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IT'S TIME TO CELEBRATE!

There's nothing like making the final payment on a building project, unless it's being able to celebrate that accomplishment with an entire community.

And there's nothing like still feeling proud of that building 20 years later, unless it's sharing that pride with all those who worked hard to achieve it and have enjoyed using it every year since.

So let's celebrate! We're marking the 20th anniversary of the opening of what we admit the community still calls "the new library building." We've planned 20 special things spread over 20 special week days between October 17th and November 11th. It's an extended party and everyone is invited to join in.

Special activities include exploring our space with a Selfie Safari or a Photo Scavenger Hunt or a tour of the bookmobile. Displays of bestselling books, movies and music from the last 20 years will appear. Two author/book events are planned, along with a day when storybook characters will the children's area. Four Appreciation Days will offer surprise treats.

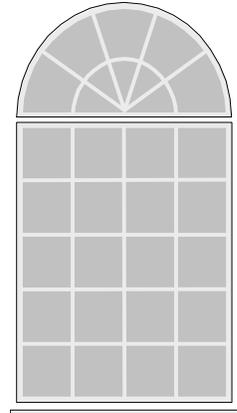
You can also look forward to some great opportunities for interacting with other library users with activities like library mini-golf and a pumpkin book character contest. We invite you to share your memories of the library too, about the preparation for the building project, construction and first visits to the building, as well as telling everyone "Why I Love My Library."



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Plan to visit the library during the celebration time October 17th through November 11th.

Check the "Let's Celebrate" insert included with this issue to see what is happening and when.



HEARD AT THE LIBRARY

"Why do you love your library?"

Starting October 17th, pick up a special blank to fill in your answer with a phrase, a paragraph, a fan letter, or a poem. Or maybe you'd rather draw a picture, attach a photo, make a diagram or create a chart.

Whatever form best fits your style, we'll post the "love" at the library to inspire the whole JCPL community. If you're at a distance or more likely to type in the website's Contact Us box or see us on Facebook, send us your response and we'll add it to the rest.

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Have memories or pictures or video to share? Call or visit or use the box on the "Contact Us" page at www.jaycpl.lib.in.us

GIFTS TO THE LIBRARY

How do you say “Happy Birthday” to a library building?



Maybe you'd like to send a gift.

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.

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>.

An investment in knowledge
always pays the best interest.
— Benjamin Franklin

CLUB DATES

Cookbook Club

Monday, October 10th at 6:15 pm

Theme: Halloween Party Ideas—Make 'em clever or scary, but delicious. Bring your dish and table service and enjoy.

JayCPL Book Club

Monday, October 17th 7:00 pm

The group discusses White Dresses: A Memoir of Love and Secrets, Mothers and Daughters by Mary Pflum Peterson.

Hook & Needles Club

Tuesday, October 25th, 5:00-6:30 pm

Bring your own supplies and projects, or help make ornaments for the library's Christmas trees.

Writers Guild

Monday, October 31st meet at the John Jay Center in Portland to hear author Ruth Dudley Edwards' presentation on her book The Seven: The Lives and Legacies of the Founding Fathers of the Irish Republic. The program begins at 6:30 pm and is part of the Fall Speaker Series at the John Jay Center.

AUTHOR VISITING FROM UGANDA

Josephine Nsubuga is a nurse, midwife, and nonprofit director in Uganda. Her challenging childhood journey inspired her to found the Woman of Purpose International Fortress which provides a home, food and medical care to pregnant teens.

She shares her story and the stories of women she has met through her work in her book Shining Against All Odds: Turning Tears into Healing Streams.

Nsubuga will be our special guest author at the library on Monday, October 24th at 6:00 pm.

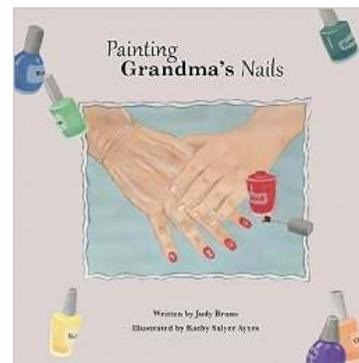
Come and hear more about her story, her organization in Uganda and her connection with residents of our own community.



