

# UNEARTH A STORY™

CROWN POINT  
COMMUNITY LIBRARY



Crown Point Community Library  
**SUMMER READING GUIDE 2026**

Crown Point • Winfield

# LIBRARY SUMMER READING

June 1 - July 31, 2026 • Free for All Ages!

## UNEARTH A STORY™

### HOW IT WORKS

#### KIDS/TEENS:

- Sign up online or at the library and begin logging your minutes on June 1.
- Submit your minutes once a week to show us your progress and get a prize (changes weekly).
- Check-in during the last two weeks to enter the GRAND PRIZE drawings!

#### ADULTS

- Register online or at the library
- Submit a reading log online or at the library for every two books read.
- Participants will be entered into the prize drawing for every reading log submitted.

### READ TO WIN THE SUMMER READING CHAMPIONSHIP TROPHY FOR YOUR SCHOOL!



- Students will put a bead in their school's jar for every hour of reading.
- The school with the most beads by July 31 wins the trophy!
- All public and private schools in the Crown Point Community School District and homeschool students in Grades K-8 are eligible to compete.

### PHOTOGRAPHS/VIDEO RECORDING

- 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.

### HOW TO REGISTER FOR A PROGRAM

**Family programming:** 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

**MOST PROGRAMS REQUIRE REGISTRATION.  
PLEASE CHECK THE ONLINE EVENT CALENDAR.**

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

### READ AND WIN FREE TICKETS FOR THE WHOLE FAMILY!

Check in or submit your reading log the **week of June 29** to receive **FREE** tickets to a Gary Railcats game on August 9!

Adult readers can pick up tickets at the Circulation Desk, children/teens in the Children's Library, and all ages at the Winfield Desk.





# **SUMMER READING KICK-OFF EVENT**

**Thursday, June 11 | 4 - 7 p.m.  
at Bulldog Park**

**Free for all ages | No registration required**



**Adopt A Dinosaur & Fossil Dig**

**Bounce Houses**

**Face Painting**

**Sign up for Summer Reading**

**Get a Library Card**

**Concessions available for purchase  
and more!**

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Crown Point  
**Rotary**



# Storytime IN THE PARK!



In partnership with



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Enjoy books, songs, and fun activities  
at our outdoor storytime events!

Free - Registration not required.

**BULLDOG PARK**  
EVERY WEDNESDAY AT 10 A.M.  
JUNE 4 - JULY 30

Free - No registration necessary

Featuring community special guests:

Mayor Land and Public Works, U.S. Postal Service Mailman  
Crown Point Fire Department, Crown Point Police Department  
Crown Point School Corporation

## BIG STORIES - UNDER THE STARS!

### Free Movie Nights at Bulldog Park



- Gates open at 7 p.m.
- Bring your chairs/blankets.
- No pets, outside food, or beverages.
- Concessions are available for purchase.

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



FRIENDS  
of the  
Crown Point Library

# HISTORY SPEAKS

## America 250

JUNE 13 | 10 AM - 3 PM

**BUCKLEY HOMESTEAD | FREE ADMISSION | ALL AGES**

3606 Belshaw • Lowell, IN

Meet historical characters who share powerful stories from across America's 250 years as you enjoy music, food, and hands-on fun.

History Speaks is a lively outdoor celebration for curious kids, lifelong learners, and anyone who loves a great tale.

Heritage Support Grants are provided by the Indiana Historical Society and made possible by Lilly Endowment, Inc.



## HISTORIC TOURS OF CROWN POINT

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*Crown Point, then and now.*

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Presented by CPCL INDIANA ROOM



Discover Crown Point's rich history on a trolley tour through the city's historic districts.

### MORNING TOURS

Mondays at 10 a.m.  
June 8, 22, 29 & July 13

### EVENING TOURS

Thursdays at 6 p.m.  
June 4, 18 & July 23, 30



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CITY OF CROWN POINT PACE DEPARTMENT

- Free admission; Registration is required
- Tour lasts approx. 1 1/2-2 hours.
- Departs from Crown Point Library; please arrive 10 minutes before departure.
- Tours are intended for adults.

# FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY

The mission of the Friends of the Crown Point Library is to support the library through advocacy, volunteerism, and fundraising that helps enhance programs, services, and opportunities for the community. You can join their mission by becoming a member, shopping at the Summer Book Sale, or attending one of their exciting fundraising events throughout the year.

**Get Involved—The Friends Need You!** Curious to see what the Friends of the Library are doing? Attend a meeting! Meetings are held quarterly on the second Tuesday of the month, alternating times at 10 a.m. and 6 p.m. in the meeting rooms at the Crown Point location.

**Upcoming Meeting Dates:** September 8 at 6 p.m., December 8 at 10 a.m.

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## MARK YOUR CALENDARS FOR THESE UPCOMING OPPORTUNITIES TO SUPPORT THE FRIENDS:

### Summer Book Sale — June 25 & 26

Shop for gently used books, DVDs, music, puzzles, and more at the Friends Summer Book Sale on June 25 and 26. Friends members will receive early access on the first day of the sale. Fill a bag with great finds for only \$5 per bag (bags provided).

### Raffles\*

- **Heirloom Quilt Raffle** - Purchase a ticket to win a one-of-a-kind heirloom quilt generously donated by former Friends president Carol Fisher. Tickets will be on sale from May 1 through June 11 for \$10 each or three for \$20. **The winning ticket will be drawn on Thursday, June 11.**

Community members are encouraged to stop by the library to view the quilt, which is currently on display.

- **Sunshine & S'mores Basket** - The Friends are kicking off summer with a new raffle basket filled with everything you need for summertime fun. Tickets will be on sale from June 1 to July 17. \$1 each, six for \$5, or 12 for \$12. **The winning ticket will be drawn on Friday, July 17.**

\*Tickets can be purchased at the Crown Point Community Library. Cash or checks made payable to the Friends of the Crown Point Library are accepted.

