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Avon Grove Library Plans October Programs for All Ages and Interests

West Grove, Pa., September 24, 2018 – From daily storytimes, and special event weekend programming, to a teen service club, book club for adults, and crafting sessions for all ages, Avon Grove Library offers many opportunities for learning and enjoyment in October 2018. Check the website www.avongrovelibrary.org often for updates and additions.

Children's and Family Programs (unless otherwise noted, all programs are free and require no registration).

- Babies, toddlers and preschoolers, along with their caregivers, can attend **storytimes** held every weekday at the library. Most are themed for certain age groups, but older and younger siblings are always welcome.
- **Toddler Storytimes** are held every Tuesday at 9:30 and 10:30 a.m.
- **Preschool Storytimes** are held every Monday at 10 a.m., Wednesday at 9:30 and 10:30 a.m. and Friday at 10 a.m.
- **Bilingual Storytime** is held Thursdays at 10 a.m beginning weekly on October 4. Participants will have the opportunity to hear stories and songs in both English and Spanish. Also includes a craft and open playtime. Open to all ages. No previous experience with Spanish or English necessary.
- Avon Grove Library partners with Starbucks Coffee in Jennersville to offer a weekly **Storytime at Starbucks**, held every Thursday at 1 p.m.
- **Pets and Friends Storytime**, a recent partnership with the Pets and Friends store in Jennersville, is held the first and third Monday of each month at 1 p.m. in the store.
- **Storytime at Treetops Kitty Café** is held the third Thursday of each month at 10 a.m. Stories, crafts and playtime fun with the cats who are up for adoption. Kitty Café is located at 305 State Street, Kennett Square. Registration and fee required. To register and for more information, www.treetopskittycafe.com.

- On the first Saturday of each month at 1 p.m., visitors can build setups with tracks, buildings and accessories using the library's collection of **GeoTrax Trains**. Children of all ages are welcome.
- On the first Saturday of each month at 11 a.m. to noon, slots are available for a 10-minute session reading aloud to Cooper or Wesley, our **Paws for Reading** canine partners. All ages are welcome. Registration is necessary for this free program.
- **Books and Breakfast** returns with a "Pumpkin Costume Party" on Saturday, October 13 at 10 a.m. and continues on the second Saturday of each month. Each program will feature a different theme with seasonal books, crafts and a delicious breakfast.
- **Lego Club** is held the first and third Thursday of each month 4:30-5:30 p.m.; **Lego Block Party** is held the fourth Saturday of each month 1-2 p.m. Legos, Duplos and/or MegaBlocks are provided.
- **Fall Fun** will be held on Saturday, October 20 beginning at 10 a.m. Families can carve and/or paint pumpkins; or create a scarecrow to take home. Enter a pumpkin decorating contest for the chance to win a prize. Pumpkins and straw provided. Please bring old clothes for making the scarecrows. Registration required.
- **School-Age "Spooky Stories"** will be held Saturday, October 27 beginning at 4p.m. Families with 1st to 5th graders are invited to join Avon Grove Library and Bill Wood at Penn Township Park for spooky stories around the fire pit. Make s'mores, hear age-appropriate scary stories, and more. Costumes are encouraged! Free program with no registration needed.

Teen Programs (unless otherwise noted, all programs are free and require no registration).

The **Teen Service Club** meets every Tuesday 3:30-5 p.m. Teens can accrue volunteer service hours by preparing storytime crafts, helping out at family programs, and participating in other activities to benefit the library.

- A teen and tween **Halloween Party** will be held on Saturday, October 27, 6 – 8 p.m. @ Penn Township Park. Join in scary stories around a fire with Bill Wood, enjoy food, games, and activities! Registration is required.

Adult Programs (unless otherwise noted, all programs are free and require no registration).

- Join Shelly Hughes, certified plant based nutritionist, at the Avon Grove Library on Saturday October 13 at 1 p.m. For "**Healthy Meals that Don't Frighten your Family.**" learn how to make plant-based meals that are easy to make, beneficial to health and waistline, and that families will enjoy. All ages welcome. Registration required.
- Avon Grove Library's **Book Club for Adults** meets the third Thursday of each month at 6:30 p.m. Participants vote on the titles to read and gather monthly for lively conversation.
- **Craft and Create for Adults** meets the first and second Thursday of each month at 6:30 p.m. Participants bring their own favorite project (painting, sewing, scrapbooking, etc.) and enjoy the company of other adults while crafting.
- **Young Adult Book Club for Adults** meets the second Tuesday of each month at 6 p.m. This event differs from our Book Club for Adults and Young Adult Book Club in that participants 18 years and older read a book from the YA genre. This is an evening

dedicated to discussing a different Young Adult book with fellow Young Adults at heart. A new title is featured every month.

- **Sit and Knit** will be held on the first and third Monday of each month, 3-4:30 p.m. Participants of any experience level should bring a project they are working on to learn tips and share ideas with other knitters. This program is also intended for crochet and embroidery crafters. All adults and children accompanied by an adult and are welcome.

Area residents can learn more about storytimes, classes and programs at www.avongrovelibrary.org, which is updated frequently with new programs and details.

Located in the heart of West Grove, Pa., Avon Grove Library is a vital educational institution, offering equal opportunity for self-directed learning, research assistance and instruction, and enriching experiences to over 30,000 people of all ages in southern Chester County. The library is a member of the Chester County Library System.

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