



## **A Night with a Professional Organizer**

**Thursday, Jan. 5, 2023 @ 6:00 pm**

If you enjoy watching Marie Kondo and *The Home Edit* on TV, then this in-person program is for you! Meet local Professional Organizer Maria Grove for a night of



organizing tips, tricks and inspiration. She'll teach you how to organize your closet and start good habits in your home. Bring your questions and Maria will personally solve your organizing problems. Maria is a certified professional home organizer who loves tackling the clutter in your home and teaching you techniques for sustainable

solutions. She's not into "Pinterest-worthy spaces" – her mantra is "real people live here" and she organizes for them.



## **Digestive Wellness**

**Wednesday, Jan. 11, 2023 @ 7:00 pm**

Wellness starts with nourishing food. We are not just what we eat - we are what we DIGEST. Good health begins and ends with our digestion. Join Angela Sum, certified health coach and Avon resident, for this in-person presentation on the importance of digestive wellness.

**Please register @ [www.avonctlibrary.info](http://www.avonctlibrary.info) for these in-person programs.**

## ***Letter from the President of the Friends of Avon Public Library***

***December 2022***

Hello Friends!

With this season of giving thanks and gratitude, it is my honor to acknowledge the dedicated Friends volunteers and generous Friends donors.

Our annual Used Booksale in October raised over \$11,000! We appreciate all who came to support BOTH the Adult sale as well as our Children's and Teens sale! Our book sales would not be possible without the dedicated efforts of our volunteers! Thank you to all the book sorters and sale volunteers! Reminder: donations of used books, CDs, DVDs, are welcome any day the library is open!

The return of the Friends Author Luncheon in October was well attended and enjoyed by all. Thank you to the luncheon committee and auction items donated for the event! 2023 will mark the return of the Music at Three Sunday afternoon series. We appreciate the committee of volunteers as they are working behind the scenes to prepare!

In addition, I want to thank those Friends who have renewed or joined the Friends in 2022! Your support is essential as we work to provide the Avon Free Public Library, the staff and the community at large with programs that engage all ages!

I would like to thank the Friends Executive Board for guiding our passions and steering the enthusiasm for the Avon Free Public Library! Finally, I am thankful for Glenn Grube, our director, all the librarians and staff. Working with cooperative and caring team creates an environment that benefits the entire Avon community!

Thank you for being a Friend - see you in 2023!

*Lisa Berman, President, Friends of the Avon Free Public Library*




We're back!


## 2023 Sundays at Three Music Series

*Sponsored by the Friends of the Avon Library*

The Friends of the Avon Library are pleased to announce that our popular *Sundays at Three* music series is coming back for 2023! We'll kick off the new season on **Sunday, January 15<sup>th</sup>** with the crowd favorite, KC Sisters. Look for more information about the series as the date grows closer. We look forward to sharing music in person in Avon again soon.

VIRTUAL PROGRAM



We  COLLEEN HOOVER



**TUESDAY  
DECEMBER 20  
6:30PM**

JOIN AVON AND BLOOMFIELD LIBRARIANS FOR ALL THINGS COLLEEN HOOVER. GIVEAWAYS INCLUDED!

SIGNUP AT [BPLCT.ORG](http://BPLCT.ORG)  
EVENT CALENDAR

The Holidays are coming! Don't forget that the **Booktique** has high-quality books at Book Sale prices! You can shop at the **Booktique** anytime that the Library is open!



*All proceeds go to the Friends of the Avon Library.*

We've got your weekends covered! Our Sunday hours are now in effect! We will be open on Sunday afternoons from December through April. Come and visit us from 1:00 pm - 5:00 pm!



### Selection & Care of Houseplants

**Wed., January 25<sup>th</sup> @ 2:00 pm** (via Zoom)



Growing plants in the home or office is a great way to bring the outdoors inside and enjoy plants year-round. This virtual talk will take you through the steps of how to select, and take care of indoor plants and fill your home with life and color.

Presented by Dr. Yonghao Li from the Connecticut Agricultural Experiment Station.

**Please register online to receive the Zoom link for this virtual program.**

### ★ Build a Gingerbread House ★

Tuesday, January 31, 2023

Two sessions 5:00-6:00 pm ★ 6:15-7:15 pm

Everyone is welcome to sign up to create a Winter Wonderland gingerbread house. All supplies and candy materials will be provided. This program is open to children and adults of all ages!



