

THE LIBRARY CONNECTION

ANDERSON PUBLIC LIBRARY NEWSLETTER



National Library Week: April 8 -14

Come celebrate with us!

Enjoy these and other programs and events at the library this week!

Game Night for Grownups

Monday, April 9
5:00 - 7:45pm

Location: Cardinal Room

Join us for Terraforming Mars! We will teach you to play this featured game of the month, but you can bring your own games, too! Beginners welcome! Adults only please.

K-9 Demonstration

Tuesday, April 10
6:00 - 7:00pm

Location: Cardinal Room

Anderson Police Officer Chaz Willis and his K-9 partner, Duke, will give a live demonstration and explain how they work together to keep our library and community safe. All ages welcome!

Mad Batter Tea Party

Wednesday, April 11
4:00 - 5:00pm

Location: Cardinal Room

Bring the whole family to celebrate the opening of baseball season with a fusion of baseball and ill-planned tea parties! Enjoy elegant refreshments during our annual game of frying plan baseball!

Gardening from the Big Box Stores

Thursday, April 12
6:00 - 7:15pm

Location: Cardinal Room

Master Gardener Terry Chandler will help you explore the offerings from garden centers and figure out the best place in your garden to plant these jewels.

Friends of the Library Book Sale

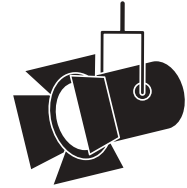
Friday, April 13 & Saturday, April 14
12:00 - 4:30pm

Monthly book sales are open to the public and are located on the third floor of the Main Library. Stop by and take a look!





LIBRARY SPOTLIGHT



Meet Officer Chaz Willis and his K-9 Partner, Duke



Officer Chaz Willis is just one of six Anderson Police officers that work security here at Anderson Public Library. Chaz has been an officer with the police department for four years and partners with his K-9 companion, Duke, for two. We asked Chaz some questions about why he chose to become a police officer, the process to get a K-9 partner, and the training that K-9s must go through to become official police dogs.

Q: Why did you choose to become a police officer? What drew you to working here at the library?

A: I became a police officer because I wanted to make a difference and positively impact lives. I enjoy the job because it is different each day. Being staffed at the library allows me to work with youth and continue to make a difference in the Anderson community.

Q: How do you become a K-9 handler and why did you chose this department?

A: First, you have to apply to the K-9 division when an opening is posted. If you are chosen, the next step is to go through a series of interviews with the K-9 unit. I chose to work in this department because I like working with dogs and they help keep officers and the community safe.

Q: What is the training process for K-9s?

A: Training begins at birth. Many of the dogs are born outside of the United States and then shipped to a kennel in the U.S. around the time that they are a year old. They continue to go through training at the kennel until they are purchased by a police department or the military. Once they are acquired by the police department, handlers continue to work with the dogs consistently.

Q: How are officers partnered with their K-9s?

A: Generally, K-9 handlers will go to the kennel and observe the dogs. They will watch them, get a feel for their personality, and make sure that the dogs have the drive needed to be a working police dog. Then, the handler will pick which dog they think is most suitable to be their partner. I was actually partnered with Duke because his previous handler was getting a different dog. K-9 partners live with their handlers and are with them 24/7, whether they are at home or work.

Q: What is Duke's background and what is he trained in?

A: Duke is a 6 year-old Malinois. Malinois' are sometimes categorized a variety of the Belgian Shepherd dog breed. Duke was shipped to the United States when he was approximately 1 year-old from the Netherlands. He is trained in narcotics, apprehensions, and tracking.



Q: What do you think is important for the public to know about K-9s?

A: It is common for K-9s to be thought of as being used "for the bad guys." However, they do much more than that. K-9s are great locator tools. They can track lost children, assist with finding an elderly person that has wandered away from their home, and find evidence other than drugs. K-9s can also do many things that officers can't, keeping both the officers and the public safe.

Don't miss Chaz and Duke's live K-9 demonstration at the library on Tuesday, April 10th at 6:00pm in the Cardinal Room!

For more information, please visit andersonlibrary.net or call (765) 641-2451.



Money Smart Week April 21-28

See our event calendar for featured programs about financial literacy and visit the Main Library to participate in our Price Is Right challenge!

The Escape of Caroline

Tuesday, April 24

6:00 - 7:30pm

Location: Miami Room



Award-winning storytellers, **Deborah Asante** and **Bob Sander** are back! Join us for this dramatic presentation as they recount the details of a harrowing true story about a woman and her four young children's escape from bondage.

