**Family Events**

**Bedtime Storyhour**
Watch in your pajamas! For toddlers through early elementary children.

On Facebook & Website:
- June 24 at 7 PM with Miss Carrie
- July 22 at 7 PM with Miss Sunny
- August 26 at 7 PM with Miss Kathy

**Story Stroll**
Read a story as you stroll together.

Locations:
- Heron Lake: Lakeview Assisted Living windows
- Jackson: Ashley Park
- Lakefield: Downtown business windows

Dates of new stories:
- June 14
- June 28
- July 12
- July 26
- August 9
- August 23

**Virtual Pet Parade**
Share a photo of your pet to be a part of the pet parade! You will be able to submit a photo and some information about your pet by emailing it to jclmn@co.jackson.mn.us and then we’ll show them to the world!

Information to include:
- Name of pet, Type of pet (dog, cat, iguana etc.), & include breed if applicable.
- Age of pet
- Something they love to do (the sillier the better!), and Owner(s) first name(s)

*Submitting a photo gives the Jackson County Library System permission to use it on library social media and the library website.

**Sign Up to Earn Prizes**
Registration begins June 1 and the final day to earn prizes is August 13.
You can register in person, by phone, or online at jclmn.org/summer

Prizes will be available throughout the program.
Call your library for more information.

**Main Events**

**Strange Creatures of Minnesota**
with the Prairie Ecology Bus Center
- June 16 - 10 AM & 2 PM @ the Government Center East in Jackson, enter in the South door #7
- June 17 - 10 AM & 1 PM @ the Prairie Ecology Bus Center in Lakefield & 4 PM @ the Heron Lake Community Center

This event is funded in part or in whole with money from Minnesota’s Arts and Cultural Heritage Fund.

**Interactive Science Adventures with Talewise**
- June 29 - 10 AM & 1 PM @ the Government Center East in Jackson, enter in the South door #7
  - July 1 - 11 AM & 1 PM @ the Bethlehem Lutheran Church Welcome Center in Lakefield [enter in the office door and then turn left]
  - 2 PM @ the Heron Lake Community Center
- June 30 - 10 AM & 1 PM @ the Government Center East in Jackson, enter in the South door #7
  - July 1 - 3 PM @ the Bethlehem Lutheran Church Welcome Center in Lakefield [enter in the office door and then turn left]
  - 4 PM @ the Heron Lake Community Center

**Zooman**
Animals and reptiles!
- July 14 - 10 AM & 2 PM & 6 PM @ Government Center East in Jackson, enter in the South door #7
- July 15 - 10 AM & 1 PM @ the Bethlehem Lutheran Church Welcome Center in Lakefield [enter in the office door and then turn left]
  - 4 PM @ the Heron Lake Community Center

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**Infant & Toddler**
Easy, fun activities to complete with your little one during the summer.

**Prek-4th Grade**
Complete 10 activities on the activity log to earn a small prize and complete 20 activities to earn another prize!

**Teen**
For those entering grades 8-12. Keep track of your minutes reading to earn prizes! And when you finish, you can still work on a BINGO card just for you.

**Adult**
Get a BINGO and Blackout by reading and earn prizes!

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**Summer Library Program 2021**
Summer Storytime
Stories! Fingerplays! Music!
For toddlers-early elementary.
New every Tuesday from June 8-August 31 at 10 AM
on Facebook & Library Website
*Storytimes are available to view on demand after they premiere on the website*

Monthly Storytime Kits with crafts for each storytime available for Toddlers - PreK. Kits can be reserved a week in advance.

K-4th Grade Craft Kits
Children Kindergarten through 4th grade can pick up a craft kit every month starting June 1. Kits will be available for pickup the entire month at all three library locations & include two complete crafts. Only a limited number of kits are available. Kits can be reserved one week in advance.

- **June:** Tissue Paper Art & Salt Dough Starfish
- **July:** Stuffed Animal Keychain & Chameleon Buddy
- **August:** Pine Cone Snowy Owl & Salt Painting

Lego Challenge
A new challenge will be posted every Monday on Facebook and Instagram. Share back pictures of your finished creations!

Mondays, June 7 - July 19

Match the Tracks
Stop by each library, spot their window display, and try to match the tracks to the animals who made them!

- **July 12-23**
- **August 9-20**

Craft Kits

**Monthly Craft Kits**

**Tweens:**
- June - DIY Bird House
- July - Wool Felted Llamas
- August - Spice Jar Terrarium

**Teens:**
- June - Alpaca Cross Stitch
- July - Bubble Painting Hydrangea Flower
- August - Needle Felted Owl

Alaska SeaLife Center
Google Meets: Links on jclmn.org/summer
*Registration Required*

**Sea Lion Monitoring**
**July 7 @ 1 PM**
Learn how scientists at the center study a wild population of endangered Steller sea lions hauled out on the Chiswell Islands. Practice remote video monitoring yourself!!

**Cephalopods: Squid Dissection**
**July 20 @ 3 PM**
Spots are limited and Squid must be picked up from the library the day of the program.
Get your hands into a “head-footed” animal as we learn more about cephalopods through dissection and discussion!

Sponsored by: *Prairielands*

Grants Supporting Summer Craft Kits
All of our craft kits are made possible through generous grants from:

- ★ Odell Wind Farm Community Fund
- ★ Heron Lake-Okabena Community Foundation
- ★ Southwest Initiative Foundation

MN Nature Photography Contest
Submit Photos by June 18
Email Photos to jclmn@co.jackson.mn.us
Subject Line: Photo Contest
Include your name and grade for Fall 2021
Voting June 22 - 25
Vote virtually on the libraries’ Facebook pages & Instagram by liking photos and in person at all three libraries

One Teen & one Tween winner from each library will receive a canvas print of their photo!

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Night Hike
**August 5 at 8:30 PM**
Location: Prairie Ecology Bus Center of Lakefield, MN
Join us for a night hike to test your senses in the dark. Learn how nocturnal animals do so well, using their eyes, ears, toes and tails. Then gather around the campfire for s’mores, songs and constellation tales!
Signed permission slips due back to the library by 5 PM on August 4.

Transportation:
- Registration is required as space is limited and first come, first serve. Others will need to arrange their own travel.
  - Van leaves Jackson Library @ 8:00 PM
  - Bus leaves Heron Lake Library @ 7:55 PM
  & Okabena Park @ 8:10 PM

Adult Craft Kits
Call in to reserve an Adult Craft Kit monthly starting June 1.

- **June:** Alpaca Cross Stitch
- **July:** Bubble Painting Hydrangea Flower
- **August:** Needle Felted Owl

*Only a limited number of kits available.*