



Thank You for Supporting Your Library This Summer!

Wow! Summer has been a very busy time at your library! We hosted both the 3rd Annual Preble County Comic Con® and the 2nd Annual Genealogy and History Fair in June. Combined, over 400 people attended these popular events!

The kickoff for the annual Summer Reading Program was held during the Preble County Comic Con® where many children, adults and teens registered for the program. Overall, *A Universe of Stories* was a cosmic success, with hundreds from all age groups participating. Branch-wide, the library offered over 120 free programs, gave out hundreds of prizes, and, best of all, encouraged children to keep up those all-important reading skills!

We would like to thank our special guests who presented fantastic programs during Summer Reading

such as juggler Tom Sparough, magician Jim Kleeefield, Sinclair Professor of Astronomy and Physics, Lori Cutright, Wild Hearts Mobile Zoo, and Stockslagers Garden Center.

Summer Reading is almost over, but don't think the library is resting on its laurels! We have many programs and events planned for the upcoming fall and winter months! You will also see us at the many local parades and festivals held during the upcoming season. As always, we will be visiting area nursing homes and schools, delivering items to the homebound, and participating in community events.

We are dedicated to making a difference in our communities through assistance, outreach, and acceptance because your library is more than just a place...it's family.

Genealogy Fair Photo Collage



The Second Annual Genealogy & History Fair was held Saturday, June 22 at the Library Administration Building. The Preble County Room would like to thank everyone who participated in the event: Preble County D.A.R., West Alexandria Archives, Camden Archives, Lewisburg Historical Society, Preble County Historical Society, Arcanum Historical Society, Montgomery County OGS, Brookville Historical Society, Maggard Memorials, Josiah D. Beachey, Scott's Clocks, Ullery's Ice Cream, RubyPurl Chocolates, and S & S Naturals.

We would also like to thank Ohio State Rep. J. Todd Smith (House District 43) for attending our event!

Thank you all for helping to make the 2nd Annual Genealogy & History Fair a success!



Summer Reading lasts through July 27th. There are still plenty of special programs to see, Grand Prizes to win, and lots and lots of books to read!

Emily Hackett, Reference Librarian



Need Help? **Book a Librarian Wednesdays Eaton Branch from 1-4pm**

Would you like to learn more about computers? Do you have a new tablet or smartphone you'd like to learn more about? The Reference Librarian is happy to help!

Book an appointment on Wednesday afternoons between 1-4 for assistance with:

- ❖ Tablets/e-readers
- ❖ Computers
- ❖ Microsoft Office
- ❖ Internet
- ❖ Resumes & job searching
- ❖ Using the library catalog
- ❖ Research

Call 937-456-5562, email prebleref@preblelibrary.org, or stop by the library in person to set up an appointment!



One-Hour
Sessions

One-on-One
Assistance

Night Owl Prowl



Family History Lock-in Sat, July 13 Preble County Room 5 PM - 10 PM

Join researchers at the Preble County Room (450 S. Barron St., Eaton, located in the PCDL Admin Office bldg.) to take the next step in your genealogy search.

- ❖ Free research assistance.
- ❖ Many historical research documents available such as probate records, local maps, Common Pleas Court records, obituaries, etc.
- ❖ Enjoy access to the Ancestry.com library edition, which is available at any computer inside the eight PCDL locations.
- ❖ Bring a snack to share!

The PC Room will be open for regular business beginning at 2 PM for this special event.

Beginners' Powerpoint



Eaton Branch

Thurs, Jul 11 @ 6 PM

Learn the basics of Microsoft PowerPoint: creating and customizing slides, inserting pictures, playing slide shows, and so forth. Some computer experience strongly preferred.

Register at the Eaton Library or call 937-456-4331

Beginners' Publisher



Eaton Branch

Thurs, Aug 8 @ 6 PM

Join us to learn the basics of desktop publishing with Microsoft Publisher. We will cover things like formatting, text boxes, customization and inserting pictures from the computer and the Internet. Some previous computer experience is strongly preferred. Call 937-456-5562 or visit the library to sign up.

Recommend a Title

Sometimes titles appear in the Library Ink Newsletter that are not listed in the library's online catalog. What's a patron to do? There are several options:

1. Visit your local PCDL branch and request the item from a staff member. Don't be shy! We're more than happy to do this for you! Note: You may request up to four items per month, within sixty days of publication or release date of the item.
2. Request the item yourself from the library's online catalog:

Catalog Search

Recommend a title to purchase.

Recommend a title to purchase is available from the library's welcome page at www.preblelibrary.org.*

*Remember to always check the online catalog first before making a request.



Scott's Clocks - repair & restoration



S & S Naturals - homemade soaps



RubyPurl Chocolates



Preble County Room Your Gateway to Genealogy & Local History

Library Admin. Office ♦ 450 S Barron St ♦ Eaton, OH 45320
Mon. - Thurs. 9-5 / Fri 9-3



Night Owl Prowl: Sat, Jul 13 (5PM-10PM)-- Join researchers at the Preble County Room (450 S. Barron St., Eaton) to take the next step in your genealogy search. Whether you're just getting started on your family tree or looking for a few more branches, free research assistance will be available at the Night Owl Prowl, the Preble County Room's genealogy lock-in.

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Vendors who Participated in the Genealogy Fair



Maggard Memorials



Feature Films & TV

The Front Runner
The Mule
Isn't It Romantic?
Five Feet Apart
The Vanishing
Welcome to Marwen
Being Rose
Signed, Sealed Delivered: Home Again
Honey Glue
Replicas
Rise of the Clans (Season 1)
I Hate Kids
Aquaman



Kids:

Ralph Breaks the Internet
The LEGO Movie 2: The Second Part
How to Train Your Dragon: The Hidden World
My Little Pony, Friendship is Magic: Hearts and Hooves
Fish Tales 3 Movie Pack
Barbie Dreamtopia
VeggieTales: Lyle the Kindly Viking
LEGO Jurassic World. The Secret Exhibit
Farmtastic Fun
Rusty Rivets: Botasaur and the Bits
Paw Patrol: Jungle Rescues
Penguin League
Sonic Boom: Go Team Sonic!



"Your library has
eeeeeeeeeebooks for kids, too!"

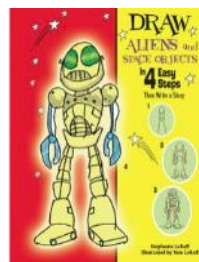


THE OHIO DIGITAL
LIBRARY

Download popular titles for FREE! Love to watch movies? Ohio Digital Library offers streaming and downloadable videos!

ohioebooks.org

Is the item you're interested in unavailable? Keep in mind that returns are automatic, so the wait may not be too awfully long. You also have the option to return items early!



Draw Aliens and
Space Objects in 4
Easy Steps /
Stephanie Labaff



The Alien
Brainwash / H.
Badger - Space Scout
series, #1



Star Finder!: A Step-
by-Step Guide to the
Night Sky

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Book2Movie

Disney's film production of *Artemis Fowl* hits theaters on Friday, August 9. Based on the 2001 book by Eoin (pronounced as 'Owen') Colfer, this adventurous Sci-fi is sure to please the entire family.



