

# NEWSNOTES

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## WRAP UP A HOLIDAY TO REMEMBER

As the holidays approach, many are hustling and bustling to check off that to-do list. Here are some ways to make your festivities shine even brighter.

### Gift Wrapping Workshop

**Thursday, November 30th, 6:00 pm in the Community Room**

Want your packages to shine, but your wrapping is a little rusty? Brush up with tips and skills to wrap packages like a pro in another workshop in the Learning Together series presented by Shirley Dollar in partnership with JCPL and Jay County 4-H. Bring two gifts to wrap after learning new ways to make your packages beautiful.



### Holiday Open House

**Saturday, December 2nd, 10:00 am to 1:00 pm in the Community Room**

Drop in to enjoy holiday refreshments along with crafts for elementary-aged and younger ones (with supervision). While here, why not check out all of the individual displays offered by JCPL staff members and win a prize in our Holiday Stations Match-Up?



### Santa Visits

**Tuesday, December 5th, 5:00 to 7:00 pm**

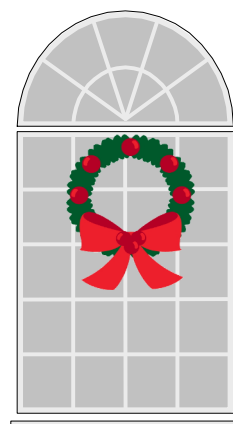
**Saturday, December 16th, 10:00 am to 12:00 pm**

Visit Santa Claus to make your last minute requests and wish him well on his upcoming travels. Santa visits courtesy of the Jay County Chamber of Commerce.

### Cookie Swap and Decorating Tips

**Monday, December 11th, 6:15 pm in the Community Room**

Take a break from the holiday rush and share treats with other bakers. Bring a dozen of your favorite cookies to swap with others and take a dozen home. While here, learn some fun and easy decorating tips to make your holiday cookies look fantastic. Great for adults and teens. Any child attending must be accompanied AND supervised by an adult.



## HEARD AT THE LIBRARY

*I noticed how many new books and Thanksgiving books you've gotten recently.*

This comment was heard from a patron while she and her husband were visiting with their great grandchildren. They were surprised at the fresh materials on display in the children's area.

Our librarians are very busy keeping up with the newest releases. Cheryl, our adult services librarian, orders an average of about 400 books per month, while Linda, our youth services librarian, orders around 300 new books on average in a month. That adds up to a LOT of new materials!



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## GIFTS TO THE LIBRARY

Many thanks to those who have made gifts to the library in memory or in honor of friends and loved ones.

*Given in memory of Matt Lopez  
by the Gasca Family*

Fa-La-La/Tra-La-La / Leslie Patricelli  
Little Skeletons/Esqueletitos / Susi Jaramillo  
El Animo Perfecto / Raquel Díaz Reguera  
Garden Renovation / Bobbie Schwartz  
The Wellness Garden / Shawna Coronado

*Donation to audiobook collection  
by Alan and Rebecca Peterson*

Handmaid's Tale / Margaret Atwood  
Future Home of the Living God / Louise Erdrich  
Year One / Nora Roberts



Would you like to make a gift to the library?

Many have chosen to honor or remember friends and family by giving funds for books or support for programming at the library.

Use the gift form on the insert to this issue or ask for one at the circulation desk, or print one from our website. Drop it off or return it by mail with your gift.

## TEA AT TWO

As the temperatures plummet and the winds swirl outside, what's more comforting than a soothing cup of hot tea? Not yet a tea connoisseur? The Purdue Extension Office and the Jay County Public Library invite you to a tea tasting and presentation on tea etiquette. Join us Wednesday, **November 29th** at 2:00 pm in the Community Room.



Just in time for the season, JCPL has added many new Christmas music CD's to our holiday collection. These CDs will be located on the new materials shelf. In order to give as many folks as possible a chance to enjoy them, circulation times will be one week with one renewal available for all new Christmas music.



## CARDBOARD CREATIONS

Here's an opportunity for the kids (of ALL ages) to get creative and be active all in the same activity. From Wednesday, December 20th through Thursday, December 28th, the Community Room here at JCPL will have stacks of cardboard boxes available for a drop-in building activity. Build a town. Fabricate a robot. Assemble a spaceship. The possibilities are only limited by your imagination. We all know the kids often have as much fun with the boxes as they do with their new toys!

