

## Summer Program Guide

### Large Games & Activities

Throughout the summer, there will be a variety of large games and fun activities for kids to enjoy on the children's side of the library!

### Llamas on the Lawn

**Kids of all ages are invited to the library on Monday, June 1 from 10 a.m.-12 p.m.** for this special come-and-go family activity!

Meet llamas on the lawn and hear stories read by our friends at the Jay County Farm Bureau, Inc. Come to the Community Room and

enjoy a variety of llama activities, including adopting your very own stuffed llama. **No registration required for this drop-in program.**



### **\*\*Lessons from the Ocean Author Talk with Julie Bruder**

**Adults**, join us on **Tuesday, June 2 from 6-7:30 p.m.** for our next author talk with Jay County native Julie Bruder, as she talks about her book, *Lessons from the Ocean*. Have you ever wanted to drop everything and move to California? Julie had been teaching German in Indiana for 12 years, and longed for a new, wet adventure. One day, inspiration struck, and she decided to move to San Diego, wear Hawaiian shirts, and surf before work! Come along on a journey west, as Julie leaves the comforts of her Indiana homestead for America's Finest City. She trades a yard for the beach, friends for surfboards, and her huge, comfy classroom for a shared, hectic space. **Registration is required and the first 25 people to register will receive a free copy of her book at the program! Call or visit the library to reserve your seat.**

### **\*\*Felting Fun for Kids**

Come learn a new hobby and skill at the library! **Kids in grades 3-6** are invited to join us on **Friday, June 5 at 1:30-3:30 p.m.** for a creative class where we will be learning how to wet felt beads and needle felt fun shapes. Wet felting is an art form that uses hot water, soap, and friction to make solid wool shapes. Needle felting uses barbed needles to create unique 3D shapes. Your project can be exhibited at the Jay County Fair if you are signed up for the 4-H arts and crafts project. This program will be taught by Janel Franks and is offered in partnership with Purdue Extension Blackford & Jay Counties and the Jay County Farm Bureau, Inc. **Space is limited and registration is required. Call or visit the library to sign up today!**

### **\*\*Digging Into the Past**

Dig into the past on **Monday, June 8** with the Indiana State Museum as you explore the differences between paleontology and archaeology. Examine real objects and specimens, investigate hands-on mock excavations, and make your own fossil mold to take home. **This 60-minute program is recommended for kids in grades K-5. Choose from one of three sessions at 1:00, 2:15, or 3:30 p.m. Space is limited and registration is required.**

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### **Ag in the Bag Take & Makes**

Celebrate National Dairy Month by enjoying a take & make activity for kids provided by the Jay County Farm Bureau, Inc. Take & Makes will be available **Tuesday, June 9, while supplies last.**

### **\*\*Cookies & Canvas for Adults!**

**Adults**, this summer's Cookies & Canvas session is for you! Join us on **Tuesday, June 9 from 5:30-7:00 p.m.** for a fun night of guided painting and cookies with Kathy Ayers. **Registration is required**, but painting skills are not. We will teach you! **Space is limited, so sign up soon because seats will fill up fast!**

### **\*\*Stuffed Animal Party**

On **Friday, June 12 from 1:30-2:30 p.m. and 3:00-4:00 p.m.** we are having a Stuffed Animal Party! Choose from a variety of animals and stuff your very own furry friend! Enjoy additional activities as you get to know your new animal. **Children of any age are welcome to participate. Registration is required and space is limited. Visit or call the library to register.**

### **Father's Day Take and Makes**

On **June 15, while supplies last**, kids are invited to pick up a take & make craft with supplies to make a Father's Day gift for someone special!

### **Purrs, Paws, & Paintbrushes**

What's a farm without a cat and dog? Let's celebrate our furry friends with the Jay County Farm Bureau, Inc. and Jay County 4-H. Families with kids of all ages are invited to drop by the library on **Thursday, June 18 from 5:00-7:00 p.m.** and make a creative cat painting and towel dog craft. Jay County 4-H Cat club members will be hosting a cat show inside the library. Outside the library, Jay County 4-H Dog Club members will be hosting agility demonstrations. A 4-H animal petting zoo will also be available for families to enjoy. Finally, come see the Midwest Pet Refuge and Jay County Humane Society, who will be bringing cats and dogs for families to meet and potentially adopt. **No registration is required for this come-and-go family program.** We'll have a paws-itively good time and we want you to join us!

