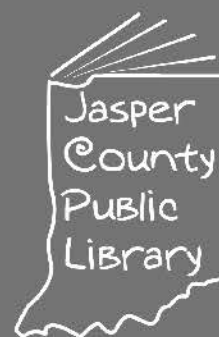




NOVEMBER/DECEMBER 2022

COMMUNITY CONNECTION

INFORM, ENRICH, EMPOWER



'TIS THE SEASON TO READ!

It's crazy to think that another year has almost come to an end! We are quickly approaching the holiday season – a time that seems simultaneously joyful and exciting while stressful and daunting. Luckily, JCPL has just the cure! JCPL has a variety of materials (not JUST books, but movies, music, and more!) to both get you in the mood for Christmas, as well as help you prepare. While there are too many fictional books, DVDs, and CDs to list, below you will find a variety of newly published nonfiction books to help you plan, cook, decorate, meditate, and celebrate!

All American Christmas by Rachel Campos-Duffy

In this beautiful personal keepsake, Rachel Campos-Duffy and Sean Duffy present a dazzling collection of emotional stories, treasured family photographs, and homegrown Christmas recipes from some of Fox News' most beloved personalities.

Baking For the Holidays: 50+ Treats For a Festive Season by Sarah Kieffer

A charming holiday baking cookbook brimming with delicious, indulgent recipes, cozy winter photography, and lots of holiday cheer.

Christmas With Southern Living 2022: Inspired Ideas for Holiday Cooking and Decorating by Southern Living Magazine

Discover fun and creative new ways to decorate, entertain, and handcraft gifts for the holidays.

Classic Christmas Crochet by Heidi B. Johannesen and Pia H. H. Johannesen

From bells and hearts to elves and stockings, everything you
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need to crochet yourself a quintessential Christmas is right here at the end of your hook.

Cozy White Cottage Seasons: 100 Ways To Be Cozy All Year Long by Liz Marie Galvan

Liz Marie Galvan's Cozy White Cottage Seasons gives you the inspiring photos, DIY ideas, and fun recipes you need to feel at home on any budget and in every season.

Darkest Christmas: December 1942 and a World at War by Peter Harmsen

A global account of how—as the outcome of World War II still hung in the balance—millions of men and women around the world, torn from their civilian lives, passed the most important holiday of the Christian year.

The Gift of Jesus: Meditations for Christmas by Charles F. Stanley

In The Gift of Jesus, beloved pastor and teacher Dr. Charles Stanley takes a deeply personal and inspiring look at how God gave us Himself through the birth of Christ.

The Nightmare Before Christmas: The Official Cookbook & Entertaining Guide

Is it Halloween? Christmas? Your birthday? No matter the occasion, this book will help you take your next dinner or event from routine to inspired.

Simply Christmas : A Busy Mom's Guide to Reclaiming the Peace of the Holidays by Tama Fortner

Thirty-one encouraging devotions to help busy moms pause and ponder the true miracles of the Christmas season.

The True Story of the Christmas Truce: British and German Eyewitness Accounts from the First World War by Anthony Richards, Hew Strachan, and Eva Burke

Today, the Christmas Truce is seen as a poignant symbol of hope in a war that many people regard as unnecessary and futile. But what was the real story of those remarkable few days? In this fascinating new book, historian Anthony Richards has brought together hundreds of first-hand reminiscences from those who were there – including previously unpublished German accounts – to cast fresh light on this extraordinary episode.

Vegan Christmas Cookies & Cocoa: Holiday Treats and Warm Winter Drinks, All Astonishingly Egg and Dairy-free! by Audrey Dunham

Audrey Dunham, the creator of Peanut's Bake Shop® Cookie Kits, has once again worked her cookie-making magic, with a fun and festive book dedicated to one of the best activities of the holiday season!





WHEATFIELD EVENTS

November 2- Combat Coffee

10 am

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

November 3-Lego Program

4-5 pm, All ages. Registration required.

Come and see what you can create using Legos. Ages under 5 require adult supervision.

