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Harry Potter Book Night, Happy Heart Day Books and Breakfast, Super Science and more planned at Avon Grove Library this February

West Grove, Pa., January 10, 2016 – From storytimes and themed events for children and families, to a teen service club, adult craft sessions and more, these will be some of the events held at Avon Grove Library in February. The West Grove institution offers many programs throughout the month.

Children's and Family Programs:

- Celebrate the professors of Hogwarts and share in the wonder of J. K. Rowling's unforgettable stories at **Harry Potter Book Night** on Friday, February 3, 4:30 p.m. Young wizards, witches and muggles will be treated to an hour of games, crafts, and readings from favorite Harry Potter books. Costumes are welcome. This is a free program with no registration necessary.
- **Books and Breakfast** returns with **Happy Heart Day!** on Saturday, February 11 at 10 a.m. Enjoy a pre-Valentine's Day party with stories and crafts, followed by a delicious breakfast. This is a free program with no registration necessary.
- Hands-on science projects will be created during **Super Science**, Saturday, February 18 at 1 p.m. This month, participants will be making slime. Registration is required for this free program for grades K-5.
- Homeschoolers in grades 4-6 can meet at the library the third Thursday of each month at noon to 1:30 p.m. for the "Cooks Among Books" Book Club. Participants will discuss an assigned book and make a tasty treat related to the book. Registration is necessary for this free program. Attendees are asked to bring a bagged lunch.
- Lunch Bunch Book Club enables homeschooling first- to third-graders to read, complete assignments and discuss their favorite books with others. Held on the first Thursday of each month noon-1:30 p.m., this free program requires registration. Attendees are asked to bring a bagged lunch.
- **PAWS for Reading** is held on the first Saturday of each month at 11 a.m. Participants register to read aloud to a trained therapy dog in a private ten-minute session. Avon Grove Library's assigned dog is a Keeshond named Willow. This free program requires prior registration.

- **Lego Club** and **Lego Block Party** are free, open to all ages, and need no registration. 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 or MegaBlocks are provided.
- We get out the **GeoTrax Trains** on the first Saturday of each month at 1 p.m. Visitors
 can build setups with tracks, buildings and accessories. This is a free program with no
 registration necessary.
- Babies, toddlers and preschoolers, along with their caregivers, can attend free **storytimes** held every weekday at the library. Most are themed for certain age groups, but older and younger siblings are always welcome. No registration is necessary.
- 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., Thursday at 10 a.m. and Friday at 10 a.m.
- Avon Grove Library partners with Starbucks Coffee in Jennersville to offer a weekly **Storytime at Starbucks** Thursdays at 1 p.m.

Teen Programs:

Tweens and teens entering sixth though twelfth grade have the opportunity to earn service hours by volunteering to help at children's and family programs:

• 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. No registration is needed.

Adult Programs:

- **Craft and Create for Adults** meets the first and second Thursday of each month 6:30-8:30 p.m. Participants bring their own favorite project from home (painting, sewing, scrapbooking etc.) or, from time to time, can sign up to make a featured craft as a group. Leave everyday distractions at home and enjoy the company of other adults while crafting. No registration is usually needed for this free program; registration and fees may be required for participation in a featured craft.
- "Medicare 101" will be presented at two identical sessions, 10 a.m. and 6:30 p.m., on Wednesday, February 8. Basics of the federal healthcare program will be covered, with plenty of time for questions. Avon Grove Library is partnering with Tri-State Senior Consultants to offer this free, no-registration program.

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. Learn more: www.avongrovelibrary.org