Artemis Fowl / Eoin Colfer: Twelve-year-old Artemis Fowl is a millionaire, a genius-and, above all, a criminal mastermind. But even Artemis doesn't know what he's taken on when he kidnaps a fairy, Captain Holly Short of the LEPrecon Unit. These aren't the fairies of bedtime stories; these fairies are armed and dangerous.

Artemis thinks he has them right where he wants them, but then they stop playing by the rules.

Books in the series:

1. Artemis Fowl (2001)
2. The Arctic Incident (2002)
3. The Eternity Code (2003)
4. The Opal Deception (2005)
5. The Lost Colony (2006)
6. The Time Paradox ((2008)
7. The Atlantis Complex (2010)
8. The Last Guardian (2012)
9. The Fowl Twins (11/2019)

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The Preble County District Library Offers Hoopla to You!

Hoopla is a digital media service that allows you to borrow movies, music, audiobooks, ebooks, comics and TV shows to enjoy on your computer, tablet, or phone – and even your TV!

With **no waiting**, titles can be **streamed immediately**, or downloaded to phones or tablets for offline enjoyment later. We have hundreds of thousands of titles to choose from, with more being added daily.

Hoopla is like having your public library at your fingertips. Anytime. Anywhere. **Download their free app on your device today!**



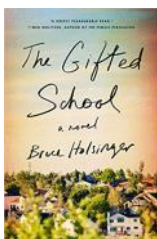
Mainstream & Literary Fiction

July

Lock Every Door / Riley Sager (Beach Read Thriller)
The Lager Queen of Minnesota / J. Ryan Stradal
(Women's Fiction)
The Gifted School / Bruce Holsinger (Literary)
Bethlehem / Karen Kelly (Historical Family Saga)
Shamed / Linda Castillo (Kate Burkholder Mystery, 11)
Lady in the Lake / Laura Lippman (Noir 1960's Ghost Mystery)
The Unlikely Escape of Uriah Heep / H. G. Parry (Literary Fantasy)
Chances Are / Richard Russo (Literary Fiction - Friendship)
Gravity is the Thing / Jaclyn Moriarty (Humorous Literary Fiction)
One Good Deed / David Baldacci (Historical Mystery)

August

The Last Widow / Karin Slaughter (Will Trent Crime Thriller, 9)
The Turn of the Key / Ruth Ware (Literary Psycho Thriller)
The Inn / James Patterson & Candace Fox (Psycho Thriller)
The Bitterroots / C. J. Box (PI Cassie Dewell, 4)
Contraband / Stuart Woods (Stone Barrington Mystery, 50)
All the Flowers in Paris / Sarah Jio (WWII Historical Fiction)
The Girl Who Lived Twice / David Lagercrantz
(Lisbeth Salander, 6 - continuation of Stieg Larsson's
Millennium Series)
The Cold Way Home / Julia Keller (PI Bell Elkins, 8)
Old Bones / Douglas Preston & Lincoln Child
(Nora Kelly Thriller, 1)
Rival's Break / Carla Neggers (Sharpe & Donovan FBI Thriller, 10)
A Better Man / Louise Penny (Chief Insp. Gamache Mystery, 15)
Tin Badges / Lorenzo Carcaterra (Hard Boiled Literary Mystery)



The Gifted School / Bruce Holsinger: Smart and juicy, a compulsively readable novel about a previously happy group of friends and parents that is nearly destroyed by their own competitiveness when an exclusive school for gifted children opens in the community

This deliciously sharp novel captures the relentless ambitions and fears that animate parents and their children in modern America, exploring the conflicts between achievement and potential, talent and privilege.

Set in the fictional town of Crystal, Colorado, [this] is a keenly entertaining novel that observes the drama within a community of friends and parents as good intentions and high ambitions collide in a pile-up with long-held secrets and lies. Seen through the lens of four families who've been a part of one another's lives since their kids were born...the story reveals not only the lengths that some adults are willing to go to get ahead, but the effect on the group's children, sibling relationships, marriages, and careers, as simmering resentments come to a boil and long-buried, explosive secrets surface and detonate.

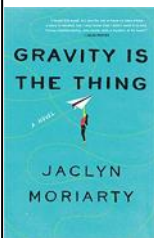
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noun : written works, especially those considered of superior or lasting artistic merit.



The Nickel Boys / Colson Whitehead: In this bravura follow-up to the Pulitzer Prize, and National Book Award-winning #1 *New York Times* bestseller *The Underground Railroad*, Colson Whitehead brilliantly dramatizes another strand of American history through the story of two boys sentenced to a hellish reform school in Jim Crow-era Florida.



Gravity is the Thing / Jaclyn Moriarty: The adult debut from bestselling, award-winning young adult author Jaclyn Moriarty—a frequently hilarious, brilliantly observed novel—that follows a single mother's heartfelt search for greater truths about the universe, her family and herself.

Twenty years ago, Abigail Sorenson's brother Robert went missing one day before her sixteenth birthday, never to be seen again. That same year, she began receiving scattered chapters in the mail of a self-help manual, the Guidebook, whose anonymous author promised to make her life soar to heights beyond her wildest dreams.

The Guidebook's missives have remained a constant in Abi's life—a befuddling yet oddly comforting voice through her family's grief over her brother's disappearance, a move across continents, the devastating dissolution of her marriage, and the new beginning as a single mother and café owner in Sydney.

Now, two decades after receiving those first pages, Abi is invited to an all-expenses paid weekend retreat to learn "the truth" about the Guidebook. It's an opportunity too intriguing to refuse. If Everything is Connected, then surely the twin mysteries of the Guidebook and a missing brother must be linked?

What follows is completely the opposite of what Abi expected—but it will lead her on a journey of discovery that will change her life—and enchant readers. Gravity Is the Thing is a smart, unusual, wickedly funny novel about the search for happiness that will break your heart into a million pieces and put it back together, bigger and better than before.



Death and Other Happy Endings / Melanie Cantor:

Jennifer Cole has just been told that she has a terminal blood disease. She has three months to live -- ninety days to say goodbye to friends and family and put her affairs in order. Trying to focus on the positives (at least she'll never lose her teeth) Jennifer realizes she has one overriding regret: the words she's left unsaid.

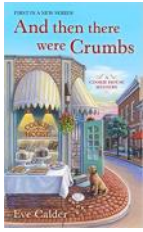
Rather than pursuing a frantic bucket list, she chooses to stay put, and write letters to three significant people in her life: her overbearing, selfish sister, her jelly-spined, cheating ex-husband, and her charming, unreliable ex-boyfriend finally telling them the things she's always wanted to say but never dared.

At first, Jennifer feels cleansed by her catharsis. Liberated, even. But once you start telling the truth, it's hard to stop. And, as she soon discovers, the truth isn't always as straightforward as it seems, and death has a way of surprising you ...

