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TRUE CRIME UNIVERSITY: UNSOLVED CRIMES & CRIME SCENE AT THE LIBRARY!

This month, the year-long True Crime University program will be wrapping up with two final classes. The first class will be **Tuesday, May 2 at 6 p.m.** and will be covering unsolved cases and a final review of all topics covered to prepare attendees for the final crime scene that will take place on **Tuesday, May 30 at 6 p.m.** At the final crime scene, attendees will be placed in "forensic teams" to get a chance to apply what they have learned and examine the crime scene in the library in order to solve the crime. **Registration is required for both classes so call or visit the library to get a spot. Warning: content discussed in these programs may be graphic and disturbing to some. The goal of this program is to provide those attending with information that will help them understand forensic science in criminal investigations, with elements of true crime.**



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COOKIN' UP SUMMER FUN!

This summer, JCPL will be "Cookin' Up Summer Fun" with a food-themed summer program that will run June 5 through July 22. This year, we will be doing a mass reading challenge where all participants will be working towards a goal of 3,000 hours read by the end of the program.



will be hosting a Pop-Up Food Pantry on Thursday, July 27 and if we hit our reading goal, JCPL will be donating \$1,000 towards the purchase of food for that event. The library will also be taking canned food and non-perishable donations through the summer, as well. There will be prize drawings for all age groups for anyone who participates in the reading portion of our summer program. We will also have an exciting lineup of programs, so stay tuned for further updates!

PLANT COMPATIBILITY & MATCHMAKING

Join us on **Tuesday, May 23 at 6 p.m.**, for our final spring gardening session this year. We are going to be covering the topic of plant compatibility. Have you wondered what plants are safe to plant together or which ones are okay to do rotational



CATCHING BIGFOOT WITH MIKE FAMILANT

All ages may join Producer, Lead Investigator, and New Jersey native Mike Familant on **Tuesday, May 9 at 6 p.m.** as he shares his experiences researching and tracking down the truth behind North America's most iconic cryptid, Bigfoot. Bigfoot, Sasquatch, Grassman, Skunk Ape, or Big Red Eye, whatever name you choose to call this large, bipedal hominid, Mike has probably tried to track it down. Mike has been researching this amazing creature for over 12 years, and has captured some impressive evidence along the way. From the Florida Swamps to the North Country of Maine and everywhere in

between, Mike is the full-time, lead investigator and producer of the show, "In the Shadow of Big Red Eye." He will exhibit some extraordinary evidence backed by facts which he and his team have collected throughout his journey, along with



some of the unfortunate experiences which come along with Bigfooting. A question and answer session will be held after the presentation and Mike will be available after for photographs and autographs. See all of Mike's shows, including his docuseries "Squatchables" (how to get into Bigfooting) on his YouTube Channel, "Sussex County Bigfoot," and follow his Facebook page "In the Shadow of Big Red Eye" to keep up with the team's expeditions and to see their newest evidence.

STAR WARS TAKE & MAKES



Star Wars fans, this one is for you! Come by the library on **Thursday, May 4** to pick up one of our Star Wars-themed Take & Make activity kits for all ages, **while supplies last**! In this kit you will find different activities and a Build-

BE WITH YOU May the Fourth be with you!



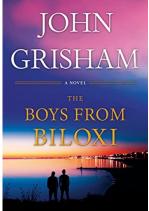
The Interactive STEM Studio will be held on Wednesday, May 3 from 3:00-4:30 p.m. this month. Participants will be exploring STEM equipment purchased with funding from an IN-Mac Grant and underwritten by the Jay County Public Library. Students will also have a chance to make a poster to exhibit at the Jay County Fair this summer! Registration is required for this event. Students in grades 3-6 may still sign up.

CLUB DATES

JCPL Book Club: Monday, May 15, 7:00 PM

Come and discuss *The Boys From Biloxi* by John Grisham. Anyone who loves to read may join!

JCPL Friends: Tuesday, May 16, 6:30 PM Meet at 6 to fold newsletters.



HEALTHY Charcuterie Boards

Charcuterie boards are trendy, fun to build, and are popping up at parties and gatherings everywhere! From breakfast to dessert, there is a charcuterie board layout for anything. This program is

for those who want to learn about them, but also how to make them healthier! JCPL is partnering with Purdue Extension on **Monday, May 22 at 6 p.m.** to teach you how to make boards that are both tasty AND nutritious. Samples will also be available. This is a great program to attend right before summer when all of the fresh fruits and vegetables are out! **Please register for this event by calling or visiting the library.**

MOTHER GOOSE

Mother Goose will be flying back to the library on **Friday**, **May 12 at 11:30 a.m.** Join her for stories, rhymes, and movement in the Community Room.



Mother Goose will not be held on May 5. In the event of a school cancellation, Mother Goose will not be held.





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We had an EGG-cellent time at the Family Easter Celebration in April! Thank you to the Jay County Farm Bureau, Inc. and Minnich Eggs!

