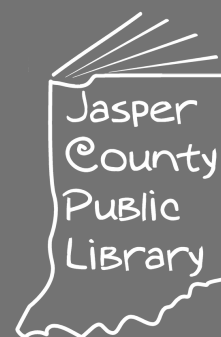


MAY/JUNE 2023

COMMUNITY CONNECTION

INFORM, ENRICH, EMPOWER



ALL TOGETHER NOW!

JCPL is excited to announce that this year's Summer Reading Theme is "All Together Now," with an emphasis on kindness, friendship, and unity. What better place is there to demonstrate these values than at the library? At least, that's what we think...

JCPL will be offering weekly gatherings throughout the month of June for kids and teens. Preschoolers will be invited to weekly Storytime sessions at DeMotte and Wheatfield. Rensselaer will be offering a Summer Reading themed Fabulous Friday for all ages of individuals with developmental disabilities. Elementary aged kids will be welcomed to any of the three locations each week to enjoy a variety of fun performances from guests such as Balloongenuity and Silly Safari. Those in grades 6-12 will be invited to partake in weekly activities such as games, crafts, and guest speakers. Both elementary and teen groups will conclude June with Summer Reading celebrations and prize drawings!

Throughout July, teens and kids can continue their reading for additional chances to win prizes by selecting books from a variety of categories. Youth services staff will also be promoting Indiana's Early Literacy Firefly Award for ages 0-5, encouraging our youngest patrons to vote for their favorite title (with help, of course!); votes will be tallied and relayed to the Indiana Center for the Book, and a winner will be chosen based on votes from the entire state.

And we can't forget our adult patrons! JCPL will be offering weekly prize drawings at each of its locations throughout the months of June and July. Anyone borrowing and reading a book/ebook/audiobook/magazine can submit those titles on Beanstack to be entered. Reading a nonfiction, biography/memoir, mystery,

audiobook, and magazine will give you one additional drawing entry per category! We will conclude with a grand prize drawing on Monday, July 31st.

We are looking forward to a great summer "all together now" here at JCPL!



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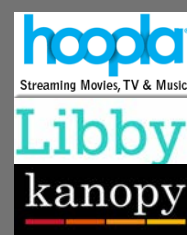
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www.myjcpl.org

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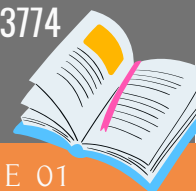
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Rensselaer
(219) 866-5881

DeMotte
(219) 987-2221

Wheatfield
(219) 956-3774





DEMOTTE EVENTS

May 1-Magnificent Monday

10 am, All ages.

This program is for individuals with developmental disabilities. We will read a story or two and provide a craft.

May 2, 16, & 30-Anime Club

6-7:15 pm; Grades 5-12.

Join us as we watch anime, play games, and learn about Japanese culture.

May 8- Collier Row Floral Workshop

6 pm, Adults. One registration per household.

Join us and learn to put together a beautifully wrapped bouquet of flowers for Mother's Day. We will have snacks. All materials will be provided for free.

May 9- Friends of the DeMotte Library Meeting

1 pm, New members are always welcome!

May 15- Pre-STEM: Space!

10 am, Ages 3-5.

Join us for a morning of out of this world exploration with several space themed stations!

May 17- Adult Bingo

11 am, Adults. Registration required.

Join us upstairs for bingo fun! Prizes will be awarded to the winners.

May 19- Adult Trivia

6 pm, All ages. Registration required.

Gather in teams of 2-4 and test your knowledge of Star Wars! A fully charged smartphone is required per team. Feel free to bring snacks and non-alcoholic beverages. Prizes awarded to the top teams!

May 22-Quest Trekkers

6 pm, Grades 2-5. Registration required.

We will discuss Charlotte's Web by E. B. White!

May 25-STEM

4:30 pm, Grades K-5. Registration required.

Mystery Bag Challenge! You will be given a mystery bag filled with supplies to build something. What will that something be?

May 31-Dino Quest

1-4 pm, All ages.