### **\*\*Stories and Scoops**

Bring your **kids ages 2-8** to the library on **Monday, June 22** and enjoy stories and ice cream. We'll also enjoy some fun ice-cream-themed activities following the stories. **Due to space limitations, registration is required. If your plans change, please let us know if you are no longer able to attend. Choose from one of two sessions: 1:00-2:00 p.m. and 3:00-4:00 p.m.**

### **Books in the Barn**

Bring your **children ages 3-8** to the Jay County 4-H Fair gazebo for Books in the Barn! Each family will leave with a copy of the book we read, thanks to the Jay County Farm Bureau, Inc.! Older children are welcome to attend, although the books we will be reading are geared towards the ages listed above. Following the reading, there will be activities and an up-close encounter with the animal in the story. This program is being offered in coordination with Purdue Extension, Jay County Farm Bureau, Inc., Jay County Public Library, and Jay County 4-H. **No registration is required.**

**June 29 @ 10:00 AM (Dairy Cows)**

**June 30 @ 10:00 AM (Horses)**

### **America 250 Take & Makes for Kids**

Stop by the library on **July 3, while supplies last**, and grab a take & make activity for **kids ages preschool – 2<sup>nd</sup> grade and 3-6<sup>th</sup> grade** and celebrate America's 250<sup>th</sup> birthday!

## **\*\*Foam Party**

Are you ready for some outdoor fun? **Kids of all ages are invited to a foam party on Monday, July 6 from 10:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.** Kids will have an opportunity to enjoy playing in foam and other water activities. **To ensure that everyone has an enjoyable experience, sign up is required to attend.** Families will sign up for one of the following 15-minute slots to participate in the foam area:

<b>10:00-10:15</b>	<b>10:20-10:35</b>
<b>10:40-10:55</b>	<b>11:00-11:15</b>
<b>11:20-11:35</b>	<b>11:40-11:55</b>

Participants may enjoy other activities when they are not in the foam area. Upon arriving, please check with library staff to sign a waiver and receive a wrist band for your designated time slot. **\*Adult supervision is required for young children in the foam. Swimsuits, light clothing, water shoes, and back strap sandals are suitable to wear. Towels are also highly recommended. Please call the library to sign up and if you have any questions.**

## **\*\*Hedgehog Hannah Animal Shows**

All ages are invited to come to the library on **Friday, July 10 at 1:30 or 3:00 p.m.** for Hedgehog Hannah's Arctic 12 show featuring an arctic fox, a very large snake, an alligator, and other mammals like a chinchilla, hedgehog, ferret, or prairie dog. You will also get to see great reptiles like a legless lizard, chameleon, and don't forget the tarantula! **Registration is required.**

## **\*\*Fort Wayne Ballet Presents: Sleeping Beauty Creative Movement Presentation**

Join us for an interactive fairy tale program on **Monday, July 13** featuring dancers from the Fort Wayne Ballet. In this 60-minute program, dancers in costume will tell a condensed version of Sleeping Beauty, followed by a short performance of some pieces from the ballet version of the story. Dancers will then give kids a chance to answer questions and participate in a short creative movement class. **Recommended for kids preschool – 6<sup>th</sup> grade. Families may choose from one of two sessions at 1:30 or 3:00 p.m. Registration is required.**

**\*\*denotes programs that require registration.**

**Per library policy, children ages 7 or younger must be accompanied by a responsible parent, guardian, or caregiver who is at least 13 years of age at library programs.**

**To register for our programs, visit the library at 315 North Ship Street in Portland or call us at 260-726-7890. If you've registered for a program and your plans change, please give us a call and let us know that you are no longer able to attend. This will help us to ensure as many people can attend as possible. Thank you!**



**For full descriptions of our programs, stop by the library or visit [www.jaycpl.lib.in.us](http://www.jaycpl.lib.in.us) and sign up for a monthly email with a link to our newsletter that includes programs, new services, and general library info!**

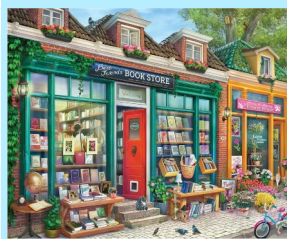
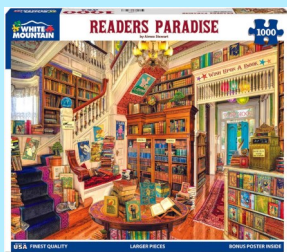
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Let's enjoy reading together this summer! **All ages** are welcome to come to the library and pick up a reading challenge bookmark between **June 1 and July 18**. Choose from one of several bookmarks and color a space every time you read. **Kids ages 0-12** will also receive a free book for each bookmark they complete and will have a chance to win a 3D-Pen, a robotic dog, gift cards, Legos, a story projector, and more! **Teens and adults** will have a chance to win lego sets, puzzles, a wearable blanket, and gift cards from Amazon, McDonald's, Dairy Queen, Subway, and Wendy's! You may complete as many bookmarks as you would like! Each bookmark is an entry for the grand prize drawings. **All forms must be turned in by 1:00 p.m. on July 18.**



### Teen & Adult Prizes!



### Kid Prizes!

