

- Terminex sent a person to do a free inspection of the crawl space in regard to the foul odor underneath the building. Unfortunately the area in question was blocked in by plywood so the inspector only took photos of the plywood blocking his way. Upon a later look at the photos it appears there is an access panel, either plywood or Styrofoam, which could be removed to access the space. So we are back to planning the next move in this situation.
- The month of August was an intentionally quiet one while families prepared for returning to school and planning their homeschooling year, or went on last vacations. The Library Director took advantage of the quiet and took some much needed and appreciated time off to recharge. Thank you to Amanda Lewis and Nora Sutherland for keeping the library running smoothly, and all the Village employees for their support as well!
- The library is grateful to have a new half-time position, and happy to announce it has been filled by Nora Sutherland, who had worked as an independent contractor for the library for nearly a year.
- Programs are starting up again in September with several special programs and also the return of regular programs. The special programs are
 - outdoor movie nights “Princess Bride” Weds Sept 14th 7:30pm & “The Martian” Wednesday Sept 28
 - a postcard embroidery craft program with Liza MacKinnon this Thursday Sept 15 at 3pm
 - Homeschool Meetup this Friday Sept 16 at noon
 - Advanced Directive Options, sponsored by Jemez Aging In Place, Saturday Sept 17 2pm
 - Device User’s Group for Kindle & Android users Thursday Sept 29 5-6pm (learn how to switch to the Libby app for OverDrive since the old app is being phased out this year)
- Grief Support Group is a new monthly program hosted by Sally Hunter and Lori Birkolz, and the first meeting will be on Thursday September 22, 7-8pm
- Upcoming regular programming beginning in September includes community as poet, books & brunch, aerobics, body conditioning & strengthening, yoga, Reader’s Theatre, storytime (ages 0-5), Friday Fun (for school age children), and the new Grief Support Group. Thank you to staff and volunteers for providing these opportunities to the area!
- The Summer Intern was a great help at the library – thank you! Thanks to Sandoval County for providing this opportunity to local youth via the Summer Enrichment Intern Program! We’re happy to say she will be returning to the library as a sub at the front desk on occasion!
- The “Library of Things” and Kanopy movie streaming service continue to be appreciated and utilized.
- The Library Board is now seeking a new member. Please visit <https://jsplibrary.org/library-board/> to learn more about the board and contact the library if you’re interested.
- A volunteer appreciation event is in the works to thank the many people who contribute their time and energy to the library in a variety of ways on a regular basis – we couldn’t do what we do without the help of this amazing bunch of people!!!
- In addition to in-person services the library also offers contact-free services such as curbside pickup, lockers for 24/7 hold pickups, laptops to use outside the library, and reference via phone/ email.
- The FOL continues to meet and be creative about fundraising and continues to provide excellent support to the library. This amazing, hard-working, group deserves all the kudos we can provide! Thank you also to the many community members who contribute so generously!