Journey back to the Jurassic period as we have a roaring good time at Dino Quest! Adventurers are encouraged to come and explore all of our dino themed stations at the DeMotte Library. Read the new book on the story walk, dig for fossils, chomp on some snacks, take family photos with dinosaurs, and enjoy several other activities!

June-Silent Auction

During the month of June the DeMotte Library will be having a silent auction. Bids can be placed on June 1 through June 30 during library hours. Bidding will end on June 30 at closing time. The winners will be called July 1.

June 5-Magnificent Monday

10 am, All ages.

This program is for individuals with developmental disabilities. We will read a story or two and provide a craft.

June 14-Adult Bingo

11 am, Adults. Registration required.

Join us upstairs for bingo fun! Prizes will be awarded to the winners.

June 16-Adult Trivia

6 pm, All ages. Registration required.

Gather in teams of 2-4 and test your knowledge of Disney! A fully charged smartphone is required per team. Feel free to bring snacks and non-alcoholic beverages. Prizes awarded to the top teams!



RENSSELAER EVENTS



Tuesdays, May 2-16-Lap Sit

10 am, Ages 0-23 months. Registration required.

We will have activities such as fingerplay, music, and a story.

Wednesdays, May 3-17-Geri-Fit

10 am-11 am; Senior adults

Come get fit with us! There is no cost for this program.

Participants will follow DVD instructions with staff assistance. This is a chair exercise, strength training, muscle building and maintaining class for senior adults. Please bring your water bottle and 2 lb weights if desired. Stretch bands will be provided. Registration required.

May 4-Bingo

10-11 pm, Adults.

Join us for a fun morning of Bingo!

May 4-Armchair Scotland

11:30 am, All ages.

Join us as we travel to Scotland in our armchairs. We will travel all around Scotland from the Highlands to Edinburgh Castle as Lisa Black shares what she experienced on her recent trip.

May 9-Teen Tuesday: Fairy Garden

4-5 pm, Grades 6-12.

Have fun designing your own small Fairy Garden.

May 10-Scrabble Game Night

5:30-7:30 pm, Ages 16+

Join us at the Rensselaer Library and play a game of Scrabble and test your word skills! Supplies are provided.

May 10-Genealogy Help

6 pm- 7:30 pm; All ages.

This monthly program is designed to help you learn how to search for your family history using the free online resources available at the library. All assistance is available on a first come, first serve basis.

May 13-Tea Party with the Indy Tea Lady

2 pm, All ages.

Bring a friend and spend the afternoon sampling teas and few tasty treats. Donna Yarema-McCoy, from Reynolds, IN, also known as the Indy Tea Lady will be hosting a Tea Education program, along with our annual Tea Party. Donna has been hand blending her loose-leaf teas, for the past 17 years. She is recognized as one of only seven Master Tea Blenders in the United States. Brewed teas have been known to help with a variety of ailments. All her teas are pesticide free and organic. She grows most of the ingredients herself and the rest are provided from vendors she has worked with for many years. Some of her most popular blends are called Brain Brews. There are over 75 Brain Brew teas to help with alertness, energy, memory, and concentration. Donna will have a variety of all her special blend teas, available for purchase, after the program. There will be treats to go along with our tea tasting. One participant will go home with a teapot, from the Tea Lady!!

May 15-Friends of the Library Quarterly Meeting

7 pm

Please support your library by joining and attending the Friends of the Rensselaer Library Quarterly Meeting.

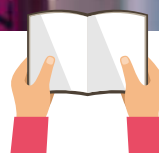
May 16-VR Among Us or Player's Choice

6 pm, Ages 13 +

You are stuck on a spaceship with a small group, but one of you is a killer! Will you find them before it's too late? Will the killer be you? Open to ages 13+, this program invites participants to take part in the popular online game Among Us using the library's Oculus Quest VR headsets. Other games, such as Beat Saber, may also be played. Participants must have a signed waiver. Participants under 18 must have a parent or guardian sign their waiver.



RENSSELAER EVENTS



May 16-Steam Workshop

4-5 pm, Grades 3-12.

We will explore some properties of oil and water and see how difficult it is to clean up an oil spill.

May 18-Third Thursday

4-5 pm, Grades 1-5

Try your hand at making a decorated mesh wall hanging.

