

## Are We There Yet?!

With the recent move to the newly expanded and renovated east side the APLD is now formally into phase 2 of the project! As the project moved from east to west the progress of construction is now more noticeable along Main St. (Rte. 83).

The east side addition and renovation still has some things to be completed but the community may now enjoy the new Teen Center, new Meeting Rooms, Circulation Desk, Computer/Business Area and Adult Reference Area. Also on the main floor are the Reading Room and Front Room which are available for gathering and informal chats.



On the lower level is the Workshop with many programs scheduled for all ages this winter. Down here you will also find the relocated Children's Dept. until the west side reopens this spring. The lower level also houses a third Meeting Room, the historical archives and once the project is complete, the enlarged Eide and Kakacek Meeting Rooms. You will also find cozy seating on this level as well as larger bathrooms.

With phase two well underway the front of the Library will be extended into the veranda and the entire north side will be filled with glass giving a new look to the front of the building. The addition will add space to the Schroeder Children's program room and provide more floor space for playing, exploring, and gathering.

Along with the interior space, the construction will include the start of the Garden Walk that will run the length of our front lawn to Williams St. As we move through winter we are assured that the project is on track for completion in spring of 2023.

**UPPER RIGHT:** New Teen Center with study, gaming and gathering areas.

**LEFT:** Lower level bottom of stairs. Children's Dept. is currently located here and the Workshop is now where the computer lab and lower level offices once were.

**RIGHT:** New seating and gathering areas can be found throughout the new space.





## *Direct from the Director*

*Jennifer Drinka, Library Director*

My heart is so grateful. My blessings are so many. As Charlotte Bronte said, "For my part, I am almost contented just now, and very thankful. Gratitude is a divine emotion: it fills the heart, but not to bursting; it warms it, but not to fever." As the year draws to a close, I reflect on the gift of leading our Library as we enter our second century and the final phase of the building project. How exciting it is to see the plans of the past several years take shape as the addition and renovated central part of the Library reopen to the public. This winter, I encourage you to heed the call of the new glowing lights in the renovated entryway and find your new favorite spot in our modern, comfortable, inviting Library that truly has something

for everyone. Find your place as you sink into a comfy seat by the fireside, find your calm as you gaze out at falling snow through the breathtaking Teen Center's wide, bright windows, find your focus as you settle in at study tables lit by the glow of lily pad stained glass taken from former public service desks. A feeling of warmth, coziness and community awaits you around every corner.

There is so much to enjoy and experience already, and so much more to look forward to in the springtime. This final phase of construction will see the expansion and reimagining of the Children's Department and the completion of the Garden Walk. I'm happy to report that as of this printing, we have raised nearly \$30,000.00 for the Garden Walk. Bricks and plants will be available for sponsorship through the end of December. Don't miss the chance to leave a permanent mark on this place of shared community pride.



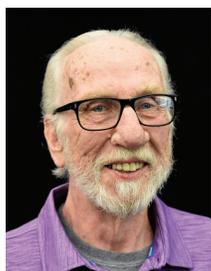
# *Fireside* **FRIDAYS**

**FRIDAYS FROM 10:00 A.M. TO 11:00 A.M.  
DECEMBER 2 | JANUARY 6 | FEBRUARY 3**

Join Library Director Jennifer Drinka, staff and friends on the first Friday of each month from 10-11am in the Front Room of the Library this winter for hot drinks and good conversation as we reconnect as a community. As the building project draws to a close this coming spring, we look forward to shifting our focus from construction back towards the most important thing - people.

# APLD Board Trustee Corner

As the building project moves into the final phase the Library Board of Trustees have provided words of reflection on the project and continued commitment that the Library strive to provide for the local community.



Winter is upon us and the project of expansion and renovation is on track. As Spring arrives we will keep you posted on the completion of the work. Looking forward to welcoming you to your new facility! Have a great holiday season and your gift of a better library will be here by March, 2023! - *Thomas Hausman, Board President*

We are pleased to announce that the library expansion is on budget and on schedule. We appreciate your continued support and patience as construction continues and look forward to seeing you at the grand opening in late spring 2023. - *COL Paul J. Hettich, Vice President*



I'm looking most forward to the new Workshop. The Library already has so many great resources, and this space will give the community more - a fun place to create and learn new skills! - *Rebecca Masik, Board Treasurer*

Thank you to the Library staff and the Antioch community for their help during this year of construction; everyone's patience is appreciated. When the project is completed, I am most looking forward to seeing the natural light flood into the lower level rooms through the new skylight tubes. - *Susan Moore, Board Secretary*



Thank you for your patience and cooperation. The work will be completed by next spring and we will welcome you to our fully renovated Library with exciting improvements to all departments. - *Ann Kakacek, Trustee*

Hi everyone, please let me introduce myself. I've been volunteering the last several years for APLD's Homebound program delivering library materials to APLD patrons. I just joined the APLD Board in October to temporarily fill a vacant Board Trustee position until the 2023 elections. I'm looking forward to helping out and supporting this amazing community and the incredible Library Board in the upcoming few months. ~ *Helen Harold, Trustee*

