

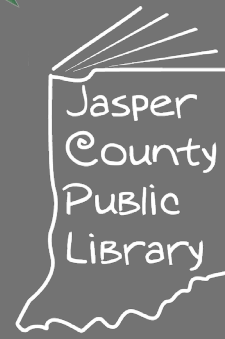


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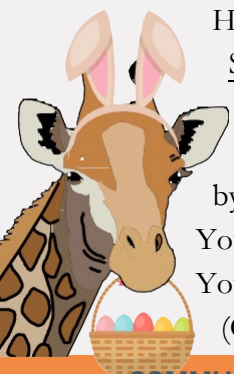


Find Your Next "Good Read" at JCPL!

Sometimes the hardest part of reading is determining what to read next! Goodreads (www.goodreads.com), the "social media" of books and booklovers, received over 4.7 million votes for the best books of 2021. Below you can find the winners of 16 categories.

Winners of the 2021 Goodreads Choice Awards:

- Fiction: Beautiful World, Where Are You by Sally Rooney (D, R, W)
 Mystery & Thriller: The Last Thing He Told Me by Laura Dave (D, R, W; Large Print and Audio available)
 Historical Fiction: Malibu Rising by Taylor Jenkins Reid (D, R, W; Large Print and Audio available)
 Fantasy: A Court of Silver Flames by Sarah J. Mass (R, W; Audiobook available)
 Romance: People We Meet on Vacation by Emily Henry (D, W)
 Science Fiction: Project Hail Mary by Andy Weir (D, R, W; Large Print available)
 Horror: The Final Girl Support Group by Grady Hendrix (R, W; Large Print available)
 Humor: Broken (In the Best Possible Way) by Jenny Lawson (D, R, W)
 Non-Fiction: The Anthropocene Reviewed: Essays on a Human-Centered Planet by John Greene (D, R, W; Large Print and Audiobook available)
 Memoir/Autobiography: Crying in H-Mart by Michelle Zauner (D, R, W; Large Print available)
 History/Biography: Empire of Pain: The Secret History of the Sackler Dynasty by Patrick Radden Keefe (D, R, W)
 Graphic Novel/Comics: Lore Olympus by Rachel Smythe (D, R, W)
 Poetry: The Hill We Climb: An Inaugural Poem for the Country by Amanda Gorman (D, R, W)
 Young Adult Fiction: Firekeeper's Daughter by Angeline Boulley (D, W)
 Young Adult Fantasy: Rule of Wolves by Leigh Bardugo (W)
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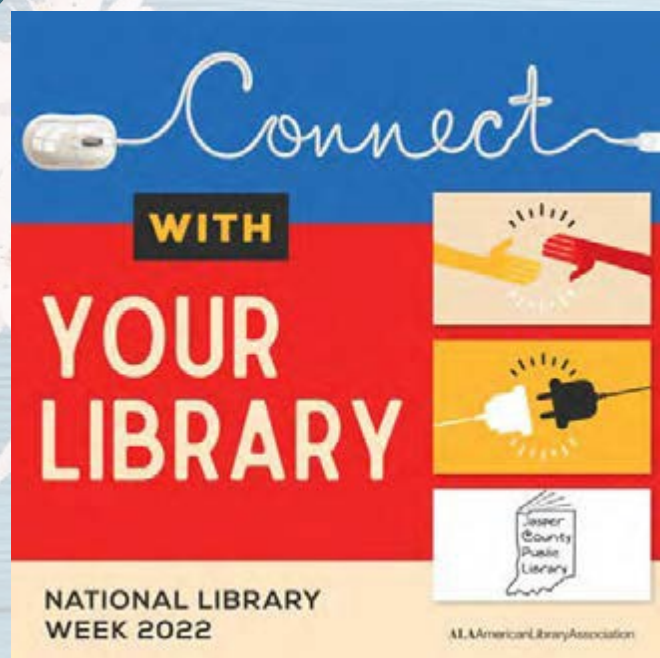
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Middle Grade/Children's: Daughter of the Deep by Rick Riordan (D, R, W)

Goodreads is a great resource for tracking your reading, rating and reviewing books, seeing what your friends are reading, and finding suggestions for what to read next. To learn more about Goodreads and how it works, visit www.mjcpl.org/databases/goodreads. Happy Reading!



National Library Week **April 3-9**

This week, Jasper County Public Library encourages all community members to visit their library in person or online to explore and access services and programs.

April 3-9, 2022 is National Library Week, a time to highlight the essential role libraries, librarians and library workers play in transforming lives and strengthening communities. The theme for this year's National Library Week is "Connect with Your Library," which promotes the idea that libraries are places to get connected to technology by using broadband, computers and

other resources. Libraries also offer opportunities to connect with media, programs, ideas and classes, in addition to books. Most importantly, libraries also connect communities to each other.

