



News Notes

Jay County Public Library

GOING GREEN WITH EVERGREEN: LIBRARY CARD CELEBRATION MONTH!

In celebration of National Library Card Sign-Up Month, JCPL is excited to announce our Going Green with Evergreen campaign, which will be running **September 2-30**, and emphasizes the value and importance of having a library card at JCPL! A main part of the campaign is a month-long Fresh Start program, where we will be forgiving all fines and fees (including for lost and damaged items) on your library card account, with the exception of fines and fees that are owed to other Evergreen libraries. This program is open to all JCPL library card holders who come into the library, active or inactive, regardless of the amount of fines and fees owed, **for the entire month of September only**. If fines and fees prevent you from using the library, be sure to take advantage of this limited-time Fresh Start program! We would love to have you back!

Check out our Facebook and Instagram for library card celebration posts throughout the month.

Also, turn to page 2 for information on the various activities we have going on inside the library for Going Green with Evergreen month!

We look forward to seeing you at the library in September to help us celebrate all month long!



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GOING GREEN WITH EVERGREEN ACTIVITIES!

FREE POPCORN DAY



Stop in for free popcorn on **Wednesday, September 3** from **10:30 a.m.-3 p.m.**, while supplies last!

SCAVENGER HUNT

Come in **September 2-30** and look for different green-themed book and movie characters throughout the library and complete the scavenger hunt for a green sticker at the front desk!

FREE JCPL MERCH DAY

A limited-edition JCPL color-changing stadium cup will be given out to any patron who checks something out on **Friday, September 12**, while supplies last.

FREE SWEET TREAT DAY

End the final week of our campaign by getting a free cookie at the library on **Wednesday, September 24** from **10 a.m.-3 p.m.**, while supplies last.



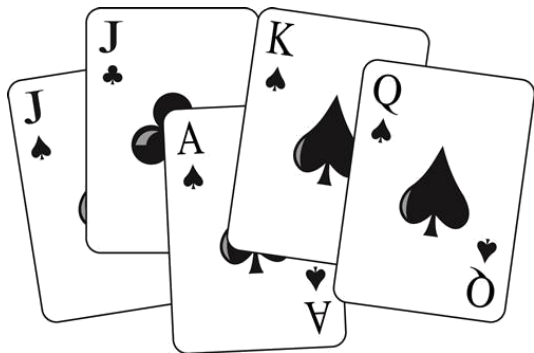
SIP & STRUM: AN ACOUSTIC COFFEEHOUSE CONCERT WITH A. J. WETZEL!

JCPL is excited to welcome renowned singer/songwriter A. J. Wetzel for a free acoustic concert night at the library **for adults (18+) on Monday, September 15**. From small town Indiana, Wetzel grew up on rock-n-roll and country music. Influenced by songwriters like Bruce Springsteen and Bob Seger to Sturgill Simpson and Tyler Childers, A. J. always puts a focus on the lyrics and story-telling of a song. A. J.'s songwriting and Midwest tone is something that can get anyone's toe tapping along. Throughout the concert, visit our pop-up "Star-Books" Café to get free library/coffeehouse-inspired refreshments, while supplies last. Current JCPL cardholders attending the concert can show their card (either physical or digital) to receive a special VIP gift when checking-in at the entry table. Doors will open at **5:30 p.m.** for attendees to pick seats and get refreshments, and the concert will run from **6:00-7:30 p.m.** **Reservations are required to attend, so call or visit the library soon, because this event will fill up fast and A. J. is someone you will NOT want to miss seeing live!**



EUCHRE FOR BEGINNERS

Shuffle, deal, and play your way to an evening of fun in the Community Room on **Thursday, September 11 from 5-7 p.m.** This family event is for anyone who would like to learn the basics of playing euchre. The Euchre game is recommended for ages 8+, and there will be additional board and card games for younger children, as well. **Registration is required. Please sign up by calling or visiting the library.**



ONGOING PROGRAMS:

JCPL Book Club:

Monday, September 15, 7 PM

Anyone who loves to read may join!