Cozy Mystery Debuts

July

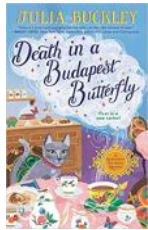
Cookie House Mysteries by Eve Calder



And Then There Were Crumbs: Kate McGuire's life was sweet in Manhattan before she lost her restaurant job and fiancé both. But sometimes that's just the way the cookie crumbles, and soon she finds herself starting from scratch in the island town of Coral Cay, Florida. It has everything she's looking for:

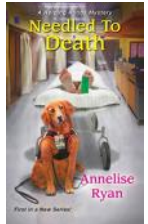
sunny beaches, friendly locals, and a Help Wanted sign in the bakery shop window. Once she convinces the shop's crusty owner Sam Hepplewhite to hire her, Kate can't tie on her apron fast enough. Little does she know that trouble, like warm dough, is on the rise. . .

Hungarian Tea House mystery by Julia Buckley



Death in a Budapest Butterfly: Hana Keller serves up European-style cakes and teas in her family-owned tea house, but when a customer keels over from a poisoned cuppa, Hana and her tea-leaf reading grandmother will have to help catch a killer

Helping Hands mysteries by Annelise Ryan



Needed to Death: As a colleague of deputy coroner Mattie Winston, social worker Clothilde "Hildy" Schneider is no stranger to unsolved murders at Sorenson General Hospital. Except this time, it's up to her to crack the case.

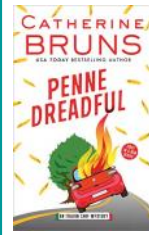
Salem B & B mysteries by Traci Walton



Mrs. Morris and the Ghost: A grieving young widow, Charlene needed a new start—so she bought a historic mansion, sight unseen, and drove from Chicago to New England to start turning it into a bed-and-breakfast. On her first night in the house, she awakens to find a handsome man with startling blue eyes in her bedroom. Terror turns to utter disbelief when he politely introduces himself as Jack Strathmore—and explains that he used to live here—when he was alive. He firmly believes that someone pushed him down the stairs three years ago, and he won't be able to leave until someone figures out who. If Charlene wants to get her business up and running in time for the Halloween tourist rush, and get this haunting houseguest out of the way, she'll have to investigate.

August

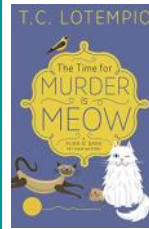
Italian Chef mysteries by Catherine Bruns



Penne Dreadful: Local chef Tessa Esposito is struggling to get back on her feet following her husband's fatal accident. And when the police knock on Tessa's door, things just get worse. They've discovered Dylan's death wasn't an accident after all, and they need Tessa to start filling in the blanks. Who would want her beloved husband dead, and why?

With the investigation running cold, Tessa decides it's time to save her sanity by reconnecting with her first love-cooking. And maybe the best way back into the kitchen is to infiltrate Dylan's favorite local pizza parlor, which also happens to be the last place he was seen before he died. But the anchovies aren't the only thing that stink inside the small family business, and with suspects around every corner, Tessa finds that her husband's many secrets might land her in hot water.

Purr 'n Bark Pet Shop mysteries by T. C. LoTempio



The Time for Murder is Meow: Crishell "Shell" McMillan sees the cancellation of her TV series as a blessing in disguise. The former actress can now take over her late aunt's pet shop, the Purr N' Bark, and do something she loves.

While getting the shop ready for re-opening, Shell is asked to loan her aunt's Cary Grant posters to the local museum for an exhibit. She finds the prospect exciting—until a museum board member, who had a long-standing feud with Shell's aunt, votes against it. When she discovers the board member dead in the museum, Shell becomes suspect number one. Can she, her Siamese cat Kahlua, and her new sidekick—her aunt's Persian Purrrday—find the real culprit, or will her latest career go up in kitty litter?

Jane Austen Society mysteries by Elizabeth Blake



Pride, Prejudice and Poison: Erin Coleridge's used bookstore in Kirkbymoorside, North Yorkshire, England is a meeting place for the villagers and, in particular, for the local Jane Austen Society. At the Society's monthly meeting, matters come to a head between the old guard and its young turks. After the meeting breaks for tea, persuasion gives way to murder—with extreme prejudice—when president Sylvia Pemberthy falls dead to the floor. Poisoned? Presumably... but by whom? And was Sylvia the only target?

Handsome—but shy—Detective Inspector Peter Hadley and charismatic Sergeant Rashid Jarral arrive at the scene. The long suspect list includes Sylvia's lover Kurt Becker and his tightly wound wife Suzanne. Or, perhaps, the killer was Sylvia's own cuckolded husband, Jerome. Among the many Society members who may have had her in their sights is dashing Jonathan Alder, who was heard having a royal battle of words with the late president the night before.

Then, when Jonathan Alder narrowly avoids becoming the next victim, Farnsworth (the town's "cat lady") persuades a seriously time-crunched Erin to help DI Hadley. But the killer is more devious than anyone imagines.



Dying To Know: Your Cozy Mystery Forecast

Mystery Spotlight

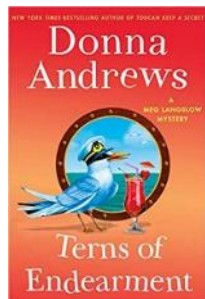
Mysteries available in July -- See titles you like? Request them at your library!

Title	Author	Series Title or FYI	No.
Booking the Crook	Laurie Cass	Bookmobile Cat Mystery	7
Heart of Barkness	Spencer Quinn	Chet & Bernie	9
Killer in the Carriage House	Sheila Connolly	Victorian Village Mystery	2
A Soufflé of Suspicion	Daryl Wood Gerber	French Bistro	2
A Thread of Darkness	Sally Goldenbaum	Queen Bees Quilt Shop	2
The Pawful Truth	Miranda James	Cat in the Stacks	11
A Genuine Fix	J. C. Kenney	Allie Cobb	2
Let's Fake a Deal	Sherry Harris	Garage Sale Mystery	7
Murder at Crossways	Alyssa Maxwell	Gilded Newport	7
Knot on Her Life	Mary Marks	Quilting Mystery	7

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Terns of Endearment	Donna Andrews	Meg Langslow	25
Love and Death Among the Cheetahs	Rhys Bowen	Royal Spyness	13
A Killer Edition	Lorna Barrett	Booktown	13
Bitter Alpine	Mary Daheim	Emma Lord ^{Kindle Only}	28
Silent Night, Deadly Night	Vicki Delany	Year-Round Christmas	4
Cookies and Clairvoyance	Bailey Cates	Magical Bakery	8
Wonton Terror	Vivien Chien	Noodle Shop	4
Death by Jack-O-Lantern	Alexis Morgan	Abby McCree	2
Crypt Suzette	Maya Corrigan	Five-Ingredient Mystery	6
Mulberry Mischievous	Sharon Farrow	Berry Basket	4
Jealously Filled Donuts	Ginger Bolton	Deputy Donut	3
Haunted House Murder	Leslie Meier, Lee Hollis, Barbara Ross	Anthology	N/A
Tilling the Truth	Julia Henry	Garden Squad	2
Molded 4 Murder	J. C. Eaton	Sophie Kimball	5
Death by Café Mocha	Alex Erickson	Bookstore Café	7
Flour in the Attic	Winnie Archer	Bread Shop	4

25th Meg Langslow Mystery by Donna Andrews



Terns of Endearment: Meg Langslow's grandfather has been booked by a cruise line to give lectures on birds and other environmental topics as part of their ship's education/entertainment itinerary, and Grandfather has arranged for a passel of family members to join him.

