meal Prep

Sample a recipe from one of the library's cookbooks while watching a cooking demonstration, preparing your own dish, and enjoying your culinary creation.



REGISTRATION OPENS 2 WEEKS BEFORE EVENT | (219) 662-4039 | crownpointlibrary.org/events

Local Author Fair

Connect with local and regional authors from a wide range of genres!

Saturday, September 26

10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

CROWN POINT LIBRARY | FREE | ALL AGES

- Chat with authors about their creative process and publishing journey
- Discover new reads and purchase books directly from the authors
- Get books personally signed
- Be inspired by the stories behind the stories

Help Shape Our New Library Website

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Laura Greany, Circulation Clerk at the Crown Point location, has been named a finalist for the **Indiana State Library's Difference is You Award**. The winner will be announced at the Difference is You Support Staff Conference on September 25. Congratulations, Laura!



Dine Out for Your Library at **RADIUS – CROWN POINT**

TUESDAY, SEPT. 15 - 11 A.M. - 9 P.M.

**Enjoy a meal at Radius – Crown Point and help support your local library.
10% of all food purchases will be donated to the Crown Point Library.**

No coupon or special code is needed. Just dine, enjoy, and support your library!
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