November 4-12-Holiday Photo Booth

Come and take photos with holiday decor for friends and family! Patrons can register online or by calling to sign up for 30 minute timeslots on Nov. 4-5, then it's first come first served Nov. 7-12.

Mondays, November 7-28-Toddler Time

10-10:30 am, Ages 2-3 along with a caregiver.

Registration required.

November 15-Thanksgiving After School Program

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

Join us for a Thanksgiving After School Program as we have a craft, a snack and a story.

November 18-Christmas Painting Craft

6 pm, Adults

Cost of the program is \$25 to the instructor due the night of the program.

November 22-Friends of the Library Meeting

12 pm. New members always welcome!

December 3-Christmas Story Time

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

Join us for a special Christmas themed Story Time! We will have a craft, a snack and a story.

December 6-Family Holiday Program

Choose between 10 am OR 6 pm. Registration required.

We will have holiday themed stories, snacks, and a visit from Santa!

December 7-Combat Coffee

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

December 13-Holiday Teen Craft

4-5 pm, Grades 6-12. Registration required.

We will make a special holiday craft and enjoy a snack.

December 17-Friends of the Library Holiday Bake Sale

9-5 pm (Or until everything sells out)

December 19-Maker Monday

4-5 pm, Grades 1-8. Registration required.

December 20-Christmas After School Program

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

We will be having a holiday themed snack, craft, and a story.

Holiday Closures

November 23: All libraries close at 5 pm

November 24: Closed for Thanksgiving

December 24-26: Closed for Christmas Eve and Christmas Day

December 31-January 2: Closed for New Year's Eve and New Years





DEMOTTE EVENTS

November-Silent Auction

The Friends of the DeMotte Library will be hosting a silent auction through the month of November. Bids can be placed on Nov. 1-30 during library hours. The winners will be called December 1.

November 2-StoryWalk® Grand Opening

4:30 pm, All ages

Join us as we celebrate Picture Book Month and officially open our new Story Walk. A story walk is a fun way for families to enjoy reading and being outdoors. We'll have a short ceremony to welcome everyone. Then, we invite you to do the Story Walk. After you've finished the story, come inside to complete a craft. Light refreshments of hot chocolate, coffee, tea, and cookies will be provided

Wednesdays, November 2-23-Lapsit

10 am, Ages 2 and under. Registration required.

Join us for a morning of stories, rhymes, and interactive play time!

November 4,18, and 29-NaNoWriMo Write Night

5-7 pm, All ages.

Calling all writers! November is National Novel Writing Month- NaNoWriMo! If you have a story or work you are wanting to work on and need peer feedback or just a quiet place to work, we encourage you to join us for these meetings. We will have an area for those wanting to share and receive feedback on their work, and another space for those wanting to work on their pieces. We encourage you to bring any snacks or drinks you may want, and to bring your laptops or pen and paper to work on your creative endeavors. This event is for ages 14 and up, all are welcome to partake in these creative nights.

November 7-Magnificent Monday

10 am, All ages

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

November 8 & 22-Anime Club

6-7:15 pm, Grades 5-12

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

November 8-Young Writers Workshop

6 pm, Grades 2-4. Registration required.

This is a new club for those interested in creative writing. Participants will learn how to hone their writing skills and create stories of wonder!

November 8-Friends of the Library Meeting

1 pm, New members always welcome!

November 9-Bingo

11 am, Adults, Registration requested.

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

November 14-Preschool STEM

10 am, Ages 3-5. Registration required.

Join us for a morning of exploration!

November 14-Holiday Wreath Class

6-8 pm, Adults. Registration required.

November 16-Story Time with an Author

4:30 pm, All ages

Karen Hisaw joins us and reads her new book "Zachary and the Squirrel Bath!" Afterward there will be a Q and A and a book signing. We will also provide a craft with snacks and drinks!

November 17-Jr Scribes

6-7 pm, Grades 5-12. Registration required.

Participants will learn how to hone their writing skills and create stories of wonder!



