# YOUR LIBRARY PAGE April 2020

#### We're Open!

Bored? Looking to fill your days? Our library is **open** so you can check out books. Sanitizing and other safety precautions are in place so you can feel safe. This month we celebrate National Poetry Month, National Library Week, and Earth Day. Check out the Special Display cart for books from our collection and also the New Book cart for this month's new books on these topics. And, of course, there is plenty of new FIC and MYS. List with blurbs on back.

#### **Just for Now**

- If you are in to puzzles (or maybe this is the time to try one out since you were a kid!), you can sign out one of the puzzles set out on the puzzle table to take to your home.
- Feel free to borrow a magazine from our three magazine racks and return to the bottom shelf of the New Book cart when you're done.
- To be fair to all our newspaper readers and to be safe, we've had to pull the newspapers in order to avoid us congregating in the library and due to concern that Covid-19 can survive for 24 hours on a newspaper. As soon as possible we will have them back out on the coffee table again. In the meanwhile, Mike can help anyone who would like to get linked up on their wifi device to the free (but less complete) online versions of any or all of our four newspaper subscriptions.

# **Best Laid Plans**

We planned to hold an open house during National Library Week (April 19-25) with snacks, tours, demos, and an opportunity for Q&A. We even did a major weeding of our collection recently in preparation. (Notice some of the empty bottom shelves?) So, TBA once we're not in Stay at Home mode.

#### Let's Talk Books

This month's Let's Talk Books is obviously canceled. Fingers crossed for our May All-Read discussion of Michelle Obama's book – *Becoming* led by Laura Brown of CDL which is currently closed. Let us know if you wish to check out a copy of her book.

# A Final Word

We'd like to welcome a new member of our library committee – Merle Machemer. Thank you all for adapting to our temporary limited services during these Stay At Home days. Let us know if we can be of assistance. And stay safe.

# Your Library Committee

- Lois deLeon Suzanne Lank Sandy Miller Merle Machemer Mary Ann Pappas
- Pam Ross (Chair) Jean Thiel Carole Van Reesema Lila Westenberg Joe Zikmund

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# **NEW BOOKS – APRIL 2020**

# National Poetry Month

*-An American Sunrise: Poems* by Joy Harjo, the first Native American U.S. Poet Laureate. *-Bacon for Breakfast: Poems* by Hamden Lewis reflecting on issues of growing older.

-Like Falling Through a Cloud: a Lyrical Memoir of Coping with Forgetfulness, Confusion, and a Dreaded Diagnosis by renowned flutists, Eugenia Zukerman.

#### **National Library Week**

*-The Giver of Stars*, a novel by Jojo Moyes based on a true story about the five heroic Packhorse Librarians of Kentucky during the Depression.

#### Earth Day

-The Climate Report: National Climate Assessment – Impacts, Risks, and Adaptations in the United States, a U.S. Government report required by Congress every four years. -The Future We Choose: Surviving the Climate Crisis, a practical approach with concrete actions we can take; written by Christiana Figueres, a principal creator of Paris Agreement. -The Ice at the End of the World: an Epic Journey into Greenland's Buried Past and our Perilous Future by Jon Gertner; read about the grueling early expeditions (1888-1931) and the scientific investigations (1949-2018) of this climate "canary in a gold mine."

*-The Man Who Caught the Storm: the Life of Legendary Storm Chaser Tim Samaras,* a man who walked the line between life and death in pursuit of knowledge by Brantley Hargrove. *-No One is Too Small to Make a Difference* – a collection of speeches delivered by the young environmental activist, Greta Thunberg.

#### More Non-Fiction and Biography

-The Alzheimer's Prevention Program by Gary Small, M.D. and Gigi Vorgan.

*-The Book of Gutsy Women: Favorite Stories of Courage and Resilience* by Hillary and Chelsea Clinton.

*-Life Support: Three Nurses on the Front Lines;* a timely book by Suzanne Gordon. *-They Called Us Enemy*; a graphic memoir of his childhood in a WW II U.S. Japanese Internment Camp by George Takei.

-Will You Miss Me When I'm Gone?: The Carter Family & Their Legacy in American Music by Mark Zwonitzer.

# Fiction

-*The Air We Breathe* by award winning Andrea Barrett who weaves science into her 1916 story about an incident with TB patients in upstate New York that brings the war home. -*The Book of Essie* by Meghan Weir, an unexpected pregnancy poses a reality show dilemma

*-Farishta*; inspired by retired U.S. Diplomat Patricia McArdle's northern Afghanistan posting. *-Noah's Compass*; a New York Times Bestseller and tragicomedy by Anne Tyler.

-Shelve Under C: A Tale of Used Books and Cats; a tale for animal lovers by Jenny Kalahar. -War in Lincoln County; a western by Dane Coolidge.

# Mystery

-Balleykissangel: The New Arrival by Hugh Miller; based on the PBS series.

-The Death of Mrs. Westaway, a psychological thriller by Ruth Ware.

-Morte A Deli by Christine Cook; was it accidental food poisoning or murder?

-Mystery of the French Countryside series – Bruno, Chief of Police; Black Diamond; The Dark Vineyard, a popular series amongst Silver Maples residents by Martin Walker.

-The Temptation of Forgiveness, one of a series that chronicles Venetian life by Donna Leon.

-*Tightrope,* a romantic suspense by Amanda Quick.