### Traveling Friends with Collette Tours

The Friends are excited to announce three travel tours they are offering in 2027 through Collette and in partnership with All About Vacations. The experienced staff at All About Vacations will be available to answer your travel questions and assist with reserving your trip of a lifetime. Grab a friend and join the Friends for a special presentation by Collette Tour Representatives on Wednesday, August 12, at 6 p.m. at the Crown Point Library. Learn about the three featured tours — Tropical Costa Rica, Shades of Ireland, and Canyon Country — and receive information about early bird reservation discounts.

### Bunco Night Returns This Fall

Bunco Night returns on Friday, November 6! Tickets go on sale in September for this fun-filled evening supporting early literacy initiatives at the library.

For membership information and event details, visit [crownpointlibrary.org/friends](http://crownpointlibrary.org/friends)

## SUNSHINE & S'MORES SUMMER BASKET

**TICKETS: \$1 each, 6 for \$5 or 12 for \$10**

Purchase tickets at the Crown Point Library.

Cash / Check payable to Friends of CPCL accepted.

### Summer Basket includes:

- Grill basket & grilling tools
- Sand toys, beach towels, ball & water floats
- Lemonade mix & reusable ice cubes
- S'mores kit
- Picnic dinner baskets
- Beach-scented candle
- Stemless wine glasses
- ...and more!

**WINNER WILL BE DRAWN ON JULY 17!**



**FRIENDS OF THE CROWN POINT LIBRARY**

*Summer* 

# **BOOK SALE**

**Crown Point Library | 122 N. Main Street**

**THURSDAY, JUNE 25**  
**9-6 p.m.**

**Early entrance for Members Only at 9 a.m.**

**Public Sale begins at 10 a.m**

**FRIDAY, JUNE 26**  
**9-12 p.m.**

**\$5 A BAG**

**A bag will be provided**  
**No personal shopping bags allowed**



# CROWN POINT ADULT PROGRAMS (18+)



**R** = Program requires registration

## ONGOING GROUPS - NO REGISTRATION REQUIRED

### Undercover Quilters

Tuesdays in June & July • 9 a.m.

Bring your quilting projects and enjoy time with fellow quilters.

### Hooked on Crochet

Mondays • 9 a.m.

Gather with other crochet enthusiasts for stitching and conversation.

### Wednesday Afternoon Knitters

Wednesdays • 12:30 p.m.

Spend the afternoon knitting with fellow crafters.

### Mah Jongg (American) Instruction

First Monday of each month • 1 p.m.

Learn the basics of American Mah Jongg in this instructional session.

### Mah Jongg (American)

Thursdays • 1 p.m.

Play American Mah Jongg with other enthusiasts.

### Bunco

Fridays, June 5 & July 3 • 1 p.m.

Enjoy an afternoon of Bunco, conversation, and fun.

**R** **Scrabble Tile Craft**  
Wednesday, June 3 • 1 p.m.

Make a decorative coaster or magnet using Scrabble tiles.

**R** **The Art of Writing Letters**  
Friday, June 5 • 1 p.m.

Explore the art of letter writing and create a meaningful letter to send to a loved one or care facility resident.

### Plant Swap

Sunday, June 7 • 2 p.m.

Exchange plant propagations and gardening items with fellow plant enthusiasts. See the website for additional instructions.

### Civil War Roundtable

Sunday, June 14 • 2 p.m.

Historical reenactor Larry Werline portrays General Ulysses S. Grant discussing events surrounding the end of the Civil War.

**R** **Building Brain Healthy Habits**  
Monday, June 15 • 2 p.m.

Learn research-backed strategies for supporting brain health and reducing cognitive decline risk.

**R** **Red, White & Blue Wreath**  
Monday, June 15 • 1 p.m.

Create a red, white, and blue wreath for your home.

**R** **Patriotic Garland**  
Wednesday, June 17 • 1 p.m.

Create a red, white, and blue patriotic garland for your home.

**R** **Card Making Class**  
Tuesday, June 16 • 10 a.m. or 1 p.m.;  
Thursday, June 18 • 5:30 p.m.

Tuesday, July 21 • 10 a.m. or 1 p.m.; Thursday, July 23 • 5:30 p.m.  
Create paper crafting projects, learn new techniques, and socialize with fellow crafters. Please bring adhesives such as tape runner, glue dots, or liquid glue. Supply fee: \$7 payable to the instructor.

**R** **Greyhound Yoga**  
Sunday, June 28 • 2 p.m.

Participate in a beginner-friendly yoga class alongside retired racing greyhounds.

**R** **Clay Painting**  
Monday, June 29 • 6 p.m.

Create a textured landscape painting using air-dry clay on canvas board.

### Baltimore Children's Choir

Tuesday, June 30 • 5 p.m.

All ages are invited to enjoy a free special musical performance by the Baltimore Children's Choir.

**R** **Lemon Lake Nature Walks**  
Mondays in July • 9:30 a.m.

Join us at Lemon Lake Park for a ranger-led nature walk around the lake. Participants will meet directly at Lemon Lake Park in the parking lot closest to the lake.

**CoAction**  
**Scam & Fraud Prevention Workshop**

**Scam Prevention Made Simple for All Ages**

Join CoAction for an informative **Scam and Fraud Prevention Workshop** at the **Crown Point Library**. This free event is **open to the community** and designed to help you recognize, avoid, and report common scams. Hear from **Amy K. Nowaczyk**, Elder Law Attorney, and **Aaron M. Urbaniak**, Special Agent with the U.S. Department of Homeland Security, who brings expertise as a Computer Forensic Agent. Together, they will share practical tips and real-world insights to help you protect your finances, personal information, and peace of mind.

