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Jay County Public Library  
Summer  
**CHALLENGE**



# 2016 Events

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## Teen Programs for high school and middle school students

Thursdays from 6:30 to 7:30 pm    Snacks included!

**May 19th: Throwback Thursday Café in the Community Room—Come jam, write, enjoy.**

**June 2<sup>nd</sup>: No Sew T Shirt Bags**

All you need is a pair of scissors and a T shirt to make a bag for all your essential summer stuff, from sports equipment and towels to your summer reading and a snack. We have the shirts, the scissors and the snacks. Come and see what you can make of them.

**June 9<sup>th</sup>: Smoothie Making**

Invent your own delicious healthy smoothie and conduct a taste test with the group. Smoothie mustaches not required but welcome.

**June 16<sup>th</sup>: The Amazing Reading Race**

Pick up a snack and a passport and learn about reading your way around the world. Can you find a book to relate to each of the seven continents? Even fantasy and sci fi titles are eligible IF you can connect them to a place on earth.

**June 23<sup>rd</sup>: Book Cart Relay Racing**

Speed and agility, balance and weight lifting are all needed for this event — along with a sense of humor. Are you faster than a librarian?

**June 30<sup>th</sup>: Tabletop Quidditch**

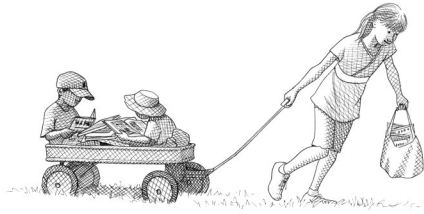
OK, there are no brooms, bludgers or flying, but there are rings and a snitch and a challenge. Burn enough calories playing to earn a Butterbeer and other Harry Potter themed snacks.

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# Summer programs for children and families

Special May 16<sup>th</sup> through 28<sup>th</sup>  
find a different physical and mental challenge each  
day in the Children's area.



## MONDAY FAMILY PROGRAMS – 11:00 am in the Community Room

Created for children of all ages to enjoy together with the adults in their lives. Children under the age of 7 years old must be accompanied by an adult or teen of at least 13 years of age.

**May 23<sup>rd</sup>: Box Building** We'll bring the boxes. What can you make of them?

**June 6<sup>th</sup>: Cheeseman Transport** Can YOU drive a big truck? Come and see the real thing and learn all about it.

**June 13<sup>th</sup>: Obstacle Course** Here's a challenge: how fast can you make it through the course?

**June 20<sup>th</sup>: My Plate—The Musical (Minnetrista Theatre Preserves)** Spectacular sets! Music! Aliens! Spacecraft! An inter-galactic farmers market?! See how Captain gNosh of the USS MYPLATE II survives to duel the planet gobbling alien called GLUT and save earth from total destruction.

**June 27<sup>th</sup>: Action Bingo** Everyone's a winner!

## TUESDAY LEGO IS LEGO DAY in the Children's area

May 24<sup>th</sup> & 31<sup>st</sup> ALL DAY

June 7<sup>th</sup>, 14<sup>th</sup>, 21<sup>st</sup> & 28<sup>th</sup> 2:00 to 7:00 pm



## WORKOUT WEDNESDAYS — 6:00 to 7:00 pm in the Community Room

May 18<sup>th</sup> & 25<sup>th</sup> and June 1<sup>st</sup>, 8<sup>th</sup>, 15<sup>th</sup>, 22<sup>nd</sup> & 29<sup>th</sup>

Fun exercise with a library DVD, followed by a healthy snack, all for kids and their families. Get in shape together!



## SECOND & FOURTH THURSDAY COLORING for kids and teens — 2:00 to 4:00 pm

May 26<sup>th</sup> and June 9<sup>th</sup> & 23<sup>rd</sup>

We've got the crayons and the markers and the designs and the paper here for you — not to mention a comfortable, air-conditioned place to take a break from all that physical activity.



## Don't forget the Grand Finale Celebration for all who finish\* the Summer Challenge

July 7<sup>th</sup> 6:00 to 7:30 pm

at the Jay County High School Auxiliary Gym

Prize winners announced — physical & mental games — healthy snacks

*\*Note to parents: only kids who complete the Challenge receive a book/prize bag,  
but siblings are welcome to come and play at the Grand Finale.*

## FRIDAY PRESCHOOL PROGRAMS – 10:00 to 11:00 am in the Community Room

Designed for children ages 2 – 5 to attend with a caregiver. Caregiver involvement is expected. Children under 2 and over 5 are welcome to come along.



**June 3<sup>rd</sup>: Sensory Time** Lots of good stuff to explore. You won't hear "do not touch" today!

**June 10<sup>th</sup>: Music Making** Songs and games and rhythm and we'll make our own instruments.

**June 17<sup>th</sup>: Block Party** Lots of blocks to build and stack and knock down.

**June 24<sup>th</sup>: Pool Noodle Fun** It's amazing what you can do when you use your (pool) noodle!

**July 1<sup>st</sup>: Water Water Water** We'll make a splash with this one



**Keep reading during the Challenge.**

## FRIDAY AFTERNOON CRAFTS – 1:00 pm in the Community Room

These programs are set up for elementary-aged children to craft on their own, with some adult involvement. Younger children with a caregiver are welcome to attend too.

