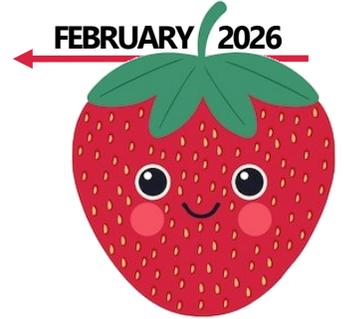


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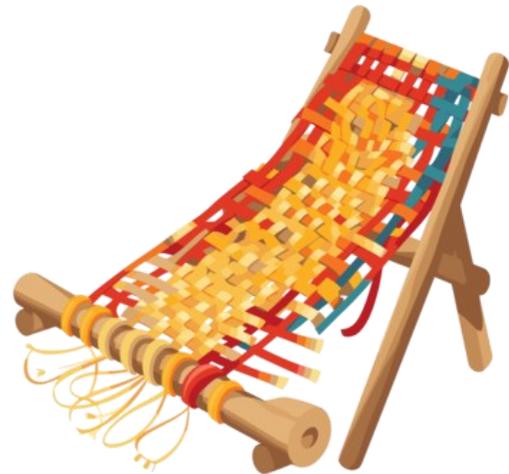
TASTY TRENDS FOR KIDS

Come and stop by the library on **Thursday, February 26 from 4:00-6:00 p.m.** and try fun and unique treats inspired by trending videos! **For kids of all ages**, this after-school event will feature foods such as strawberry Dubai chocolate cups, dirty sodas, and more tasty treats! **Participants should be aware that this is not an allergy-friendly event. No registration is required and we hope to see you there!**



KIDS WEAVING EXPERIENCE

Learn to make a woven container or hot pad in this fun, cozy winter activity for kids on **Thursday, February 19! Recommended for children ages kindergarten and up, but preschool age children are welcome to join us for additional activities that are geared to this younger age group.** Participants can sign up for one of two sessions in the Community Room: **4:30-5:30 and 6:00-7:00 p.m. Space is limited and registration is required. Call or visit the library to sign up today!**



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FAMILY STORY TIME

Family Story Time will be held on both **Monday and Tuesday mornings at 10:00 a.m. in the Community Room.** Join us for stories, songs, and activities for **children ages preschool and younger** with their caregivers starting **February 2.** **Please note:** story time content will be the same for both days, but each week will have a different theme.

February 2 & 3: Siblings

**February 9 & 10: Western Fun
(Come meet a horse!)**

February 16 & 17: Manners

February 23 & 24: Baking

WINTER OLYMPICS OBSTACLE COURSE

February 6-21, JCPL is summoning our Olympic heroes to the children's side of the library to enjoy a winter Olympics obstacle course. Follow the signs and participate in "ice" hockey, speed skating, ski jumping, luge, cross-country skiing, and curling. Once the course is finished, visit the front desk to receive a golden prize!



THE INVISIBLE STRING GROUP FOR KIDS

A new interactive, activity-based group will be starting to support children who deal with separation issues such as:

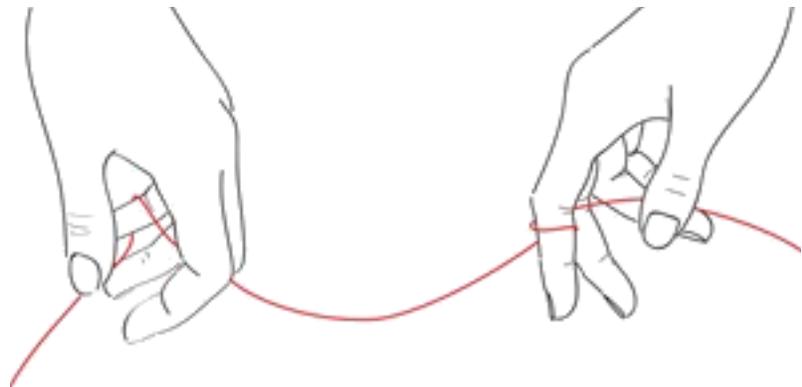
- First days of school, camp, or other life milestones
- Friendship and other relationship challenges
- Family separations due to travel, illness, or military service
- Divorce
- Trauma
- Temporary or permanent loss

