

NEWSNOTES

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CHALLENGE YOURSELF THIS SUMMER

The Summer Challenge returns in May and June. This year's emphasis on health and wellness makes it a great opportunity to challenge yourself to be fit in mind and body *and* enjoy the activities along the way to your goal.

ON YOUR MARK

Lots of information about the Challenge will be springing up at the library and around the community, but the **Summer Challenge Mini Expo on May 16th from 2:00 to 6:00 pm** at the library will be a great place to learn about events and opportunities to be active in Jay County this summer. You can explore options for day camps, fitness classes, recreation and learning of all kinds — not just for kids but <u>all</u> ages.

As of this printing participants in the expo include the John Jay Center, the Jay Community Center, Arts Place, Jay County Trails Club, and the Portland Parks Department as well as the library.

GET SET

Register for the 2016 Summer Challenge at the Expo or any day from May 16th onward. If your child returned a registration through the school, you can check to see that the name is on our list. Pick up your first activity card and get started. Registration continues until the program ends, but the quicker you get started, the better. There are four different activity cards to complete by July 2nd in order to meet the Challenge.

GO!

Once you've got your activity card you're good to go. Choose your activities, fill in the boxes, come get the next one.



Challenge yourself, friends, family, co-workers, the entire community. *Let's go!*

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HEARD AT THE LIBRARY

"I have the cover design on the summer issue of Creative Knitting Magazine and seeing it sit on your shelves last night made me smile. Britt"

Getting her message made us smile too. Britt Schmiesing is a JCPL user whose knit design "Modern Garden Tank" was featured in the magazine along with her accompanying article on using embroidering to decorate knits.

Congratulations, Britt. Thanks for letting us share in your excitement.

Makes us wonder: what other library users are in print?



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JAY COUNTY

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 Jennifer Goss-Ritchie by Gary & Barbara Street

<u>Catfish, Cod, Salmon & Scrod: What is a Fish?</u> / Brian Cleary <u>A Magic Ride in Foozbah-Land</u> by Jean Betschart <u>Dragonfly Door</u> / John Adams <u>Shoot for the Hoop</u> / Matt Christopher

Given in memory of M. Pauline Borders by JCPL Board of Trustees

Vitamin N: the essential guide to a Nature-Rich Life / Richard Louv Planting in a Post-Wild World: Designing Plant Communities for Resilient Landscapes /Thomas Rainier & ClaudiaWest Living Bird: 100 Years of Listening to Nature / Gerrit Vyn Bee Friendly Garden: Design an abundant, flower-filled yard that nurtures bees and supports biodiversity / Kate Frey & Gretchen LeBuhn



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.

HAVE YOU VOTED For the Firefly?

Indiana children ages 0-5 can vote with a caregiver for their favorite of five titles nominated for the Indiana Early Literacy Firefly Award. Last day to vote at the library is May 6th!



Nose to Toes, You Are Yummy Bear Sees Colors Hooray for Hat! Two Is Enough I Got the Rhythm

Lunch, Learn, Library!

Join JCPL's Cheryl Lucas at the John Jay Center's Senior Lunch & Learn session Thursday, May 5th at 11:30 am. Cheryl will present "Your Library Online" highlighting our web page and databases and showing how to use the Evergreen Indiana catalog to find what you're looking for (or discover more than you knew was there!).

The program for those 55 and older includes a free lunch. Call the John Jay Center at 260-729-5525 to make your reservation.



STAR WARS DIY COLORING & CRAFTS

Bring your fellow fans and come enjoy some specially themed coloring and crafts in the children's area on Star Wars Day, Wednesday, May 4th.



May the 4th be with you.

And May the 16th, be with *us* for the Summer Challenge Mini-Expo!

CLUB DATES

Cookbook Club Monday, May 9th, 6:15 pm Theme: POTLUCK! Last regular meeting until September.

JayCPL Book Club Monday, May 16th, 7:00 pm Continuing their series on Indiana authors, the group will discuss <u>Ashfall</u> by Mike Mullins.

JayCPL Writers Guild No meeting in May That means more time to write those short stories.

Hook & Needles Club Tuesday, May 24th, 5-6:30 pm Bring your own supplies and ideas to share or items to brag on.

SUMMER CHALLENGE RETURNS

With a feel of spring in the air it won't be long until summer is here and JCPL brings back the Summer Challenge. Last year was our first attempt at re-vamping our annual summer reading program. We were pleased with the results of that change -225 people completed last year's challenge and around 450 people participated in some way.

Once again we'll challenge participants to earn 100 points by doing a variety of activities - some similar to last year's with a few new ones mixed in. Chances for prizes are earned along the way as activity cards are turned in. Completing the challenge earns a t-shirt and a chance at a grand prize. We'll wrap up with a celebratory event featuring fun games for all ages.

This year's Summer Challenge revolves around health and fitness and features many related activities as well as a full schedule of educational, fun and fitness-themed events at the library and in the community.

As an added twist, this year's community goal will feature a competition of sorts. Three local non-profits will receive funds if we meet the goal. Participants' votes (one for each activity card turned in) will determine how the funds will be divided among the organizations.

We are looking forward to another fun-filled and exciting summer and to seeing how this year's challenge unfolds.



Eric Hinderliter, director



We've noticed that our library users take good advantage of the Evergreen Indiana system for borrowing items from other libraries—5,548 items worth in 2015. But did you know that JCPL provided 5,642 items to other Evergreen libraries?

Along with other Evergreen libraries that are part of the eIndiana Digital Consortium, we share 30,777 ebooks. How many have you read?



FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY NEWS

THANKS

Thanks to the Friends for their April Coffee & Canvas event. Lots of fun and great pictures were created.

SALE

A new selection of audiobooks on CD has hit the Friends' ongoing book sale just around the corner from the circulation desk. They may not last long, so stop by and browse for great titles soon.

RENEW

Did you miss it at the beginning of the year? Be sure to renew your Friends membership for 2016.

CHALLENGE

The Friends are among the sponsors of this year's Summer Challenge Community Goal. Your Friends challenge you to help meet the goal!

> Next regular Friends meeting: Tuesday, May17th at 6:00 pm.

GOOD THINGS TO FEED BODY OR SOUL

Two programs in May get adults connected with health, wellness and fitness going into the Summer Challenge. All free!



What's That Mean? Understanding and Decoding Nutrition Labels

Monday, May 23rd 5:00 pm Presented by Julayne Ross from Jay County Hospital

Adult Crafts and Coloring Thursday, May 26th 2:00-4:00 pm

Relax and let your creativity flow as you make unique art pieces from cardboard rolls or just sit and color while visiting together.





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The hiker at the door caused more than a few doubletakes from visitors.

He was part of a display by the Jay County Trails Club.

New Materials shelves have stretched. Look for the new movies, music and audiobooks on those new shelves.



Did you catch the book spine poetry in the teen section in April?