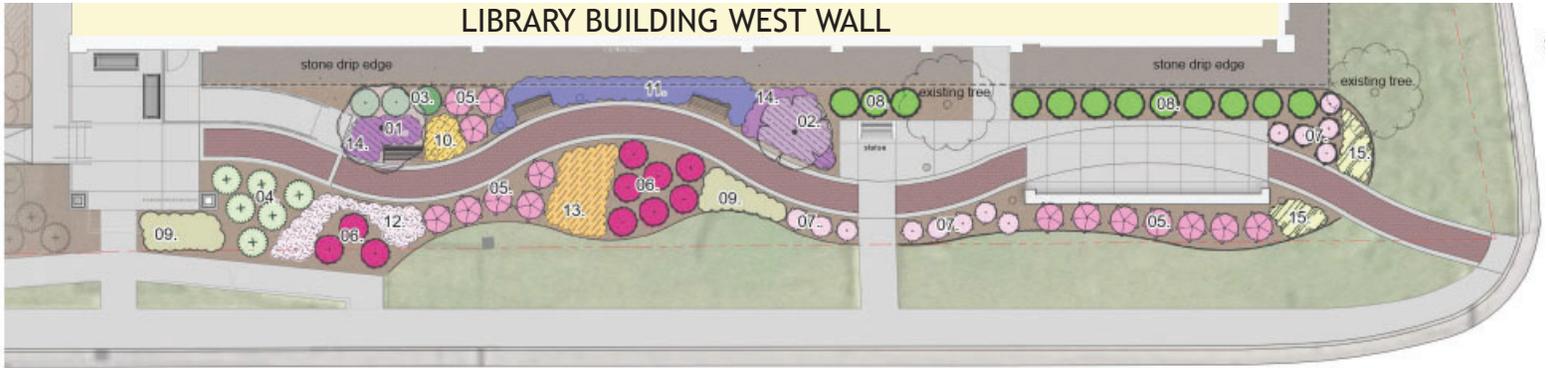


## Library Trustees Board Election Petition Packets Still Available

The Board of Trustees of the Antioch Public Library District will have four seats available on the April 4, 2023 ballot. Petitions will be accepted for four full 4-year terms. Petitions for the office of Trustee are available at the Antioch Public Library District until Monday, December 19, 2022. Signatures may be obtained from September 22 through December 19, 2022. Petitioners will need a minimum of 50 signatures from qualified voters of the district to be placed on the ballot. Petitions should be filed at the Antioch Public Library District from Monday, December 12 through Monday, December 19, 2022 between the hours of 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday. Prospective candidates must be residents of the Antioch Public Library District, a citizen of the United States, and a registered voter. Interested prospective candidates should contact Library Director, Jennifer Drinka or Assistant Director, Amy Blue at the Antioch Public Library District, 757 Main Street, Antioch, IL 60002. The phone number is 847-395-0874 ext. 9051 (Mrs. Drinka) or ext. 9059 (Mrs. Blue).

# Garden Walk

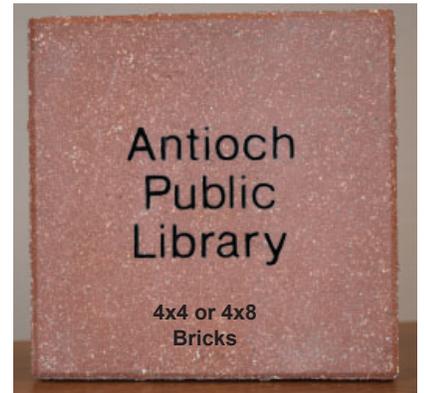
## A Community Space on Main St.



In the original plans for the Library remodel there were only small landscaping modifications made for the stretch of the Library building facing Main St. The monies for completing a grassy lawn, a mulch path and the insertion of electric is secure. The Library Board and Renovation & Expansion Committee saw an opportunity to expand on this area with a little help from the community. A new plan was drafted to create a brick pathway and add lighting, benches and a host of vibrant new plantings. This will then provide an additional place for people to sit and gather or for the Library to host programs. It will also blend with the Main St. beautification project and expand the green spaces further north down Main Street.

To reach our goal in completing this part of the project we are providing community members opportunities to sponsor elements of the Garden Walk. Trees, shrubs, benches and more are needed to complete the project. Those wishing to contribute to the project can go to the Library website at [www.apld.info](http://www.apld.info) and click on the Library Garden Walk link. There you will find a list of all the plantings, benches, and dedication bricks that you can sponsor for the garden path. Gift Bricks are available in two sizes and all purchases may be done entirely online or print a copy of the brochure which is also on the website and send it with your sponsorship fee to the Library.

As of end of October the project has reached 48% of the funds needed for completion.



## THE PENNY JAR PROJECT

There is still time to take part in the Penny Jar Project. Children get to vote on one of three wind mills that will be purchased and placed in the Garden Walk next spring.

Visit the online calendar at [www.apld.info](http://www.apld.info) to reserve a jar or just come in and pick one up. Take your jar home to decorate any way you wish. When you are done collecting just take your jar to the Antioch State Bank of the Lakes to deposit the funds. They will provide each child with a receipt to bring back to the Library. Bring in your receipt to use as an additional vote and get a small prize for participating. This project will run through winter. Donations will be collected into January, 2023



**by Lyman Whitaker**

Copper and steel pine tree wind sculpture.



**Mini Color Leaves by Andrew Carson**

Varied colorful glass shapes that move at different speeds.



**Wind Ripples**

**By Mark White**

Copper and stainless steel wind spinner.



# Evenings with an Author

You will want to register early for this winter's virtual author visits. Call or visit the online calendar to register through the Illinois Libraries Present's website. The programs will be offered online via Zoom so those in attendance can watch and listen in the comfort of their own home.