*Please register @ [www.avonctlibrary.info](http://www.avonctlibrary.info) for this program.*

## Meditation Programs

### Reducing Stress Through Meditation this Holiday Season

Thursday, December 15<sup>th</sup> @ 7:00 pm

### Start the New Year with Meditation

Thursday, January 19<sup>th</sup> @ 7:00 pm

Programs are virtual and held via Zoom. Please register @ [www.avonctlibrary.info](http://www.avonctlibrary.info) and the Zoom link will be sent to you before the program.



# Book Buddies

Teens Read with Kids

## Winter Book Buddies

Thursdays @ 4:30 pm \* February 2, 9, 16, 23

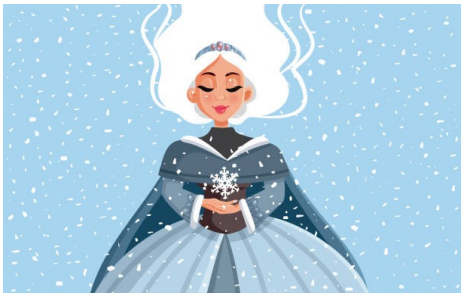
Teens in grades 7-12 can sign up to volunteer to be Big Buddy readers to kids in grades K-3. Kids and teens read together, then create a different open art project each week!

*This program will meet in person—space is limited.*

*Please register online @ [www.avonctlibrary.info](http://www.avonctlibrary.info)*

### ❄️ Magical Winter Storytime ❄️

Tuesday, December 13<sup>th</sup> @ 6:30 pm



Welcome the Snow Queen and the Miracle Princess!  
Join us for a magical evening with a storytime, fun games, and a personal photo meet-and-greet!  
For ages 3 & up.

Please register online @ [www.avonctlibrary.info](http://www.avonctlibrary.info)

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## VOLUNTEER TO MAKE VALENTINE'S THEMED CARDS FOR SENIOR CITIZENS

SIGN UP BETWEEN  
WEDNESDAY  
JANUARY 4<sup>TH</sup> AND  
WEDNESDAY  
JANUARY 18

**REGISTRATION REQUIRED.**  
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## Connecticut Innovations that Helped to Change the World

Tuesday, December 13, 2022 @ 2:00 pm (via Zoom)



Innovation is often defined simply as a new idea, device or method of accomplishing something. To be an innovation that helped to change the world, the invention must extend beyond delivering a better solution these innovations often disrupt or radically alter how a problem is defined, perceived and solved. All of these CT innovations proved critically important in their time and some remain with us as time marches forward. Join us as we uncover some of the background stories about several Connecticut innovations that changed the lives of people around the world.

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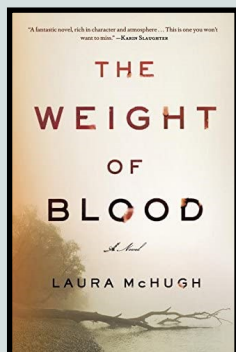
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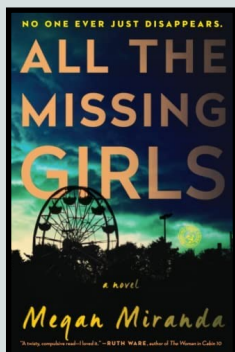
## BOOK DISCUSSION SERIES @ Avon Library

Make a New Year's resolution to join one of our library-sponsored *Book Discussion Series!* These in-person book discussions are led by librarian Cyndi Larsen, and each has a specific theme or topic. Copies of all books will be available at the Reference Desk.

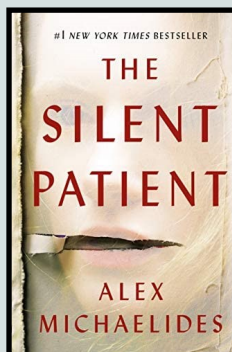
### Psychological Thrillers



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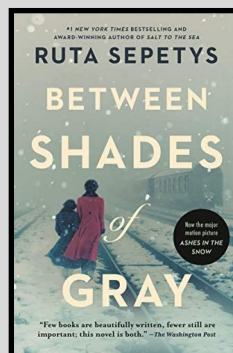


Tue., Feb. 28<sup>th</sup>  
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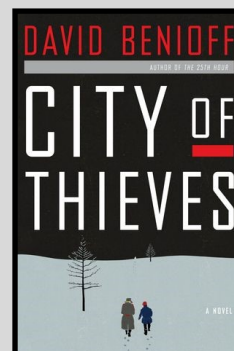


Tue., Mar. 28<sup>th</sup>  
7:00 pm

### Set in Russia



Mon., Jan. 9<sup>th</sup>  
2:00 pm



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2:00 pm

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