



# NEWSNOTES

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## ARE YOU CHALLENGED YET?

The 2016 Summer Challenge is underway with activities, programs and reading for all ages.

### Have you taken the challenge yet?

Registration continues through the entire program, but for your best chance of completing the Challenge you'll want to start as soon as possible on your Activity Cards. You can enjoy it simply as a reading program, but it is not only that. Each of the four Activity Cards offers a variety of ways to stay active, explore our area and follow your own interests.

There are three grand prizes this year. The adult prize includes exercise DVDs, a Patriot Sports gift card, a Fitbit and a 2016-2017 Jay County High School Sports Family Pass. The teen prize is a Fitbit. The children's grand prize is a small trampoline big enough for a couple of friends. Complete the four Activity Cards to be entered in the Grand Prize drawing.

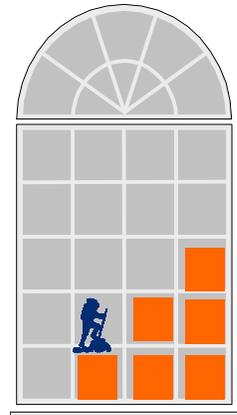
Everyone who completes the program will get a Challenge T shirt and the opportunity for more fun and games at our Grand Finale Event on Thursday, July 7th. Kids and teens get a book and prize pack too.

In addition, each completed Activity Card is rewarded with five chances to enter drawings for a variety of smaller prizes. *Plus* a vote in this year's Community Goal.

Sponsors have pledged \$500 to divide among three local organizations in our community: Pregnancy Care Center, Youth Service Bureau, Jay County Cancer Society. Complete an Activity Card and get to vote for your favorite. The organization with the most votes gets \$300, and each of the runners-up \$100.

A glance at the calendar insert will show that our programs were designed to help everyone meet the Challenge and stay active this summer.

Come join us!



## HEARD AT THE LIBRARY

*"Does the library ever close?"*

On a recent evening a small girl was overheard asking her grandmother about the library as they entered.

We do close the building, but they're open 69 hours a week and most days might be pushing the little girl's bedtime.

But no, we don't close, when you consider that through our website you can log on to your library account to renew books, or search the catalog to place holds. You can also download ebooks with Overdrive or look up car repair information with Chilton. And now you can learn a language (see page 2).

At [www.jaycpl.lib.in.us](http://www.jaycpl.lib.in.us) the library is open (even if you're in your jammies).

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## GIFTS TO THE LIBRARY



Would you like to make a gift to the library? Many have chosen to honor or remember friends and family with funds for books or support for programming at the library.

Ask for a gift form at the circulation desk or print one from our website. Drop it off or return it by mail.

Gifts may also be made to further the work of the library through the endowment at The Portland Foundation. More information is available at the library or at the Foundation's website <http://portlandfoundation.org>.

A children's story that can only be enjoyed by children is not a good children's story in the slightest.

*C. S. Lewis*

## CLUB DATES

**JayCPL Book Club** Monday, May 16th, 7:00 pm  
Continuing their series on Indiana authors, the group will discuss Freckles by Gene Stratton-Porter.

**Writers Guild** Monday, June 27th 5:00-8:00 pm  
Writing Workshop with author Monica Miller  
Registration required. Fee of \$10 for materials.

**Hook & Needles Club** Tuesday, June 28th, 5:00-7:00 pm  
Bring your own supplies and ideas to share or items to brag on.

## LEARN A LANGUAGE WITH MANGO

It's free. It's fun. It's new for Jay County Public Library users. It's Mango Languages online language-learning system.

Mango is free for all library patrons and can be accessed anywhere with an Internet connection. Each lesson combines real life situations and audio from native speakers with simple, clear instructions. The courses are presented with an appreciation for cultural nuance and real-world application by focusing on the four key elements of language learning: vocabulary, pronunciation, grammar, and culture.

Mango offers access to 60 foreign language courses and 17 English courses taught completely in the user's native language.



In addition to traditional language courses, Mango also offers the opportunity to learn through foreign film with Mango Premiere™ and access to a variety of specialty mini courses, like Pirate, Medical Spanish and romance courses. Mango can be accessed at the library, remotely, or even on-the-go with apps for iPhone®, Android™, Kindle® and Nook®.

Some people need to learn a second language for business or travel. Others want to for personal or professional development. No matter the reason, learning a language should be fun. With Mango, it definitely is.

*Try it!*

Go to [www.jaycpl.lib.in.us](http://www.jaycpl.lib.in.us) and scroll down to the Mango button. If you are outside the library you'll be asked for your library card number to continue.

## LIBRARY BOARD NEWS

Tracy Huelskamp is the newest member of the library's Board of Trustees, filling the seat previously held by Irene Heare. Tracy is employed by The First Bank of Berne as the Portland branch manager.

Officers for 2016 are Joel Roberts, President; Hannah Hughes, Vice-President; Dolphus Stephens, Secretary; Holly Weaver, Treasurer; Darrell Borders, Assistant Treasurer. Remaining members of the board are Carolyn Journey and Tracy Huelskamp.



**Congratulations  
to library pages**

**Kyra Braun  
Lexie Hudson  
Jaclyn VanCise**

**Graduates of Jay County High School**

and

**Congratulations to staffer**

**Elysia Gipson**

**Graduate of Indiana University East**

**Congratulations to all graduates.  
We're proud that the library helps students  
achieve their goals.**

## LUNCH, LEARN, LIBRARY!

Seniors can do lunch and dig into family roots at the John Jay Center's Senior Lunch & Learn session Thursday, June 2nd at 11:30 am. It's a show and tell session by the library's Cheryl Lucas about using technology to connect the dots on your family history.

The program for those 55 and older includes a lunch for just \$1 when you call the John Jay Center at 260-729-5525 to make your reservation.

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## FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY NEWS

### **SCHOLARSHIPS**

The Friends have awarded scholarships to three library pages Kyra Braun, Lexie Hudson, and Jaclyn VanCise who graduate from Jay County High School this month.

### **CHALLENGE**

The Friends are among the sponsors of this year's Summer Challenge Community Goal. Your Friends challenge you to help meet the goal!

**Next regular Friends meeting:  
Tuesday, June 21st at 6:00 pm.**

"Reading should not be presented to children as a chore or duty. It should be offered to them as a precious gift."

*Kate DiCamillo*

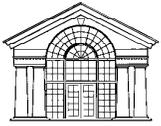
## RELAX WITH CRAFTS AND COLORING

**Adult Crafts and Coloring  
Thursday, June 9th & 23rd  
2:00-4:00 pm**

Relax and let your creativity flow as you make ceramic coasters (on June 9th) or no sew T shirt bags (on June 23rd) or just sit and color while visiting together.



Were you a fan of SNA Live Craft Days?  
Here's your summer equivalent.



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Community groups shared info about their activities at the Summer Mini Expo on May 16th.



Tracking progress in the Summer Challenge.

Check the climber when you're in the library  
 OR when you're passing by.