## Save these Dates!



Tuesday, December 13, 7:00 p.m.  
Shauna Sever of *Midwest Made*

As a writer, Shauna's work is best defined by several baking-centric cookbooks. Her fourth book, *Midwest Made*, was named one of the Best Baking Cookbooks of 2019 by The New York Times. She has also contributed food stories, recipes, and expert tips for numerous outlets including The Wall Street Journal, USA Today, Food52, Bon Appetit, The Kitchen, Family Circle, Real Simple, Midwest Living, Fine Cooking, Food and Wine, Bake from Scratch, O Magazine, and many more. She began developing and writing recipes when she launched her award-winning baking blog *Piece of Cake* in 2007.



Wednesday, January 11, 7:00 p.m.  
*Inciting Joy* with Ross Gay

Ross Gay is interested in joy.

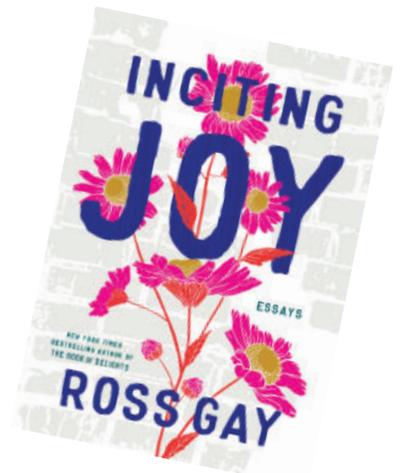
Ross Gay wants to understand joy.

Ross Gay is curious about joy.

Ross Gay studies joy.

Something like that.

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Ross Gay is the author of four books of poetry: *Against Which*; *Bringing the Shovel Down*; *Be Holding*, winner of the PEN American Literary Jean Stein Award; and *Catalog of Unabashed Gratitude*, winner of the 2015 National Book Critics Circle Award and the 2016 Kingsley Tufts Poetry Award. His first collection of essays, *The Book of Delights*, was released in 2019 and was a New York Times bestseller. His new collection of essays, *Inciting Joy*, released by Algonquin in October of 2022.

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**IN-PERSON PROGRAMS****Creative Writing 4 Kids - AT LIBRARY**

(Grades 3-5) Storytellers, writers, poets, and authors can join us at the Library once a month to share what they have been writing, provide constructive feedback, and for fun creative writing prompts. If you have already written a story or a book you would like to share please bring it with you.

**Thursdays from 4:30 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.**

**December 8 | January 12 | February 9**

**Preschool STEAM Storytime - AT LIBRARY**

(Ages 3-5) Preschoolers can join us at the Library for an in person storytime. Books, songs, flannel boards, action movement rhymes, fingerplays, a STEAM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Art, and Math) project, and more.

**Thursdays from 4:30 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.**

**December 15 - Space**

**January 19 - Snow**

**February 16 - Apples**

**Chess and Cookies - AT ANTIOCH VFW**

(Ages 6 & up) Don't miss out on an evening of Chess and Cookies at the Antioch VFW located at 75 North Avenue, Antioch. All skill levels are welcome and we would be happy to teach anyone who wants to learn. And of course there will be cookies too!

**Tuesdays 6:30 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.**

**December 20 | January 17 | February 21**

**VIRTUAL PROGRAMS-FACEBOOK****Tween Ornament Craft**

(Grades 3-5) Join us on Facebook for instructions to make a wooden cross-stitch ornament. Pick up your supplies at the Children's Reference Desk starting November 25.

**Friday, December 2 - 4:00 p.m. to 4:30 p.m.**

**"All About . . ." Storytime**

(Ages 3-5) Host your own storytime at home! Sign up for this program to receive the month's craft as well as a storytime outline. Pick up for the craft will begin seven days prior to the day of the program. Storytime will be posted on the Library's Facebook page.

**Mondays at 12:00 p.m.**

**December 12 - Family**

**January 9 - Snow Days**

**February 6 - Trains**

**Top Hats and Tales (and Tails) Magic Hour**

(Grades K-2) Join us for a story, a magic trick performance, and learn how to do your own magic trick!

**Tuesdays from 4:00 p.m. - 4:30 p.m.**

**December 13 | February 14**

**Take Home Crafts for K-5th**

(Grades K-5) Join us on the Library's Facebook page and learn how to make these monthly crafts. Pick up your supplies from the Children's Reference Desk one week prior to the date of the program.

**Fridays at 4:00 p.m.**

**December 16 - Fillable Ornament**

**January 20 - Diamond Art Key-chain**

**February 17 - Yarn Art**

**Tween Projects**

(Grades 3-5) Projects designed just for tweens! Registration is required. Pick up supplies by morning of program date. Video will air on Facebook on the date and time listed.

**Thursdays from 6:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.**

**December 22 - DIY Hot Stone Painting with Crayons**

**January 26 - Giant Paper Icosahedron (20 sided ball)**

**February 23 - Yarn Art "Starry Night" by Van Gogh**

**February Bubble Paint Flowers**

(Grades K-2) Join us on Facebook for some messy art- bubble paint flowers. We will use a straw, a pie pan, construction paper, paint, and dish soap. Pick up your supplies at the Children's Services Desk the week before the event.

**Friday, February 24 from 10:00 a.m. - 10:30 a.m.**

**TAKE IT HOME PROGRAMS****Toddler Crafts**

(Ages 18-36 months) Toddlers can sign up for these take home craft packets. Packets available for pick up one week prior to the date of the program.