May 19-Fabulous Friday

2 pm, All ages.

This program is for individuals with developmental disabilities. We will read a story and provide a craft.

May 20-Scrapbooking

2:30 pm, Ages 16+

All materials will be provided-just bring photos!

May 23-Kahoot! Star Wars Theme

6 pm, Ages 16+

Play on your own or gather your friends and test your knowledge of Star Wars! Prizes will be awarded. Registration requested, limit of 20 teams. Teams are optional. A mobile device is required to participate.

May 24-Beads, Beads! Craft

5:30-7 pm, Ages 16+

Come create something with beads at this free event. We have options and supplies to make earrings, bracelets, necklaces and keychains. All supplies will be provided.

May 25-Lego Building Day

5-6:30 pm, All ages.

Come and see what you can create using Legos.



Combat Coffee



Every 3rd Monday of the month from 9:30-11 am.

Created by a Vet, Combat Coffee is a casual environment in which Veterans can connect through coffee, conversation, and camaraderie.

May 26-William Clark Author Visit

11:30 am- 1:30 pm, All ages.

Author of story included in the Chicken soup series books including Miracles and the Unexplainable, The Magic of Cats, and A Walk on the Sunny Side, has published a book, his fifth, Smoky Mountain Rising, the Day that Changed Everything.

June 1- Bingo

10-11 am, Adults.

Join us for a fun morning of Bingo!

Wednesdays, June 7-21-Geri-Fit

10 am-11 am; Senior adults

Come get fit with us! There is no cost for this program. Participants will follow DVD instructions with staff assistance. This is a chair exercise, strength training, muscle building and maintaining class for senior adults. Please bring your water bottle and 2 lb weights if desired. Stretch bands will be provided. Registration required.

June 10-Adult Pour Painting

2:30-4 pm, Adults.

Join us for another pour painting opportunity! We provide the paint and one canvas. We have many colors to choose from. Pink, green and even glow in the dark! Learn how to do it here and create some at home!

June 14-Scrabble Game Night

5:30-7:30 pm, Ages 16+

Supplies are provided for Scrabble Fun!

June 14-Genealogy Help

6 pm- 7:30 pm; All ages.

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RENSSELAER EVENTS



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June 20-VR Among Us or Player's Choice

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June 21-Cook the Book: Charcuterie Boards

5:30 pm, Ages teen through adult. Registration required.

Join us for Cook the Book. This session's topic is Charcuterie Boards. Bring a friend and enjoy a variety of charcuterie boards. We choose the cookbooks; you choose and make a recipe to share on Wednesday, June 21st at 5:30 p.m. Come to the front desk to see the cookbook (or bring your own recipe), use a Post-It note to mark which recipe you choose, and take a copy of the recipe home. Prepare the recipe and bring it to share with the other participants. All participants will discuss how easy or hard it was to make and what worked or didn't work well. Best of all we get to sample new dishes and bring a copy of the recipes home to share with our families. This is a FREE program and a great opportunity for cooks of all ages, skill levels and interests to share their love of cooking as well as eating. The library will provide a copy of the recipe and the plates, utensils, and a drink.

June 27-Kahoot! Jasper County Theme

6 pm, Ages 16+

Play on your own or gather your friends and test your knowledge of Jasper County! Prizes will be awarded.

Registration requested, limit of 20 teams. Teams are optional.

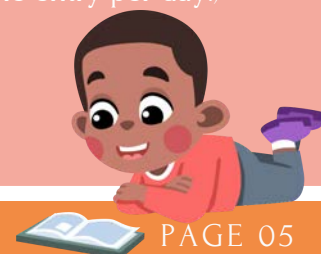
A mobile device is required to participate.

CHILDREN'S BOOK WEEK MAY 1 - 6

Children's Book Week is the annual celebration of books for young people and the joy of reading. To celebrate, each Library is participating in its own unique way!

- Children who come into the Rensselaer Library and check out a book any day this week will receive a free book to keep! (One book per child.)
- DeMotte Library will be hosting a drawing. When checking out books, audiobooks and magazines, children ages 12 and under will be able to fill out a slip for a chance to enter a drawing for a book bundle! (One entry per day.)
- Wheatfield Library will be hosting a drawing as well!