Libraries of all types continue to go above and beyond to keep their communities connected by expanding resources and embracing inclusion in their programming, resources and collections. Libraries across the country are making a difference in people's lives by providing electronic learning resources like online homework help and wi-fi access for students and workers who may lack internet access at home. JCPL is supporting the community with services such as Consumer Reports and Genealogy Help.

This National Library Week, the public can show their appreciation and support for libraries by visiting their library in person or online, following them on social media and using the hashtag #NationalLibraryWeek.

First sponsored in 1958, National Library Week is a national observance sponsored by the American Library Association and libraries of all types across the country each April.



DEMOTTE EVENTS

March-DeMotte

Storytime for ages 3-5 will be held Wednesdays, March 2-23 @ 10 am. Registration is required.

March 1, 15, and 29-DeMotte

Anime Club @ 6-7:15 pm for grades 5-12

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

March 7-DeMotte

Magnificent Monday @ 10 am

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

March 8-DeMotte

The Friends of the DeMotte Library will be having a meeting at 1 pm.

March 8-DeMotte

Flannel Fun Day @ 4-6 pm

Children of all ages are invited to come with their parents and enjoy a time of free play with our felt kits and accompanying books.

March 11-DeMotte

Family FortNite: Battle Royale @ 7-9 pm

Join us for a night of Nerf fun as we play capture the flag after hours. Children under 13 must be accompanied by an adult. Each participant must bring a signed waiver, with eye protection and their own unmodified nerf guns. Darts will be provided. All ages, registration is required.

March 21-DeMotte

Pre-school STEM @ 10 am

Pre-Schoolers are invited to come hang out for a morning of fun and free play stations.

March 24-DeMotte

STEM @ 4:30 for grades K-5

Children are invited to conduct experiments using string. Registration Required

March 26-DeMotte

Interactive Family Movie @ 10 am

Join us for a morning of family fun while we watch an interactive movie, enjoy snacks and crafts. The film follows a girl who is the only member of her family without a special gift. Can she save her family from losing their magic?

March 29-DeMotte

Gardening and Soil Cultivation brought to you by Perkins

Good Earth Farm @ 6-7 pm

Dan Perkins will teach the skills and tools needed for enriching the soil to yield a bountiful crop.

March 31-DeMotte

Lego Free Play @ 4-5 pm for ages 5 and up

Join us for an hour of Lego free play!

April-DeMotte

Lapsit for ages 0-2 will be held Wednesdays, April 6-27 @ 10 am. Registration Required

April 2-DeMotte

Royalty Visit Storytime @ 10 am for all ages

All are welcome to come dressed in their best royalty outfits as they spend the morning with the Jasper County Queen Court. Registration required.

April 4-DeMotte

Magnificent Monday @ 10 am

April 12 & 26-DeMotte

Anime Club @ 6-7:15 pm for grades 5-12



DEMOTTE EVENTS Cont.

April 11 & 25-DeMotte

Ceramics Class @ 4 pm for grades 4 and up

We will be learning how to make coil pots out of clay on the 11th. We will meet again on the 25th to paint the pieces and take them home. Registration required.

April 21-DeMotte

STEM @ 4:30 pm for grades K-5

Create an Aeroelastic Flutter Buzzer. Registration required.

April 23-DeMotte

Poetry Program @ 3-4 pm

Celebrate Poetry Month by attending a poetry reading night, sponsored by the Prairie Writer's Guild.

April 28-DeMotte

Lego Free Play @ 4 pm, ages 5 and up.

DeMotte Library Silent Auction **March 1-31**

Stop by the DeMotte Public Library to place a bid for the Silent Auction sponsored by the DeMotte Friends of the Library!

Bids can be placed on March 1 through March 31 during library hours. Bidding will end on March 31 at closing time. Winners will be called on April 1st.

Some items in the auction include:

- ~Four magazines commemorating Pearl Harbor
- ~Lefton Cardinal Figurine in glass dome plus 4 bird books
- ~Calligraphy collection: 6 books and calligraphy supplies
- ~Four WWII DVD's from the History Channel
- ~The Old Farmer's Almanac: 2022
- ~The Gatefold Book of Harley-Davidson
- ~Fourteen hardcover Barbie books
- ~"Crabtree and Evelyn Cookbook" by Stewart Tabori
- ~Four vintage issues of "Jack and Jill", 1963-1965
- ~"Photographic History of the Civil War"





WHEATFIELD EVENTS



March-Wheatfield

Lapsit Story Time for ages 0-23 months will be held Tuesdays, March 1st-22nd @ 10-10:40 am. Registration is required.

March 2-Wheatfield

Lego Program @ 4-5 pm, ages 6+
Come hear a story, enjoy a snack, and make a Lego creation!
Registration required.