DEMOTTE EVENTS

November 17-STEM

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

Help! There has been a travesty at the DeMotte Library! Someone has taken our precious jar of M&M's! Without our snacks, the staff has become too sad to work. Help us track down who stole the candy jar! Participants will learn how to dust for fingerprints in order to solve the crime.

November 18-Harry Potter Trivia

6-8 pm, Adults. Registration required.

Gather in teams of 2-6 and test your Harry Potter knowledge! Feel free to bring snacks and non-alcoholic beverages. Prizes awarded to the top teams!

November 21-Anime Movie Night

6-8 pm, All ages (Movie is rated PG-13).

Join us for the evening as we watch the new anime prequel film Jujutsu Kaisen O: The Movie!

November 28-Quest Trekkers

6 pm, Grades 2-5. Registration required.

We will discuss 13 Story Treehouse by Andy Griffiths!

December 6 & 20- Anime Club

6-7:15 pm, Grades 5-12

December 8-Light Up Gnome Craft

4:30 pm, Grades 4-12. Registration required.

Ring in the holiday season with family cheer as you create a light up gnome! Materials are supplied for this free craft.

December 13-Young Writers Workshop

6 pm, Grades 2-4. Registration required.

Join us for another month of writing!

December 13-Santa Visit

6-7:30 pm, All ages

Come and meet Santa! There will be crafts and activity stations available while you wait your turn to see Santa.

December 15-Jr Scribes

6-7 pm, Grades 5-12. Registration required.

Join us for another month of writing!

December 16-Fortnight Battle Royale

7-9 pm, All ages. Registration required.

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, eye protection, and their own unmodified nerf guns. Darts will be provided.

December 16-Christmas Movie Trivia

6-8 pm, Adults, Registration required.

Gather in teams of 2-6 and test your Holiday Movie knowledge! Feel free to bring snacks and non-alcoholic beverages. Prizes awarded to the top teams!

December 19-Quest Trekkers

6 pm, Grades 2-5. Registration required.

Join us as we go over A Ghost Tale for Christmas by Mary Pope Osborne.

December 21-Bingo

11 am, Adults, Registration requested.

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

December 29-Legos

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

Join us for an afternoon of Lego creation!

December 30-Noon Year's Eve Party

10 am-12 pm; All ages. Registration required.

Join us for ringing in the New Year early! We will have snacks and drinks as we watch the movie "Bad Guys". Fun for the whole family!



RENSSELAER EVENTS

November 1-Kahoot! TV Show Trivia

6:30 pm, Ages 16+

Gather your friends into teams and test your TV knowledge. Prizes will be awarded to the winning teams. Mobile device with Kahoot! app downloaded required to participate.

Tuesdays, November 1-29-NaNoWriMo Write-Ins

5:30-7:30, Adults and Teens

November is National Novel Writing Month (NaNoWriMo), now in it's 23rd year! Join us as we encourage area writers with writing prompts, words of support, and an environment to seek out advice and camaraderie with other writers. Snacks and beverages will be provided!

Tuesdays, November 1-22-Story Time

10 am, Ages 3-5 (and their caregivers) Registration required.

Join us for stories, activities, and crafts!

November 2, 9, and 16-Geri-Fit

10-11 am, Senior Adults. Registration required.

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 class for senior adults. Please bring your water bottle and 2 lb weights if desired. Stretch bands will be provided.

December 3-Moroccan Glass Votives

2-4 pm, Adults and teens. Registration required.

Create a beautiful candle holder inspired by Moroccan glass. All materials are free and provided. (Pictured on next page)

November 8-Teen Tuesday

4-5 pm, Grades 6-12. Registration required.

With the winter weather on its way, come and create a mason jar bird feeder to help our winged friends!

November 9-Decorate Rensselaer Library's Hero Tree

2 pm, All ages

Honor your loved one by bringing in a photo of your military hero and adding it as an ornament to the Heroes Tree! The tree will be in the genealogy department. If you are unable to attend, photos and information may be dropped off and an ornament will be made and added to the tree.