NAIL PAINTING WITH AN AUTHOR & ILLUSTRATOR

Local artist Kathy Ayers has illustrated a picture book written by Judy Bruns titled Painting Grandma's Nails. Ayers and Bruns will visit the library Wednesday, November 2nd to meet readers and have a Nail Painting Party.

Bring your children and your grandparents to have fun with Kathy and Judy and plenty of colorful polish.





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PLENTY TO CELEBRATE

Twenty years? Really? Has it been that long? Those are some of the responses I hear when I talk to people about our building. This is probably a good example of how time quickly slips away from us when we are not watching. I think it is also a testament to the design and construction of our facility.

I can remember when I came to town for my first interview for the job of director and was shocked when I made the turn off Meridian Street onto Arch and a beautiful facility seemed to appear out of the blue at the corner of Arch and Ship.

I was immediately impressed when I walked in the building and took a brief tour. Not being a student of architecture and design my thoughts centered on what I felt was the timelessness of the design - was it built 20 years ago or 20 weeks ago?

Our facility was dedicated on October 26, 1996. The bond for the financing of the building was paid off earlier this year. This is reason to celebrate. The efforts of those involved in the building project, especially the visionary leadership of Rosie Clamme and the board members at that time, deserve to be celebrated. The goals and impact on the community we have been able to achieve because of the building are reason to celebrate.

For four weeks (20 week days) from October 17 through November 11 we are going to celebrate. In recognition of 20 years of service there will be 20 "events" or "things" going on during this time. There will be fun things for kids and adults, displays, appreciation days. We hope you enjoy these four weeks as we take time to celebrate, recognize and appreciate.

Eric Hinderliter, director

Remember when ...

... the Summer Olympics were in Atlanta
 ... gamers wanted the new Nintendo N64
 ... DVDs were launched in Japan (not here yet!)
 ... you danced the Macarena
 ... Stephen King's *The Green Mile* came out one small volume at a time (six in all)
 ... and the Jay County Public Library moved to 315 N Ship Street?

**Come celebrate 20 years
 October 17-November 11**



FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY NEWS

The next "regular meeting" will not be so regular after all. On Tuesday, October 18th the Friends invite all Friends of the Jay County Public Library past and present to a reception to recognize their contributions to the library building project.

You could say the Friends held the first library-related public event at the Ship Street address. The 1995 used book sale was held in a storage building on property shortly before it was removed to make way for the groundbreaking.

In 1996 Friends volunteers were on hand for loading and unloading books during the big move from the old to the new building. Many had already been active in focus groups, petition drives, and fundraising.

Since then the Friends have funded additional equipment, awarded scholarships, and helped with receptions and events. They've kept the popular annual used book sale going (now held in the Community Room in air-conditioned comfort) and they've added a small ongoing sale of used books and materials at the library throughout the year.

Have you been one of the Friends?

Would you like to join this great group of volunteers?

Plan to attend the not-exactly-regular Friends meeting:

Tuesday, October 18th at 6:30 pm.

(Come early at 6:00 pm to help fold the

November newsletter and get the scoop on library news.)

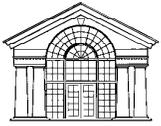
VOTER INFORMATION

When you have questions about voting in Indiana, check the website indianavoters.in.gov that offers these possibilities:

- Confirm My Voter Registration
- Submit a Voter Registration Application Online
- Review Candidates on My Ballot
- Update My Voter Registration
- Print a Voter Registration Form
- Contact My County Election Office
- Contact the Indiana Election Division
- Check Indiana Campaign Finance Records
- Find My Polling Place
- See Who My Elected Officials Are
- Track My Absentee Ballot



Help is available for using the public computers to access this website. Just ask at the desk.



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Look what's up at
 the library.



September 13th Lego block builders were challenged to create a working bridge. Caleb Fennig and Dre Phenix met the challenge and displayed their work.



What is going on
 in there?

You'll have to
 peek through the
 holes to see.

Visit this and
 other displays in
 the children's
 area.