**Mondays**

**December 5 - Winter Wreath**

**January 16 - Snowman Picture Frame**

**February 13 - Valentine's Day Sign**

**MAKE IT IN THE WORKSHOP****Paint Your Own**

(Birth - 5th grade) Slide on into the library to make these adorable holiday gnomes. Register online and join us in the Workshop on the lower level. Those on the waitlist can receive a take and make kit.

**Thursdays from 6:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.**

**December 15 - Holiday Gnomes**

**January 19 - Bird Feeder**

**February 16 - Ceramic Heart**

**Slime!**

(Grades K-5) Sign up to make some fun slime! Register online and join us in the Workshop on the lower level for the program. Those on the waitlist can receive a take and make kit.

**Wednesdays from 4:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.**

**January 11 | February 8**

# Children's Clubs

## Preschool Crafts

(Ages 3-5) Sign up for these take home craft packets available for pick up one week prior to the date of the program.

**Monday, December 5** - Gingerbread Person

**Monday, December 12** - Gingerbread Snow Globe

**Wednesday, December 14** - Paper Ornament Craft

**Monday, December 19** - Paper Snowman

**Monday, January 16** - Craft Stick & Foam Snowman

**Wednesday, January 18** - Paper Penguin

**Monday, January 23** - Paper Polar Bear

**Wednesday, February 8** - Valentine's Day Art

**Monday, February 13** - Ice Skating

**Monday, February 20** - Lady Bug

## Slime!

(Grades K-5) Sign up to make some fun slime! You will be contacted via email once the kit is ready and you will have 3 days to pick it up.

**Wednesday, December 7**

## Crafty Craft Grab Bag

(Birth - Grade 5) Sign up to receive three random take and make crafts each month. Kits can be picked up starting one week before the program begins and are available until one week after the program. Notice: you may receive duplicate craft kits since they are assigned randomly.

**Fridays, December 23 | January 27 | February 24**

## Craft to Go: Winter Hat Decoration

(Grades K-5) Children will use foam and yarn to make a hanging hat decoration. Craft packets will be available for pick up seven days prior to the date of the event. Registration required.

**January 16, All Day**

## Tween Build-a-Bouquet Craft

(Grades 3-5) This month we will be painting our own ceramic vases and filling them with flowers! Pick-up will begin seven days prior to the event.

**February 15, All Day**

## MONTHLY BOOK SIGN-UPS

### Tween Genre Lit Kit

(Grades 3-5) Sign up for our personalized book bag for tweens. Complete an online questionnaire and we will select a book just for you, from the genre of your choice. You will be sent an email when your kit is ready and you will have one week to pick it up. The kit will also contain a few bookish surprises along with a snack or two to enjoy while you read. Bring the book back when it is due, along with the feedback slip, but the rest is yours to keep. Sign up required by the 19th of each month.

**Monday, December 19**

**Wednesday, January 19**

**Sunday, February 19**

## ACTIVITY TABLE

We look forward to welcoming our young patrons and parents back to the Children's Department which is located temporarily on the lower level of the Library until spring. To make things even more exciting and cozy the Children's staff are preparing the Activity Table to offer projects, coloring and more for children' to explore, craft, play and read while they are here. Be sure to see what they have to offer often as it will change regularly through the winter.

### Mad Scientists Club

(Grades K-5) Join Ms. Rachel for a monthly STEAM project on Facebook!

Supplies can be picked up one week in advance. Video will air on Facebook at the time of the program.

**9:30 a.m. to 10:00 a.m.**  
**January 12 - Snow**

### Beginners Crochet Club

**"Let's Make A Blanket"**

(Grades 3-5) Come in to the Library to learn how to crochet, every week we will be crocheting hexagons that will eventually be sewn together into a blanket. All levels of experience are welcome, yarn & hooks provided.

**Thursdays at 5:00 p.m.**  
**December 8**  
**January 12**  
**February 9**

### Hungry, Hungry Readers Book Club

(Grades 3-5) Readers can sign up to join our book and snack club. Books (yours to keep) and snacks will be available starting the first of the month. Book club meets to discuss the book on program dates listed.

**Wednesdays, 4:00 p.m.**  
**at the Library**

**December 28**

Monsters & Mug Cakes  
Reading: *Jumbies* by Tracey Baptiste

**January 25**

Snow White & Snowballs  
Reading: *Snow & Rose* by Emily Winfield Martin

**February 22**

Donuts & Doom  
Reading: *The Last Human* by Zack Gordon

**IN-PERSON PROGRAMS****Teen Library Advisory Board**

(Grades 6-12) Join us at the Library! Get volunteer hours at the Library by helping us assemble craft kits, sharing your ideas for future programs and discussing all things Library. Register or just drop in. Bring your volunteer forms with you to receive credit or fill out the Library's volunteer application.

**Thursdays, 4:30 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.**

**December 8 | January 12 | February 9**

**Teen SciFi/Fantasy Book Club**

(Grades 6-12) Calling all book nerds! If you love SciFi and Fantasy, come join us for the Teen SciFi/Fantasy Book Club! We will be reading all kinds of books from Dystopians to High Fantasy. We will discuss books you hate and love with people who also love this genre as much as you do. There will be snacks and an enamel pin that has something to do with the book we are reading. Sign up and pick up your book at the Teen Desk.