So when the family needs to get out of the house a bit, come to the library for some hands-on fun. Children must be supervised at all times.

### Drop-in hours to build:

12/20	2:00 pm-6:00 pm
12/21	10:00 am-6:00 pm
12/22	10:00 am-6:00 pm
12/23	10:00 am-4:00 pm
12/26	10:00 am-6:00 pm
12/27	10:00 am-6:00 pm
12/28	10:00 am-6:00 pm



## CLUB DATES

### Cookbook Club

Monday, December 11th at 6:15 pm  
Cookie Swap and Cookie Decorating Tips  
Bring a dozen cookies to swap and take a dozen home! Learn some great new techniques for making them outstanding.

### JayCPL Book Club

Monday, December 18th at 7:00 pm  
We will discuss *Our Souls at Night* by Kent Haruf.

### Hook & Needles Club

No meeting in December. Take this time to plan some new projects for 2018!

### Writers Guild

No meeting in December. Fix yourself a hot drink at home and sit down to write.

## A YEAR WELL SERVED

In taking a look back at past end-of-year newsletters, I realized that each year I wrote something about being thankful. Like many, I see the end of a year as a time of reflection before looking ahead.

Here at JCPL, we are thankful for the opportunity to serve this community, not only as we have traditionally, but also in branching out to serve in new ways.

A good example of serving in new ways comes in the form of extending our services beyond the four walls of our building and making the effort to serve more segments of the community. Did you know that JCPL staff will have planned and delivered nearly 500 programs in the community? We reach the whole spectrum of ages, from visits to pre-schools and elementary classrooms to visits to retirement communities. All of this comes on top of our long-standing bookmobile service to the school system.

There is also a lot of good stuff going on within the four walls. A visit from Iditarod musher Karen Land in March, the Million Page Challenge this summer, and our Kindergarten Prep School are a few of the highlights of 2017. Did you know nearly 250 programs were offered in our building in 2017?

New databases were introduced this year: Mango Languages, A to Z Foods, NuWav Legal Documents. Our participation in the DVD transit program opened up a significant part of the Evergreen catalog to our patrons. Increasing the number of circulating wireless hotspots has allowed many in this community access to the Internet. A video game collection was introduced this fall and is being enjoyed by many.

What does 2018 have in store for JCPL? I don't know, but I'm looking forward to finding out!

*~Eric Hinderliter, Director*

## BAKE UP SOME FUN

Are you wishing to bake up something extraordinary for the holiday meals or maybe for a special birthday? JCPL has several shaped baking pans and has recently added to that collection. Currently, there is a star, a gingerbread house, a Christmas tree, and recently, a tractor and a set of alphabet pans. New also are some silicone candy molds that the Cookbook Club has found to work wonderfully. Maybe you were at the demonstration last month and would like to take a turn at home. If cookies are more your style, there are two sets of Christmas cookie cutters on the rack. Be inspired and try something new this season.



## FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY NEWS

The year's end is a time to reflect on all that has been accomplished. Looking back, Friends have been available each and every time they were called on to help out with a program, donate some cookies for the Holiday Open House, put on the annual book sale, and fold the monthly newsletter. All of these efforts and more make so many things possible here at JCPL. Many, many thanks to our Friends for hours of volunteer work and support. As in the past, there will be no regular Friends meeting in December.

Friends, might you be available to help fold the January newsletter Tuesday, December 19th at 6:00 pm? Give Cheryl a call at the library to let her know.

Need to check off a gift for that reader in your life? Friends have Jay County Public Library insulated travel mugs for just \$8.00. Ask at the circulation desk.



Get a jumpstart on getting organized in January. Mark your calendar now for Bullet Journaling class on Saturday, January 13th at 10:00 am. Registration is required for supplies. More to come in January!



## ALL ABOARD!

JCPL Staff want to help you get into the spirit of the season. We have each created a display representing our personal favorite or family tradition of holiday book, movie, or music to share with you. Starting December 2nd, experience the magic of the Polar Express and play our Holiday Stations Match-Up to be entered in a drawing for a weekly prize. All you have to do is visit each display, mark it on the game sheet, and turn it in. Maybe you'll see YOUR favorite.





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at the library!

JCPL patrons are always  
happy to help.



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**521 items donated**  
**65 fines cleared**



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cheerfully accepting  
our donation.

Filling up the  
collection case!

