

FEB 2024



ANDOVER
PUBLIC LIBRARY

NEWS

Library Hours: Monday-Thursday 9am-8pm | Friday 9am-5pm | Saturday 9am-3pm

Here's what the snow looked like outside the Children's window! It's true that there's snowplace like the library.



RECENT HAPPENINGS!

We hope everyone had a happy new year and are ready for 2024! If you want to join any of the 2024 reading challenges, you can pick up a challenge sheet at the front desk.

This January was a cold start to the year. We hope everyone stayed safe during the chilly and icy weather (and got plenty of books read)!

January's gallery exhibit was "Crabbylegs and the Three Shells". The exhibit was based on the book by the same name, created by Jeremy Thomas, Jennifer Ray, and Irma Puskarevic. The book features black and white illustrations and throughout January, the prints and materials used in the creation of these illustrations were on display.

The illustrators and author of the book had a special Storytime on the 27th. Not only did attendees hear a telling of the story, but the author of the book brought a piano and played a few tunes. Afterwards, attendees were given recyclable material to make their own creations and view them on a projector screen as a shadow puppet.



Author Jeremy Thomas telling the story of Crabbylegs, along with his piano.

A few kids showing their creations within the light of a projector. Along with one of the illustrators, Jennifer Ray



ADULTS

First Friday

Friday, Feb 2nd

9:30AM

Sip coffee and relax with friends or join to make new friends. Featuring a new activity every month. Sponsored by the Friends of the Library. email friendsandoverlibrary@gmail.com for any questions.



BUNCO

21 & up

Monday, Feb 5th

6PM

\$5 Entree fee. 21+ BYOB & Snacks. RSVP by email to friendsandoverlibrary@gmail.com. Presented by the Friends of the Library



BINGO

21 & up

Tuesday, Feb 20th

6PM

Join the Friends of the Library for BINGO! \$5 per card. 21+ UP. There will be cash prizes. Space is limited. Must RSVP in advance by emailing friendsandoverlibrary@gmail.com Presented by the Friends of the Library



EVERY WEDNESDAY

Chair Yoga

8:50-9:45AM

Cost per session
\$3 Friends of APL
\$5 Andover residents
\$6 Nonresidents

Gentle Yoga

9:50-10:45AM

(bring your own mat)

For more information,
contact
friendsandoverlibrary@g
mail.com

American Mahjong

12:30-3:30PM

Interested in playing American Mahjong? Now you can come to the library every week to play!

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Ask the circulation desk for an application to join the Friends so you can have:

- Discounted events sponsored by Friends
- Late fee coupons
- Early access to the Fall Book Sale

BOOK CLUBS

Romance Book Club

Every First Tuesday of the month @6PM

February's Pick: **The Second You're Single** by Cara Tanamachi



Cheerfully irreverent, biting funny, and filled with romantic charm, Cara Tanamachi's *The Second You're Single* is all about navigating the most romantic month of the year, and how love always seems to arrive when you least expect it. Freelance writer Sora Reid believes in inertia. She's the odd one out in a close-knit family of go-getters, including her Japanese-American mom, who hints about her need to lose weight, and her soon-to-be married, overachieving younger sister, who needs her to have a date for the wedding, since a wedding party couples' dance with their Scottish great uncle Bob simply won't do. For Sora, minimal input, minimal expectations is the way to go. She'd rather stay at home with her insufferable neighbor and her adorable pitbull. The one thing that disrupts her inertia: an intense dislike for Valentine's Day. What is it with the commercial love machine? Why do we pin our hopes on one romantic day, when staying home with a package of bacon and a bottle of tequila would be way better? Sora's been betrayed and disappointed more than once and her heart is starting to feel like her Grandma Mitsuye's antique Japanese ceramic bowl, with its many gold-filled cracks. When her pledge to stay single in February inspires readers to #gosolo, Sora has a responsibility to empower her readers. But relationships aren't built to last, so it shouldn't be that hard. Right? Enter Jack Mann. A muscle-bound baker who looks like he lifts logs on the weekends, Sora hasn't thought of Jack since they were in elementary school together. When they see each other at the local grocery store and the attraction hits hard, Sora knows she has to shut it down, quick. She can't #gosolo AND get the guy. She can't let down her readers. And relationships always end, so why should Jack be any different--even though he's confounding all her long-held expectations of love?

