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News Notes

Jay County Public Library



SEED & SPROUT: FAMILY WORKSHOP

Come after school on **Thursday, April 30 from 4:30-6:00 p.m.** and enjoy creating seed art as a family and getting a little messy making seed bombs together! Seed art is a similar concept to diamond art, but instead uses nature's "gems." This come-and-go event is the perfect chance to slow down and enjoy family time together. **Families with children of all ages are welcome, but this program is recommended for children ages 5-12 because small seeds/beans will be used in the program that might be a choking hazard for small children.**



SEEDS OF CHANGE SOCIAL NIGHT

Join us on **Tuesday, April 14 from 5-7 p.m.** for a fun and educational drop-in social night for adults with free giveaways and learning stations that are all about sustainability and celebrating Earth Day! JCPL is excited to partner with Jay County Purdue Extension, The Nature Conservancy, Natural Resources Conservation Services, Soil and Water Conservation District, State of Indiana Cooperative Invasives Management, and Solid Waste Management District to bring this amazing partnership program to our library!



Jay County
Soil & Water
Conservation District



Natural Resources Conservation Service
U.S. DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

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FAMILY STORY TIME

Family Story Time will be held on both **Monday & Tuesday mornings at 10 a.m.** in the Community Room. Join us for stories, songs, and activities for children ages preschool & younger with their caregivers **through April 14.** **Please note:** content will be the same for both days, but each week will have a different theme.



April 6 & 7 – Frogs

April 13 & 14 – Fairies

FAMILY EASTER CELEBRATION

Celebrate Easter on **Good Friday, April 3** with egg decorating, crafts, and an Easter-themed snack! Kids will have a chance to learn about chickens and egg production too in this fun, educational event which will be held in collaboration with the Jay County Farm Bureau, Inc. and Minnich Farms. There will be two sessions to choose from: **10:00-11:00 a.m. or 11:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m.** **Sign up is required for this event. Please call or visit the library to register.**



PAPERMAKING LAB

Come to the library for some messy art and fun on **Thursday, April 16!** Make your own paper, a modern quill pen, and receive a journal take-home kit. **Recommended for children ages 6+ and parent help is encouraged. Sign up is required, and space is limited. Choose from one of two sessions at 4-5 p.m. or 6-7 p.m. Call or visit the library to sign up today!**



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 sponsored by The Portland Foundation, Jay Schools, and the library. Children who are eligible for kindergarten in 2026-2027 and who will be attending any school in Jay County 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 3 and ending July 15.** 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 9, 2026.**



MOTHER GOOSE

Mother Goose will fly to the library on **Friday mornings at 10:00 a.m. now through April 24.** Join her in the Community Room for stories, rhymes, and movement. If Jay Schools are not in session, Mother Goose will not be held. **There will be no Mother Goose on Good Friday, April 3.**

ADULT & TEEN MORNING ZEN COLORING



Spend your Saturday morning at the library on **April 25 from 9 a.m. to 12 p.m.** and enjoy some relaxing adult/teen (13+) coloring time during your visit! A variety of coloring pages and utensils will be provided for all of your coloring/art needs during the scheduled time, and no registration is required.

TAKE & BAKES: ADULT ARTISANAL BREAD KITS

Attention bread lovers, this is for you! Whether you are new to baking bread or a seasoned pro, these kits have both fun and educational ingredients that add up to a delicious homemade bread loaf! These unique take home and bake kits will be available on **Monday, April 13, while supplies last!**



ONGOING PROGRAMS:

JCPL Book Club:

Monday, April 20, 7 PM

We will be discussing *The Life Impossible* by Matt Haig. Anyone who loves to read may join!

Friends of JCPL:

Tuesday, April 21, 6:30 PM

Meet at 6 to fold newsletters.

Lawyers in Libraries:

Thursday, April 23, 10 AM-12 PM

Speak with an attorney through a video conferencing system about a limited number of topics. **Registration is required.**

SEED COLLECTION GIVEAWAY CONTINUES...

Want to start your own garden during our prime planting season, but don't have any seeds to get started? Let us help you because we still have plenty of seeds! Visit our seed collection giveaway table to pick out packets of free seeds of your choice, while supplies last! There will also be printed resources about gardening available. *Note: If you have extra seeds from the packets that you pick up from us, feel free to share them with friends, family, or someone who you know also needs some to get their gardens started!*



SODA SHOP SING-O!

Join us for a fun night on **Tuesday, April 28 from 5:30-7:00 p.m.** as we step back in time to the 50's with our Soda Shop Sing-O night **for adults!**

During the program, we will be playing music bingo set to 50's music, with several rounds of prizes. Themed

refreshments will be served. Dress-up isn't required, but is highly encouraged.

This will be a fun and nostalgic night you won't want to miss, especially if you love or miss the 50's era!

Registration is required to attend, so call and reserve your seats for this event.





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DID YOU MISS IT?



Family Story Time has been happening on both Monday and Tuesday mornings at 10 a.m. in the Community Room and it wraps up on April 14!

