



FRIEND-LY FRIDAYS!

Join the Friends of the Jay County Public Library on **Friday, May 3 from 2-4 p.m.**, inside the library to sign-up to become a Friend, learn about all of the fun and exciting things the Friends are planning, find out how you can get involved and help out, chat about the annual book sale, or simply enjoy a free refreshment, while supplies last. Thank you for being a Friend of Jay County Public Library!



SUMMER ADVENTURE @ JCPL!

JCPL is excited to announce our 2024 summer reading plans with our theme of Summer Adventure at JCPL that will kick off on Monday, June 3 and will run through Saturday, July 20! Stay tuned for an exciting announcement of our reading challenge and program schedule, as well as a contest to name our new library mascot!

NEW CATALOG!

Our catalog got a makeover! Evergreen has upgraded our catalog system which now has a modernized look, new features, and more! You can check it out on JCPL's website. If you have any questions, call or visit the library for assistance. Note: You can still access the old version of the catalog by clicking on the drop down menu near where you sign into your account at the top of the screen, then click on the Classic Catalog option.



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COMPOSTING & UPCYCLING FUN!

During the month of May, re-using and recycling things in our homes and gardens is on our minds! Whether it is creating compost for our gardens, or if you have items laying around your home that you can't bear to get rid of, this program is going to discuss how to reuse them all! On **Monday, May 13 at 6 p.m.**, we will be talking about the ins and outs of composting, along with composting best practices. Plus, we will be creating a fun upcycling craft. Join us for a fun and educational night with Purdue Extension's Emily Kring that you won't want to miss! **Registration is required for this event, due to limited space. Please reserve your spot by calling or visiting the library.**



MAY THE 4TH TAKE & MAKES

In a galaxy not so far away, come to the library on **Saturday, May 4** for an out-of-this-world Star Wars take and make activity for children of all ages, while supplies last. May the 4th be with you!



DECADENT DELIGHTS: A CHOCOLATE-TASTING EXPERIENCE FOR ADULTS

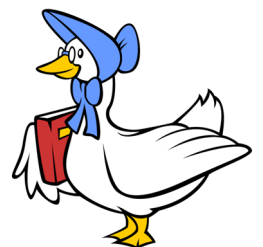
Join us for a delicious and intriguing social night out in style on **Monday, May 6 at 6 p.m.**, as we journey through tasting a variety of chocolates. We will teach you about the history of chocolate and each chocolate's distinct flavor profile and preferred pairings, all while you learn how to be a professional taste tester! We will also be raffling off a free Chocolate Fondue Machine Kit that one lucky person will get to take home! Gather your friends, family, or significant other, dress up (highly recommended but not required) and try something new during this fancy and fun night out for adults at the library! Event begins promptly at 6 p.m. and suggested arrival time is 5:45 p.m. **Registration is REQUIRED and space is limited, so reserve your spot before it's too late!**



MOTHER GOOSE

Mother Goose will be flying back to the library on Friday mornings at 11:30 a.m.

now through May 10! Join Mother Goose in the Community Room for stories, rhymes, and movement. In the event of a school cancellation, Mother Goose will not be held.



WHAT'S YOUR PLAYLIST: HOW MUSIC CAN MOTIVATE & INSPIRE



Join us for our final session of the Design Your Life Adult Mental Health Series with IU Health's Jenni VanSkyock on **Tuesday, May 28 at 6 p.m.** This month, we will be talking about the music

that we listen to and how that can help motivate us to accomplish tasks and goals, or improve our overall well-being and mental health. This is going to be a fun evening of discussion, sharing, and music! There will be free refreshments and a free raffle prize basket with music-related items in it!

Please RSVP to this event by calling or visiting the library or you can sign up on JCPL's website: www.jaycpl.lib.in.us.

LEGO PLAY

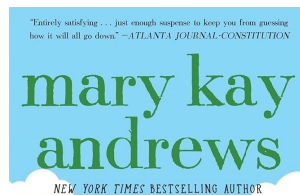
Legos will be available to play with in the children's area of the library on **Thursday, May 9 from 3-7 p.m. and Saturday, May 18 from 9 a.m.-12 p.m.**

CLUB DATES

JCPL Book Club:

Monday, May 20, 7:00 PM

We will be discussing
The Fixer Upper
by Mary Kay Andrews.



JCPL Friends:

Tuesday, May 21, 6:30 PM

Meet at 6 to fold newsletters.



Ready to help boost your child's kindergarten readiness before they start school in the fall? KiPS is a "jumpstart" into kindergarten program presented by the Jay County Public Library and is sponsored by The Portland Foundation, Jay Schools, and the library. Children who are eligible for kindergarten in 2024-2025 and who will be attending any Jay County school may be registered for this program. KiPS will be held every Wednesday from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon at the library, starting June 5 and ending July 17. Visit the library's website, www.jaycpl.lib.in.us or come to the library for registration forms and information. Call the library at 260-726-7890 for details. Registration deadline is **May 11, 2024**.





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→ **DID YOU MISS IT?** ←

We had fun at our Family
 Easter Celebration thanks to
 JCPL, the Jay County Farm
 Bureau, Inc. and Minnich Eggs!