YA Book Club

Every Last Tuesday of the month @6:30PM

February's Pick: **When the Moon Was Ours** by Anna-Marie McLemore

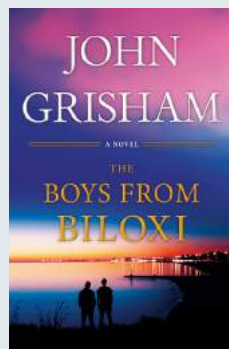


To everyone who knows them, best friends Miel and Sam are as strange as they are inseparable. Roses grow out of Miel's wrist, and rumors say that she spilled out of a water tower when she was five. Sam is known for the moons he paints and hangs in the trees, and for how little anyone knows about his life before he and his mother moved to town. But as odd as everyone considers Miel and Sam, even they stay away from the Bonner girls, four beautiful sisters rumored to be witches. Now they want the roses that grow from Miel's skin, convinced that their scent can make anyone fall in love. And they're willing to use every secret Miel has fought to protect to make sure she gives them up.

Monday Night Book Club (Open Genre)

Every Second Monday of the month @6:30PM

February's Pick: **The Boys from Biloxi** by John Grisham



For most of the last hundred years, Biloxi was known for its beaches, resorts, and seafood industry. But it had a darker side. It was also notorious for corruption and vice, everything from gambling, prostitution, bootleg liquor, and drugs to contract killings. The vice was controlled by a small cabal of mobsters, many of them rumored to be members of the Dixie Mafia.

Keith Rudy and Hugh Malco grew up in Biloxi in the sixties and were childhood friends, as well as Little League all-stars. But as teenagers, their lives took them in different directions. Keith's father became a legendary prosecutor, determined to "clean up the Coast." Hugh's father became the "Boss" of Biloxi's criminal underground. Keith went to law school and followed in his father's footsteps. Hugh preferred the nightlife and worked in his father's clubs. The two families were headed for a showdown, one that would happen in a courtroom.

Life itself hangs in the balance in *The Boys from Biloxi*, a sweeping saga rich with history and with a large cast of unforgettable characters.

Contact the library if you're interested in joining!

CHILDREN'S EVENTS

Lego Club

Ages 7+

Feb 8th @5PM

LEGO CLUB is back! We supply the LEGOS; you bring your imagination! Call the Library or stop by the Front Desk to Register.



Comic Club

Ages 7+

Feb 27th @4:30PM

Learn more about how to make comics and create your own comics! We'll have the supplies; you just need to bring your creativity! New members welcome! No registration required.



Tween Book Club

Every Third Thursday of the month @5PM
February's Pick: Front Desk by Kelly Yang



Mia Tang has a lot of secrets.

Number 1: She lives in a motel, not a big house. Every day, while her immigrant parents clean the rooms, ten-year-old Mia manages the front desk of the Calivista Motel and tends to its guests.

Number 2: Her parents hide immigrants. And if the mean motel owner, Mr. Yao, finds out they've been letting them stay in the empty rooms for free, the Tangs will be doomed.

Number 3: She wants to be a writer. But how can she when her mom thinks she should stick to math because English is not her first language?

It will take all of Mia's courage, kindness, and hard work to get through this year. Will she be able to hold on to her job, help the immigrants and guests, escape Mr. Yao, and go for her dreams?

Talk to the front desk if you're interested in joining!

Winter Story Times
December 4th thru February 21st

In the Story Laboratory

Twos Time

age: 2 yrs.