November 9-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.

November 12-Paper Bead Class

2-4 pm, Ages 16+. Registration required.

Learn how to make beads out of recycled paper and then use those beads to create a keychain.

November 15-VR Player's Choice

5:30-7:30 pm, Ages 13+. Registration required.

Explore various programs of your choosing on our Oculus Quest VR headset. All participants are required to sign a waiver, under 18 signed by a guardian.

November 15-STEAM

4-5 pm, Grades 2-8. Registration required.

Explore all the different properties of water with several fun experiments.



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.



RENSSELAER EVENTS



November 17-Third Thursday

4-5 pm, Grades 1-5. Registration required.

Fun and Yum! In celebration of Games Week and National Parfait Day in November we will play games and create parfaits to enjoy.

November 21-Lego's Workshop

5-6:30 pm, All ages

Come and see what you can create using Legos. Ages under 6 require adult supervision.

November 28-Friend's Annual Meeting

7 pm, Adults

Please support your friends group by attending!

November 30-Birthday Celebration and Art Exhibit

9 am-7 pm, All ages

Come celebrate our 30th birthday! There will be refreshments and community artwork on display. Artwork must be received between November 8-10, and will be up through December 12th for the community to view.

December 5-Santa Visit

6-7:30 pm, All ages. Registration required.

Come and make some Christmas crafts and get your picture taken with Santa.

December 6, 13, and 20-Toddler Time

10 am, Ages 2-3. Registration required.

Toddlers along with their caregivers are welcome to join us for stories, activities, and crafts.

December 7, 14, and 21-Geri-Fit

10-11 am, Senior Adults. Registration required.

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 class for senior adults. Please bring your water bottle and 2 lb weights if desired. Stretch bands will be provided.

December 13-Kahoot! Random Facts Trivia

6:30 pm, Ages 16+

Compete with other teams, prizes are awarded to the winning team!

December 13-Teen Tuesday

4-5 pm, Grades 6-12. Registration required.

Join us to create your own no-sew Christmas Gnome!

December 14-Genealogy Help

6 pm- 7:30 pm; All ages

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December 15-Third Thursday

4-5 pm, Grades 1-5. Registration required.

Bring an old sweater or shirt to create the popular ugly Christmas Sweater. Decorations will be provided!

December 27-VR Player's Choice

5:30-7:30 pm, Ages 13+. Registration required.

Explore various programs of your choosing on our Oculus Quest VR headset. All participants are required to sign a waiver, under 18 signed by a guardian.





Medicare 101 Presentation



Important changes are coming to Medicare in 2023. Do you know what they are? Come to a FREE educational presentation at your local Jasper County Public Library to find out, and get the answers you need to your other Medicare questions as well!

Those who would benefit and might want to attend would be: Anyone already on Medicare, anyone approaching Medicare age (65), any spouses and/or children of those on Medicare who help make these types of decisions, and anyone under 65 who is on disability and receiving Medicare benefits as well.

The program will be held at the following locations:

Wheatfield Library on November 5 at 1:30 pm.

DeMotte Library on November 8 at 6 pm in the East Room upstairs.

Rensselaer Library on November 12 at 10:30 am.



Everyone Has a Story Inside Them... Write Yours!



November is National Novel Writing Month (NaNoWriMo) now in it's 23rd year. Join us at the Rensselaer and the DeMotte Library as we encourage area writers with writing prompts, words of support, and an environment to seek out advice and camaraderie with other writers!

National Novel Writing Month began in 1999 as a daunting but straightforward challenge: to write 50,000 words of a novel in thirty days. Now, each year on November 1st, hundreds of thousands of people around the world begin to write, determined to end the month with 50,000 words of a brand new novel draft. They enter the month as elementary school teachers, mechanics, or stay at home parents...and they leave novelists.

NaNoWriMo officially became a nonprofit organization in 2006, supporting writing fluency and education. It's a teaching tool and curriculum taught in 5,920 classrooms, and NaNoWriMo's programs run year-round.