**Sundays, 3:30 p.m. - 4:30 p.m.**

**December 18 - Sabriel by Garth Nix**

**January 15 - The Loop by Ben Oliver**

**February 19 - Within These Wicked Walls by Lauren Blackwood**

**Goodreads Teen Book Discussion**

(Grades 9-12) Join us for a monthly book discussion in our Goodreads discussion board group! Please note that in order to participate, patrons must have a Goodreads account and join APLD's group.

**Tuesdays, 5:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.**

**December 27 | January 31 | February 28**

**MAKE IT IN THE WORKSHOP****3D Printed Ornaments**

(Grades 6-12) If you are just learning how to create a 3D design you can follow our suggested instructions or advanced designers can design their own, come hang out to create an ornament in our Workshop. Files will be saved and printed after the class and you will be contacted when ready for pick up.

**Monday, December 15, 6:00 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.**

**Teen Sketching 101 with Procreate**

(Grades 6-12) Do you like sketching? Would you like to try your hand at Procreate? Join APLD staff at the Library to learn some Procreate basics, including different pen/brush styles, cool blending techniques, and creating different layers. iPad and stylus will be provided or bring your own.

**Thursday, January 5, 2:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.**

**Make Your Own Vinyl Stickers!**

(Grades 6-12) Come check out the new Workshop space at the Library. Sign up for this program and learn how to use our Cricut Machine. Then use your skills to create your own vinyl stickers!

**Friday, January 6, 2:00 p.m. - 3:30 p.m.**

**Teen Manga Discussion Group**

(Grades 6 - 12) The Teen Manga Discussion Group meets every 4th Saturday. Join in for informal discussion about this month's featured manga. Please bring suggestions for next month. We will be voting on what series to discuss next. Registration recommended but drop-ins welcome.

**Saturdays, 1:00 p.m. - 2:00 p.m.**

**January 28 | February 25**

**Lotus Lantern Craft and Presentation**

(Grades 6 - Adult) The presenter for this program is Virtual while the class is IN person at the Library. The Member of Korean Spirit and Culture Promotion Project will show step by step to make a lovely lotus flower lantern using colored paper and wire frames followed by a documentary of Korean culture.

**February 22, 5:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.**

**GAMES - ONLINE & IN PERSON****Minecraft Mania - VIRTUAL**

(Grades 6-12) If you like Minecraft, come and hang out with us through Zoom! We have a server set up where we can play online with each other. There are tons of things that we can do from playing mini games to building something awesome. Join us by sending your minecraft username to kmcnatt@apld.info so that you can be admitted into the server. This program is for all ages.

NOTE: In order to join the server, you need to have Minecraft: Java Edition. The server is incompatible with other types of Minecraft.

**Thursdays, 6:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.**

**December 1 | January 5 | February 2**

**Chess and Cookies - AT ANTIOCH VFW**

(Ages 6 & up) Don't miss out on an evening of Chess and Cookies at the Antioch VFW located at 75 North Avenue, Antioch. All skill levels are welcome and we would be happy to teach anyone who wants to learn. And of course there will be cookies too!

**Tuesdays, 6:30 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.**

**December 20 | January 17 | February 21**

**The Euphorigen Investigation: Puzzle Room At The Library**

(Grades 6 - Adult) Sign up to play The Euphorigen Investigation, a puzzle room that immerses players in a world of manipulated media, social media bots, deepfakes, and other forms of deception. Players will have under an hour to uncover information on the fictional supplement called "Euphorigen" and determine if it's safe to be added to the public water supply. Taking place at the Library.

**Thursday, December 29, 6:30 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.**

**Friday, December 30, 2:00 p.m. - 3:30 p.m.**

## **Dungeons and Dragons for Teens**

(Grades 6 - 12) Heard about Dungeons and Dragons, but don't have a dedicated party? Try joining fellow adventurers at the Library the third Thursday of every month.

**Thursdays, 6:30 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.**

**January 19 | February 16**

## **Teen Game Night**

Sign up to join us after-hours for a night of VR and video gaming in the new Teen Center at the Library, and we'll have pizza too. Space is limited!

**Friday, February 17, 4:30 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.**

## **EDUCATION & INFORMATION**

### **Paying for College Without Going Broke - VIRTUAL**

The Antioch Public Library District is hosting "Paying for College Without Going Broke." This webinar focuses on exploring the complex world of need-based and merit-based financial aid. Parents and students will learn strategies for lowering their EFC (Expected Family Contribution), the new FAFSA rules, and tips for optimizing college admissions and scholarships. Registration required.

**Wednesday, January 18, 7:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.**

## **TAKE HOME PROJECT**

### **Try Your Hand - VIRTUAL**

(Grades 6-12) Teens can try their hand at some fun projects. Sign up, then come to the Library to pick up your kit. Project how-to will post to Teen Facebook and APLD YouTube channel on specified date. Supplies are for grades specified only.

#### **• Glass Block Winter Decoration - December 19**

Sign up to make this one-of-a-kind winter decoration! This project will look like a snowy scene that you have magically captured in a glass block. Kits will be made available on December 9th and must be picked up by December 16th. Video instruction will be posted on the Antioch Public Library YouTube Channel as well as the Teen Facebook page.

#### **• No Sew Snowman - January 16**

Did you love making our No Sew Sock Gnomes? Sign up for this Try Your Hand to reserve a kit so you can make a Snowman friend for your Gnome! The kits will be made available January 6th and must be picked up by January 13th. Video instruction will be made available on the Teen Facebook page as well as the Library YouTube channel.