The passengers' vacation quickly becomes a nightmare when they wake up to find themselves broken down and in need of repairs in the Bermuda Triangle. To keep the stranded passengers calm, Meg's family and friends band together to keep things organized and provide entertainment...But things get even worse when a crew member announces to all that a woman has jumped overboard, leaving behind her shoes, shawl, and a note. The note reveals she's the mortal enemy of group of writers who came on board for a retreat, and the group is split on whether suicide is in-character for her. Meanwhile, grandfather's assistant Trevor seems to have gone missing too!



Killer in the Carriage House / Sheila Connolly

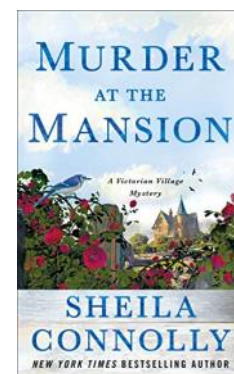
Connolly: After fifteen years away, Kate Hamilton never expected to end up

back in her hometown of Asheboro, Maryland full time. And she definitely didn't expect to be leading the charge of recreating the town as a Victorian village and tourist attraction. But as unexpected as the circumstances are, Kate is ready to tackle them.

The town, on the other hand, is going to take some convincing. Ever since Henry Barton's shovel factory closed down, it's started to seem like there are more tumbleweeds than tourists rolling down Main Street. Kate's ideas are good, but ambitious—and her friends and neighbors are worried that finding the money for them would push the town even further into debt.

Luckily, Kate and the handsome historian Joshua Wainwright are two very determined people who may have come up with a solution. The Barton mansion, meant to be the centerpiece of the Victorian village, has proven to be a veritable goldmine of documents about the town's nineteenth-century history, and Kate is convinced the papers hide something of value. When a dead body turns up in the town library, Kate begins to worry that the papers spell danger.

Book #1 in the series:



Hearts Afire for Romance

A Novel of Grace Kelly's Wedding

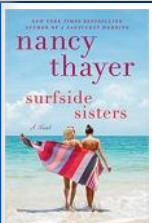
Set in the 1950s against the backdrop of Grace Kelly's whirlwind romance and unforgettable wedding to Prince Rainier of Monaco, New York Times bestselling author Hazel Gaynor and Heather Webb take the reader on an evocative sun-drenched journey along the Côte d'Azur in this page-turning novel of passion, fate and second chances...



Meet Me in Monaco / Hazel Gaynor & Heather Webb: Movie stars and paparazzi flock to Cannes for the glamorous film festival, but Grace Kelly, the biggest star of all, wants only to escape from the flash-bulbs. When struggling perfumer Sophie Duval shelters Miss Kelly in her boutique to fend off a persistent British press

photographer, James Henderson, a bond is forged between the two women and sets in motion a chain of events that stretches across thirty years of friendship, love, and tragedy. James Henderson cannot forget his brief encounter with Sophie Duval. Despite his guilt at being away from his daughter, he takes an assignment to cover the wedding of the century, sailing with Grace Kelly's wedding party on the SS Constitution from New York. In Monaco, as wedding fever soars and passions and tempers escalate, James and Sophie—like Princess Grace—must ultimately decide what they are prepared to give up for love.

The Queen of Beach Books: Nancy Thayer



Surfside Sisters / Nancy Thayer: Keely Green always dreamed of leaving the beautiful shores of Nantucket to become a writer. Now she's a bestselling novelist living in New York City, attending glamorous cocktail parties and mingling with the literary elite. Keely is also dating a charming, perfectly fine pediatric

surgeon who looks good on paper but isn't "the one." She just can't bear to break it off—until he declares his desire to settle down. Then Keely's editor rejects her latest novel. With her personal and professional lives suddenly in shambles, Keely longs for the soothing island way of life.

Growing up, Keely and her best friend, Isabelle, were inseparable. Nothing could come between them—except, as it turned out, Keely's high school boyfriend, Tommy. Returning home would mean facing Isabelle's bitter betrayal and seeing for herself the family Tommy and Isabelle have created, the life that might have been Keely's.

But when Keely's mother falls into a deep depression, Keely knows what she must do, even though she is reluctant to face her estranged friend. And encountering Isabelle's older brother—Keely's longtime crush—only complicates things.

Contemporary Romance & Women's Fiction

July

The Birthday Girl / Melissa de la Cruz

Window on the Bay / Debbie Macomber

The Golden Hour / Beatriz Williams (WWII Epic)

You've Been Volunteered / Laurie Gelman

(Class Mom, 2)

A Highlander Walks Into a Bar / Laura Trentham

(Highland, Georgia, 1)

Wind River Protector / Lindsay McKenna (Romantic Suspense)



August

Life and Other Inconveniences / Kristan Higgins (Women's Fiction)

One Night at the Lake / Bethany Chase (Women's Fiction)

Things You Save in a Fire / Katherine Center (Women's Fiction)

Texas Forever / Janet Dailey (Tylers of Texas, 6)

The Dark Side / Danielle Steel (Women's Fiction)

Hold On To Me / Jules Bennett (Return to Haven, 3)

#1 NY Times bestselling author, Susan Wiggs, brings us her most ambitious and provocative work yet



The Oysterville Sewing Circle / Susan Wiggs: At the break of dawn, Caroline Shelby rolls into Oysterville, Washington, a tiny hamlet at the edge of the raging Pacific. She's come home. Home to a place she thought she'd left forever, home of her heart and memories, but not her future. Ten years ago, Caroline launched a career in the glamorous fashion world of Manhattan. But her success in New York imploded on a wave of scandal and tragedy, forcing her to flee to the only safe place she knows.

And in the backseat of Caroline's car are two children who were orphaned in a single chilling moment—five-year-old Addie and six-year-old Flick. She's now their legal guardian—a role she's not sure she's ready for.

But the Oysterville she left behind has changed. Her siblings have their own complicated lives and her aging parents are hoping to pass on their thriving seafood restaurant to the next generation. And there's Will Jensen, a decorated Navy SEAL who's also returned home after being wounded overseas. Will and Caroline were forever friends as children, with the promise of something more . . . until he fell in love with Sierra, Caroline's best friend and the most beautiful girl in town. With her modeling jobs drying up, Sierra, too, is on the cusp of reinventing herself.

Caroline returns to her favorite place: the sewing shop owned by Mrs. Lindy Bloom, the woman who inspired her and taught her to sew. There she discovers that even in an idyllic beach town, there are women living with the deepest of secrets. Thus begins the Oysterville Sewing Circle—where women can join forces to support each other through the troubles they keep hidden.

