

NEWSNOTES

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RIDING THE RAILS

All Aboard!!

May 10, 2019 marks the 150th Anniversary of the Transcontinental Railroad. Completion of this stretch of railway connected the eastern and western halves of the United States, allowing for passengers and supplies to travel from one side of the country to the other side over land. Jay County Public Library is marking this momentous occasion with a month full of railroad-themed activities for the entire family.

Railroad Stories of Jay County

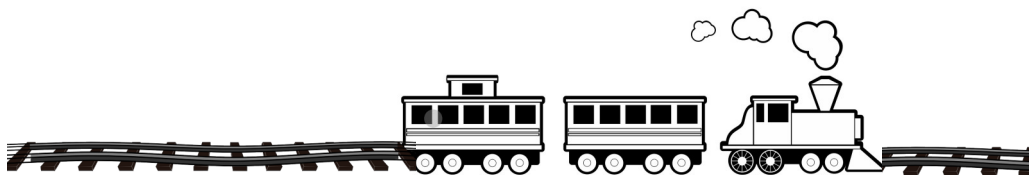
Former CSX Transportation employee, Keith Lehman, will present *Riding the Rails through Jay County* on Friday, May 3 at 6:30 pm at the library. Come enjoy stories of railroads and their history in Jay County and the surrounding areas.



Folksongs of the Railroad

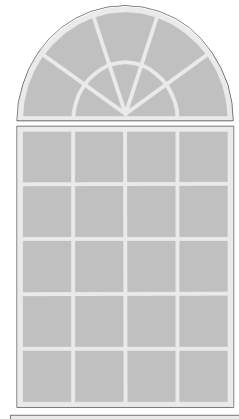
Folksinger, storyteller, and autoharp virtuoso Adam Miller presents a free sing-along concert of *Folksongs of the Great American Railroad* at 6:00 pm, Tuesday, May 14, 2019, at the Jay County Public Library. This program commemorates the sesquicentennial of the opening of the first American transcontinental railroad in 1869.

Look inside for more railroad and train events at JCPL!



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HEARD AT THE LIBRARY

"This is great! Can I keep the poster too?"

Terry S. was the overall winner of March's Bracket Challenge for the NCAA Basketball playoffs that was offered here at JCPL. He won a \$50 Dick's Sporting Goods gift card. *Congratulations, Terry!*

Terry went on to thank the library staff for offering a fun contest like this to the community. He was so excited, in fact, that he asked if he could keep the posters with the final standings and his name as winner.

Offering challenges and contests to the patrons is a source of some excitement in the building. Some contests involve reading, but others, like Bracket Challenge, are just for the fun of it. Keep your eyes open in the library for activities and read the monthly newsletter to know what is happening in YOUR library!

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 by Pastor Steve and Lisa Arnold

What If Everybody Said That / Ellen Javernick
Pass It On / Sophy Henn
The Gift That I Can Give / Kathie Lee Gifford
I Am God's Storyteller / Lisa Hendey
Exceptional You / Victoria Osteen
The Tinderbox / Beverly Lewis
Two Weeks / Karen Kingsbury
Beyond Blessed / Robert Morris
Call It Grace / Serena Jones
The Patient One / Shelley Shepard Gray
Wooring Cadie McCaffrey / Bethany Turner

*Given in memory of Penny Imel
 by Janice Bray*

Pioneer Woman's Cookbook (released in October)

Given by Michael Homan

"Backtrace" (movie)



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.

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>.

FINANCIAL PLANNING



Are you looking forward to retirement but have questions regarding Social Security? You're not alone. Join Michael Gorin and Brian Harris of WestPoint Financial Group for an informative discussion regarding

Social Security on Thursday, May 16 at 5:30 pm at the Jay County Public Library. Reservations are requested but not required. Stop in or call 260-726-7890.

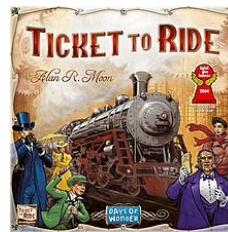
JCPL BREAKOUT! FOR ADULTS & TEENS

Head west, young man!
 Taming the West is the theme for the latest of the JCPL Breakout games. Monday, May 6 at 6:30 and 7:30 pm teens and adults are invited to test their skills in solving the puzzles and challenges.



In this edition, you have staked your claim, but there has been a terrible mistake. The documents for filing were accidentally locked away in a safe. The only way you can file your claim is if you can help unlock the safe in time. Registration is required. Stop at the desk or call 260-726-7890.