**Aaron M. Urbaniak**  
Special Agent

**Amy K. Nowaczyk**  
Elder Law Attorney

**When:** June 23, 2026  
1:00 - 3:00 pm  
**Where:** Crown Point Library  
122 N Main St. Crown Point

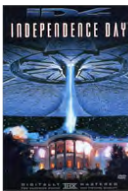
**REGISTRATION REQUIRED | OPENS ON MONDAY 2 WEEKS BEFORE EVENT**  
**(219) 306-4593 | [crownpointlibrary.org/events](http://crownpointlibrary.org/events)**

- R** **Felt Flowers**  
Monday, July 6 • 1 p.m.
- R** **Fruit Coasters**  
Wednesday, July 8 • 1 p.m.  
Make a set of fruit-inspired coasters perfect for summer entertaining.
- R** **C.U.R.E. Senior Planet: Passwords, Passkeys, and More**  
Tuesday, July 14 • 2–3:15 p.m.  
Learn password best practices, multi-factor authentication, passkeys, and password managers to improve online security.
- R** **American History Through Diaries**  
Monday, July 20 • 6 p.m.
- R** **Quilling with Lake County Solid Waste Management Dept.**  
Monday, July 20 • 1 p.m.  
Learn paper quilling techniques using upcycled materials with staff from Lake County Solid Waste Management District.
- R** **Speaker: Backyard Birds with Carol Harsh**  
Wednesday, July 22 • 6:30 p.m.  
Learn about birdwatching and backyard birds from Carol Harsh of Wild Birds Unlimited.
- R** **Community Recipe Book**  
Wednesday, July 22 • 1 p.m.  
Share a meaningful family recipe and help create a community recipe collection.
- R** **Stenciled Book Edges**  
Monday, July 27 • 6 p.m.  
Use stencils to decorate book page edges with unique painted designs. Supplies provided; personal books welcome.
- R** **TBD Craft**  
Wednesday, July 29 • 1 p.m.

**MOVIES & SCREENINGS**



**Monday Movie Matinee – Jurassic Park**  
**Monday, June 8 • 1:30 p.m.**  
*1993 film Jurassic Park starring Sam Neill and Laura Dern.*



**Monday Movie Matinee – Independence Day**  
**Monday, July 13 • 1:30 p.m.**  
*1996 film Independence Day starring Will Smith and Bill Pullman.*



**From Sea to Shining Sea: Katharine Lee Bates and the Story of “America the Beautiful”**  
**Friday, July 17 • 1 p.m. & Thursday, July 30 • 6 p.m.**  
*Short film and filmmaker discussion about Katharine Lee Bates and the creation of “America the Beautiful.”*

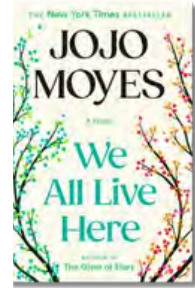
**CROWN POINT BOOK CLUBS**

**Evening Book Club**  
**Thursday, June 11 • 6 p.m.**  
 Little Fires Everywhere by Celeste Ng.



**Third Monday Book Club**  
**Monday, June 15 • 1 p.m.**  
 Discuss We All Live Here by Jojo Moyes.

**BYO Book Club**  
**Monday, July 20 • 1 p.m.**  
 Share and discuss your favorite books you've read this summer.



**True Crime Book Club**  
**Monday, July 27 • 6 p.m.**  
 Share favorite true crime books and podcasts while helping build future reading lists.

**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, JUNE 15**  
**AT 6 P.M.**  
**Crown Point Library | Meeting Rms 2 & 3**  
**Copies available at the Crown Point Library**

**There's No Such Thing as Bad Weather**  
 by Linda Akeson McGurk

Are you a parent looking into the benefits of getting your kids outside? This book is all about a mom who sets out to discover if the nature-centric parenting philosophy of her Scandinavia could lead to happier, healthier, more well-adjusted children in America.

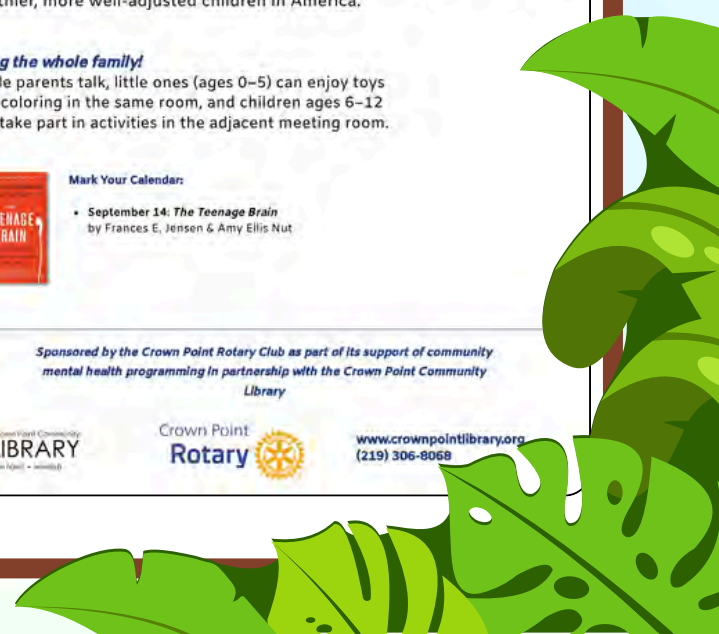
**Bring the whole family!**  
 While parents talk, little ones (ages 0–5) can enjoy toys and coloring in the same room, and children ages 6–12 can take part in activities in the adjacent meeting room.

**Mark Your Calendar:**

- 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

www.crownpointlibrary.org  
(219) 306-8069



# VISIT THE LIBRARY IN THE COMMUNITY!

Find us at the Crown Point Farmer's Market and in the Crown Point 4th of July Parade!