Yet just as Caroline regains her creativity and fighting spirit, and the children begin to heal from their loss, an unexpected challenge tests her courage and her heart. This time, though, Caroline is not going to run away. She's going to stand and fight for everything—and everyone—she loves.

What's it all about?

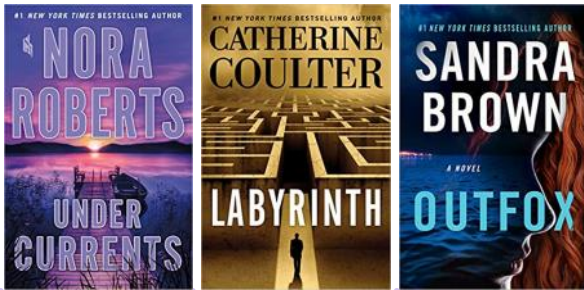
Paranormal, Suspense, & Fantasy

July

Midnight at the Blackbird Café / Heather Webber (Magical Realism)
 Forever My Hero / Sharon Sala (Blessings, Georgia, 7)
 Under Currents / Nora Roberts (Domestic Thriller)
 Labyrinth / Catherine Coulter (FBI Thriller)
 The Seekers / Heather Graham (Krewe of Hunters, 28)
 Never Have I Ever / Joshilyn Jackson (Dark Comedy - Domestic Thriller)
 The Me I Used to Be / Jennifer Ryan (Romantic Suspense)

August

Brave the Tempest / Karen Chance (Paranormal - Cassie Palmer, 9)
 Careful What You Wish for / Hallie Ephron (Psychological Thriller)
 Out Fox / Sandra Brown (Psychological Thriller)
 Hold Back the Dawn / Amanda Ashley (Paranormal - Vampire)
 Blind Spot / Brenda Novak (Dr. Evelyn Talbot, 4 - Serial Killer Thriller)
 Cut and Run / Fern Michaels (Sisterhood, 30 - Suspense)
 After Sundown / Linda Howard & Linda Jones (Romantic Suspense)



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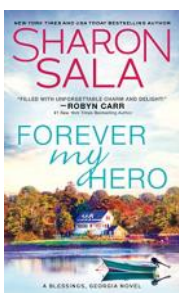
Temptation's Darling / Johanna Lindsey (Regency)
 One Fine Duke / Lenora Bell (School for Dukes, 3)
 When a Rogue Meets his Match / Elizabeth Hoyt (Greycourt, 2)
 The Duke is But a Dream / Anna Bennett (Debutante Diaries, 2)

August

How to Love a Duke in Ten Days / Kerrigan Bryne (Devil You Know, 1)
 The Wallflower Wager / Tessa Dare (Girl Meets Duke, 3)
 The Duchess in His Bed / Lorraine Heath (Sins For All Seasons, 4)
 Her Scandalous Pursuit / Candace Camp (Mad Morelands, 7)

Historical Romance

7th in the Blessings, Georgia Series by Sharon Sala



Forever My Hero / Sharon Sala: Dan Amos lost his wife and son years ago, when they inadvertently got in the way of a death threat meant for him. He's never had eyes for anyone since, and he doesn't want to. But fellow Blessings resident Alice Conroy sparks something inside him...

Newly widowed, Alice was disillusioned by marriage and isn't looking to fall in love anytime soon. Then a tropical storm blazes a path straight for the Georgia coast, and as the town prepares for the worst, Dan opens his heart and his home.

Heather Webber's *Midnight at the Blackbird Café* is a captivating blend of magical realism, heartwarming romance, and small-town Southern charm.



Midnight at the Blackbird Café / Heather Webber: Nestled in the mountain shadows of Alabama lies the little town of Wicklow. It is here that Anna Kate has returned to bury her beloved Granny Zee, owner of the Blackbird Café.

It was supposed to be a quick trip to close the café and settle her grandmother's estate, but despite her best intentions to avoid forming ties or even getting to know her father's side of the family, Anna Kate finds herself inexplicably drawn to the quirky Southern town her mother ran away from so many years ago, and the mysterious blackbird pie everybody can't stop talking about.

As the truth about her past slowly becomes clear, Anna Kate will need to decide if this lone blackbird will finally be able to take her broken wings and fly.

From the *New York Times* bestselling author of *Good Luck With That* comes a new novel about a blue-blood grandmother and her black-sheep granddaughter who discover they are truly two sides of the same coin.



Life and Other Inconveniences / Kristan Higgins: Emma London never thought she had anything in common with her grandmother Genevieve London. The regal old woman came from wealthy and bluest-blood New England stock, but that didn't protect her from life's cruellest blows: the disappearance of Genevieve's young son, followed by the premature death of her husband. But Genevieve rose from those ashes of grief and built a fashion empire that was respected the world over, even when it meant neglecting her other son.

When Emma's own mother died, her father abandoned her on his mother's doorstep. Genevieve took Emma in and reluctantly raised her--until Emma got pregnant her senior year of high school. Genevieve kicked her out with nothing but the clothes on her back...but Emma took with her the most important London possession: the strength not just to survive but to thrive. And indeed, Emma has built a wonderful life for herself and her teenage daughter, Riley.

So what is Emma to do when Genevieve does the one thing Emma never expected of her and, after not speaking to her for nearly two decades, calls and asks for help?

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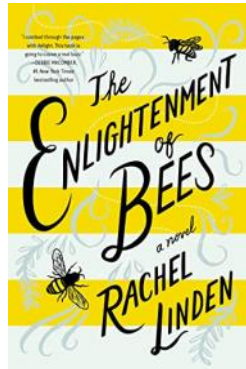
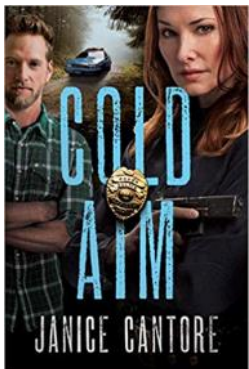
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July

Cold Aim / Janice Cantore (Line of Duty, 3)
 Tate / Susan May Warren (Montana Marshalls, 2)
 Storm Rising / Ronie Kendig (Book of the War, 1)
 Midnight on the River Grey / Abigail Wilson
 Until the Mountains Fall / Connilyn Cossette (Cities of Refuge, 3)
 Yours Truly, Thomas / Rachel Fordham
 The Enlightenment of Bees / Rachel Linden

August

The Perfect Silhouette / Judith Miller
 Deadly Intentions / Lisa Harris
 The Killing Tide / Dani Pettrey (Coastal Guardians, 1)
 Vow of Justice / Lynette Eason (Blue Justice, 4)
 Fire Storm / Nancy Mehl (Kaely Quinn Profiler, 2)



Latest from Wanda E. Brunstetter coming in August!



