November is National Novel Writing Month! Join us for NaNoWriMo activities all month long!

Please join us on Oct. 18 at 10 a.m. as we unveil our newest collection!

Library of THINGS

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Shop a one-day MEGA Friends of the Library book sale on November 23 at the Main Library!
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Locations

Main Library
433 E. Lafayette St.
Jackson, TN 38301
Mon. - Thu.: 9 am - 8 pm
Fri. & Sat.: 9 am - 5 pm

North Branch
8 Stonebridge Blvd.
Jackson, TN 38305
(Located beside China Pan Buffet)
Tues. - Fri.: 9 am - 6 pm
Sat.: 9 am - 1 pm

Contact Us

www.jmclibrary.org
731-425-8600
(For both locations)
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Jackson-Madison County Library Board

The Library Board normally meets at 3:30 pm on the fourth Wednesday each month in the Library Board Room, 433 E. Lafayette Street. All meetings are open to the public.

Ms. Elaine Christian, Board Chair
Dr. Charles Baldwin, Vice-Chair
Mr. Glenn M Vaulx, Sr., Treasurer
Mr. Greg Jordan, Member
Ms. Barbara Johnson, Member
Dr. Amy Dietrich, Member
Ms. Mary Jane McWherter, Member
Mrs. Dinah Harris, Director

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Staff Spotlight
Treaven Mitchell, North Branch Circulation & Technology Services

How long have you worked for the library?
I've worked at the library for 7 years.

What do you enjoy most about your job?
What I enjoy most is organizing the library, making things look neat and making sure books are in the correct order.

What is your favorite book?
"Poet anderson ...of nightmares" by Tom Delonge

Tell us about your hobbies!
Some of my hobbies include skateboarding, wood burning, video recording, screen printing and gaming. My documentary, "Lock and Roll," was awarded Best Short Doc and People's Choice from the Great Lakes Christian Film Festival, and was also an official selection at the Knoxville Film and Music Festival.

Tell us about your family too!
My wife is Sarah and my daughter is Trinity and we are expecting another child!

Friends of the Library One-Day Book Sale
November 23

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November is National Novel Writing Month

National Novel Writing Month (NaNoWriMo) believes in the transformational power of creativity. It provides the structure, community, and encouragement to help people find their voices, achieve creative goals, and build new worlds—on and off the page.

On November 1, participants begin working towards the goal of writing a 50,000-word novel by 11:59 PM on November 30. Valuing enthusiasm, determination, and a deadline, NaNoWriMo is for anyone who has ever thought about writing a novel. Join us for several NaNoWriMo events!

NaNo Prep Party: October 5th, 10:00 am - Noon
Join fellow writers and novelists in a two-hour session of community and preparation for the upcoming National Novel Writing Month in November. There will be discussion, activities, inspirational videos, and—most importantly to writers—coffee! Learn how to put your story on paper in the month of November!

NaNoWriMo Come Write In: Nov. 2, 9, 16, 23 & 30 all day long
The library is an official "Come Write In" host site. Every Saturday in November, come in to write and get feedback from fellow writers to help you reach a 50,000 word goal!
October Events

CHILDREN’S PROGRAMS

Story Time at the Main Library
Every Tuesday at 10:30 am
Oct. 1, 8, 15, 22 & 29
Join us weekly for stories, songs, games, and crafts with Ms. Jennifer. Perfect way to spend an hour for babies, toddlers, and preschoolers.

Story Time at North Branch
Every Thursday at 10:30 am & 11:15 am
Oct. 3, 10, 17, 24 & 31
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Butterflies and Bookworms Book Club
Oct. 26
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TEEN PROGRAMS

Teen programs are open to teens in the 6th through 12th grade.

Teen Craft
Every Monday at 4:00 pm
Oct. 7 & 21
Make something crafty in the Teen Room every Monday at 4:00! All supplies provided, no registration or previous experience needed.

Teen Coloring
Oct. 8 from 1:00 - 7:00 pm
Stop by the Teen Room any time to relax, socialize, and color!

Teen Advisory Meeting
Oct. 9 at 4:00 pm
Tell us what you think! TAM is an open forum meeting on the second Tuesday of every month, with the purpose of giving young adults an opportunity to influence library programming, policy, and collection development.

Zombie Party
Oct. 28 from 5:00 - 6:00 pm
Lurch your way to the Program Center for a dreadfully good time. Crafts, music, and fun! Ages 8 and up!

There will also be a special pre-school story time at 5:30 pm.

KIDS & TEEN MOVIE

Goosebumps 2
Oct. 22 at 4:00 pm
Join us in the Program Center for this funny and spooky film, just right for October!

MULTI-AGE PROGRAMS

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Anime Club
Every first and third Saturday at 3:00 pm
Oct. 5 & 19
Teens & Adults - watch anime, talk about your favorite manga, play games, craft, and have fun!

Pokemon Card Club
Second and fourth Thursday at 2:30 pm
Oct. 10 & 24

Library of Things Unveiling

Friday, Oct. 18 at 10:00 a.m.
See the back page for details on our newest collection!

Ole Time Music Hour Instructional Workshop
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ADULT PROGRAMS

Gardener’s Toolshed Series:
From the Bottom Up
First Tuesday of each month
Oct. 1 from 1 - 2:00 pm
In partnership with the UT Extension Service’s Master Gardener’s Club, learn about how to assess soil fertility in the law, garden and landscape.