## CROWN POINT FARMER'S MARKET June 20, July 25

- Enter free book raffles
- Friends Mobile Book Sale
- Summer Reading Information/Giveaways
- Play the Free Duck Game



## TAKE READING OUTDOORS THIS SUMMER WITH THE CROWN POINT COMMUNITY LIBRARY'S STORYWALKS®!

Families are invited to stroll, read, and explore as pages from a children's book are displayed along a walking path, combining literacy, movement, and family fun in the great outdoors. StoryWalks® encourage early literacy, physical activity, and quality time together while making reading an interactive adventure.

This summer, during our "Unearth A Story" Summer Reading Program, visit both StoryWalk locations for dinosaur-sized fun:

- At the Crown Point Library, enjoy *Here We Go Digging for Dinosaur Bones* by Susan Lendroth.
- At Winfield-Randolph Park, discover *Could You Ever Dine with Dinosaurs?* by Sandra Markle.
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Stories are perfect for families looking to add a little adventure to their summer reading. Visit often and enjoy reading one page at a time while exploring the outdoors!

Our Storywalks are made possible by the generous gifts from our Friends of the Crown Point Library and the Lakes of Four Seasons Lions Club, we can promote literacy through outdoor activities, offering a unique and engaging experience for families in the communities we serve.





## **NOTE FROM THE LIBRARY DIRECTOR** **Julie Wendorf**

### ***MORE THAN FUN AND GAMES: THE SECRET BEHIND SUMMER READING***

Every summer, thousands of children and teens from birth through age 18 sign up for the Crown Point Community Library's Summer Reading Program. They'll attend exciting programs, earn prizes, discover new books, and cheer on their schools in our community-wide reading competition to see which school logs the most reading hours.

From the outside, it may look like a season filled with fun and games—and it is. But Summer Reading is about much more than entertainment. Behind every storytime, every book checked out, every reading log completed, and every hour recorded is a larger purpose: helping students stay engaged in learning during the summer months.

Educators often refer to the "summer slide", the loss of academic skills and knowledge that can occur when students are away from structured learning for an extended period. Reading is one of the most effective ways to combat that slide. Just a few minutes of reading each day can help children retain critical literacy skills, strengthen comprehension, expand vocabulary, and maintain the learning momentum they've built throughout the school year.

That is why the library invests so heavily in Summer Reading. Our goal is not simply to fill summer days with fun, free, family-friendly activities. Our goal is to help students return to school in August ready to succeed. When children continue reading throughout the summer, they arrive back in the classroom with stronger skills, greater confidence, and a head start on the new school year. Not school yet, the same activities help to build the skills children need to be kindergarten-ready.

Just as importantly, Summer Reading helps nurture something that lasts far beyond a single summer: a love of reading. Children who discover books they enjoy are more likely to become lifelong readers, curious learners, and engaged citizens. Those are benefits that extend well beyond school and into every stage of life.

So yes, Summer Reading is packed with fun programs, friendly competition, and memorable experiences. But at its heart, it is one of the most important educational initiatives the library offers each year.

This summer, every page turned matters. Every minute spent reading counts. And every child who participates is building skills and habits that can last a lifetime.

P. S. The library also provides an Adult Summer Reading Program, too!

**Smarty pants** Presents  
**THE BIG BALLOONOSAUR ADVENTURE**

**YOU'RE INVITED TO THE  
BIG BALLOON SHOW**

**Saturday, June 13  
at 11 a.m.**

Crown Point Library | Free | All ages

# CROWN POINT - YOUTH PROGRAMS

**R** = Program requires registration

## ALL AGES

### Greyt Readers

**Saturday, June 6 • 10 a.m.**

#### All ages

Children can practice reading aloud to retired greyhounds in a calm, judgment-free environment that helps build reading confidence. No

### Sunday Family Movie

**Sundays • 2 p.m.**

#### All ages

Stop by Youth Services for a movie and popcorn. No

- June 7: Hoot
- June 14: Missing Link
- June 21: Library Closed – Father's Day
- June 28: Hoppers
  
- July 5: Open Season 3
- July 12: Walking with Dinosaurs
- July 19: Spongebob Squarepants: The Search for Squarepants
- July 26: Journey 2: The Mysterious Island

### Summer Reading Kick-Off Celebration: Fun Fair

**Thursday, June 11 • 4–7 p.m. • Bulldog Park**

#### All ages

Celebrate the start of Summer Reading with games, bounce houses, activities, and summer reading registration for the whole family.

Sponsored by the Crown Point Rotary Club

### Smarty Pants: The Big Balloonosaur Adventure

**Saturday, June 13 • 11 a.m.**

#### All ages

Enjoy a dinosaur-themed balloon show filled with laughs, learning, and giant balloon creations. No

### Parent Book Club

**Monday, June 15 • 6 p.m.**

#### Parents and caregivers

Discuss *There's No Such Thing as Bad Weather* by Linda Åkeson McGurk while children enjoy supervised activities nearby. Sponsored by the Crown Point Rotary Club.

## **R** Tie-Dye Time

**Thursday, June 18 • 3:30 p.m.**

#### School-age children

Create colorful tie-dye designs. Participants must bring a clean white shirt.

### I Survived the Oregon Trail!

**Monday, June 22 • 11 a.m.–3 p.m.**

#### All ages

Drop in to play a life-sized Oregon Trail adventure game. Best suited for school-age children and older.

### Snow Cone Party

**Monday, June 29 • 11 a.m.**

#### All ages

Beat the heat with snow cones, games, and family fun.

### Outdoor Movies at Bulldog Park

**Fridays • Gates open 7 p.m. • Movie at 7:30 p.m.**

#### All ages

Enjoy free outdoor family movies at Bulldog Park. No

- June 26, July 31, August 21, September 4

### Dino Games

**Monday, July 6 • 11 a.m.**

#### All ages

Families can enjoy dinosaur-themed games and outdoor fun on the library green space.