3rd Annual International APL 500 Mile



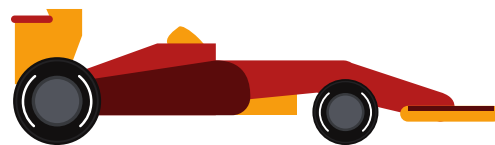
DRIVE-IN STORYTIME



Tuesday, April 22 and Thursday, April 24

10:30am

Celebrate the 102nd running of the Indy 500 with this special race-themed storytime!



Save the Date!

Summer Reading
Kick-off Carnival



May 31st

Details coming
soon!



LIBRARY INFORMATION

MAIN LIBRARY

111 East 12th Street
Anderson, IN 46016
(765) 641-2456

Hours:

Monday - Thursday: 9:30 am - 8:00 pm
Friday - Saturday: 9:30 am - 5:30 pm
Sunday: 1:00 pm - 5:00 pm

*Indiana Room is closed on Sundays



LAPEL BRANCH

610 Main Street
Lapel, IN 46051
(765) 313-4089

New Hours in 2018!

Monday - Thursday: 12:00 pm - 7:00 pm

*Closed Friday, Saturday, and Sunday



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April



SUNDAY

1 Closing - All Day

Library closed for Easter.

THURSDAY

5 Declutter & Organize for Spring/2:00pm

Barbara Bougher will be here to share tips on how to simplify and organize your home and life without getting overwhelmed.

SATURDAY

7 Crafternoon/2:00pm

Zentangle Drawing
Sonia Buck will guide participants in this easy-to-learn art form!

MONDAY

9 Game Night for Grownups/5:00pm

A monthly gaming group at the library for adults only! This month we will play Terraforming Mars! Beginners welcome!

TUESDAY

10 K-9 Demonstration/6:00pm

Join us for a live K-9 demonstration from Anderson Police Officer Chaz Willis and his K-9 partner, Duke!

WEDNESDAY

Mad Batter Tea Party/4:00pm

Celebrate the baseball's opening season with a game of frying pan baseball and a tea party!

Super Dogs/5:30pm

Transform shelter dogs into the heroes they are by drawing super pups! For teens in grades 6-12 only.

THURSDAY

12 Master Gardeners/6:00pm

Gardening from Big Box Stores
Master Gardeners will help you explore the offerings of garden centers and pick what's right for you.

SATURDAY

14 Knit Together/2:00pm

Come to APL's monthly knitting club! Bring your current knitting projects! Beginners are welcome!

TUESDAY

24 The Escape of Caroline/6:00pm

Join us as Deborah Asante and Bob Sander present the story of a woman and her four children's escape from bondage with the help of members of the Underground Railroad.

WEDNESDAY

25 Blackout Poetry/4:30pm

Turn old books into unique works of art! Create poems by crossing out and highlighting different words. For tweens and teens in grades 3-12.

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SATURDAY

International Tabletop Day/1:00pm

All ages are welcome to join us as we celebrate and play games! Bring your own or play some of ours!

Dungeons & Dragons 101/2:00pm

Teens and adults are invited to Dungeon Master Theron Dalton! You'll play through a one-shot learning adventure using the 5th edition D&D rules. Registration required.



May

TUESDAY

1 The Burning Maze/6:00pm

Celebrate the release of The Burning Maze, The Trials of Apollo by Rick Riordan. We will have a scavenger hunt, trivia, decorate a Greek mask, and make a quote posters. For tweens.

WEDNESDAY

2 Teen Game Night/5:30pm

Drop in for an evening of video and tabletop gaming!
For teens in grades 6-12 only.

SATURDAY

5 Knit Together/2:00pm

Come to APL's monthly knitting club! Bring your current knitting projects! Beginners are welcome!

THURSDAY

10 Puffy Paint Crafts/5:30pm

Create a design with some puffy paint and microwave it - it will become puffier! Choose to make a window cling, friendship bracelet, or a necklace! For kids in grades 1-6.

SATURDAY

12 Crafternoon/2:00pm

Paint-your-own pottery
Decorate a soup/latte mug with East Side Studios Director Kameron Robinson! Registration is required and seats are limited!

MONDAY

21 Rockin' Anderson/4:30pm

Come and paint some rocks to hide around Anderson! For kids in grades 3-6.

TUESDAY

22 My Grownup and Me Book Club/6:00pm

A book club for school age children and an adult. Join us for a reading, discussion, activity, and a light snack!

MONDAY

28 Closing - All Day

Library closed for Memorial Day

THURSDAY

31 SRP Kick-off Carnival/4:30pm

Join us as kick-off our 2018 Summer Reading Program with games, activities, and lots of fun throughout the library!

*Please visit andersonlibrary.net for a complete schedule of events.