Friends of JCPL:

Tuesday, September 16, 6:30 PM

Meet at 6 to fold newsletters.

Lawyers in Libraries:

Thursday, September 25, 10 AM-12 PM

Participants will be able to speak with an attorney through a video conferencing system about topics such as divorce, custody, guardianship, tenant-landlord issues, bankruptcy, debt collection, estates, or immigration. The service is free, confidential, and will be held at the library on laptops provided by the library. **Please sign up in advance at the library; spots are limited.**

REPURPOSING YOUR FALL DECOR



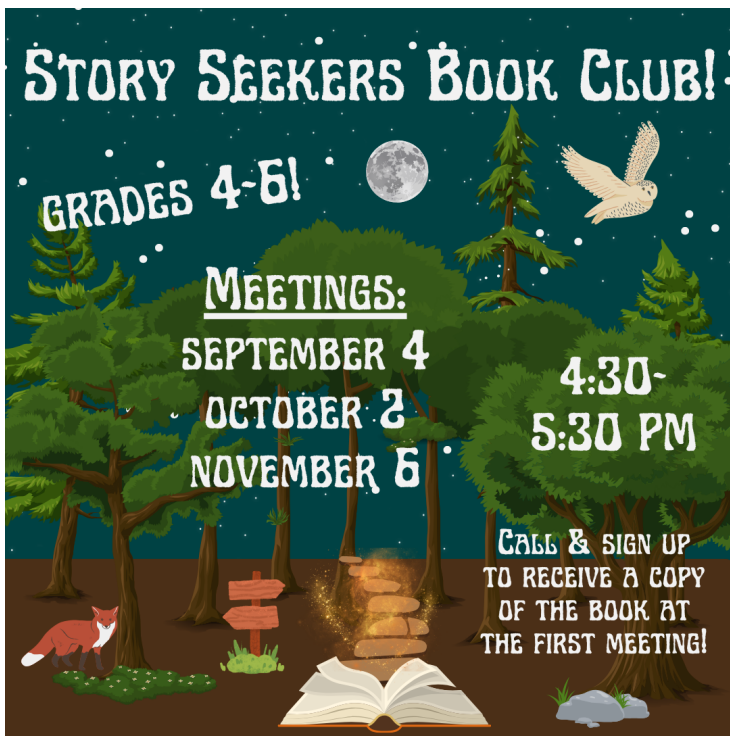
Get ready to roll up your sleeves and breathe new life into your autumn decorations! This fun, interactive workshop on **September 30 at 6 p.m.**, taught by Emily Kring from Jay County Purdue Extension, will show you how to creatively reuse your fall decor through various methods: reusing, composting, preserving seeds, and more. Whether you're looking for ideas to reduce your waste, be creative, or planning ahead for the holidays, you'll leave with inspiration, new skills, and a creation of your own. **Please RSVP by calling or visiting the library, to ensure we have enough supplies for everyone.**

CINNAMON & CERAMICS FOR KIDS

Let's kick off the fall season with some Cinnamon and Ceramics! Join us at the library on **Thursday, September 18 in the Community Room from 5-7 p.m.** for a chance to paint some ceramic plates, planters, and coasters while eating some tasty cinnamon snacks! Sip on some hot chocolate, and make your very own cinnamon sugar chips and donuts! **Registration is required, so call or visit the library to sign up.**

Recommended for elementary-aged children, and preschool children will need adult help.





Calling all readers in grades 4, 5, and 6! Join the Story Seekers Book Club at the Jay County Public Library! **Sign up by calling or visiting the library, and you will get the book that we will be reading for free at the first meeting!** The club will meet on **September 4, October 2, and November 6** from **4:30-5:30 p.m.** in the Friends Room. Come and meet some fellow readers, enjoy a great book, and participate in fun activities!



