



# NEWSNOTES

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## SPRING BREAK BLOWOUT!



Wow! Spring Break is packed FULL of activities for everyone in the family to enjoy. You won't want to miss a thing, and you won't have to. The activities have been flip flopped on Monday/Tuesday and Thursday/Friday to fit more schedules. Wednesday is jam packed with activities from morning to evening. Save the enclosed calendar so you can join us!

**Painting (Mon. 10 am-2 pm/Tues. 4-7 pm):** Drop in to use our paints and suggestions to create a one-of-a-kind masterpiece. Sticker Art and a related paper craft will also be available. Supervised activity.

**Building a Neighborhood: (Mon. 4-7 pm/Tues. 10 am-2 pm)** Drop in to work on this 3D art project. Supplies will be provided to make buildings and houses. Plan to leave your item here for display.

**Toons & Treats: (Wed. 10 am)** Drop in and laugh along with some of your favorite cartoons. Donuts and juice will be provided. (Children 7 & under must be supervised.)

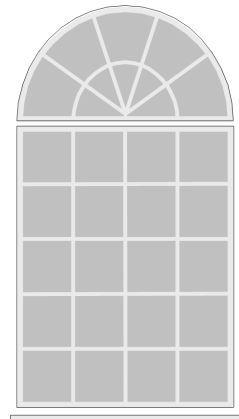
**Creature Feature: (Wed. 2 pm)** Come get your *creep* on with "Luis and the Aliens." Luis is an 11-year-old boy who befriends three aliens after they crash their spaceship into his house. Popcorn and water will be provided. Rated PG (Children 7 & under must be supervised.)

**Breakout: March Madness: (Wed. 5-7 pm)** You have saved all year to buy tickets to the NCAA Championship Game. Your favorite team keeps on winning, and it is more important than ever to make it to game of the year. Your-not-so-funny little sister has decided to hide the tickets from you. This gives March Madness a whole new meaning. Can you find the tickets in time? Breakout Room will be reset every half hour. (Grades 3-8)

**Games for ALL: (Thurs. 10 am-2 pm/Fri. 4-7 pm)** Board games will be available for all to play. Come with friends or come alone and play with those who are here.

**Science Stations: (Thurs. 4-7 pm/Fri. 10 am-2 pm)** Visit the four different stations set up around the children's area and perform the activities independently. Supervised activity.

**Family/Team BYOD Trivia: (Fri. 4-5:30 pm)** Trivia game will be held for families or teams who are interested. Registration requested but not required.



## HEARD AT THE LIBRARY

*"My goal for 2019 is to try and find different things to do or try at the library."*

Here at the library, that is music to our ears! The staff puts a lot of time into brainstorming and researching ideas for programs that would not only appeal to our patrons but also be beneficial for all ages and interests.

Over the past few months, several new monthly programs have been added while some others have undergone a makeover. For the adults, new offerings such as Let's Move @the Library, Writers and Readers Circle, and DIY Home are available monthly. On the kids' side, be sure to check out what's in store each month for Afternoon @ the Movies, Family STEM Labs, and Breakout JCPL.

Follow this patron's lead and try something different in 2019!

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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.

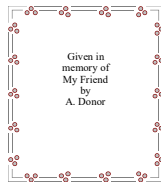
**Local author, Sharon Griffith and illustrator, Cayden Betts donated a copy of their book,**

### *A Gnome in the Home*

Many have chosen to honor or remember friends and family by giving funds for books or to support the library's programming. Others have taken the opportunity to share with the community by their giving.

Would you like to make a gift to 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 with your gift.



## COMING IN APRIL



### MENTAL HEALTH SERIES

Meridian Services and Jay County Public Library are partnering in April to bring a series of educational sessions.

The subjects covered will be *Understanding the Risk and Protection Factors in Mental Health* and *Understanding Depression and Anxiety in Youth*. Coming Thursdays in April.

## CLUB DATES

### DIY Home

Monday, March 11th at 6:00 pm  
Theme: Green Spring Cleaning

### JayCPL Book Club

Monday, March 18th at 7:00 pm  
Discussing *Eleanor Oliphant Is Completely Fine*

### Friends of the Library

Tuesday, March 19th at 6:30 pm

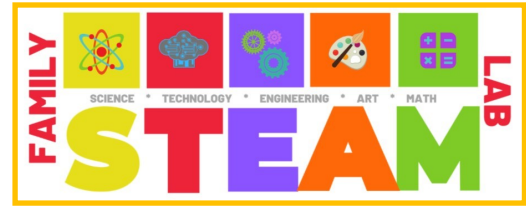
### Writers and Readers Circle

Monday, March 25th at 6:30 pm  
Topic: Historical Fiction

### Hook & Needles Club

Tuesday, March 26th **10:30 am**  
Learn or improve your skills in fiber crafts, primarily knitting and crocheting.