### Crosstown Exotics: Reptile and Amphibian Show

**Thursday, July 16 • 11 a.m.**

#### All ages

Meet live reptiles and amphibians while learning about these fascinating dinosaur descendants.

## **R** Escape Room – Time Travelers: Lost in the Jurassic

**Friday, Saturday & Monday, July 24, 25 & 27 • Times vary (see website)**

#### All ages

Work together to solve puzzles and escape the Jurassic era in this dinosaur-themed escape room.

### Let's Build!

**Wednesday, July 29 • 11 a.m.**

#### Ages 3 and up

**Build with LEGO®**, marble runs, tangrams, and more in this hands-on construction program.

## **R** Tea(Rex) Party

**Thursday, July 30 • 11 a.m.**

#### All ages

Enjoy tea, stories, crafts, and a dinosaur guest photo opportunity.

# REGISTRATION OPENS 2 WEEKS BEFORE EVENT

(219) 306-8068 | [crownpointlibrary.org/events](http://crownpointlibrary.org/events)

## PRESCHOOL

**Storytime at Bulldog Park**  
Wednesdays • 10 a.m. • Bulldog Park  
Ages 2–6 and families

Enjoy stories, songs, crafts, and occasional community hero guest readers.

**Dino Egg Hunt at Lake County Fairgrounds**  
Tuesday, June 2 • 10 a.m.

Ages 2–8  
Search for dinosaur eggs, hear a story, and make a dinosaur nest.

**R Be the Dino: Story and Costume Creation**  
Thursday, June 4 • 10 a.m.  
Ages 3–5

Children will hear a story and create their own dinosaur costume.

**Dino Tunes**  
Friday, June 5 • 10 a.m.  
Ages 2–5

Dance, sing, and stomp along in this dinosaur-themed music program.

**Summertime Songs**  
Tuesday, June 9 • 10 a.m.  
Ages 5 and under

Celebrate summer with music, instruments, dancing, and songs.

**Summer Babies Storytime**  
Thursdays, June 11 & 25 and July 9 & 23 • 10 a.m.  
Ages 2 years and under

Enjoy stories, songs, rhymes, and playtime designed for babies and toddlers.

**Outdoor Sensory Play**  
Fridays, June 12 & 26 • 10 a.m.  
Wednesdays, June 17 & July 22 • 11 a.m.  
Monday, July 13 • 10:30 a.m.  
Ages 5 and under

Explore sensory activities outdoors with squishy, slimy, and hands-on fun.

**Stories for Wiggleworms**  
Tuesday, June 16 • 10 a.m.  
Ages 2–5

Join librarians for stories and songs designed for young explorers.

**R Sunny Saplings**  
Lake County Fairgrounds: Tuesday, June 16 • 1 p.m.  
Sauerman Woods: Tuesday, July 7 • 1 p.m.  
Ages 2–5

Create nature crafts and explore outdoors at Shelter 6.

**R Preschool Cook and a Book**  
Tuesday, June 30 • 11 a.m.  
Ages 3–5

Enjoy a themed storytime and make a snack inspired by the book.

**Preschool Dance Party**  
Friday, July 3 • 10 a.m.  
Ages 5 and under

Dance, groove, and freestyle at this energetic preschool party.

**Preschool Playtime**  
Tuesday, July 7 • 10 a.m.  
Ages 3–5

Enjoy outdoor games and summertime activities on the library green space.

**Play-Doh Party**  
Wednesday, July 8 • 11 a.m.  
Ages 2–5

Create fantastic Play-Doh creations using a variety of tools and supplies.

**Truck Time**  
Tuesday, July 14 • 10 a.m.  
Ages 2–5

Enjoy truck-themed stories, songs, and activities.

**Baby Dino Time**  
Monday, July 20 • 10 a.m.  
Ages 0–2

Little dinosaur fans can enjoy sensory play and themed activities.

**Let's Paint!**  
Tuesday, July 21 • 10 a.m.  
Ages 3–5

Choose from a variety of painting projects in this creative art program.

**R Storytime and Stroll at Sauerman Woods**  
Monday, July 27 • 4 p.m.  
Ages 5 and under

Walk, roll, or scoot along the trail while stopping for stories and songs.



# CROWN POINT - YOUTH PROGRAMS

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## ELEMENTARY

### Pokemon Club

Tuesdays, June 2 & July 7 • 4:30 p.m.

Grades K-5

Trade cards, battle, and meet fellow Pokémon fans.

### **R** Mysteries of History:

- Prehistoric Creatures- Wednesday, June 3 • 4 p.m.
- July 4, 1776- Wednesday, July 1 • 4 p.m.

Grades 2-5

### **R** Knitting for Beginners

Fridays, June 5 & 19 and July 3 & 10 • 2 p.m.

Grades 3-5

Learn knitting basics and create beginner-friendly projects.

### Dinosaur Tower STEAM

Tuesday, June 9 • 4:30 p.m.

Grades 1-5

Build towers strong enough to support dinosaur toys in this engineering challenge.

### **R** Fossil Excavation

Wednesday, June 10 • 1 p.m.

Grades 3 and up

Excavate dinosaur fossils from individual dig sites and keep what you discover.

### **R** Tin Can Planter

Saturday, June 13 • 2 p.m.

Grades K-5

Paint and decorate a planter before planting seeds to take home.

### **R** Yoga & Stories

Monday, June 15 • 6 p.m.

School-age children

Practice yoga and mindfulness.

### Lego Club

Tuesday, June 16 & July 21 • 4:30 p.m.

Grades K-5

Build creative LEGO® projects based on monthly themes.

### **R** Wild About Birds

Wednesday, June 17 • 2 p.m.

Grades K-5

Learn about backyard birds and make a bird feeder.

