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# NewsNotes

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JAY COUNTY PUBLIC LIBRARY

## FARM TO TABLE THANKSGIVING DINNER FOR KIDS!

Celebrate Thanksgiving at the library with the Jay County Farm Bureau, Inc.! Preschool and elementary kids are invited to join us for a hands-on, educational Thanksgiving experience. Children will get to eat turkey roast and mashed potatoes, make their own cranberry salad, bake a crescent roll, shake and make butter, and make their own pumpkin pie. Along the way, kids will learn about where their Thanksgiving dinner food comes from. Kids will rotate between stations, and we'll all sit down at the end to eat our Thanksgiving dinner together. Kids will also have an opportunity to create a thankful gift box for children and teens served by the Youth Services Bureau.

**Families may sign up for either of two dinners on Thursday, November 21 at 4:00-5:15 pm. or 6:15-7:30 p.m. Due to space limitations, families may sign up only one adult per child, with a maximum of 2 adults per family. Call or visit the library to sign up!**



**Thank you to the generous donors and community sponsors who supported Fall into Fun at the Library in October!**

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## OUT OF THIS WORLD PLANETARIUM EXPERIENCE

"To infinity and beyond!" Come to the library for an out of this world experience! View the stars in our giant inflatable planetarium and create your own constellation cover to use on a flashlight. Kids will get to make galaxy calming jars, planet night lights, a solar system mobile, learn about moon phases with Oreos, and enjoy more activities! **This family event will be held in the library on Thursday, November 7 from 5:00-7:00 p.m.**



## BLUEY ADVENT CALENDAR GIVEAWAY!

Do you enjoy watching Bluey? Come to the library and enter your name for a chance to win a Bluey Advent Calendar! Tickets will be available on **November 11** on the children's side of the circulation desk. The winner will be drawn and notified on **November 25!**

## GIFT BAGS NEEDED

In preparation for upcoming Christmas programs, the library is seeking donations of new gift bags (approx. 10 x 8 x 4 inches or 7.5 x 9.85 x 4 inches) and tissue paper to use for kids programs. These supplies will be used when children make gifts for the community and their family members. If you would like to help, please bring your donations to the staff at the front desk. Thank you for your support of library programs!



## FAMILY STORY TIME

Join us in the Community Room on **Tuesday mornings at 10:00 a.m.** for stories, songs, and activities for children ages preschool and younger with their caregivers. Story Time will be held every Tuesday through December 3. **Note: there will be no Family Story Time on November 26 during Thanksgiving Week.**

**November 5** – Trains!

**November 12** – "Enchanted Story Time" featuring our special guest Belle! Children will get to meet Belle, hear her story, and enjoy Beauty and the Beast crafts and activities. Dress up is suggested.

**November 19** – Giving Thanks

**November 26** - No Story Time!

## LINCOLN LOGS AND CARDBOARD BLOCKS

Lincoln Logs and cardboard blocks will be available to play with in the children's area on **Thursday, November 14 from 3-7 p.m. and Saturday, November 16 from 9 a.m.-12 p.m.**



## HOME ALONE SAFETY CLASS

**On Saturday, November 9 from 11 a.m.-12:30 p.m.**, students in grades 3-6 who have expressed interest in staying home alone are invited to come to this safety class to learn how to practice safe habits, how to prevent unsafe situations, and what to do when faced with dangers such as power failures or weather emergencies. Students are also introduced to the Safe Sitter® First Aid Chart and learn a system to help them assess and respond to injuries and illnesses. Snacks will be provided. **Registration is required, so visit or call the library to sign up today!**

## CRAFTS, COOKIES, & COCOA: ADULT CRAFTING NIGHT

Join us on **Monday, November 25 at 6 p.m.** for a fun adult night out with crafting, cookies, and cocoa before the holidays! We will be making a DIY snow globe and cocoa/peppermint jars! Come out and get ready for the holiday season with us.

