

# NEWSNOTES

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## Want to know Whodunnit?

If you mean who has written some thrilling, suspenseful mysteries, then we know "whodunnit." The Speed City Sisters-in-Crime authors, who will be at JCPL on Monday, September 25 at 6:30 pm, that's who!

Sisters-in-Crime is a network of 3,600 members worldwide that support those who write mystery novels. The writers include men and women from diverse backgrounds penning mysteries about topics often related to their professions and interests, such as cold-case investigators, police officers, and professors. The Speed City chapter is Indiana-based. Four authors will be present to discuss their published books and short stories .

**N.W. Campbell** has been a writer and English professor with additional degrees in English studies, divinity, and leadership development. He has written short stories published in the collections <u>Decades of Dirt: Murder</u>, <u>Mystery</u>, and <u>Mayhem</u> and <u>The Fine Art of Murder</u>. Both of these titles are available at JCPL.

**<u>Ross Carley</u>** has a background in military intelligence, engineering, and defense. He has written two novels in the Wolf Ruger series, <u>Dead Drive</u> and <u>Formula Murder</u>.

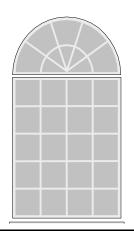
<u>Brenda Stewart</u> brings her knowledge and experience in forensics to her writing. She has authored the forensic mystery series that features Lettie Sue Wolfe, a forensic sculptor, in addition to many short stories. Brenda is the founding president of the Speed City Chapter of Sisters-in-Crime.

**Steve Terrell** is a lawyer and a writer from Muncie, bringing a legal flare to his writing, which includes four books and several short stories published in other collections.

The floor will be open for some lively interaction with the audience following their presentation. Books will be available for purchase and autographs following the event. Don't miss it!

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### HEARD AT THE LIBRARY

"That's a LOT of books!"

Maybe you've seen the growing mountain of books on the table as you come in. Each page of every book was representative of a page read by the participants of this year's Summer Reading Challenge...736,200 pages to be exact.

Now that the Challenge has come to an end for another year, that accumulation of books takes on new meaning as we approach the annual Friends Used Book Sale.

These books and many others will be available for purchase during August 24-26. Be sure to come in and stock up for the cooler days of fall.



## 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 Bennie Hurt by Mr. and Mrs. Jesse James, Mr. and Mrs. Seth James, Mr. and Mrs. Mark Clemens

Kansas Kid / Lauran Paine

A Partnership with Death / Clifton Adams

Sam Elliott 8-Movie Western Collection Tombstone Two Mules for Sister Sara 4-Film Western Pack

#### Given in memory of Helen Brown McCreery by Sarah McCreery

This generous donation will be used to enhance the Children's Collection with many new titles.



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 with your gift.

## FALL BRINGS BACK THE FAVORITES



As school gets started, some of the favorite children's activities come back to the library.

Mother Goose will again be sharing stories through music and movement beginning on September 8th at 10:00 am.

Miss Kay and Miss Linda will offer story time activities Mondays <u>and</u> Tuesdays at 10:00 am starting September 11th and 12th. The same story will be presented both days.

Lego Challenge moves to a new night, Thursdays, from 2:30-5:30 pm., kicking off September 7th.



## Let the Gaming Begin!

What do NBA stars, Lego Marvel Superheroes, Tom Clancy, and the Super Smash Brothers have in common? They are just some of the characters coming to play at JCPL. A selection of games for PS4, XBoxOne, Nintendo Switch, and WiiU have been added to our collection for circulation.

Checkouts will be similar to that of DVDs, circulating for one week. However, card holders may only check out one video game at a time. M-Content games can be checked out on an adult card or an unrestricted juvenile card. Holds may be placed only on games owned by Jay County Public Library.

Video games will be available for circulation starting on August 28th. *Game on!* 



## CLUB DATES

#### Cookbook Club: Fresh from the Garden

Monday, September 11th at 6:15 pm Theme: Food from the Garden Bring your dish and table service and learn how we're changing it up this year with new demos and how-tos.

#### **JayCPL Book Club**

Monday, September 18th 7:00 pm The group discusses <u>Rules of Civility</u> by Amor Towles.

#### Hook & Needles Club

Tuesday, September 26th, 5:00-6:30 pm Bring your own supplies and ideas to share or items to brag on.

#### Writers Guild

Last Monday, September 25th 6:30 pm. The group will participate in the Speed City Sisters-in-Crime mystery authors event.

## SUMMER HIGHLIGHTS

Children heading back to school marks the end of another summer at JCPL. As we look back at the summer of 2017, it was certainly a good one for us. Here are a few of the highlights:

**Pre School Summer Time Fun Bunch** - This age group enjoyed hands-on experiences as well as large and small motor skills activities on Friday mornings.

**Boys and Girls Club Day Camp** - Campers enjoyed a variety of crafts, board games, and books on Friday afternoons.

**Kindergarten Prep School** - Another class of soon-to-be kindergarteners went through eight weeks of "prep" and are ready to start the school year.

**No Slide Zone** - A group of about a dozen elementary students received an extra boost to solidify the reading skills they have been mastering.

**Summer Family Programs** - A variety of programs were available hitting everything from robotics to African drumming to Ronald McDonald, trickster tales, and barn quilts.

**Summer Reading Challenge** - The third annual event attracted over 300 participants and although we did not reach our million page goal (we hit 736,200), we had a good time doing it.

All of this was made possible only by the generosity of several local organizations who annually support us. These donations go to help us plan and implement events during the summer and throughout the year.

We want to make sure we thank the following sponsors for their willingness to come aside us in this way: Bollenbacher and Associates, Cincinnatus League, Delta Theta Tau, Evening Optimist Club, Gamma Nu, Goodrich Family Foundation, Portland Kiwanis, Portland Lions, and Tri Kappa.

## *Every accomplishment starts with the decision to try.*

~Gail Devers



## FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY NEWS

If you see this before August 21st you can still help out!

#### BOOK SALE HELP NEEDED

The annual used book sale is set for August 24th, 25th and 26th. All who are able to volunteer for setting up, cleaning up, or working at the book sale may contact Cheryl Lucas at the library for details on what is needed when.

#### FRIENDS ONLY PREVIEW SALE

Wednesday night, August 23rd is the Friends Only Preview Sale from 5:00 to 7:00 pm. Friends who have paid their dues are eligible. Membership may be paid that night and will also be good through the 2018 calendar year.

#### **DONATIONS FOR THE SALE**

Donations of books, music, movies, recent magazines, puzzles and games are appreciated. Although the library will accept donations at any time, we ask that anyone bringing a large quantity of books for the sale, bring them in Saturday-Tuesday, August 19-22, during regular library hours. (Sat. 8-5, Mon-Tues 8-8) to the library's Community Room.

Please note that some materials will NOT be accepted. Do NOT bring any type of encyclopedia sets, textbooks, Reader's Digest Condensed books, or any materials that are musty, dirty, or moldy.

Next regular Friends meetings: Tuesday, September 19th at 6:30 pm. (Come early at 6:00 pm to help fold the October newsletter and get the scoop on library news.)

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Thank you, Jay County, for your participation in the One Million Page Challenge



Tara Drumm, president of Midwest Pet Refuge receives a check from Eric Hinderliter. "Baby" approves of the donation!

Midwest Pet Refuge was chosen by grand prize winner, Sue Twigg, to be the nonprofit donation recipient this year. The 736,200 pages read translated into a donation of \$750!!