Janis Thornton: No Place Like Murder

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Janis Thornton, one of the library’s 2019 Women’s Expo speakers, has released her second true crime book titled No Place Like Murder, True Crime in the Midwest. This book will hit a little close to home because four of the crimes took place in Frankfort. No Place Like Murder profiles notorious killers such as Frankie Miller, who was fed up with her fiancé regularly spending time with another woman. As fans of the song “Frankie and Johnny” already know, Frankie met her former lover at the door with a shotgun—Indiana University Press.

The Frankfort Library will interview Janis on our “Hoosier Storytellers” podcast. The episode will be posted to the library’s website, myfclpl.org/podcast, on November 6 at 9 a.m. In addition to the podcast, on November 14 at 1 p.m., Janis will join us for a virtual program via Zoom. You must register for this event, and an email address is required. Visit myfclpl.org/calendar to register or call the library at (765)654-8746. In this program, Janis will discuss her book, her writing, and her research process. There will be time for questions at the end. The program will be 45–60 minutes. Signed copies of Thornton’s book are available for purchase on the Lower Level of the Frankfort Community Public Library at the Reference Desk for $20. Copies are limited. We will accept cash or check. Please have exact change.

Janis is quite familiar with Frankfort, Indiana. “The years I spent working at the Frankfort Times (2000-2008) were the best years of my working career. Frankfort is where I learned to write, and where I got to experience tons of new things (like flying on that powered parachute with Russ Kaspar and visiting the women’s prison with Lou ‘Mimi the Clown’ Whitaker, to name just two), not to mention meeting so many great people, a few of whom I’m still in touch with.”

Currently, Janis is doing research on a book about the 1965 Palm Sunday tornado, and she hopes to include Clinton County residents with firsthand experience in her book. Funding for this program has been provided to the Friends of the Frankfort Public Library, Inc. from the Indiana Humanities and the National Endowment for the Humanities, as part of the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act economic stabilization plan of 2020.

Friends of the Frankfort Public Library Awarded Capital Grant from North Central Health Services administered by the Tippecanoe Arts Federation

The Friends of the Frankfort Public Library, Inc. is extremely pleased to be selected as one of the recipients of a generous capital grant made possible by North Central Health Services (NCHS) administered by the Tippecanoe Arts Federation (TAF). We are overwhelmed with gratitude for the value they instill in helping improve the quality of life in our communities. We feel very fortunate to have been awarded this grant in the amount of $58,696.47 to assist with creating a safer environment, while providing world class productions in our theatre.

Our library staff and theatre groups, Clinton County Civic Theatre and Clinton County Youth Theatre, are looking forward to delivering to our audiences the capabilities of the DMX / LED rear lighting and the state of the art hearing loop system. The addition of a secured display case in our Anna and Harlan Hubbard Gallery will also be appreciated by artists, staff, and patrons. This equipment will enhance our theatre and concert performances, public meetings, author visits, art shows, and other special events. Safety is of utmost importance to us, and the new theatre lights will help reduce having to use a 20-ft. ladder to change the gels in the back lighting. These lights can be maneuvered directly from the booth and light booth for ease and safety, while creating endless possibilities for our theatre productions.

We are overjoyed to bring the hearing loop system to our community. Hearing loss can be very isolating, and people tend to withdraw from events they once enjoyed. A hearing loop system, which is placed under the carpet, sends a strong audio signal directly to a person’s individual device. This will be beneficial for more audiences and programs held in the theatre. With only two buildings in Frankfort that have this phenomenal system, we are pleased to be a leader in these vital efforts and share this with our community. We are happy to educate our patrons on the ease of this new hearing assistance, which enables us to serve the entire audience, and not fear if we have enough devices.

Because of this generous gift, we will be making a difference in the lives of many children and adults. With a project of this magnitude, including carpet replacement due to the hearing loop installation, it would be impossible to fund without the support of NCHS and TAF. We look forward to seeing you in the Elizabeth O’Rear Skanta Theatre in the coming year when this project is completed.

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More from the Children’s Department

The Children’s Department has some special programs coming up in November and December. We will begin a new “Virtual Bedtime Stories” program on Facebook in November. Each Sunday at 7:00 p.m. on the Library’s Facebook page, someone from the library or a familiar face from the community will read you a bedtime story! This is the perfect time to snuggle up with your kiddo(s). November 17th the Children’s Department is hosting a Virtual Live event featuring Kathryn Leslie, author of Gracie a Bilingual Adventure in the Blue Ridge Mountains. Not only will you get to meet an author, but you will also get to learn about how she made the book and why she made it bilingual. Kathryn will read her book Gracie and you will get a sneak peek at her next book! This program lasts about an hour and registration is required. The zoom link will be available on the confirmation screen once you have registered. Be on the lookout for Thanksgiving and Christmas special Take-it-Make-it Kits!