#### **• Paper Mache Moon - February 20**

Have you wanted to try Paper Mache? You are in luck! For this Try Your Hand, we will be making a Paper Mache moon sculpture that you can hang on your wall. The kit will be made available on February 10th and must be picked up by February 17th. Video Instruction will be made available on the Teen Facebook page as well as the Library YouTube channel.

## **RESERVE A LIT BOX**

### **YA Lit Boxes**

(Grades 6-12) Sign up for a personalized book box for young adult fiction fans in grades 6-12. Complete an online questionnaire and we will custom select a book just for you. You will be sent an email when your box is ready and have one week to pick it up. The box will also contain a few bookish surprises along with a snack or two to enjoy while you read. Bring the book and box back when they are due, but the rest is yours to keep.

**Sign up required by the 8th of each month.**

**December 8 | January 8 | February 8**

## **TEEN CLUBS**

### **Teen Fiber**

#### **Support Group**

Do you love all things fiber? Are you interested in learning a fiber craft? Come and join the Teen Fiber Support Group! If you are having trouble with your project, or want to learn a new craft, every meeting we will have a special focus where staff will teach a new technique or craft. Don't need lessons? Don't worry! Come in and relax as we hang out and work on our current projects.

**Sundays at 2:00 p.m.**

**December 4**

Tatting

**December 18**

Tunisian Crochet

**January 15**

How to Knit

**January 29**

Amigurumi

**February 12**

Felting

**February 26**

Embroidery

### **Teen Anime Club**

Are you an Anime or Manga fan? Then come to Anime Club! We meet every Monday to discuss Manga, watch Anime, enjoy a variety of activities or just hang out with other fans. We have snacks, too! This club is for students in 8th grade through High School.

Locations vary.

**Mondays**

**4:30 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.**

**December 5, 12, 19 & 26**

**January 2, 9, 16, 23 & 30**

**February 6, 13 & 27**

## MAKE IT IN THE WORKSHOP

### DIY Spa in Jar Gift

Make holiday spa gifts for the special people in your life! Projects include a body scrub, a foot soak, & lip balm in decorative jars. There is a \$2.00 materials fee per patron payable at the program.

**Sunday, December 4, 2:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.**

### Sewing Basics - IN PERSON

Learn the basics of a sewing machine, how to sew a straight seam, accurate seam allowance, understanding of fabric grain, reading pattern pieces and simple construction. You will make a simple pin cushion using these new skills.

**Thursday, January 12, 2:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.**

### DIY in the Workshop! - IN PERSON

Join us in the Library's NEW Workshop to create some fun DIY projects and crafts.

**Wednesdays at 6:00 p.m.**

**December 7** - Wire Wrapped Rings

**December 14** - Honeycomb Ornaments

**January 11** - Mobius Necklaces

**January 18** - Winter Votive & Candle Making

**January 25** - Winter Sunset Painting

**February 1** - Watercolor Resist Flower Art

**February 8** - Valentine's Heart Frame

**Sundays at 2:00 p.m.**

**December 11** - Hand Sewn Gifts

**January 22** - Book Page Snowman

**Monday at 6:00 p.m.**

**February 6** - Mono-printing

**Thursday at 6:00 p.m.**

**February 16** - Make a Garden Flag

### Quilting and Sewing Meetup - IN PERSON

Join fellow quilting and sewing friends in the Workshop! Show off your projects, talk about that stubborn problem, or get some new inspiration!

**Thursdays, 2:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.**

**January 26 | February 23**

### Quilting Basics

Learn the basic of Quilting with Sharlene.

**Thursday, February 9, 2:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.**

### Lotus Lantern Craft & Presentation

The Member of Korean Spirit and Culture Promotion Project will show step-by-step how to make a lovely lotus flower lantern using colored paper and wire frames followed by a documentary of Korean culture. The presenter for this program will be virtual while the class is held in person at the Library.

**Wednesday, February 22, 5:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.**

## IN-PERSON PROGRAMS

### Black Sheep Fiber Club - Spiering Room

The Under 40's Black Sheep Fiber Club is a group to share your projects, get assistance, & chill with peers. Bring your knitting, crochet, embroidery, macrame projects or learn how to knit/crochet a blanket square for Penny's Purpose. Snack and beverage provided. Registration recommended.

**First Saturday each month from 2:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.**

**December 3 | January 7 | February 4**

### Game Night for Adults Under 40 - Meeting Room 2

Join us at the Library for Game Night! From Codenames to Ticket to Ride, we've got the games & snacks. Come by yourself or come with friends.

**First Tuesday of each month 6:30 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.**

**December 6 | January 3 | February 7**

### Knit and Crochet Meetup - Spiering Room

Come to learn or share a current project with others. Help Penny's Purpose by knitting or crocheting a blanket square. We have the materials! Registration is recommended in case of location change.

**Sunday, December 18, 1:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m.**

**Saturday, January 28, 9:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.**

**Saturday, February 25, 9:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.**

### Chess and Cookies - Antioch VFW

Don't miss out on an evening of Chess and Cookies at the Antioch VFW located at 75 North Avenue, Antioch. All skill levels are welcome and we would be happy to teach anyone who wants to learn. And of course there will be cookies too! (Ages 6 & up)

**Tuesdays 6:30 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.**

**December 20 | January 17 | February 21**

### Atypical Globe-trotting - At the Library

Come along on Brian Michalski's 22-month solo backpacking journey as he worked & volunteered his way through Australia, Southeast Asia, India, Cuba, and more. Get insider info about planning, budgeting, dealing with culture shock, realities of hostel life, testing your physical & emotional limits, coping with setbacks, visa tips, so that you, too, can travel like a pro. Program will take place at the Library. Registration requested.