### **R** School Age Tote Bag Decorating

Thursday, June 18 • 10:30 a.m.

Grades Pre-K-5

Decorate a tote bag for summer reading adventures.

### **R** Summertime Chefs

Tuesday, June 23 • 11 a.m.

Grades K-5

Create delicious summertime treats in this hands-on cooking program.

### Dress Like a Dino

Tuesday, June 23 • 4:30 p.m.

Grades K-5

Create wearable dinosaur-themed accessories and costumes.

### Shrink-a-Dino

Wednesday, June 24 • 2 p.m.

Grades K and up

Create dinosaur art using shrink plastic to make charms or keychains.

### **R** Underground Yarn Art

Saturday, June 27 • 11 a.m.

Grades K-5

Listen to a story and create imaginative underground scenes with yarn art.

### Come Play!

Tuesday, June 30 • 4:30 p.m.

Grades K-5

Enjoy games, blocks, toys, and hands-on play at the library.

### **R** Environmental Bingo

Thursday, July 2 • 11 a.m.

Grades K-5

Play bingo while learning environmental science facts and sustainability tips.

### **R** Patriotic Crafts

Thursday, July 2 • 2 p.m.

Grades K-5

Create patriotic-themed crafts to celebrate Independence Day.

### **R** Pinch Pots

Thursday, July 9 • 2 p.m.

Grades K-5

Design and shape your own clay pottery project.

### Dog Day Crafts

Saturday, July 11 • 10:30 a.m.

Grades K-5

Make crafts for yourself and toys for dogs or local donations.



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

**R** **Pixel Art Dinosaurs**  
**Monday, July 13 • 10 a.m.**  
**Grades K-5**  
Create dinosaur designs using Perler beads.

**Build a Dinosaur**  
**Tuesday, July 14**  
**Grades K-5**  
Use craft materials to design and build original dinosaur creations.

**Children's Author Kenneth Kraegel – Talk & Creative Writing Workshop**  
**Friday, July 17 • 2:30-4:30 p.m.**  
**Grades K-5**  
Meet author and illustrator Kenneth Kraegel for a presentation, creative writing activities, and a book-making workshop.

**R** **Dino Chefs**  
**Tuesday, July 28 • 11 a.m.**  
**Grades K-5**  
Explore recipes and create dinosaur-themed treats.

**Reading Campout!**  
**Tuesday, July 28 • 4:30 p.m.**  
**Grades K-5**  
Build reading tents, bring a flashlight, and enjoy an indoor reading adventure.

## TEEN

**Create Your Own Art-Venture**  
**Monday, June 1 • 4:30 p.m.**  
**Grades 6-12**  
Use a variety of supplies to create your own artistic projects.

**R** **Teen Tote Bag Decorating**  
**Monday, June 8 • 2 p.m.**  
**Grades 6-12**  
Decorate a personalized tote bag for summer reading.

**Planner Glow-Up!**  
**Saturday, June 20 • 10 a.m.**  
**Grades 6-12**  
Customize planners with stickers, washi tape, doodles, and creative supplies.

**Teen Clay Crafting**  
**Monday, June 22 • 4:30 p.m.**  
**Grades 6-12**  
Create clay projects using examples or your own original ideas.

**Scavenger Hunt Around the Square**  
**Tuesday, June 23 • 1:30 p.m.**  
**Grades 6-12**  
Team up for a scavenger hunt around the Crown Point Square.

**R** **Teen Test-Taste Challenge**  
**Monday, July 6 • 5 p.m.**  
**Grades 6-12**  
Take on blindfold food tests, chip tastings, and gross-out food challenges.

**R** **Teen Creative Expressions: A Guided Art & Storytelling Experience**  
**Tuesday, July 7 • 1 p.m.**  
**Grades 6-12**  
Explore storytelling, art, and creative self-expression through guided activities.

**R** **Bedazzle It!**  
**Wednesday, July 15 • 4:30 p.m.**  
**Grades 6-12**  
Bring an item to decorate with gems and embellishments.

**Outdoor Splatter Paint**  
**Saturday, July 18 • 11 a.m.**  
**Grades 6-12**  
Create outdoor splatter art and prepare to get messy.

**R** **Amber Bug DNA Slime**  
**Wednesday, July 22 • 4 p.m.**  
**Grades 5 and up**  
Make amber-colored slime with a prehistoric-inspired twist.

**R** **Teen Tissue Paper Art**  
**Wednesday, July 29 • 3 p.m.**  
**Grades 6-12**  
Create colorful tissue paper transfer art using stencils and crayon resist.

## **R** ESCAPE ROOM

### Time Travelers: Lost in the Jurassic

Travel back to the Jurassic era in this dinosaur-themed family escape room! Work together to solve puzzles and find your way home before time runs out. Designed for groups of 2-4 and best suited for mid- to upper-elementary ages and older. Younger children must attend with an adult. Please register once per group and include the total number of participants.

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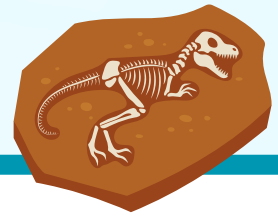
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**REGISTRATION REQUIRED**

**Check the website for available time slots.**



# WINFIELD BRANCH PROGRAMS



**R** = Program requires registration

## ALL AGES

**Read to the Dogs**  
Saturday, June 6 • 11 a.m.

**All ages**  
Children can practice reading aloud to friendly Power Paws dogs in a relaxed setting.

**R Family Shadow Puppet Workshop**  
Friday, June 19 • 12 p.m.

**All ages**  
Build a shadow puppet theater, create characters, and perform mini shows together as a family.

**R Escape Room – Time Travelers: Lost in the Jurassic**  
Monday–Wednesday, July 20–22 • Times vary-check website for available time slots

Work together to solve puzzles and escape the Jurassic era in this dinosaur-themed family escape room. Best suited for mid- to upper-elementary ages and older. Registration required.