The Healing Jar: Mercy Yoder loves her students and her life in the tiny village of West Kootenai, nestled at the foot of Montana's most northern mountains. And she is in no rush to get married . . . much to the disappointment of her parents. In fact, she has turned down the one marriage proposal she's received. Her beau Caleb has yet to tell her he loves her, stoking her fears that they simply aren't right for each other.

When a devastating wildfire threatens to destroy her beloved community, Mercy and her family evacuate to the nearby town of Eureka. There she meets Spencer McDonald, an Englisch smoke jumper. Her conversations with him are unlike any she's ever had with a man. She finds his directness and ability to express his feelings refreshing and completely different from Caleb, who is tightlipped about his past.

But what would her family and community say if Mercy chose a relationship with an Engischer? Is Mercy willing to give up all she has known and loved for someone who finally understands her? Or can Mercy find the love she has always longed for closer to home?

Amish Inspirational

July

A Family for Gracie / Amy Lillard (Amish of Pontotoc, 3)
 Married to a Stranger / Laura V. Hilton

August

The Healing Jar / Wanda E. Brunstetter (The Prayer Jar, 3)
 Mountains of Grace / Kelly Irvin (Amish of Big Sky, 1)
 The Loyal One / Shelley Shepard Gray (Walnut Creek, 2)
 A Song of Joy / Lauraine Snelling (Under Northern Skies, 4)
 Love at Pebble Creek / Lisa Jones Baker (Hope Chest of Dreams, 5)
 All He'll Ever Need / Loree Lough (Little Child Shall Lead Him, 1)

Love Inspired - July

An Amish bachelor's Choice / Jocelyn McClay
 Amish Covert Operation / Meghan Carver

Love Inspired Suspense- August

Shelter from the Storm / Patricia Davids (North Country Amish, 2)



Love Inspired & Love Inspired Suspense

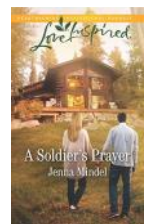
Love Inspired: Fresh-Start Family Romances - July

A Soldier's Prayer / Jenna Mindel
 The Cowboy's Twin Surprise / Stephanie Dees
 A Rancher to Remember / Patricia Johns
 Rocky Mountain Memories / Lois Richer



Love Inspired Suspense - July

Risky Return / Virginia Vaughan (Covert Operatives, 3)
 Nanny Witness / Hope White (The Baby Protectors)
 Cold Case Secrets / Maggie K. Black (True North Heroes, 4)
 Deep Undercover / Lenora Worth (Tue Black K-9 Unit, 5)

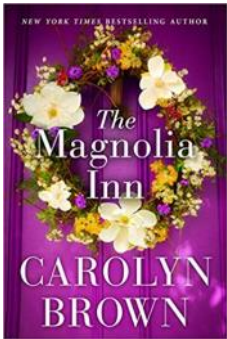


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Westerns

The Bookshop of the Broken Hearted / Robert Hillman
The Better Sister / Alafair Burke
Rooted in Deceit / Wendy Tyson
The Seven or Eight Deaths of Stella Fortuna / Juliet Grames
Hearts in Harmony / Beth Wiseman



The Magnolia Inn / Carolyn Brown: Inheriting the Magnolia Inn, a Victorian home nestled in the East Texas pines, is a fantasy come true for Jolene Broussard. After living with the guilt of failing to rescue her self-destructive mother, Jolene knows her aunt and uncle's B&B

is the perfect jump start for a new life and a comforting place to call home. There's just one hitch: stubborn and moody carpenter Tucker Malone. He's got a half interest in the Magnolia Inn, and he's planting his dusty cowboy boots squarely in the middle of her dream.

Torture of the Mountain Man / William W. Johnstone with J. A. Johnstone

The Jackals / William W. Johnstone with J. A. Johnstone

Hard Stone / James Clay

The Gambler and the Law / Will DuRey

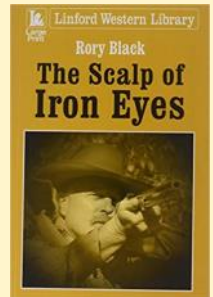
Fighting Ranger / Corba Sunman

The Scalp of Iron Eyes / Rory Black

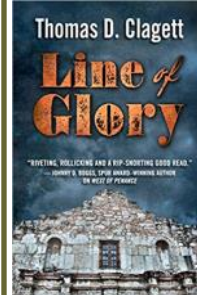
The Forgiveness Trail / Brent Larssen

The Galvanized Reb / Robert J. Steelman

The Cattle Drive / Ethan J. Wolfe



History comes alive in this dramatized novel based on true events that occurred at the Alamo!



Line of Glory: A Novel of the Alamo/

Thomas D. Clagett: The final 13 hours at the Alamo began around 5 o'clock on the afternoon of March 5, 1836. Colonel William Barrett Travis drew a line in the dirt and asked all those who would stay and fight to cross it. Destinies played out that night for four people. Susannah Dickinson, a woman of surprising gumption. Young James Taylor who came to the Alamo to free Texas from the tyrannical rule of General Santa Anna. "Moses" Rose who refused to cross Travis's line because he "wasn't prepared to die." Colonel Juan Morales, ordered to assault Crockett and his men at the south palisade, believed attacking the fort was foolhardy. But his real disgust was for Santa Anna, a man who allowed whims to dictate his decisions.

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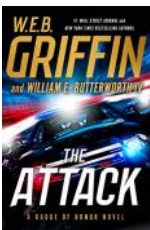
It's a Guy Thing

July

Almost Midnight / Paul Doiron (Mike Bowditch, 10)
 The Shameless / Ace Atkins (Quinn Colson Mystery, 9)
 The New Girl / Daniel Silva
 (Gabriel Allon Espionage Thriller, 19)
 Red Metal / Mark Greaney (WW II Military Thriller)
 Half Moon Bay / Jonathan Kellerman & Jesse Kellerman
 (Clay Edison Mystery, 3)
 The Russian / Ben Coes (Rob Tacoma Political Thriller, 11)
 True Believer / Jack Carr (Terminal List, 2)

August

The Darwin Strain / Bill Schutt & J. R. Finch
 (Capt. R. J. MacCready Techno Thriller, 3)
 The Russia Accountant / Stephen Coonts
 (Tommy Carmellini CIA Thriller, 9)
 The Attack / W. E. B. Griffin
 (Badge of Honor Police Thriller, 14)
 The Lake of Learning / Steve Berry & M. J. Rose
 (Cassiopeia Vitt, 3)



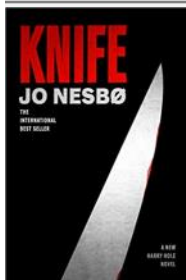
T. Jefferson Parker's 3rd PI Roland Ford Mystery

In this electrifying new thriller from three-time Edgar Award winner and New York Times bestseller T. Jefferson Parker, Private Investigator Roland Ford hunts for a missing teenager and uncovers a dark conspiracy in his most personal case yet.