March 11-Wheatfield

Windchime Craft for Adults @ 6 pm
Let's make windchimes out of silverware! Attendees will need to bring a hammer and needle nose pliers. Registration required.

March 15-Wheatfield

Spring After School Program @ 4-5 pm, grades K-5
We will have a snack, make a craft, and listen to a story.
Registration Required.

March 15-Wheatfield

The Friends of the Wheatfield Library will be having a meeting at 1 pm.

April-Wheatfield

Toddler Time for ages 2-3 years will be held on Mondays, April 4th-25th from 10-10:30 am. Those in attendance will hear stories, make crafts and interact with other children. Registration required.

April 8-Wheatfield

Nerf Night @ 6-8 pm; ages 8 & up (Ages under 13 require adults to stay.) Refreshments will be provided at this free event. Participants must bring a signed waiver, their own unmodified Nerf guns and protective eyewear. Library will supply the darts. Registration is required.

April 13-Wheatfield

Easter After School Program @ 4-5 pm, grades K-5
Those in attendance will have a snack, make a craft and listen to a story. Registration is required.

April 19-Wheatfield

The Wheatfield Friends of the Library will be having a meeting at 1 pm.

April 25-Wheatfield

Maker Monday @ 4-5 pm for grades 1-8
We will enjoy a snack and interact with technology gadgets. Registration is required.



Launched by the Academy of American Poets in April 1996, National Poetry Month reminds the public that poets have an integral role to play in our culture and that poetry matters. Over the years, it has become the largest literary celebration in the world, with tens of millions of readers, students, K-12 teachers, librarians, booksellers, literary events curators, publishers, families, and, of course, poets, marking poetry's important place in their lives.



RENSSELAER EVENTS

March-Rensselaer

Story time for ages 3-5 will be held Tuesdays, March 1-15 @ 10 am. Registration requested.

March 1-Rensselaer

Watercolor Due Date Cards @ 6 pm for adults 18+
Come create watercolor paintings using old library due date cards as canvas! All materials are provided and free.
Registration requested.

March 8-Rensselaer

Teen Tuesday @ 4-5 pm for grades 6-12
Come see what you can create with our little bits circuit kits. Registration requested.

March 9-Rensselaer

Genealogy Help @ 6-7:30 pm
Let us help you learn how to search for your family history using free online resources available for use in the library.

March 12-Rensselaer

Free Family Train Day @ 10am-3pm, all ages
Model trains of all shapes and sizes, puzzles games and more!

March 15-Rensselaer

STEAM Workshop @ 4-5 pm for grades 3 and up
Help build a model train steam engine. Registration requested.

March 17-Rensselaer

Third Thursday @ 4-5 pm for grades 1-5
Use your imagination to design your own train and build it with materials that are provided. Registration requested.

March 21st-Rensselaer

Magnificent Monday @ 1 pm
This program is for individuals with developmental disabilities. We will read a story or two and provide a craft.

March 21-Rensselaer

Lego Building Day @ 5-6:30, all ages
Come and see what you can create using Legos

March 28-Rensselaer

Coloring your Stress Away/ The UFO (Unfinished Object) Crafts Group @ 5:30-7 pm (Come and go as you please!)
Coloring pages and supplies are provided. Bring your unfinished crafts and have a fun conversation while completing them!

April-Rensselaer

Toddler Time for ages 2-3 will be held Tuesdays, April 5-19 @ 10 am. Registration requested.

April 12-Rensselaer

Teen Tuesday @ 4-5 pm for grades 6-12.
Create a pour paint masterpiece to proudly display. Registration requested.

April 13-Rensselaer

Genealogy Help @ 6-7:30 pm
Find your family history using free online resources available for use in the library.

April 18-Rensselaer

Magnificent Monday @ 1 pm
This program is for individuals with developmental disabilities. We will read a story or two and provide a craft.

April 18-Rensselaer

Create with Legos @ 5-6:30 pm, all ages

April 19-Rensselaer

STEAM Workshop @ 4-5 pm, Grades 3 and up
Join us for game night! We will have several different building games to challenge your imagination.



RENSSELAER EVENTS Cont.



April 21-Rensselaer

Third Thursday: Water Works @ 4-5 pm, grades 1-5

Experience the science and power of water! Registration requested.

April 25-Rensselaer

Coloring your stress away /UFO Crafts Group @ 5:30-7 pm

Coloring pages and supplies are provided. Bring your unfinished crafts and have a fun conversation while completing them!



Combat Coffee



Every 3rd Monday of the month from 9:30-11 am.
Community Veterans are invited to join us for this opportunity for fellowship and obtaining resources in an effort to build a strong network among area Vets. Combat Coffee is a group created by a Vet and is a casual

environment in which Veterans can connect through coffee, conversation and camaraderie. The awesome Veteran owned Black Rifle Coffee Company will be providing the brew as well.

