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JAY COUNTY PUBLIC LIBRARY

### WINTER READING CHALLENGE AT JCPL!

#### January 17—February 26

Stay in and cuddle up with a good book for JCPL's Winter Reading Challenge! Teens and adults must call or stop by the library to register for this event, anytime after January 17. The first 60 to sign up will receive a special starter gift! Participants will receive a bookmark log to write down each book title as they read them. The minimum requirement is to read 3 books. However, patrons are encouraged to fill out as many bookmarks as they can! For each book a participant reads, they will receive 1 entry into a drawing for our grand prizes. After all bookmarks are turned

in on February 26, we will draw for two teens and two adults to win Amazon gift cards! Don't worry, kids have a chance to win too! JCPL is challenging our patrons in preschool to 5th grade to chill out and read with our Kids Winter Reading Challenge, from January 17 through February 26. Children may participate by picking up a reading log at the front desk. As they read (or are read to), children will mark off 15-minute time slots on their reading log, until they reach a total of 5 hours. A completed reading log may be turned in at the front desk for a small completion prize, and then grab another log and keep reading! Each log

equals one entry into a drawing to win one of the grand prizes— gift cards to Amazon, Wal-Mart, and Bizy Dips!

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# DID YOU MISS IT?



The Jay County Farm Bureau, Inc. teamed up with JCPL for Cookies & Canvas in December. Patrons painted a Christmas tree while enjoying delicious cookies!



For the final Story Time of the year, we read stories and did activities about dogs at Christmas time and Rusty, the certified therapy dog, came to visit!



At our Gingerbread Village Kids Shopping Night, shoppers ages 4 through third grade got to pick out gifts for their loved ones, then have them wrapped and ready for Christmas time!



Our Gingerbread Slime program was a messy blast! Patrons made ooey-gooey Gingerbread Slime, decorated cookies, and enjoyed hot cocoa.

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#### **SELF-DEFENSE**

Monte Shrack from the Jay County Sherriff's Department is leading a basic women's selfdefense class on January 25 from 6:30 to 7:45 p.m. in the Community Room. The class is designed to teach the true reality of women's self-defense. It teaches simple, practical, effective, and sound techniques for selfdefense. It will also teach self-awareness that will give women more confidence and peace of mind. This is not a physical class and does not promote violence. This program does have a limited availability so call or stop by the library today to get your spot!

### WorkOr

Jay County WorkOne will be set up at the library from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. on the following days this month:

January 12, 10-2, in Community Room January 19, 10-2, in Carnegie Room January 26, 10-2, in Carnegie Room They will be available to offer assistance and

information about their services related to employment.



Paws & Pages is back in 2022! Register your child for an opportunity to read to Sonny the Chihuahua, a

certified therapy dog. Held in the Community Room on January 13 from 3:30-5:00 p.m., each participant will have 15 minutes of reading and playtime with Sonny. Participants may bring their own books or read those provided by the library. Register by calling or visiting the library. Parent/ guardian must sign a waiver at the time of event.

#### STORY TIME

Story Time will be meeting January 18 through **April 26**. Children ages preschool and younger with their caregivers are welcome to join us for stories, songs, and activities in the Community Room every Tuesday at 10 a.m.

#### **MOTHER GOOSE**

Mother Goose is flying into the library **every** Friday at 11:30 a.m., January 7 through May 13. She leads stories, rhymes, and movement in the Community Room.



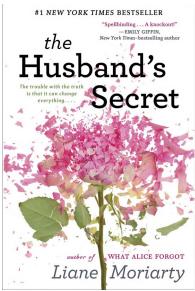
### **CLUB DATES**

JCPL Book Club: Monday, January 17 7 p.m.

We will be discussing Liane Moriarty's, *The Husband's* Secret. Anyone who loves to read may join!

**JCPL Friends: Tuesday, January 25** 6:30 p.m.

Meet at 6 to fold newsletters.



"To appreciate the beauty of a snowflake, it is necessary to stand out in the cold." -Aristotle



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# SANTA VISITED JCPL!



In December, Santa, Mrs. Claus, Sierra Sparkle the Christmas Elf, and Elsa the Reindeer all flew in from the North Pole to visit JCPL! Patrons enjoyed visiting with them and making reindeer cookies and ornaments.