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Jay County High School FFA
Friends of JCPL
JCPL Staff and many
dedicated volunteers

**JCPL will be closed on July 4
for Independence Day.
Happy 250th Birthday, America!**

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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 – 6th grade. Families may choose from one of two sessions at 1:30 or 3:00 p.m. Space is limited and registration is required.**



HEDGEHOG HANNAH ANIMAL SHOWS

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! **This program is now full but we are taking names on our waiting list. Please call the library and let us know if you have registered and can no longer attend.**



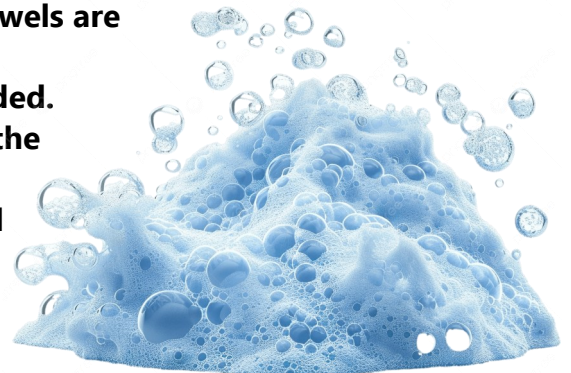
AMERICA 250 TAKE & MAKES FOR KIDS!

Stop by the library on **July 3, while supplies last**, and grab a take & make activity for **kids ages preschool – 2nd grade and 3-6th grade** and celebrate America's 250th 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: **10:00-10:15, 10:20-10:35, 10:40-10:55, 11:00-11:15, 11:20-11:35, and 11:40-11:55.** 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.**



ARE YOU MISSING ALL THE SUMMER FUN @ JCPL?



ONGOING PROGRAMS:

JCPL Book Club:

Monday, July 20, 7 PM

We will be discussing *A Fever in the Heartland: The Ku Klux Klan's Plot to Take Over America and the Woman Who Stopped Them* by Timothy Egan. Anyone who loves to read may join!

Friends of JCPL:

Tuesday, July 21, 6:30 PM

Meet at 6 to fold newsletters.

Lawyers in Libraries:

Thursday, July 23, 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.**



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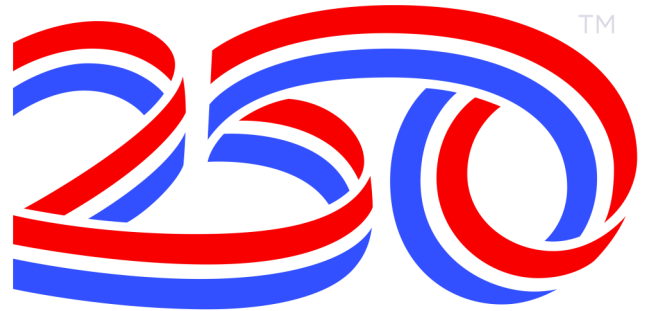
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→ **SUMMER READING** ←
ADVENTURE CONTINUES!

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.**