**Sunday, February 5, 2:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m.**

## ONLINE PROGRAMS

### Cooking with a Chef - On Zoom

Sharpen your cooking skills while adding some great new ideas to your recipe box. Join us on Zoom to cook along with a chef or just sit back and watch.

**Sundays 3:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.**

**December 11 | January 22 | February 5**

# ADULT WRITERS GROUPS

## Crystal Bowl Meditation - HYBRID Meeting Room 2 & via Zoom

Crystal bowl sounds are an ancient healing art and are a form of vibrational medicine. With total relaxation and support, the correct frequency can remind our energy field of its original blueprint, bringing it back to harmony. Presenter for this program will be virtual while the class is held in person at the Library & via Zoom.  
**Thursday, December 22, 7:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.**

## Paying for College Without Going Broke - VIRTUAL via Zoom

This webinar focuses on exploring the complex world of need-based and merit-based financial aid. Parents and students will learn strategies for lowering their EFC (Expected Family Contribution), the new FAFSA rules, and tips for optimizing college admissions and scholarships. Registration required.

**Wednesday, January 18, 7:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.**

## BOOK CLUBS

Join in on the lively book discussion at these monthly Book Clubs.

### Novel Pleasures - IN PERSON at the Library

To receive a copy of the book, e-mail [ablue@apld.info](mailto:ablue@apld.info).

**Tuesdays 10:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.**

**December 20** - *Ask Again, Yes* by Mary Beth Keane

**January 17** - *How the Word is Passed* by Clint Smith

**February 21** - *Doctor Zhivago* by Boris Pasternak

### Book Chat - HYBRID at the Library or via Zoom

To receive a copy of the book, e-mail [spila@apld.info](mailto:spila@apld.info).

**Mondays 7:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.**

**December 12** - *Things Fall Apart* by Chinua Achebe

**January 9** - *Hamnet* by Maggie O'Farrell

**February 13** - *There Are No Children Here* by Alex Kotlowitz

### Books and Beverages (Adults Under 40) - VIRTUAL via Zoom

Please contact the Library for a copy of each month's book.

**Second Tuesdays of the month, 7:00 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.**

**December 13 | January 10 | February 14**

### Virtual SciFi Fantasy Book Club - VIRTUAL via Zoom

To get a copy, please contact Robin Barlow at [rbarlow@apld.info](mailto:rbarlow@apld.info).

**Thursdays 7:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.**

**December 15** - *Mistborn* by Brandon Sanderson

**January 19** - *House in the Cerulean Sea* by TJ Klune

**February 23** - *Windhaven* by George RR Martin

### Goodreads Adult Book Discussion - VIRTUAL Goodreads discussion board

To participate, patrons must have a Goodreads account & join APLD's group.

**Tuesdays 5:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.**

**December 27 | January 31 | February 28**

### Movie Mania Subscription Box

Register by the 10th of each month for a Movie Mania Box that contains movies and a couple surprises for you to enjoy. You will be notified by e-mail when your box is ready. Bring the DVDs and box back when they are due, and keep the rest!

### Adult Lit Box

Register by the 20th of each month for a personalized book subscription box for adults. You will be contacted when your box is ready. Bring the book and box back when they are due and keep the little extras included for yourself!

### Women Writers Group

Attention women writers! Let your inner writer come out in this new program just for you.

In addition to creating a community of support and encouragement, a writing group also provides the necessary critiquing of each other's work that is essential to honing your writing skills.

Participants are encouraged to bring current works or samples of their work.

**On ZOOM**

**7:00 to 8:30 p.m.**

**Monday, December 5**

**Sunday, January 2**

**Sunday, February 6**

### Antioch Writers Group

Join us on the third Tuesday of each month, as we inspire and motivate each other to create our best work.

Do you have a short story, poetry, or even a whole novel inside you that is just dying to get out?

For those who endeavor to create the perfect sentence, plot, character or world building, input from a writer's group can be particularly advantageous and create a community of support and encouragement.

**Tuesdays on ZOOM**

**7:00 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.**

**December 20**

**January 17**

**February 21**

# Get it Online

Did you know that you can borrow magazines online through the Library website? Check out these titles and hundreds more when you sign in with your Library card and PIN. Emagazines are easy to download to your computer, phone or tablet. Digital Library of Illinois and the LIBBY app make it easy. Go to [apld.info](http://apld.info) Digital Collection to learn more.

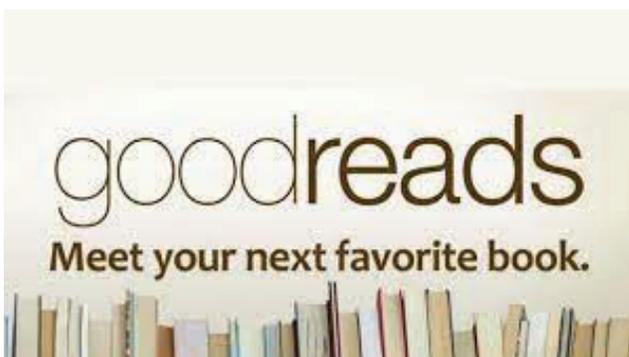


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## Deciding what to read next?