Led by Sheron McClung Borders, this group is for **children ages kindergarten and up. (Children 7 and under need to have an adult present in the library during the activity.)** The group will be held in the Friends room at the library from **3:30-4:30 p.m. on Thursdays, February 5 through March 12.** The group will work through lessons and activities based on the book *The Invisible String Workbook: Creative Activities to Comfort, Calm, and Connect* by Patrice Karst and Dana Wyss. Snacks will be served, as well. **Space is limited, and registration is required. Please call or visit the library to sign up.**

MOTHER GOOSE



Mother Goose will be flying back to the library **February 6-April 24** on **Friday mornings at 10:00 a.m.** Join Mother Goose in the Community Room for stories, rhymes, and movement. **If Jay Schools are not in session, Mother Goose will not be held.**



SEED COLLECTION GIVEAWAY

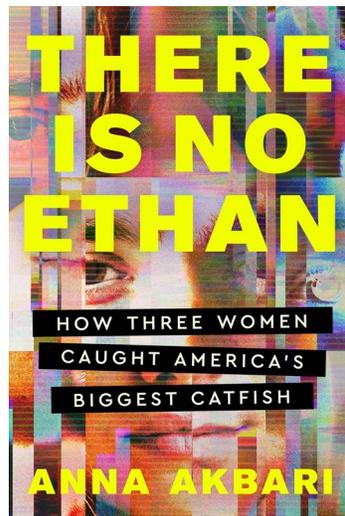
Want to start your own garden, but don't have any seeds? Let us help you! **Starting on Wednesday, February 25, visit our seed collection giveaway table inside the library to choose up to 6 packets of free seeds, while supplies last!** There will be printed resources about gardening on the table, as well. *Note: If you have extra seeds from the packets you received from us, feel free to share them with friends, family, or someone you know who needs to get their garden started, as well!*



ONGOING PROGRAMS:

JCPL Book Club:
Monday, February 16
7 PM

We will be discussing *There is No Ethan* by Anna Akbari. Anyone who loves to read may join!



Friends of JCPL:
Tuesday, February 17
6:30 PM

Meet at 6 to fold newsletters.

Lawyers in Libraries:
Thursday, February 26, 10 AM-12 PM

Participants will be able to speak with an attorney through a video conferencing system about a limited number of topics. **Registration is required.**

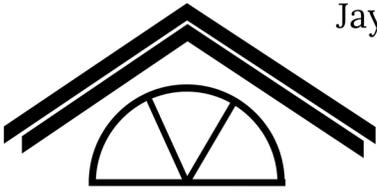
SEED SOWING FOR YOUR GARDEN

Join us on **February 24 at 6 p.m.** for a fun and educational night with Purdue Extension and JCPL to get your seeds started for your garden this spring. During this program, you will learn about how to start your own seeds. Then we will plant some seeds in a mini greenhouse that we will create using recycled milk jugs. You will get to take these seed starts home. Attendees will also get first choice of seeds to use from our large seed collection that we will be launching for public giveaway on Wednesday, February 25.

Registration is required for this program to ensure we have enough supplies, so please register for this class by calling or visiting the library.



Hey **adults**, want a blind date that won't let you down? Grab one of our sealed bags that contains an unknown craft! Whether you want an intricate, long craft or a simple, short one—we have something you'll love. **These kits are first come, first serve and are available February 9, until we run out.** Make sure to get them early, as these do tend to run out quickly! However, don't worry if you can't snag one in time, because different Take & Makes will be available on the second Tuesday of every even month this year!



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Have you started reading yet?



The Adult & Teen Winter Reading Olympics is already underway, but it's not too late to enter!! If you are **13 or older**, stop by the library **now through February 28**, to pick up your winter reading form to get started competing. In order to be a finisher, you need to read **at least 5 books** in the different categories that are on the form (these are your qualifying events). This will earn you a bronze medal and 1 entry into the \$50 Walmart gift card giveaway. Reading 7 books will earn you silver and 2 entries into the giveaway. If you read a book from all 9 categories on the form, you will earn the gold medal and 3 entries into the giveaway! Just like the athletes competing, we are pushing our reading goals to the limits! Start off the year right and become a reading Olympian! **All forms need to be completed and turned in by Saturday, February 28 at 1 p.m. Only one form per person will be completed for the entirety of winter reading this year.**

