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JAY COUNTY PUBLIC LIBRARY

## THANKS FOR A GREAT SUMMER

What a difference a year makes! Last year, our summer plans were scaled back due to the pandemic. Programs had to go virtual and things were generally much quieter around here.

This year, as we have come out of the pandemic, life at the library has been returning a bit back to normal. Our Summer Challenge returned with lots of people reading and enjoying a set of fun activities for all ages. Here's a run-down of some of the highlights -

\* Silly Safaris Animal Show - Snakes and owls and so much more in this show! We had so many people register for this event that we added a second showing to accommodate over 100 in attendance.

\* Tabby Tuesdays - We gave children a chance to read to cats and then enjoy playing with them each Tuesday for five weeks as the Midwest Pet Refuge brought their friendliest and playful cats. Every time slot (40 of them) was filled for this fun event.

\* Brainstormers and Explorers - Our weekly pre-school program averaged around 17 kids per week as they all had fun with animals and adventures.

\* Summit City Disc Dogs - Even in the rain, over 30 people enjoyed watching the dogs display their skills.

\* Tom and Jerry Movie Day - A nice crowd of 30 enjoyed the misadventures of our favorite cat and mouse.

\* Kindergarten Prep School - After a virtual experience last year, we were back doing it in person this

summer! Averaging 70 children a week, this program is getting our newest students ready to start the school year.

We also set a goal of 15,000 items checked out during the Challenge. For every 1,000 items checked out we donated 30 pounds of pet food to the Midwest Pet Refuge and the Jay County Humane Society. We reached 14,933 items checked out during the challenge which was close enough!

It was a great summer and we look forward to more good things this fall!

Eric Hinderliter, Director

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Our caterpillars have grown and after metamorphosis, we released them as butterflies!

For Brainstormers & Explorers Story Time, Jay County High School basketball players and cheerleaders came and showed our patrons about school spirit!



Ryan the Lion from Silly Safaris came to the library and brought some pretty interesting animals with him. Our younger patrons learned about pythons, owls, rabbits, groundhogs, desert foxes, frogs, bearded dragons, alligators, and tarantulas, and had a ton of fun!



On Tuesdays, JCPL patrons have

Midwest Pet Refuge for our Tabby

been reading to cats from the

For Brainstormers & Explorers Story Time, we learned about life on a farm.

## TRACK YOUR HISTORY

- \* Go to the Evergreen website: <u>www.evergreen.lib.in.us</u>.
- Click on "My Account" and log in with your library card number or a username you have created and your password. If you have forgotten your password, the library can give you a temporary one.
- Click "Account Preferences," then "Search and History Preferences," and make sure the box marked "Keep history of checked out items" is check-marked. Click "Save."
- Now whenever you log into your account you will go to "Items Checked Out," and "Check Out History."
- You should be able to view all of the items you have checked out from any library in the Evergreen system. Keep in mind, if you just changed your settings to save your check-out history, your list will be blank until you check out more items.



## **CLUB DATES**

JCPL Book Club: Monday, August 16, 7 p.m. We will be discussing *Eight Perfect Murders* by Peter Swanson. Anyone who loves to read may join.

JCPL Friends: Tuesday, August 17, 6:30 p.m. Meet at 6 to fold newsletters.



## GIFTS TO THE LIBRARY 😭

Many thanks to those who have made gifts to the library in memory or in honor of friends or loved ones.

#### In Memory of Brett Joy -

Phil and Nan Rowles and Family Beeb Liverman

In Memory of Donna Haffner -Joyce Horn

#### In Memory of Angeline Zimmerman -

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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 <u>http://portlandfoundation.org</u>.

"Let's be reasonable and add an eighth day to the week that is devoted exclusively to reading." -Lena Dunham



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- 2. When asked to sign in, enter your library card number (or username) and password. If you have forgotten your password, contact the library and we will reset it for you.
- 3. After you sign in you will see a list of options. Tap Show Card and your barcode should appear on your phone!
- 4. Each time you check out at JCPL, just open the Evergreen App and Show Card.

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