Have fun and happy reading!





May 1- Mother's Day Afterschool Program

4-5 pm, Grades K-5. Registration required.

Those in attendance will enjoy a snack, make a craft, and hear a story in this special Mother's Day program!

May 3-Combat Coffee

10 am.

Created by a Vet, Combat Coffee is a casual environment in which Veterans can connect through coffee, conversation, and camaraderie.

May 4-Lego Program

4-5 pm, All ages, ages under 5 require adult supervision.

Kids in attendance will enjoy a snack, and make Lego creations that will be on display.

May 5-Friday Fun-Bingo!

11 am, Adults.

Join us for an hour of fun and prizes while playing BINGO. Prizes will be awarded to winners!

May 13- Mother's Day Story Time

10-10:30 am, Ages 3-5. Registration required.

Those in attendance will hear stories and make a craft. Children must be accompanied by a caregiver.

May 19-Nerf Night

6-8 pm, All ages.

Anyone under 13 years of age must be accompanied by an adult, and all participants will be required to sign a waiver. Participants are required to bring their own unmodified Nerf toy and protective eyewear. The library will provide darts. Refreshments will be provided at this FREE event.

May 23-Friends of the Library Meeting

12 pm, Adults.

Join us at our meeting on the fourth Tuesday of the month at noon as we discuss upcoming events, purchases, and more! Everything we do benefits the library.

June 2-Friday Fun-Bingo!

11 am, Adults.

Join us for an hour of fun and prizes while playing BINGO. Prizes will be awarded to winners!

June 7-Combat Coffee

10 am.

Created by a Vet, Combat Coffee is a casual environment in which Veterans can connect through coffee, conversation, and camaraderie.

June 16-Family Trivia Night

6 pm, All ages.

Join us for a night of trivia!

June 27-Friends of the Library Meeting

12 pm, Adults.

Join us at our meeting on the fourth Tuesday of the month at noon as we discuss upcoming events, purchases, and more! Everything we do benefits the library.

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MEMORIAL
Day

All Jasper County Public Library
locations will be closed on Monday,
May 29 in observance for the holiday.



Register May 30-June 5 ***on Beanstack or in person***



DeMotte

Preschool Time Ages 2-5

June 7@10 am
Preschool Story Time

June 14@10 am
Preschool Story Time

June 21@10 am
Preschool Story Time

June 28@10 am
Preschool Story Time

Grades K-5

June 6@1 pm
Ryan the Magician

June 13@1 pm
Silly Safari

June 20@1 pm
Balloongenuity

June 27@1 pm
Party

Grades 6-12

June 8@1 pm
Yarn Coasters

June 15@1 pm
Life Size Games

June 22@1 pm
Quesadillas and Mug Cakes

June 29@1 pm
Party

Wheatfield

Preschool Time Ages 3-5

June 5@10-10:30 am OR 11-11:30 am
Preschool Story Time

June 12@10-10:30 am OR 11-11:30 am
Preschool Story Time

June 19@10-10:30 am OR 11-11:30 am
Preschool Story Time

June 26@10-10:30 am OR 11-11:30 am
Preschool Story Time

Grades K-5

June 6@3pm
Ryan the Magician

June 13@3pm
Silly Safari

June 20@3 pm
Balloongenuity

June 27@3 pm
Party

Grades 6-12

June 8@3pm
Teen Bingo

June 15@3 pm
Craft Day

June 22@3 pm
Trivia Day

June 29@3 pm
Party



SUMMER READING

Rensselaer

Preschool Time Ages 2-5

June 6@10 am
Ryan the Magician

June 13@10 am
Silly Safari

June 20@10 am
Balloongenuity

June 27@10 am
Party



Grades K-5

June 6@10 am
Ryan the Magician

June 13@10 am
Silly Safari

June 20@10 am
Balloongenuity

June 27@10 am
Party

Grades 6-12

June 8@2 pm
Tie Dye

June 15@2 pm
Pour Painting

June 22@2 pm
Learn to make Bee Hotels

June 27@10 am
Party

ADULT SUMMER READING

June 5 - July 30

For every book, ebook, audiobook, eaudiobook, magazine, or digital magazine adults read they get entered into the weekly prize and the grand prize. Grand prize will be drawn on Monday, July 31st.