The Last Good Guy: When hired by a beautiful and enigmatic woman to find her missing younger sister, private investigator Roland Ford immediately senses that the case is not what it seems. He is soon swept up in a web of lies and secrets as he searches for the teenager, and even his new client cannot be trusted. His investigation leads him to a secretive charter school, skinhead thugs, a cadre of American Nazis hidden in a desert compound, an arch-conservative celebrity evangelist--and, finally, to the girl herself. *The Last Good Guy* is Ford's most challenging case to date, one that will leave him questioning everything he thought he knew about decency, honesty, and the battle between good and evil...if it doesn't kill him first.

Jo Nesbo's 12th Harry Hole Mystery



Knife: Harry Hole is not in a good place. Rakel--the only woman he's ever loved--has ended it with him, permanently. He's been given a chance for a new start with the Oslo Police but it's in the cold case office, when what he really wants is to be investigating cases he suspects have ties to Svein Finne, the serial rapist and murderer who Harry helped put behind bars.

And now, Finne is free after a decade-plus in prison--free, and Harry is certain, unreformed and ready to take up where he left off. But things will get worse. When Harry wakes up the morning after a blackout, drunken night with blood that's clearly not his own on his hands, it's only the very beginning of what will be a waking nightmare the likes of which even he could never have imagined.

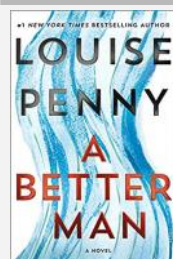
Stephen Hunter's 11th Bob Lee Swagger Thriller



In this blazing new thriller from Pulitzer Prize winner Stephen Hunter, master sniper Bob Lee Swagger takes on his biggest job to date, and confronts an assassin with skills that match his own.

Game of Snipers: When Bob Lee Swagger is approached by a woman who lost a son to war and has spent the years since risking all that she has to find the sniper who pulled the trigger, he knows right away he'll do everything in his power to help her. But what begins as a favor becomes an obsession, and soon Swagger is back in the action, teaming up with the Mossad, the FBI, and local American law enforcement as he tracks a sniper who is his own equal...and attempts to decipher that assassin's ultimate target before it's too late.

Louise Penny's 15th Chief Insp. Gamache Mystery



A Better Man: It's Gamache's first day back as head of the homicide department, a job he temporarily shares with his previous second-in-command, Jean-Guy Beauvoir. Flood waters are rising across the province. In the middle of the turmoil a father approaches Gamache, pleading for help in finding his daughter.

As crisis piles upon crisis, Gamache tries to hold off the encroaching chaos, and realizes the search for Vivienne Godin should be abandoned. But with a daughter of his own, he finds himself developing a profound, and perhaps unwise, empathy for her distraught father. Increasingly hounded by the question, *how would you feel...*, he resumes the search.

As the rivers rise, and the social media onslaught against Gamache becomes crueler, a body is discovered. And in the tumult, mistakes are made.

Nonfiction:

Prose writing that is based on facts, real events, and real people, such as biography or history.

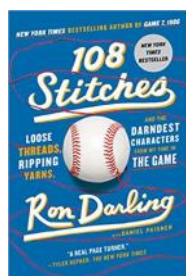
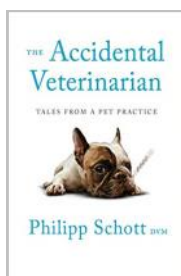
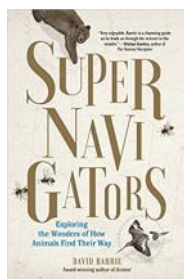
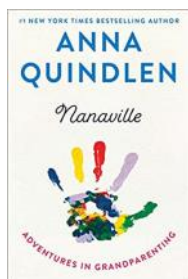
Nanaville: Adventures in Grandparenting / Anna Quindlen: Before blogs even existed, Anna Quindlen became a go-to writer on the joys and challenges of family, motherhood, and modern life, in her nationally syndicated column. Now she's taking the next step and going full nana in the pages of this lively, beautiful, and moving book about being a grandmother.

Supernavigators: Exploring the Wonders of How Animals Find Their Way / David Barrie: Animals plainly know where they're going, but how they get there has remained surprisingly mysterious—until now. Here are astounding animals of every stripe: Dung beetles that steer by the light of the Milky Way. Ants and bees that rely on patterns of light invisible to humans. Sea turtles and moths that find their way using Earth's magnetic field. Humpback whales that swim thousands of miles while holding a rocksteady course. Birds that can locate their nests on a tiny island after crisscrossing an ocean.

Men of Air: The Courage and Sacrifice of Bomber Command in World War II / Kevin Wilson: The story of the everyday heroism of bomber crews in 1944, a turning point in the war against Germany.

The Accidental Veterinarian: Tales from a Pet Practice / Philipp Schott: With insight and humor, Dr. Philipp Schott shares tales from the unlikely path he took into his career of veterinary science and anecdotes from his successful small-animal clinic. Dr. Schott brings to his writing the benefit of many years of expertise. Wisdom he imparts on readers includes the best way to give your cat a pill, how to prevent your very handy dog from opening a fridge, and how to handle your fish when it has half-swallowed another.

108 Stitches: Loose Threads, Ripping Yarns, and the Darndest Characters from My Time in the Game / Ron Darling: In 108 Stitches, New York Times bestselling author and Emmy Award-winning broadcaster Ron Darling offers his own take on the "six degrees of separation" game and knits together wild, wise, and wistful stories reflecting the full arc of a life in and around our national pastime.



Biography & History

Grateful America: A Journey from Self to Service / Gary Sinise

Sea Stories: My Life in Special Operations / Admiral William H. McRaven

The British are Coming: The War for America, Lexington to Princeton, 1775-1777 / Rick Atkinson

Howard Stern Comes Again / Howard Stern

Tiny Hot Dogs: A Memoir in Small Bites / Mary Giuliani

Becoming Dr. Seuss: Theodor Geisel and the Making of an American Imagination / Brian Jay Jones

Wally Funk's Race for Space: The Extraordinary Story of a Female Aviation Pioneer / Sue Nelson

Ray Bolger: More Than a Scarecrow / Holly Van Leuven

Don't Stop Believin' / Olivia Newton-John

Solitary: Unbroken by Four Decades in Solitary Confinement / Albert Woodfox with Leslie George



The Pie Lady: Classic Stories From a Mennonite Cook & Her Friends / Greta Isaac: What is a Pie Lady moment? For one family, it's breakfast on the patio. For another, it's Mom serving up creamy chicken and noodles. These are Pie Lady moments: times of goodness and glamour in the middle of ordinary days.

In *The Pie Lady*, Mennonite homemaker Greta Isaac ushers readers into the kitchens of Velda, Shyla, and other Pie Ladies as they whip up confections and concoctions that please the mouth and nourish the soul. Fans of Ruth Reichl, Sherry Gore, and Ree Drummond will love Isaacs' intimate, delectable writing. Home cooks will love the recipes that appear in each chapter.



The Book of the Moon: A Guide to Our Closest Neighbor / Maggie Aderin-Pocock: Have you ever wondered if there are seasons on the moon or if space tourism will ever become commonplace? So has Dr. Maggie Aderin-Pocock. In fact, she earned her nickname "Lunatic" because of her deep fascination for all things lunar. In her lucidly written, comprehensive guide to the moon, Aderin-Pocock takes readers on a journey to our closest celestial neighbor, exploring folklore, facts, and future plans.