Dia de los Muertos Ofrenda Exhibit

The Day of the Dead or “Dia de los Muertos” is a pre-Hispanic tradition celebrated throughout Mexico, and by people of Mexican heritage elsewhere. The multi-day holiday celebration takes place on November 1st and 2nd. November 1st, is dedicated to the children who have died and this day is called “All Saints’ Day” or Dia de Todos Santos. November 2nd is “All Souls Day” or Dia de Todas las Almas and it’s dedicated to all adults who have died.

The ofrenda (offer) is intended to welcome a person who has died to the altar sitting. Ofredas can be quite large and elaborate and are presented in one’s home in order to commemorate the souls of loved ones in the family.

On November 2nd, offerings reach their maximum splendor. Offerings are filled with pictures, candles, flowers, food, drinks, and other special items. On this day, families gather together in prayer and in some areas of the country, they spend the night in the cemeteries surrounded by music, flowers and candle light. Day of the Dead is a day that fills families with the happiness of beautiful memories and the sadness of their loved ones’ absence.

The FCPL Children’s Department and the Family Literacy Department have come together to create a Dia de los Muertos (Day of the Dead) display. Everyone in the community is invited to come see what an authentic ofrenda looks like. Along with the large ofrenda, we have set up a smaller display case with pictures and items that you will find on the ofrenda, the history of Dia de los Muertos, and the meaning and symbolism of the holiday and the items included in the ofrenda. The ofrenda will be on display in the Children’s Department until November 3rd. For more information contact Mave Brewer at mbrewer@myfcpl.org or Maria Lopez at literacy@myfcpl.org or call (765) 654-8746.

Web Page Replaces Ostler Exhibit for 2020

Jill Garrison, Genealogy Coordinator

Even though we are not having a James Ostler exhibit this year, you can still enjoy looking at the school and class reunion pictures that we digitized as a part of the Clinton County: Fun in the ’50s project. In fact, you can see more images on the James Ostler Collection page on our website than you would have in an exhibit! We have uploaded 566 images to the web page and divided them into three albums—Frankfort Grade Schools, Frankfort and County High Schools, and Frankfort High School Reunions.

The web page is interactive, so you can identify people you know and share memories about the activities pictured just as you would at an exhibit. Just click on the word bubble icon in the upper right-hand corner and type in your comments. In addition, you can share individual images with friends and family via Facebook, Pinterest, and Twitter. You can also love an image by clicking on the heart icon in the upper right-hand corner. We look forward to receiving your feedback.

To look at the James Ostler Collection web page, go to myfcpl.org/ostlerschools. If you want to see more of James Ostler’s photos, go to Indiana Memory (in.gov/memories) and type “James Ostler Digitized Collection” in the search box.

This project was supported by the Institute of Museum and Library Services under the provisions of the Library Services and Technology Act, administered by the Indiana State Library. The IMLS is the primary source of federal support for the nation’s 123,000 libraries and 33,000 museums. Its mission is to inspire libraries and museums to advance innovation, lifelong learning, and cultural and civic engagement.

Advancing Racial Equity

Books Club Collection

Our library is now offering a circulating book club collection. The titles chosen are meant to inspire discussion on race in America and are books of interest to readers from teens to adults. The kits may be checked out with your library card so anyone is able to hold their own book club events. Teachers, also, may wish to check the books out to use for school book clubs. Each kit contains 10 copies and a discussion guide. Kits are available in the Teen Department and should be returned to the Teen Department. This program has been made possible through a grant from the Indiana Humanities with funds from the Lilly Endowment, Inc.

TEENS: Beats Music Workshops Coming this Fall

This fall teens ages 14–18 have the opportunity to participate in a Beats Music Workshop. The event will be held virtually over 4-5 sessions and it is not necessary to attend each session. The program is hosted by a company in New York City called B.E.A.T.S Workshops and the classes are hosted by professional D.J.s and Music Production educators. Students of the BEATS workshop learn lyricism, beat creation, music culture, and the various elements of music as a business (D.J.s, agents, band members, etc). Finally, each skill is translated to students into useful job skills. Be watching for more information on how to register for this event and join the opportunity to create your music. For more information contact Rachel Milburn at (765) 654-8746.
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News from the Michigan Road Library
Chylene Click

We hope everyone is doing well and enjoyed their fall with all the beautiful colors it brings to us. While we still can’t have programs in house, we sure hope you will pick up a Take-It, Make-It Kit and enjoy our Virtual Programs. For November, The Friends of the Michigan Road Library will offer “Turkey Tom Mitten Kits” and in December “A Child’s Hand Print Snowman Card Kit” for children of any age to be able to do in the comfort of their home. To ensure we have enough supplies we ask that you register for events at myfcpl.org/calendar.