Registration is requested, but not required.

Homebound and love to read? Let us bring the library to you!

JCPL Walking Books

Residents of the Jasper County Public Library service district who are homebound, either on a permanent or temporary basis, may qualify to have materials delivered.

Call your local library for details:

DeMotte: (219) 987-2221

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Experience VR at the Rensselaer Library!

Discover ways to get fit with VR in our hands-on program: VR Fitness Tour! Join us Saturday, March 26 at 2-4 pm to check out several fitness apps on the Oculus Quest 2, including Supernatural Fitness, Player 22, Beat Saber and Audio Trip.

Join us on Tuesday, April 26 at 2 or 6 pm for a virtual Easter egg hunt in Walkabout Mini Golf on Oculus Quest 2 as we attempt to find and follow the clues to win a special prize at the end of the level. All participants will receive a door prize

These programs are open to ages 13+ and are made possible thanks to the Friends of the Rensselaer Library, who purchased two Oculus Quest 2 VR headsets for the Library. Registration is required and all participants will be required to sign a waiver; under 18 signed by guardian.



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.mycpl.org/events.

DeMotte

 MARCH 15- THE BOOKIES- TUESDAY- 2:00 PM OR 7:00 PM
BOOK: "WHERE THE CRAWDADS SING" BY DELIA OWENS

 APRIL 19- THE BOOKIES- TUESDAY- 2:00 PM OR 7:00 PM
BOOK: "THE GOWN" BY JENNIFER ROBSON

Wheatfield

 MARCH 8- ADULT BOOK DISCUSSION- TUESDAY- 1:00 PM
BOOK: "ASK AGAIN YES" BY MARY BETH KEANE

 MARCH 29- BOOKS AND COFFEE- TUESDAY- 2:00 PM-AT WHEATFIELD LIBRARY
BOOK: "THE SECOND MRS. HOCKADAY" BY SUSAN RIVERS

 APRIL 12-ADULT BOOK DISCUSSION- TUESDAY- 1:00 PM
BOOK: "DJIN PATROL ON THE PURPLE LINE" BY DEEPA ANAPPARA

 APRIL 26- BOOKS AND COFFEE- TUESDAY- 2:00 PM -AT WHEATFIELD LIBRARY
BOOK: "THE RADIUM GIRLS" BY KATE MOORE

Rensselaer

 MARCH 23- MEN'S BOOK GROUP- WEDNESDAY- 10 AM
BOOK: "A GENTLEMAN IN MOSCOW" BY AMOR TOWLES
THE MEN'S GROUP WAS CREATED FOR MEN BUT ANYONE CAN JOIN

 MARCH 24- 4TH THURSDAY GROUP- THURSDAY- 1 PM
BOOK: "MY SISTER'S GRAVE" BY ROBERT DUGONI

 APRIL 27- MEN'S BOOK GROUP- WEDNESDAY- 10 AM
BOOK: "MAYFLOWER: A STORY OF COURAGE, COMMUNITY AND WAR" BY NATHANIEL PHILBRICK
THE MEN'S GROUP WAS CREATED FOR MEN BUT ANYONE CAN JOIN

 APRIL 28- 4TH THURSDAY GROUP- THURSDAY- 1PM
BOOK: "THE PIONEERS" BY DAVID MCCULLOUGH

I've hidden Easter
eggs all through this
issue. Can you find
them all?





NEW MATERIALS AVAILABLE FOR CHECK OUT

FICTION TITLES

Shadows Reel
by C J Box

Dream Town
by David Baldacci

High Stakes
by Danielle Steele

Recovery Agent
by Janet Evanovich

A Safe House
by Stuart Woods

The Shop on Royal Street
by Karen White

Hook, Line and Sinker
by Tessa Bailey

Malicious Intent
by Lynn Blackburn

Wild and Wicked Things
by Francesca May

CHILDREN

Good-bye Stacey, Good-bye: A
Graphic Novel (The Baby-sitters
Club #11)

by Ann M. Martin

Middle School: It's a Zoo in Here!
by James Patterson



YOUNG ADULT

A Thousand Steps into the Night
by Traci Chee

Last Night at the Telegraph Club
by Malinda Lo

Every Line of You
by Naomi Gibson

The Summer of Lost Letters
by Hannah Reynolds

The Book of Living Secrets
by Madeleine Roux



AUDIOBOOKS

Quicksilver
by Dean Koontz

Daylight
by David Baldacci

One Little Lie
by Colleen Coble

For the Love of Pete
by Sherryl Woods

The Missing Piece
by John Lescroart



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The Beatles: Get Back

The Hating Game

Dune

Apex