Color Yourself Calm
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Take a break from your day and join us for adult coloring. All supplies provided.

Don’t Let Big Tests Scare You!
Preparing for a college entrance exam got you a little weak in the knees? Need some extra help in the 3 R’s? Visit the Testing & Education Reference Center (TERC) powered by Peterson’s. It’s free! Visit our website’s E-Resource Section under “Learn Something New.”
Daughters of the American Revolution
Genealogy Workshop
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Oct. 1 from 4pm - 6pm
Free help with genealogy research. Meets in the Board Room.

Beginning Knitting
Every Thursday at 1:00 pm & 6:00 pm
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Learn the basics of knitting with one of our expert knitters. Now two times to fit your schedule!

Friends of the Library First Thursday
Oct. 3 at noon
This month’s speaker will be author Susan Cushman. She has published three works including, Friends of the Library (short stories), Tangles and Plaques: A Mother and Daughter Face Alzheimer’s (a memoir), and Cherry Bomb (a novel). The event is free and open to the public. Feel free to bring a sack lunch. Light refreshments will be served.

Friday Flicks
Fridays at 1:00 pm
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4 - Lights Out
11 - The Forest
18 - No Movie this week
25 - Men in Black: International

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Oct. 21 & 30 from 12:30 - 2:30
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Computer Classes

Using Microsoft PowerPoint
Every Wednesday from 3 - 4 pm
Oct. 2, 9, 16, 23 & 30
Join our tech staff to learn about the ins and outs of using Microsoft PowerPoint. Each Wednesday will cover the same material, so you have multiple opportunities to receive hands-on help!

Graphic Novels and comics have been making a huge comeback, and there’re not just for kids and teens! We have graphic novels that adults will enjoy, and now it will be even easier to find them!

We are creating a special place just for our adult graphic novels. Find the new section near the Sci-Fi and Fantasy section or ask a library staff member to show you where they are located.

The Library Has Left the Building!

Jackson Pride Fest
October 19
Equality Jackson presents the 2nd Annual Jackson Pride Fest at Conger Park from 10 am - 5 pm. The library will have a table set up to share information about our LGBTQ collection.

Look for our new LGBTQ+ pathfinder guide for books and resources available through the library.
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Teen Takeover
Nov. 25 from 4:00 - 5:30 pm
Teens take over the library program room with snacks, trivia, games, XBox, and an open mic!

TEEN MOVIE

How to Train Your Dragon: the Hidden World
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This month’s speaker speaker will be Rodger Holtin who will explain how the great Mississippi River flood of 1927 became context and inspiration for some blues and popular music of the era. The sounds of original recordings, along with the songs’ words will be used in a PowerPoint presentation. This should be a wonderful blend of music and history. The event is free and open to the public. Feel free to bring a sack lunch. Light refreshments will be served.

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Alcoholics Anonymous
Weekly meetings at the Main Library. For meeting times, please call the library or visit www.aawesttn.org.

GED / HiSet Classes
Morning Classes:
Mon. & Wed. at 9:00 am
Evening Classes:
Offered on Jackson State campus

Held at the Main Library, GED classes are provided by Jackson State Community College. Contact Jennifer Curtis at 731-424-3520 ext. 50224. You must register in advance.

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New Library Database will help area nonprofits find grants
For any non-profit, researching grant opportunities is a big challenge and can take a significant amount of time. To help support our local non-profit community, the Library has purchased a subscription to one of the biggest online directories for conducting grant searches: Foundation Directory Online from the Foundation Center.

This tool gives users access to profiles of over 156,000 foundations, 15 million grants, and over 800,000 grant recipients. Non-profits can search for grants from private and independent foundations, corporate foundations, U.S. Federal funders, public charities and international foundations.

The directory can only be accessed by visiting the Main Library. Stop by the Circulation Desk for information about how to access this powerful tool.
What is the Library of Things?

The Library of Things movement challenges people to rethink whether we need (or want) to own goods we rarely use. It also brings people together around a shared vision and reduces wasted resources. These library collections are all a part of the sharing economy. The purpose of these “libraries” is to loan out things people need to use occasionally, but do not necessarily want to own.

Made possible by a Community Impact Grant of $1,200 awarded to the Library by the West Tennessee Healthcare Foundation, our new Library of Things will offer something for everyone! Items must be checked out from the Main Library and patrons must sign a Library of Things agreement.

- Dewalt Cordless Compact Drill Kit
- Bird watching kit
- Silicone donut molds
- Ukulele
- Cake pop making kit
- Lemonade stand kit
- Thermal laminator
- 1000x magnification digital microscope
- Digital luggage scale
- Universal travel adapter
- Flickin' Chicken outdoor game
- Black & Decker thermal leak detector
- Blood pressure monitor
- Portable DVD player
- Multipurpose laser level
- Marcato atlas pasta machine
- Egg and spoon race game
- Fisher Price Think & Learn Coda-a-Pillar
- Bocce ball set
- Collapsible portable corn hole boards
- Autolink OBD2 scanner engine fault code reader
- Stud finder
- Water bath canning kit
- Tug of War rope
- Kill A Watt EZ electricity usage monitor
- 3-legged race bands
- IKaraoke bluetooth karaoke system
- Assorted cake pans