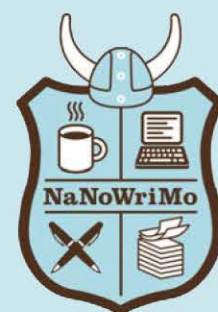
NaNoWriMo is internet-famous. It's community-powered (hello, Wrimos!). It's hosted authors drafting novels like Water for Elephants, WOOL, and Fangirl.

Whatever you thought NaNoWriMo is, it's more than that.

Jasper County Library Write Ins:

Rensselaer: Every Tuesday in November at 5:30-7:30 pm

DeMotte Library: November 4, 18, and 29 at 5-7 pm





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

NOVEMBER 15- THE BOOKIES- TUESDAY- 2:00 PM OR 7:00 PM
BOOK: "THE LAST TIME I WAS ME" BY CATHY LAMB

"THE BOOKIES" WILL NOT BE MEETING IN DECEMBER. HAPPY HOLIDAYS!

Wheatfield

NOVEMBER 8- ADULT BOOK DISCUSSION- TUESDAY- 1:00 PM
BOOK: "THE LIONS OF FIFTH AVENUE" BY FIONA DAVIS

NOVEMBER 29- BOOKS AND COFFEE- TUESDAY- 2:00 PM-AT WHEATFIELD LIBRARY
BOOK: "RIVERINE" BY ANGELA PALM

DECEMBER 13-ADULT BOOK DISCUSSION- TUESDAY- 1:00 PM
WE WILL BE HAVING OUR END OF YEAR PARTY! (NO BOOK DISCUSSION)

DECEMBER 20- BOOKS AND COFFEE- TUESDAY- 2:00 PM -AT WHEATFIELD LIBRARY
BOOK: "SEVEN DAYS OF US" BY FRANCESCA HORNAK

Rensselaer

NOVEMBER 23- MEN'S BOOK GROUP- WEDNESDAY- 10 AM
BOOK: "THE IMMENSE JOURNEY" BY LOREN EISELEY
THE MEN'S GROUP WAS CREATED FOR MEN BUT ANYONE CAN JOIN

THERE WILL BE NO 4TH THURSDAY BOOK DISCUSSION IN NOVEMBER.
HAPPY HOLIDAYS!

THERE WILL BE NO MEN'S DISCUSSION IN DECEMBER.
HAPPY HOLIDAYS!

DECEMBER 1- 4TH THURSDAY GROUP- THURSDAY- 1PM
WE WILL BE DISCUSSING READER RECOMMENDATIONS





NEW RELEASES FOR NOV/DEC



FICTION TITLES

A World of Curiosities
by Louise Penny

Desert Star
by Michael Connelly

Going Rogue
by Janet Evanovich

The Choice
by Nora Roberts 11/29

A Christmas Memory
by Richard Paul Evans 11/22

Racing the Light
by Robert Crais 11/1

The Whittiers
by Daniel Steel 11/22

Tom Clancy Red Winter
by Marc Cameron 12/6

A Christmas Deliverance
by Anne Perry



YOUNG ADULTS

Lightlark
by Alex Aster

The Silence that Binds Us
by Joanna Ho

Queen of the Tiles
by Hanna Alkaf

All of Us Villains
by Amanda Foody



CHILDREN

Cat-Kid Comic Club: Collaborations
by Dave Pilkey

Moon Rising: A Wings of Fire Graphic
Novel
by Tui T. Sutherland

The Bad Guys in the Others?!

by Aaron Blabey

Mary Anne's Bad Luck Mystery
The Baby Sitter Club's Graphix
by Ann M. Martin 12/27



AUDIOBOOKS

Going Rogue
by Janet Evanovich 11/1

Desert Star
by Michael Connelly 11/29

Triple Cross
by James Patterson 11/8

The Sea Wolves
by Clive Cussler 11/8

The Whittiers
by Danielle Steel



DVDS

Abbott Elementary Season 1

Bodies Bodies Bodies

Better Call Saul: Season 6

Bitcoin

Breaking