You're in the right place. Join us online on our Goodreads group where we will discuss our favorite reads together! Goodreads is the perfect location to rate books, interact with other readers in the community, and find out what to read. Looking for your next great read? Each book in our Goodreads bookshelf was enjoyed by one of our staff members, so you are sure to find something you love. Join the APLD GoodReads book discussion each month. Links to connect are posted on the Library event calendar at [apld.info](http://apld.info).



Two separate discussion on GoodReads:

**ADULTS:**

Tuesdays 5:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.  
December 27 | January 31 | February 28

**TEENS:**

Tuesdays, 5:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.  
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# The Antioch Library Friends

While the Friends Used Book Shop is currently paused, the Friends have still been busy during construction. They were instrumental in making our recent “It’s a Speakeasy” fundraiser a great success. They are maintaining the Little Free Library next to Casa Ruiz and planning their renovated space for opening up back in the Spring. There will be an announcement when they are ready to start accepting community donations again.

The Antioch Library Friends would like to thank the local businesses that so generously donated toward the Library Friends silent auction and raffles at the “It’s A Speakeasy” event held in October.

Abigail’s Topknots and Tails  
Antioch Cyclery  
Antioch Movie Theatre  
Antioch Pizza  
Floral Acres  
Hannah’s

Inspired Home  
Lakes Realty  
Little Bean Coffee Company  
Lovin Oven Cakery  
Merle Norman Cosmetics  
Mr. G’s

Old Mill Creek Country Store  
P M & L Theatre  
Something Sweet  
Vigneto del Bino Vineyard & Winery  
Wilmot Heritage Antiques  
Zanna Dunes



LEFT: Members of the Antioch Library Friends gathered for a short tour of the building project. They were sad to see their little room gone but surprised at the space that will become their new open area location in the front of the Library.

RIGHT: The Antioch Library Friends auction booth was very busy the night of the “Speakeasy” fundraiser. Last minute bids were taken up to the last hour of the event. Thank you again to area businesses for the wonderful donations. Event guests were very pleased with all the offerings that night.



## Join The Library Friends

Are you looking for a volunteer opportunity? The Antioch Library Friends meet monthly on the first Thursday of the month. The Friends group collects, organizes and operates the Friends Used Book Shop located in the front of the Antioch Library. They are currently seeking new members and gearing up to stock and reopen their new area come spring. If you are interested, attend one of their meetings or request a membership form at the Circulation Desk.



**LEFT:** Josh Peregrin, Superintendent from Henry Brothers Construction shows staff around the new Teen Center on the main floor of the Library. Roofing installation began the following day to fully enclose the addition.

**LOWER TOP:** Meanwhile on the lower level. The old computer lab is quickly becoming the Workshop and a new larger Rotary Room.

**LOWER BOTTOM:** Three weeks later the Workshop and Rotary Room has doors and window. To the left you can see the access to new restrooms and hallway to the Kakacek Room.



## Construction Update

by William (Bill) Dehr

Hi There Antioch!

While this issue of the Library Newsletter was in production the entire Little Library along with staff moved over to the renovated side to allow for the final renovation of the old 1970's portion of the Library. While we all enjoy the new area of the Library we can expect the following to happen this winter:

- The front porch veranda will be excavated to extend the Children's Department. The wall will come down and be replaced with windows.
- The canopy overhang will be completed.
- Entryway bathrooms from the Live and Learn grant will be complete.
- A new roof will go on the entire west end to replace the 1970's roof completely.
- Children's spaces for learning, playing and creating will be installed.
- The Garden Walk will be started.
- Roadside sign will be updated.
- The temporary wall will come down and the final move to open the entire space will happen by spring!





**TOP:** Work to the west side of the building started in November with the removal of the veranda bricks. All of these bricks will be repurposed in the new garden walk along Rte. 83/Main St.



**TOP RIGHT OF PAGE:** A look at the enclosed lower level Eide and Kakacek. From the first pillar on the right on is the addition to the room.



**RIGHT:** View of the Eide Room and what will be renamed the Kakacek Room. This large program space will have a moving wall to separate it to allow for multiple group usages. The light seen on the back wall comes from tubes that provide natural light to the lower level.

**BOTTOM:** Tom Shaughnessy, Township Supervisor, Cristina Bomben Allegrini and Marc Rogers of CCS, Library Director, Jennifer Drinka and Jim Keim, Village Administrator meet to review and sign off on the repaving of the east side parking lot. Part of the Williams Park baseball complex needed to be excavated to re-route storm drainage located along the property lines. The plan for the future is to plant ivy along the Library's east wall to give the baseball goes a little bit of a Wriggleyville view for future games.



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## BOARD MEETINGS

Tuesdays at 7 p.m.  
December 27 | January 31 | February 28

## CLOSURES

CHRISTMAS EVE - Saturday, December 24  
CHRISTMAS DAY - Sunday, December 25

NEW YEAR'S EVE - Saturday, December 31  
NEW YEAR'S DAY - Sunday, January 1

PRESIDENT'S DAY - Monday, February 20

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## Completion Expected - Early Spring 2023



First Floor Collection Area Rendering



Circulation Desk Rendering



Fireplace & Coffee Area Rendering



Large Meeting Room Rendering



Teen Room Rendering



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