TICKET TO RIDE SHOWDOWN



Come match your wits against other players in this popular board game. *Ticket to Ride* is a cross-country train adventure game where players collect cards of various types of train cars that enable them to claim railway route connecting cities in various countries around the world. Three games will be played at once to see who can win the most games. Climb aboard on Saturday, May 11 from 2:00-4:00 pm.

MAKING OLD THINGS NEW AGAIN

Maybe it's the old chair from Grandma's house or the adorable shelf you picked up at a yard sale that just needs facelift. Here's your chance for some ideas and inspiration from Patty Johnston, who revives furniture and collectibles in a fun and sometime funky way. Join the fun at DIY Home on Monday, May 13 at 6:00 pm to see what YOU can do.

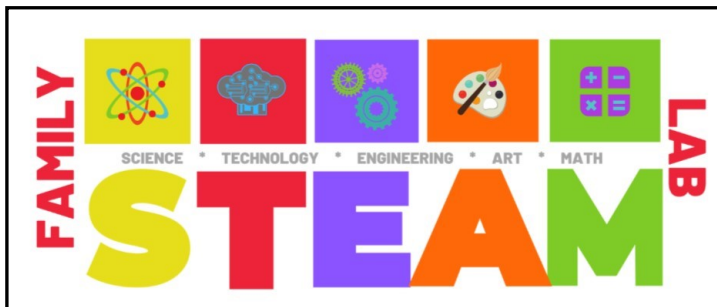


STEAM LAB: MAKE AN ENGINE

Families can sign up to make a wooden Civil War steam engine train. Kids and adults will both enjoy completing this model train locomotive kit. One easy-to-assemble kit will be provided along with glue, sandpaper, and paint to finish the locomotive. Kit includes precut, unfinished, wood pieces, miscellaneous supplies and easy to follow assembly instructions.



This Family STEAM Lab is on Saturday, May 25 from 9:30 am-11:00 am. The kit is designed for ages 8 and up, and parental supervision is required. Registration for this program is necessary, call 260-726-7890.



CLUB DATES

DIY Home Monday, May 13th, 6:00 pm
Patty Johnston presents "Making Old Things New Again"

JayCPL Book Club Monday, May 20th, 7:00 pm
Discussing *Uncommon Type* by Tom Hanks.

Friends of JCPL Tuesday, May 21st, 6:00 pm
Come join the discussion.

Writer's & Reader's Circle
No meeting in May. Take some time to write today!

Hook & Needles Club Tuesday, May 28th, 10:30 am
Bring your own supplies and ideas to share or items to brag on.

Let's Move @ the Library: Tai Chi & Qigong Tuesdays,
May 7, 21, & 28 at 7:00 pm
Wear loose fitting clothes and comfortable shoes.



FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY NEWS

Current Friends, May 31st is the final day to renew your membership for 2019. If you haven't already done so, please get those in. Thanks for all you do!

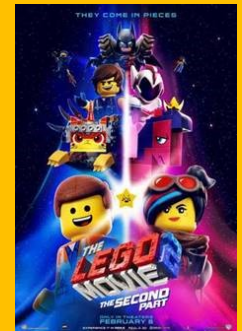
Next regular Friends meeting:
Tuesday, May 21st at 6:30 pm.

Come early at 6:00 pm to help fold newsletters and get informed about things that are happening in the library.

Afternoon
at the MOVIES



The LEGO 2 MOVIE



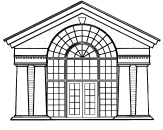
May 10 @ 3:30 pm
Free Movies and Popcorn!
Kids 7 & under must with an adult

SUMMER TIME FUN!

The last Preschool Story & Fun Time will be May 21st, and the final Mother Goose for the season will be May 17th. But don't worry! Summer Time



Fun Bunch starts up on June 14th. Kids from preschool-grade 3 will have a blast. Be on the lookout for fun starting in June!!



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Look what's at
the library.



**Do you have or know of a child entering
kindergarten in Jay Schools?**

Now is the time to get them registered.

Kindergarten Prep School (KiPS) is a program to help boost your child's kindergarten readiness as they start school in the fall. The program is instructed by Jay School teachers, community volunteers, and JCPL staff. Tuesdays from June 11th to July 30th at Jay County Public Library. Applications are available at the library. For more information, contact Linda Shreve at 260-726-7890.