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Affordable Eats: 100+ All-Time Favorites That Won't Break the Bank
(Taste of Home)

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Amy Lacey, et al.

Hungry Girl Simply 6: All- Natural Recipes with 6 Ingredients or Less /
Lisa Lillien

Betty Crocker Make It In One: Dinner in One Pan, One Pot, One Sheet
Pan...and More

The Newlywed Table / Maria Zizka

Sport Smoothies: More Than 65 Recipes to Boost Your Workouts &
Recovery / Fern Green

Happiness is Baking: Cakes, Pies, Tarts, Muffins, Brownies, Cookies /
Maida Heatter

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30 Knit Ponchos & Capes / Rita Maasseu

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Bars, Garlands, and More! / Debbie Wolfe

Milk Soaps: Making Milk Enriched Soaps, From Goat to Almond /
Anna-Marie Faiola

Gertie Sews Jiffy Dresses: A Modern Guide to Stitch-and-Wear Vintage
Patterns you Can Make in a Day / Gretchen Hirsch

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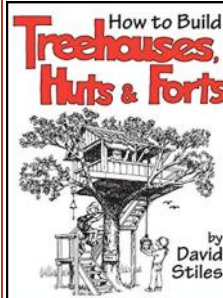
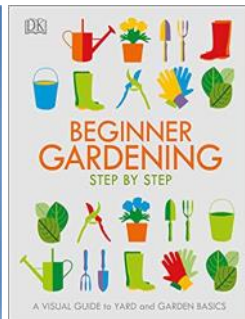
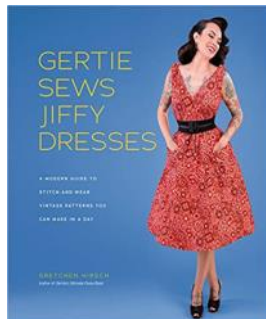
The Art of Happy Moving: How to Declutter, Pack, and Start Over While
Maintaining Your Sanity and Finding Happiness / Ali Wenzke

The Kitchen Garden / Alan Buckingham

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Beginner Gardening Step by Step: A Visual Guide to Yard and Garden Basics



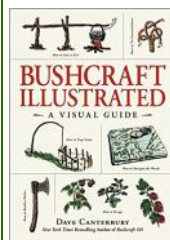
How to Build Treehouses, Huts & Forts / David Stiles: A treehouse is a wonderful idea, but how in the name of creation do you actually build one? In this delightfully illustrated handbook, David Stiles, the unofficial world grandmaster of the treehouse, shows how.

Not assuming anything about the treehouse builder, Stiles starts with the basics: how to nail, how to buy wood, what kind of screws and nails to use.

Then it's on to an A-frame design so simple that it can be built in a weekend out of four sheets of plywood, followed by lean-tos, a tree hut, and a Tarzan-style jungle hideaway. There are also forts of every description, including a 21-foot-tall lookout tower modeled on one George Washington built to keep an eye on the redcoats. Stiles also adds a design for a snowball catapult, an igloo and even a Nerf-loaded cannon.

Written for children, with an adult peeking over their shoulder, Stiles's book is a dreamer's handbook, offering practical results.

From Dave Canterbury—wilderness expert, New York Times bestselling author, and YouTube sensation—comes a fully illustrated guide to everything you need to know to hone your bushcraft, or wilderness survival skills, from types of shelter, to useful tools, to edible plants and more!



Bushcraft Illustrated: A Visual Guide / Dave Canterbury: Before you venture into the wilderness, learn exactly what you need to bring and what you need to know with this ultimate outdoor reference guide, by survivalist expert Dave Canterbury.

Filled with more than 300 illustrations, *Bushcraft Illustrated* showcases the necessary tools and skills for an awesome outdoor adventure, including: Packs: Learn the different types and how to craft and pack your own; Cordage: Essential knot knowledge for outdoor survival; Firecraft: How to start a fire with a variety of materials; Trapping: Tips for catching small game; Plants: A catalog of edible plants to forage...And much more!

With its many helpful illustrations and detailed, easy-to-follow instructions, this illustrated guide is a must-have for the seasoned outdoor lover and adventure novice alike!

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A Test of Wills / Charles Todd: Scotland Yard Inspector Ian Rutledge returns home suffering from shellshock and the emotional strains of World War I, but he soon goes back to work and must solve a murder case involving the killing of a retired military officer, a crime in which the main suspect is a highly decorated war hero.

A Duty to the Dead / Charles Todd: Dedicated to helping the many wounded during the Great War, Bess Crawford receives a desperate request from a dying lieutenant while serving as a nurse aboard a hospital ship. "Tell my brother Jonathan that I lied," the young man says. "I did it for Mother's sake. But it has to be set right." But, back home in England, Bess receives an unexpected response from the dead soldier's family, for none of them will admit to understanding what the message means.

No Graves As Yet / Anne Perry: On a sunny afternoon in late June 1914, Cambridge professor Joseph Reavley learns that his parents have died in an automobile crash. Joseph's brother, an officer in the Intelligence Service, reveals that their father had been en route to London with a mysterious secret document—allegedly possessing the power to disgrace England and destroy the civilized world.

Maisie Dobbs / Jacqueline Winspear: "Meet Maisie Dobbs, who in 1929 launches her career as a private investigator and finds herself drawn back to the Great War she thought she'd long since put behind her: an unexpected beginning for Maisie—and a rare treat for mystery fans."—Charles Todd

This Side of Murder / Anna Lee Huber: England, 1919. Verity Kent's grief over the loss of her husband pierces anew when she receives a cryptic letter, suggesting he may have committed treason before his untimely death. Verity's first impulse is to dismiss the derogatory claim. But the mystery sender knows too much—including the fact that during the war, Verity worked for the Secret Service.

Billy Boyle: A World War II Mystery / James R. Benn: What's a twenty-two-year-old Irish American cop who's never been out of Massachusetts before doing at Beardsley Hall, an English country house, having lunch with King Haakon of Norway? Billy Boyle himself wonders. Back home in Southie, he'd barely made detective when war was declared. Unwilling to fight—and perhaps die—for England, he was relieved when his mother wangled a job for him on the staff of a general married to her distant cousin. But the general turns out to be Dwight D. Eisenhower, whose headquarters are in London, which is undergoing the Blitz. And Uncle Ike wants Billy to be his personal investigator.

The War Against Miss Winter / Kathryn Miller Haines: It's 1943, and the war escalating in Europe and the Pacific seems far away. But for aspiring actress Rosie Winter, the war feels as if it were right in New York City what with food rationing and frequent blackouts . . . Now her rent is coming due and she hasn't been cast in anything for six months. The factories are desperate for women workers, but Rosie the Thespian isn't about to become Rosie the Riveter, so she grabs a part-time job at a seamy, lowbrow detective agency instead.

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