## PRESCHOOL

**Storytime in the Park - Randolph Street Park**  
Thursdays • 10:30 a.m. in June & July

Enjoy books, songs, and rhymes at this special storytime held at Randolph Street Park (11900 Randolph St, Winfield, IN 46307). Siblings are welcome! There will be a take-home craft after storytime.

**R Dinosaur Sensory Program**  
Tuesday, June 16 • 11 a.m.

**Ages 3–5**  
Explore dinosaur-themed sensory activities designed for preschoolers.

**R Dinosaur Eggs**  
Tuesday, July 14 at 11 a.m.

**Ages 3-5**  
Enjoy a dino story and make some Dino Eggs and Footprints!

## ELEMENTARY

**R Stomp into Summer**  
Thursday, June 4 • 5 p.m.  
Grades K–5

Kick off Summer Reading with dinosaur-themed games, activities, and prehistoric fun.

**R Eco-Hero Training Camp**  
Wednesday, June 10 • 11 a.m.  
Grades K–5

Learn about recycling and sustainability through hands-on activities with Lake County Solid Waste.

**R Chalk the Walk at Randolph Street Park**  
Friday, June 12 • 12 p.m.  
Grades K–5

Transform the park sidewalks into colorful artwork using sidewalk chalk.

**R Tote Bag Decorating**  
Thursday, June 18 • 10:30 a.m.

**Grades Preschool–5**  
Decorate a tote bag for carrying summer reading books.

**R How to Catch a Dinosaur**  
Thursday, June 18 • 5 p.m.  
Grades K–5

Design dinosaur traps, complete challenges, and test your prehistoric problem-solving skills.

**R Dino Sleepover**  
Saturday, June 20 • 12 p.m.  
Grades K–5

Wear pajamas, enjoy dinosaur-themed short films, and relax with friends during this cozy afternoon event.

**R The Floor is Lava**  
Thursday, June 25 • 5 p.m.  
Grades K–5

Navigate obstacle courses and challenges while avoiding the “lava.”

**R Messy Masterpieces**  
Thursday, July 9 • 5 p.m.  
Grades K–5

Create dinosaur-themed artwork using “dinosaur feet” painting techniques. Dress for a mess.

**ASL Explorers**  
Saturday, July 11 • 12 p.m.  
Grades K–5

Learn beginner American Sign Language through games and interactive activities.

**Dino LEGO**  
Thursday, July 16 • 5 p.m.  
Grades K–5

Build dinosaur habitats and prehistoric creations using LEGO® bricks.

**R Dino Obstacle Course at Randolph Street Park**  
Friday, July 17 • 12 p.m.  
Grades K–5

Complete dinosaur-themed obstacle course challenges at the park.

**R Dig It! Fossil Fun**  
Thursday, July 23 • 5 p.m.  
Grades K–5

Learn how fossils form and make your own fossil creation to take home.

**R Jurassic Mini Worlds**  
Thursday, July 30 • 5 p.m.  
Grades K–5

Design and build miniature prehistoric terrariums inspired by dinosaur landscapes.

# REGISTRATION OPENS 2 WEEKS BEFORE EVENT

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## TEEN

- R** **Teen Game Night**  
**Monday, June 1 & July 6 • 3–5 p.m.**  
**Grades 6–12**  
Play Mario Kart, Jackbox games, and more during this relaxed teen gaming hangout.
- R** **Teen Open Studio**  
**Monday, June 8 & July 13 • 3–5 p.m.**  
**Grades 6–12**  
Experiment with candles, stickers, buttons, resin, screen printing, and other creative projects.
- R** **Teen Cooking**  
**Monday, June 15 • 3 p.m.**  
**Grades 6–12**  
Learn simple recipes, creative food hacks, and snack ideas in this hands-on cooking program.
- R** **Teen Dungeons & Dragons**  
**Tuesday, June 9, 16 & July 14 • 4 p.m.**  
**Grades 6–12**  
Join a new D&D campaign filled with quests, storytelling, and adventure. Beginners welcome.
- R** **Teens Temporary Tattoo Making**  
**Tuesday, June 30 • 5 p.m.**  
**Grades 6–12**  
Design and create your own custom temporary tattoos in this creative teen program.

## ADULT

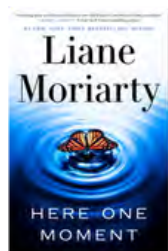
- Mahjong (Cantonese)**  
**Wednesdays • 1 p.m.**  
Learn and play Cantonese Mahjong in a welcoming group setting.
- R** **Card Making Class**  
**Thursday, June 18 • 1 p.m. & Thursday, July 23 • 1 p.m.**  
Create multiple paper crafting projects. Supply fee: \$7 payable to the instructor. Registration required.
- R** **Adult Crafting: Vintage Patriotic Bunting**  
**Tuesday, June 2 • 5 p.m.**  
Create a vintage-inspired burlap bunting celebrating America's 250th anniversary. Registration required.

- R** **Artful Details: Oil Pastels for Beginners**  
**Friday, June 12 • 12 p.m.**  
Learn beginner oil pastel techniques and create a colorful artwork. Registration required.
- R** **Moss Painting**  
**Saturday, June 13 • 11 a.m.**  
Design a miniature forest-inspired art piece using faux moss and natural accents. Registration required.
- R** **Cricut Basics: Stenciled Book Edges**  
**Tuesday, July 7 • 5 p.m.**  
Learn Cricut basics and create decorative painted book edges. Registration required.
- R** **Artful Details: Stepping Stone Mosaics**  
**Friday, July 10 • 12 p.m.**  
Create a mosaic concrete stepping stone for your garden. Registration required.
- R** **Adult Book Tasting**  
**Tuesday, July 14 • 1 p.m.**  
Sample books and themed refreshments highlighting women's lives throughout American history.