<b>June 3<sup>rd</sup></b>	All About Me Poster
<b>June 10<sup>th</sup></b>	Sports Visors
<b>June 17<sup>th</sup></b>	Father's Day
<b>June 24<sup>th</sup></b>	Sand Art Pictures
<b>July 1<sup>st</sup></b>	TP Roll Ninjas

## DIY SATURDAY CRAFT — May 28<sup>th</sup> 10:00 am to 3:00 pm in the Children's Area

Rabbits, frogs, and kangaroos are crafts to keep you hopping too.

## MAD HATTER TEA & STORY WALK — Saturday, June 25<sup>th</sup> 1:00 pm Hudson Park, S Wayne St, Portland

A new program for families. Enjoy a zany tea party in the amphitheater, then wind your way through the park as you follow a story from beginning to end. Read as you walk, try the activities at the stops.

**EXTRA!  
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*Check next page for programs planned by Adult Services  
marked **BRING THE WHOLE FAMILY!***

Discover new activities for your family to explore together these Saturdays

June 4<sup>th</sup> — **Trails & Bikes**      June 11<sup>th</sup> — **Geocaching**      June 18<sup>th</sup> — **Cornfed Derby Dames**



## Enjoy programs planned by Adult Services

**What's That Mean? Decoding Nutrition Labels** Monday, May 23<sup>rd</sup> at 5:00 pm

What's that mean? Julayne Ross from Jay County Hospital will reveal the mysteries of all those numbers, names and information on the package.

**Hook & Needle Club** Tuesday, May 24<sup>th</sup> and June 28<sup>th</sup> from 5:00 to 7:00 pm

Knitting, crochet, needlepoint or any hand craft project is more fun when you have others to talk with. Whatever your skill level you'll find people and resources to assist you. Come for part or all of the evening.

**Adult Crafts & Coloring** Thursday, May 26<sup>th</sup> and June 9<sup>th</sup> and 23<sup>rd</sup> from 2:00 to 4:00 pm

Relax and let your creativity flow as you make unique art pieces from cardboard rolls (May 26<sup>th</sup>) and coaster sets from ceramic tiles (June 9<sup>th</sup>) and no sew T shirt bags (June 23<sup>rd</sup>) or just sit and color while visiting together.

**Senior Lunch & Learn at John Jay Center: Online Genealogy** Thursday, June 2<sup>nd</sup> 11:30 am to 1:00 pm

It's a show and tell session by JCPL's Cheryl Lucas about using technology to connect the dots on your family history. Lunch for seniors is \$1 if you call your reservations to John Jay Center at 260-729-5525.

**Trails and Bikes** Saturday, June 4<sup>th</sup> at 1:00 pm

**BRING THE WHOLE FAMILY!**

Hear about the Jay County Trails Club's endeavors to provide trail destinations for walking, running or bicycling. Also, TJ's Bicycle Sales will be here to show you how to tune up and maintain your bicycle.

**Your Health & Fitness: There's an App for That** Tuesday, June 7<sup>th</sup> at 5:00 pm

Kristi Henry from Jay County Hospital will introduce using technology to improve or monitor your health and diet. Tyler Newell from Patriot Fitness will share fitness and exercise apps.

**Geocaching: What, Where & How** Saturday, June 11<sup>th</sup> at 1:00 pm **BRING THE WHOLE FAMILY!**

Learn the basics of geocaching activities and where to look for your cache hunt destination. Discover the joy to be found getting out and exploring our world as a family or alone. Presented by Bruce & Jennifer Covey, experienced cache hunters.

**Fitness Showcase** Tuesday, June 14<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 pm

Learn about and experience several different exercise class routines offered in the surrounding areas including Pound, Zumba, Tabata Bootcamp and more.

**JayCPL Book Club** 3<sup>rd</sup> Monday of the Month

If you enjoy talking about books you've read then you will enjoy the JayCPL Book Club. Our discussions are informal and we read many different genres and styles of books.

**May 16<sup>th</sup>** Ashfall by Mike Mullins, meet at 7:00 pm at the library

**June 20<sup>th</sup>** Freckles by Gene Stratton Porter **SPECIAL: Meet at the Limberlost State Historic Site in Geneva 6:00 pm for tour, presentation and discussion (cost for tour is \$5.00)**

**The Cornfed Derby Dames** Saturday, June 18<sup>th</sup> at 2:00 pm **BRING THE WHOLE FAMILY!**

Yes, the Derby Dames will be at the library to talk about roller derby — fitness and health on wheels!

**Writing & Publishing Workshop** Monday, June 27<sup>th</sup> 5:00 to 8:00 pm

Presented by author Monica Miller (*Threads of Betrayal*).

Registration required. Fee of \$10 for materials. Limited to 15 participants.