**Registration is required and space is limited, so call or visit the library to reserve your spot.**



## CLUB 55+

Seniors (55+) are invited to come to the Community Room on **Thursday, November 7 from 10-11 a.m.** to learn about and practice chair yoga for stress relief. **Reserve your spot by calling or visiting the library!** *Please note: There will be no December session of Club 55+, due to holiday programming. The club will resume on January 2, 2025.*

## ONGOING PROGRAMS:

**Story Seekers Book Club:**

**Thursday, November 14, 4-5:30 PM**

**JCPL Book Club:**

**Monday, November 18, 7 PM**

We will be discussing *How to Age Disgracefully* by Clare Pooley. Anyone who loves to read may join!

**Friends of JCPL:**

**Tuesday, November 19, 6:30 PM**

Meet at 6 to fold newsletters.

**Lawyers in Libraries:**

**Thursday, November 21, 10 AM-12 PM**

Speak with an attorney through a video conferencing system about a limited number of topics. **Registration required. Lawyers in Libraries is on the third Thursday this month!**

## BE YOUR BEST SELF: STRESS LESS BEFORE THE HOLIDAYS

Join us for our last session of Be Your Best Self mental health series with IU Health's Jenni VanSkyock on **Tuesday, November 12 at 6 p.m.** For our November session, we will be participating in discussion and activities based around self-care to help reduce our stress before the upcoming holiday season. **Please register for this event by calling or visiting the library, as space is limited.**

## WRITING TAKE & MAKES

**Teen and adults (13+)** are invited to celebrate National Novel Writing Month by picking up a writing activity to take and make on **Monday, November 11**, while supplies last.



## MONEY MATTERS: YOUR MONEY, YOUR GOALS

Join us for the final session of our financial how-to series, in partnership with Jay County Purdue Extension's Ashley Drees! On Monday, November 18 at 6 p.m., learn how to set SMART goals to help manage money. We'll help participants meet their financial goals by increasing knowledge, skills, and resources. **Space is limited, so get your seat in the class by calling or visiting the library.**

### Thanksgiving Hours

Wednesday, November 27	8 AM-5 PM
Thursday, November 28	Closed
Friday, November 29	8 AM-5 PM
Saturday, November 30	8 AM-1 PM



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#### LIBRARY HOURS

MONDAY, TUESDAY, THURSDAY  
8:00 A.M. TO 8:00 P.M.  
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[jaylibrary315@gmail.com](mailto:jaylibrary315@gmail.com)



## TEEN HOUR

**Any teens in grades 7-12** are invited to drop into the library after school from **4:00-5:00 p.m.** on the fourth Tuesday of every month for a fun hour of themed crafts, snacks, and activities! This month, Teen Hour will be on **Tuesday, November 26**. We will be having a holiday mix-up party theme with both Thanksgiving and Christmas-themed activities and snacks. **Sign-up for this program is requested, but not required. To reserve your spot in the club, please call or visit the library. Please note: There will not be a December session of Teen Hour, due to the holidays. The club will resume on January 23, 2025.**



## FUTURE MASTERS: TEEN POP-UP ART GALLERY

JCPL is hosting a Teen Pop-Up Art Gallery on **Tuesday, November 5 from 5:30-7 p.m.** We want to showcase all local **teen (grades 7-12)** artists and celebrate local emerging talent. Art of any medium is welcome, but no foul language or other explicit content is allowed. Art pieces cannot be sold during this event. During the gallery, there will be a step and repeat for pictures and each artist will get a certificate with their participation. Finger foods and non-alcoholic sparkling beverages will be provided. Artists need to arrive at the library by 5 p.m. and will have 30 minutes to set up their work before the event is opened to public viewing. Art will be taken home the same evening. **To show your work, contact JCPL by November 1 and let us know what you will be bringing.** The public is invited to come to the gallery and show support to our Future Masters!