## MONTHLY BOOK GROUPS

**Winfield Book Club**  
**Tuesday, June 9 • 1 p.m.**  
*Here One Moment* by Liane Moriarty.

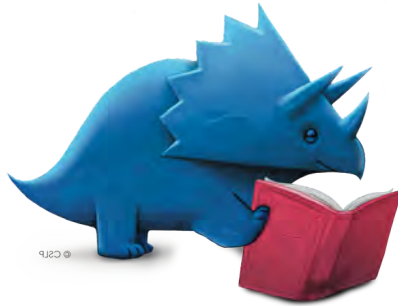
- R** **Cookbook Club**  
**Tuesday, June 23 • 5 p.m.**  
**Tuesday, July 28 • 5 p.m.**  
Prepare and sample recipes inspired by library cookbooks.





# Storytime IN THE PARK!

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Enjoy books, songs, and fun activities  
at our outdoor storytime events!

Free - Registration not required.

## **RANDOLPH STREET PARK**

11900 Randolph Street, Winfield

**EVERY THURSDAY AT 10:30 A.M.**

**JUNE 4 - JULY 30**



# **ESCAPE ROOM**

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### **Crown Point: July 24, 25, and 27**

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7/27: 10:30, 11:30, 1:30



## SECURING THE VOTE: WOMEN'S SUFFRAGE EXHIBIT HITS THE ROAD ON DISPLAY IN JULY AT THE CROWN POINT LIBRARY ART GALLERY



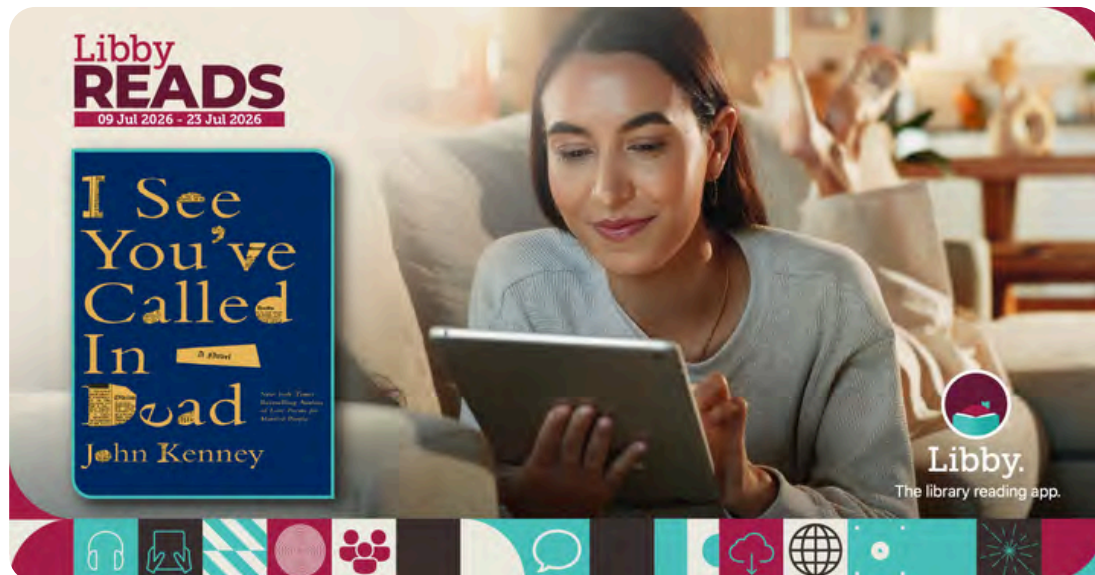
In addition to the exhibit in our display cases from our local chapter, we are excited to present the Indiana Historical Society's traveling exhibit, **Securing the Vote: Women's Suffrage in Indiana**, which explores how women across Indiana passionately labored for suffrage through countless meetings, campaigns, and grassroots efforts.

### About the exhibit

Before the 1850s, Indiana women had few legal rights and no political power. In 1851, Amanda Way, a Quaker from Randolph County, decided it was time to talk about this and initiated the first Indiana Woman's Rights Convention in Dublin, Indiana. This meeting became an annual gathering and from it came the Indiana Woman's Rights Association.

By 1911, the league transitioned to campaigning for full suffrage, renaming itself the Woman's Franchise League of Indiana. Two years later, the Equal Suffrage Association, the Woman's Franchise League of Indiana and other statewide organizations formed the Legislative Council of Women. This group lobbied for legislation such as the Maston- McKinley Partial Suffrage Act which would allow Hoosier women to vote in presidential and local elections. The Indiana General Assembly passed the act in 1917, and nearly 40,000 women registered to vote. The act was swiftly struck down just before the November elections.

Two years later, Congress voted in favor of the 19th Amendment, giving women throughout the U.S. the right to vote. On Jan. 16, 1920, Indiana became the 26th state to adopt it, and women officially gained the right to vote on Aug. 26, 1920. Gaining the right to vote, however, was just one step in the struggle for women's equality.



The featured title for the next global read, *I See You've Called in Dead* by John Kenney. From **July 9-23** readers worldwide can check out this title with no waitlists or holds in the Libby app.

# SUMMER READING PARTNERS

Albanese Confectionery Group  
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## BLOOD DRIVE AT THE CROWN POINT LIBRARY

JUNE 11 AND JULY 9  
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### LIBRARY MEETINGS

#### *Friends of the Library*

Tuesday, September 8 at 6 p.m.  
New members welcome!

#### *Board of Trustees*

Mondays, June 22, July 27 at 5 p.m.  
Public Welcome!

### LIBRARY CLOSINGS

June 21 – Father's Day (Sunday)

July 3 – Early Closure at 5 p.m.

July 4 – Independence Day



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