Mondays @ 10:30 a.m.

Tuesdays @ 9:30 a.m.

Preschool

age: 3 - 5 yrs.

Tuesdays @ 10:30 a.m.

Wednesdays @ 10:30 a.m.

2023-2024



ANDOVER PUBLIC LIBRARY



TWEEN

BOOK

**FEB. 15TH
2024**

5 - 6PM



CLUB

DESIGNED FOR AGES 10 - 13 YEARS OLD

PLEASE SIGN UP AT THE FRONT DESK.

LIMITED SPACE.



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KID'S BOOK REVIEWS

Book Reviews
by Willy



Monster Mayhem by Christopher Eliopoulos

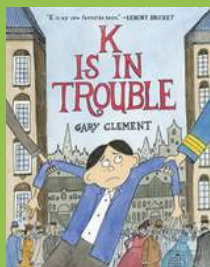
I loved this book because when Zoe found the big monster and the next day, she made a device that could transfer the monster's voice to human. My favorite part was when Zoe battled the other monsters. I give this book 5/5 stars.



Dogtown

by Katherine Applegate (Audiobook)

I liked this book because I got to listen to it in one go and with my new air pods. It was good because I like when Chance tells the backstory when she got hit by a car and when the dogsitter's boyfriend drove away with Chance and Chance jumps out of the truck. I rate this:



K is in Trouble by Gary Clement

I liked this book because it was interesting and delightful to read. I really enjoyed when ... it was exciting! I would definitely read another book like this again!



If you want to have your book review featured, bring your review to the front desk or email it to jjackson@andoverlibrary.org

CREATIVE EVENTS

Open Mic Night & Poetry Night

Kick-off Event: February 15th, 2024

Continues: Every 3rd Thursday, 6-8 PM

Performance Slots: Young Talents (5-17 years): 6-7 PM The Grown-Up Stage (18+): 7-8 PM

Bring your favorite poems, heartfelt stories, or songs Immerse yourself in the power of spoken word Connect with a community of artists and enthusiasts!

info: tlarsen@andoverpubliclibrary.org

Garden Magic Unveiled

Saturday, February 10th

10AM - 11:30 AM

Prepare your garden for a season of vibrant blooms and bountiful harvests. Join us for an informative and inspiring garden class led by Master Gardener, Calandria Edwards.

Free and open to all ages!

To register, please email: tlarsen@andoverlibrary.org In partnership with K-State Research and Extension Butler County

Sewing Classes Craft Apron Workshop

Feb. 3rd, 2024

10AM-12PM

for teens and adults

Learn how to sew and craft your own apron!

What to Bring: 3 yards of fabric of your choice Spool of thread Straight pins (1 1/2 inches or longer) Scissors A small piece of fabric for the pocket (can be a different color than the rest of the apron) your sewing machine if you have one (limited quality provided by the library).

Email Tatiana to reserve your spot: tlarsen@andoverlibrary.org

Unleash the Absurd: A Dada Art Extravaganza!

Art show Opening:

Friday February 2nd 4:30 PM - 6:00 PM

Andover Public Library Gallery

Join us for a unique exploration of Dada Art, brought to life through a collaborative effort between Andover Public Library and the 5th-grade students from Sunflower Elementary!

Art Show will run from February 2nd - February 26th, 2024

For More Information: tlarsen@andoverlibrary.org



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SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
28	29	30	31	1	2 Friends First Friday @9:30AM Sunflower Elementary Dada Art Reception @4:30-6PM Groundhog Day	3 Sewing Class @10AM
4	5 Twos Time @10:30 AM Bunco @ 6PM	6 Twos Time @9:30AM Preschool @ 10:30AM Romance Book Club @6PM	7 Preschool Storytime @10:30AM Mahjong @12:30- 3:30pm 9:00am Chair Yoga 9:45am Gentle Yoga	8 Lego club @ 5PM	9	10 Garden Magic Unveiled @10AM 
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