

Introducing: Shelf Help

Having a hard time figuring out what to read next? It can be a tough job when faced with all the options that the shelves at JCPL offer you. If you read to your children, are you tired of reading the same thing over and over?

With these predicaments in mind, JCPL is introducing a new service for our readers and watchers. Shelf Help is a way to let our staff do the hard work in selecting your next read or at the very least, steering you in the right direction. We will also offer story time kits and book bundles for kids.

How does this work? Go to our website and follow the link to our on-line survey. Don't worry, it's a painless process. You can also pick up a copy in print at the front desk.

Upon receiving the survey, our staff will go to work in finding you the next book for you to enjoy.

Also, over the next couple of months, be sure to watch for our book displays. We will be switching out our displays every couple of weeks and will feature "best of" displays of different fiction genres (such as Western, Science Fiction/Fantasy, Horror, and Inspirational) complete with lists that you can take home to plan your future reading.

Also watch for chances to win fun book-related prizes this fall!

Helping you find another great book. **Shelf**
Help



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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 by: Pastor Steve and Lisa Arnold

Adult Books:

Bride of Convenience - Jody Hedlund

Crushing Depths - Dani Pettry

The Friendship List - Susan Mallery

The Way of Love - Traci Peterson

Amish Generations - Kathleen Fuller

Children's Books:

Arlo and the Great Big Cover Up - Betsy Childs Howard

Courageous World Changers - Shirley Raye Redmond

How Great is Our God - Louie Giglio

It Will Be Okay - Lysa Terkeurst

Little One God Made You Special - Amy Warren Hilliker

We Chose You - Tony Dungy

Just in Case You Ever Wonder - Max Lucado

Lock up Lying - Sophia Day

Middle School Rules of Thomas Morstead - Sean Jenson

Peasant's Dream - Melanie Dickerson

100 Adventurous Stories for Brave Boys - Glenn Hascall

The Day God Made You - Rory Feek

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>.

Help Us Limit the Spread!

Please wear your mask! Hand sanitizer is available in different parts of the building or wash your hands before entering and as you are leaving the building. Practice

physical distancing. Try to keep conversations at the front desk with the safety screen in between you and our staff.



Story Time in the Park

Our always-popular pre-school story time program is set to return! Because of continued restrictions inside the building we are taking this program outside. This will be at Hudson Park at the main pavilion by the playground.

Join Miss Shana and Miss Kay on Tuesday mornings starting September 15 (and running for five weeks) for a time of stories, fun, and games. The story time will run from 10:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. Feel free to bring a lawn chair and a blanket. We will provide hula hoops for the children to sit in to provide for social distancing.

Story Time in the building will resume October 27 at 10:00 a.m.

We look forward to seeing pre-school aged children and their parents or care-givers. Give our new outdoor story times a try! No registration required.



Need Internet?

Stop in and pick up one of our Hotspots. They can be checked out for a week and provide unlimited Internet at your home or wherever you take it - all at no cost to you! These are popular items, so get your name on the waiting list today!



SUMMERTIME RECAP

Not a normal summer for JCPL but we had some fun things still going on!

Our annual Summer Challenge had a makeover with participants completing reading and other fun activities.

Those who completed a Challenge Card were entered in a raffle - we gave away Wal-Mart and Chamber of Commerce gift cards to our lucky winners.



Patrons working on decorating the parking lot.

We also featured virtual programs including Science and More with Shana, in which Shana Neuenschwander, our Youth Services Librarian dazzled our viewers by showing them how to make slime and their own lava lamp.

Our annual Kindergarten Prep School, a highlight of each year, was not allowed to go on as normal, so we shifted gears and presented it on-line. Our staff offered a combination of video instruction with learning activities that our new students could easily do at home. Over 60 kindergartners-to-be took advantage of this opportunity.

Club Dates

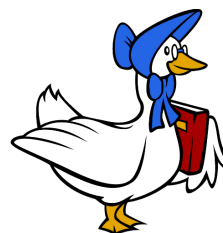
JCPL Book Club Monday, October 19, 7:00 p.m.
Come join the discussion. *The Secrets we Kept* by Lara Prescott

Friends of JCPL Tuesday, October 20, 6:00 p.m.

Writer's & Reader's Circle Monday, October 26, 6:30 p.m. *Holiday Stories*.

Mother Goose

Mother Goose is coming back this fall!



Starting October 16
Join all the fun with Mother
Goose
Fridays 10:00 a.m. in the
Community Room



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FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY NEWS

A big thank you to the August Book Sale
Volunteers!

**The next Friends Meeting is Tuesday,
October 20, 6:30 pm.**

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



Our Hours Have Changed!
See the listing under our address.