## FAMILY STEAM LAB



We're jumping on the STEAM engine, toot, toot! On the fourth Saturday morning of each month, join us at JCPL for a STEAM program—a Science, Technology, Engineering, Art, or Math activity that the whole family can enjoy. In January, we offered partner painting, and in February, we offered a blanket tying activity. March will see us offer the opportunity to dissect an owl pellet as well as make an owl from a toilet paper tube. In April, we'll get an inside look at bugs. And in May, to accompany our train theme for the month, families will have the opportunity to put together their own wooden train engine and paint it as well.

Why STEAM? Well, it encourages children to ask questions, connect the dots, problem solve, think creatively, and be innovative. It is learning that encourages students to think more broadly about real-world problems. All these skills will be what employers in the future are looking for, and it helps our children get a head-start. Involving the whole family makes it fun and offers the chance to discuss things further at home. Why not bring your family along for the ride?

## OREO TASTING PARTY!

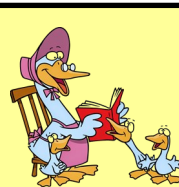
Teens and Tweens!

With so many varieties of Oreos, how do you choose? No need to choose.



Come to the library for an Oreo Cookie

Tasting party on Wednesday, March 6 at 6:30 pm. Grab your milk and find YOUR favorite!



Mother Goose is going to the Jay County Fiber Arts Festival on Friday, March 8 beginning at 10:00 am at the Jay Community Center. She will have some stories and rhymes for kids. Mother Goose will NOT be at the library that Friday.

## AFTERNOON AT THE MOVIES

Our monthly Afternoon at the Movies has really taken off. Many families enjoyed "Smallfoot" in February.



March promises even bigger fun as we show "Ralph Breaks the Internet." As always, there will be free popcorn and water available for everyone. "Ralph" activity bags will be handed out to kids attending the movie. Bring your friends and come join in the fun on Friday, March 8 at 3:30 pm. Kids 7 and under must be accompanied by an adult. Rated PG.



### Walk Away the Pounds

with Leslie Sansone

**Tuesday, March 5th at 7:00 pm**

(Wear comfortable clothes and athletic shoes.)

## FIREFLY AWARD BOOKS



The Indiana Early Literacy Firefly Award is an initiative of the Indiana Center for the Book. The intention of the program is to expose early learners to exceptional picture books as they interact with the parents or caregivers.

Indiana children ages 0-5 can vote with a caregiver for their favorite of five titles nominated for the Indiana Early Literacy Firefly Award.

Look for the Firefly when you come into the library, choose one of the titles, and get started reading!



## FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY NEWS

Don't forget, if you haven't renewed your membership, now is the time. If you've never joined the Friends and would like to be part in the great work supporting JCPL, come be part!

*Come early at 6:00 to help fold the April Newsnotes and get the scoop on upcoming events*

*Next regular Friends meeting: Tuesday, March 19th at 6:30 pm.*

## TAX FORMS AVAILABLE

As April 15th approaches, many taxpayers come to the library in search of the necessary forms. Changes are ahead for the federal filing. The 1040A and 1040EZ have been eliminated and will be replaced by one version of the 1040 to be used by all filers. Forms are available in the filing cabinet here at the library.



State tax forms are also available here. Currently, we have the IT-40 forms and booklets along with different schedules and forms you may require.

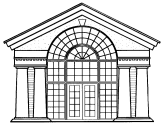
Patrons also have the ability to access the individual websites and print necessary forms. For those who qualify, free electronic filing options are available through both the state and federal websites. For federal forms, go to [www.irs.gov](http://www.irs.gov), and for Indiana state forms, go to [www.in.gov/dor/](http://www.in.gov/dor/). While we are unable to answer your tax questions, we can direct you to the right place.

## CLEAN & GREEN



Time to open the windows and freshen up the house after being closed up all winter. Here is how to do your spring cleaning without exposing your family or the environment to harsh chemicals while saving money.

Come on Monday, March 11th at 6:00 pm for Green Spring Cleaning in our DIY Home series. Learn how to create your own non-toxic cleaning solutions with Cheri Brown from Purdue Extension.



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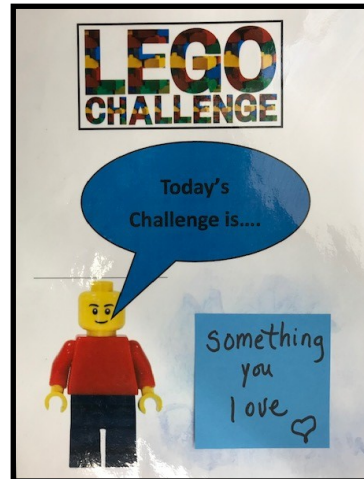
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 at the library.

Come see the  
 weekly  
**Lego Challenge**  
 Creations on  
 display!



Take on the Lego Challenge  
 each Thursday from 2:30-6:30 pm