Family Story Time will be held on both **Monday and Tuesday mornings at 10 a.m.** in the Community Room. Join us for stories, songs, and activities for children ages preschool and younger with their caregivers from **September 15 – November 18. Please note:** story time content will be the same for both days, but each week will have a different theme. Also, **there will be no story time on October 20 & 21, during Fall Break week.**

September 15 & 16 – Opposites
September 22 & 23 – Grandparent's Day
September 29 & 30 – Story Time in the Park @ Hudson Park: Sounds and Colors of Nature

FALL BOOKLOVER TAKE & MAKES FOR ADULTS

Fall is quickly approaching, so get ready for the season change with a fall and booklover-themed take and make kit for adults! Kit includes a customizable wooden book page banner piece craft, a reading tracker bookmark, cocoa and cider packets for a warm drink, a piece of chocolate to enjoy while reading, book lover stickers, and a fall-themed recommended reads list to help get you in the reading mood for the autumn season. These will be available for pickup beginning on **Monday, September 8**, while supplies last. Happy fall reading and crafting!



PRESCHOOL PLAYTIME

Join us for a fun playtime on **Monday, September 8 and Tuesday, September 9 from 10-11 a.m.** in the Community Room for children ages preschool and younger. A variety of toys will be provided for kids to enjoy.



JUNK JOURNALING 101 FOR KIDS AND TEENS!

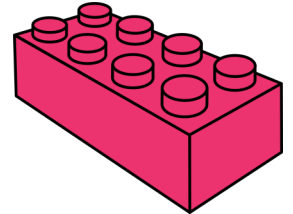
What is junk journaling? It's a collection of new and/or recycled materials that are assembled to make a creative, unique journal. If you'd like inspiration and encouragement to put your thoughts and feelings down on paper without writing or words, this might be the program for you. Come to the library on **Thursday, September 25 from 4:30-6:00 p.m.**, where you will have the opportunity to decorate a premade journal. Participants will receive a take-home kit with supplies to continue their journaling at home. Light refreshments will be provided. This program is for kids 3rd grade and up, including teens, and

kids will be working individually to complete their journals. **Registration is required. Call or visit the library to sign up today!**



CREATIVE PLAY IN THE CHILDREN'S AREA

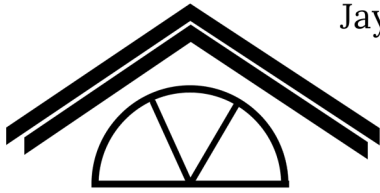
A variety of blocks and Legos will be available for play in the children's area on **Thursday, September 4 from 3-7 p.m. and Saturday, September 20 from 9 a.m.-12 p.m.**



FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY SCHOOL SUPPLY DRIVE FOR TEACHERS CONTINUES...

During the months of September through November, the Friends of the Jay County Public Library will be working on a service project to collect school supplies to create Christmas donation packages for teachers to restock their classrooms in December before Christmas break, to help them start off the New Year with fresh supplies! The Friends are accepting the following school supplies: Kleenex/tissue, notebook paper and notebooks, Clorox wipes, folders, crayons, markers, pencils, etc. Donations may be dropped off at the Jay County Public Library during normal business hours and the last day will be on **Saturday, November 29**. Thank you for helping us gift our teachers for the upcoming holiday season!





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8 AM - 8 PM

Wednesday & Friday

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8 AM - 1 PM

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DID YOU MISS IT?



We had our third annual Pop-Up Food Pantry on July 31. This year, the Jay County Health Department's Back-to-School Bash was held outside the library, simultaneously. We served 372 families, gave out 5,952 food items, and had a total of 600 people attend! Thank you again to American Structurepoint, Tyson Foods, the Jay County Farm Bureau, Inc., Portland Pizza Hut, the Friends of JCPL, and everyone else who donated food and/ or time, to make this happen!