Additionally, adults will have the opportunity to get 5 extra entries into the grand prize drawing by reading one item from each of these categories: nonfiction, biography/memoir, audiobook, mystery, and magazine. Bookmarks for these extra entries will be available at the Circulation desk and need to be turned in by Saturday, July 29th or patrons can complete these activities on Beanstack.



JCPL Adult Book Discussions

For more details or to reserve a copy, please visit or call your local library.
Registration is appreciated, and available online at www.myjcpl.org/events.

DeMotte



MAY 16- THE BOOKIES- TUESDAY- 7:00 PM
BOOK: "FEVER" BY MARY BETH KEANE



THERE WILL BE NO BOOKIES IN JUNE. SEE YOU IN JULY!

Wheatfield



MAY 9- ADULT BOOK DISCUSSION- TUESDAY- 1:00 PM
BOOK: "ANGELS OF THE PACIFIC" BY ELISE HOOPER



MAY 23- BOOKS AND COFFEE- TUESDAY- 2:00 PM-AT WHEATFIELD LIBRARY
BOOK: "BIG STONE GAP" BY ADRIANA TRIGIANI



JUNE 27-ADULT BOOK DISCUSSION AND BOOKS AND COFFEE TOGETHER-
TUESDAY- 2:00 PM
BOOK: "THURSDAY MURDER CLUB" BY RICHARD OSMAN

Rensselaer



MAY 24- MEN'S BOOK GROUP- WEDNESDAY- 10 AM
BOOK: "THE DIAMOND EYE" BY KATE QUINN
****THE MEN'S GROUP WAS CREATED FOR MEN BUT ANYONE CAN JOIN****



MAY 25- 4TH THURSDAY GROUP- THURSDAY- 1 PM
BOOK: "I MUST BETRAY YOU" BY RUTA SEPETYS



JUNE 22- 4TH THURSDAY GROUP- THURSDAY- 1 PM
BOOK: "EVERYTHING BEAUTIFUL IN ITS TIME" BY JENNA BUSH HAGER



JUNE 28- MEN'S BOOK GROUP- WEDNESDAY- 10 AM
BOOK: "SHOOTING AN ELEPHANT AND OTHER ESSAYS" BY GEORGE ORWELL
****THE MEN'S GROUP WAS CREATED FOR MEN BUT ANYONE CAN JOIN****



NEW RELEASES FOR MAY/JUNE



FICTION TITLES

The 23rd Midnight
by James Patterson, 5/1

Only the Dead
by Jack Carr, 5/16

Identity
by Nora Roberts, 5/23

The Five Star Weekend
by Elin Hilderbrand, 6/13

The Wedding Planner
by Danielle Steel, 5/2

Fire Strike
by Clive Cussler, 6/6

The Ferryman
by Justin Cronin, 5/2

Palazzo
by Danielle Steel, 6/27

Near Miss
by Stuart Woods, 6/6

CHILDREN

From the World of Percy Jackson: The
Sun and the Star
by Rick Riordan,

I Survived the Great Chicago Fire, 1871
by Lauren Tarshis and Cassie
Anderson, 5/2

The Nature Club (Owl Diaries #18)
by Rebecca Elliot, 5/2

YOUNG ADULTS

Cherish
by Tracy Wolff

The Iron Vow
by Julie Kagawa

Earth Called
by PC Cast

Black Birds in the Sky
by Brandy Colbert

Flux
by Jinwoo Chong



AUDIOBOOKS

Near Miss
by Stuart Woods, 6/6

Bigger, Better, Bolder
by Jennifer Cohen

Off the Map
by Trish Doller

Fire with Fire
by Candice Fox

Dear Henry, Love Edith
by Becca Kinzer



DVDS

80 for Brady

All Quiet on the Western Front

Infinity Pool

My Happy Ending

Supercell

