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WHERE WILL THE _IBRARY LEAD YOU?



National Library Week is April 8-14. Sponsored by the American Library Association, it is described as "a time to celebrate the contributions of our nation's libraries and librarians and to promote library use and support."

"Libraries Lead" is the 2018 theme, highlighting how libraries go beyond being a source of books. The resources available in your public libraries are constantly bringing to light the newest technology, activities, and entertainment in a variety of media. These topics open the door to learners and creators of new things, leading to innovation and creativity.

During that week are days specifically designated to recognize the library workers and bookmobile. The dedication and skills of librarians, assistants, volunteers and others allow it all to come together. The dedicated bookmobile staff takes it all on the road.

In honor of this special week, here is a list of 20+ things you can do in Jay County Public Library other than checking out a book. See if there is something new we can do for you.

- 1. Download an E-book
- 2. Host/attend a meeting or class
- 3. Research your family heritage
- 4. Learn a new skill/make a craft
- 5. Take home an internet Hot Spot
- 6. Listen to a story
- 7. Buy a used book or movie
- 8. Play a game with friends
- 9. Tackle a puzzle
- 10. Learn to use a computer
- 11. Learn to speak another language

- 12. Build a Lego creation
- 13. Get ready for kindergarten
- 14. Take care of copy and fax needs
- 15. Check out materials for a new craft
- 16. Borrow a day pass to the Minnetrista
- 17. Access popular legal documents
- 18. Get help fixing your car
- 19. Practice for your driver's exam
- 20. Find your necessary tax forms
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HEARD AT THE LIBRARY

"Hello, Jay County Library. Can you help me?"

Yes, you read it right. Recently, a staff person answered the phone and mistakenly asked if the caller could help her rather than being the one to help. Her misspoken words were the cause for a lot of laughs in the office. They all felt this story needed shared here. So enjoy the chuckle.

However, it is true that the purpose of the staff at the desk is to help you, our patrons. We encourage your questions and want to be a resource however we can. Whether it is simply directing to a particular shelf, managing the printer, or finding a website, we are at the ready to try and answer what you came into the library to find out.

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.

Gift to the library given by Pamela Hart

<u>The Road Home</u> by Beverly Lewis

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.

Having fun isn't hard when you've got a library Card.

~Marc Brown Author of "Arthur" books

CLUB DATES

Cookbook Club Monday, April 9th, 6:15 pm Purdue Extension's Amie Carpenter presents surprisingly tasty recipes made with chickpeas.

JayCPL Book Club Monday, April 16th, 7:00 pm The group will discuss *All the Light We Cannot See* by Anthony Doerr. New members welcome!

Friends of JCPL Tuesday, April 17th, 6:30 pm

JayCPL Writers Guild Monday, April 30th, 6:30 pm Continuing the conversation on the craft of writing.

Hook & Needles Club Tuesday, April 24th, 5:00 pm Bring your own supplies and ideas to share.

WHAT'S HOT IN EVERGREEN?

Looking for the hottest trend in books this spring? Jay County Public Library has them for you.



Here are the top 10 most in-demand books in the Evergreen System, based on the total number of hold requests placed. All of these titles are currently available (or ready to be placed on hold) here at JCPL.

Add them to your reading list and see what everyone is talking about!

- 1. The Great Alone (Kristin Hannah)
- 2. The Woman in the Window (A.J. Finn)
- 3. Fifty Fifty (James Patterson)
- 4. Look for Me (Lisa Gardner)
- 5. Dark in Death (J.D. Robb)
- 6. The Wife Between Us (Greer Hendricks)
- 7. Little Fires Everywhere (Celeste Ng)
- 8. Raspberry Danish Murder (Joanne Fluke)
- 9. Fire and Fury (Michael Wolff)
- **10. The Masterpiece (Francine Rivers)**

HAVE YOU VOTED FOR THE FIREFLY?

Find this firefly display in the Children's area and start sharing these picture books with the preschooler in your life. Read them all and vote for your child's favorite.





Indiana children

ages 0-5 can vote with a caregiver for their favorite of five titles nominated for the Indiana Early Literacy Firefly Award beginning April 18th. Last day to vote at the library is May 2nd.

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CHANGES TO PRINTING PRACTICE

Being a source for free Internet and general use computers has long been a priority for JCPL. We live in a society that has increasingly become dependent on Internet access for day to day tasks. Whether it is paying



bills, taking on-line classes, staying up to date on world events, or engaging in different forms of entertainment, the Internet is almost an essential. But, even as society is making this shift, there are parts of Jay County that still do not have access to quality high speed Internet. There are also many who have to make the choice in their personal spending and opt not to have Internet access at home.

In making Internet access a priority, JCPL has given this access to those in our county who need and want what the Internet has to offer. JCPL has also been circulating wireless hotspots for almost two years now, allowing patrons to "take" the Internet home with them.

In looking at ways to improve the computing experience at JCPL we are making some adjustments for those who come to print documents. It's surprising how many use this resource - patrons printed over 18,000 pages in 2017 alone!

Coming soon, the old desk jet printers (which are very inefficient with ink) will be replaced with one central printer. All print jobs will be picked up and paid for at the front the desk. JCPL will also be introducing the ability for patrons to print from their own devices. So, whether it is a phone or a tablet or a laptop, all patrons will soon have the ability to print their needed documents at JCPL.





FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY NEWS

Are you an avid Amazon shopper? Do you know that just by making a simple change in their web address you can help support the Friends of Jay County Public Library? During the first year in the program, more than \$20 in rewards were accumulated. Let's double that in year two!

All you have to do is go to smile.amazon.com and choose the Friends of Jay County Public Library Inc. as the non-profit you want to support. As long as you start your shopping from the smile.amazon.com site, 0.5% of all eligible purchases will be donated back to the Friends. The Library may be more about borrowing than buying but if you do buy why not help your library group out!



Would you like to join this great group of volunteers? Plan to attend the next Friends meeting: **Tuesday, April 17th at 6:30 pm** Come early at 6:00 pm to help fold the May newsletter and get the scoop on library news.)

GIVE THIS A TRY!



Mom always said, "Try it, you might like it." Well, here is your chance to try something new. Amie Carpenter from Purdue Extension will be preparing some tasty treats using chickpeas. Join the Cookbook Club Monday, April 9th at

6:15 pm as Amie demonstrates and offers tastes of recipes made with chickpeas. You will be surprised what this healthy little vegetable can do!



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