As well as virtual programs provided by The Friends of the Michigan Road Library, we would like to remind you that Miss Maeve will still be offering “Little Learners” kits for children ages 3—Kindergarten as well as “Tiny Tikes” kits for children from 0-36 months. For those school age children who miss the fun and experimental science projects that Mr. Wynn brought us, you will enjoy Spark Zone. Spark Zone is a virtual program kids in grades 1-6 who want to do some STEAM activities. Wynn is also providing activity kits for Spark Zone. You may sign up at myfcpl.org/calendar to reserve your kit, to be picked up at your local branch. Remember, you can watch our virtual programs on the Library’s YouTube page or Facebook.com/myfcpl. We hope to see your smiling faces soon!

News from the Mulberry Library
Kris Dalton-Smith

The Mulberry Library is having their fall book sale now through Dec. 4th. We have plenty of books for everyone in the family. Stop in and see if we have some of your favorite books for sale. This is a free will donation book sale. Please bring your own bag.

Our book review this time is of a book with local ties, “Three Fiddles,” by Megan Bickel, Elizabeth Dow, and Ellen Cooke. This novel is a collaborative novel written by the three sisters. They live in various parts of the country but all have Hoosier roots. Each sister writes alternate chapters for “their” particular characters— Kate (the new service, call the Frankfort Library, 765-654-8746 and ask to speak to Mike, or email the Outreach Specialist at mlcssins@myfcpl.org. Join us for Rossville’s Virtual programs. The craft programs will have supplies and instructions in a free kit that may be picked up at the Rossville Library. Registration is required to receive a kit so that we know how many kits to assemble. Please register at myfcpl.org/calendar or by calling the library (765) 379-2246. In November, young children can create their own “Turkey Wall Hanging.” These kits will be ready for pick up starting November 3rd, with the virtual programs posted on the library Facebook and YouTube pages on Nov. 2nd at 4:00 p.m. In December, the children will use the free kit to design their own face for Frosty. For the Teens group of 4th graders and older, their free kit will include items to make a “Holiday Light Jar.” Both of these kits will be available for pick up beginning Wed. Dec. 3rd.

Our other virtual programs include stories read by Ms. Maeve or Ms. Regina for Tiny Tikes, ages 0-36 months and Little Learners ages 3—Kindergarten. Wynn is doing Spark Zone for children in grades 1-6 as a virtual program each month. All of these programs have free kits that you may register for at myfcpl.org/calendar and pick up at the Rossville Library.

Art Exhibits at FCPL

Although we won’t be gathering at the library on the second weekend of November this year for the Friends Annual Exhibition & Sale, we are offering two alternative exhibits at the library this fall. Local Gems is a group exhibit featuring paintings by Rena Brouwer and Daniel Driggs, painted porcelain by C.J. Laster, photography by Jennifer Wells, and wooden holiday décor by Wayne Williams. This exhibit is on display in the Hubbard Gallery on the second level of the Frankfort Library Oct. 16–Nov. 23. All artwork is for sale, and a portion of each sale goes to the Friends of the Frankfort Library, who sponsor arts and children’s programs at the library. Masks are required in the library. Bring a friend and come see artwork by some of Frankfort’s talented Local Gems.

The 67th Street Printmakers will showcase some of their artwork on the lower level of the Frankfort Library Nov. 6, 2020–Jan. 6, 2021. The artists participating in the exhibit are Lorrie Lee Andrews, Jody Bruns, Susan Fisher, Melissa Hauger, and James Hubbard. Artwork will be for sale.

A list of the participating artists of the 2019 Fine Art Exhibition & Sale are included in this edition of Library Lines. As you are doing your holiday shopping, please consider making a purchase from one of these talented artists, or at one of the exhibits at the Frankfort Library. We appreciate your support of small businesses and local artists and artisans!
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The Giving Tree
The Frankfort Library will once again have a “Giving Tree” out in front of the library all winter long (or until supplies last). New and handmade gloves, scarves, mittens, and hats are available for anyone who needs them. Please take what you need! The library is not accepting donations at this time. We hope everyone has a safe and warm winter season.

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