

YOUR LIBRARY PAGE

June 2020



Small Groups Welcome . . .

Great news but to ensure everyone's safety during this next Covid-19 phase:

- We've temporarily removed some seating in the Fireplace Room to help make the space available to as many folks as possible while still maintaining the 6' rule.
- One person may now work on a puzzle at the puzzle table but continue to feel free to sign out puzzles for use back in your apartments.
- Current newspapers will once again be placed on the library coffee table for library use only. And as usual, past issues on the marked shelf to the left of the fireplace, are available for the taking.
- Continue to feel free to borrow, then return, magazines from any of our three magazine racks.

June's New and Special Display Books

This month's selection of new, donated, and special display books celebrate National Pet Month (although we've expanded this to include all animals, even dinosaurs!), Flag Day (14th), and Father's Day (21st). Also, please feel free to borrow those books in the black book racks on the fireplace mantle and the counter.

Book Discussions

Our every-other-month Let's Talk Books meetings remain temporarily on hold; CDL has canceled all programs through June 30 including their every-other-month book talks with us.

A Mystery and Friendly Reminder

For a number of books returned recently we can't find their book cards in our circulation file. Just a friendly reminder that when borrowing a book, please remember to date (including the year) and sign its book card then place in the little gray check-out box on the counter.

Your Library Committee

Sandy Miller has resigned and we'd like to thank her for her several years of service. We'd like to welcome Merle Machemer to the Committee. Let us know if you have any library-related questions or suggestions. And thank you for helping our community to stay safe.

Lois deLeon
Suzanne Lank

Merle Machemer
Mary Ann Pappas

Pam Ross (Chair)
Jean Thiel
Carole Van Reesema
Lila Westenberg
Joe Zikmund

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NEW BOOKS – JUNE 2020

- ***The Big Bad Wolf*** by James Patterson. An Alex Cross thriller about kidnapped people who are bought and sold by the predator known only as Wolf.
- ***The Caves of Perigord: A Novel*** by Martin Walker. An historical thriller that brings to life the creation of an extraordinary work of prehistoric cave art and the struggle to possess it in our own time.
- ***The Death of Socrates: Hero, Villain, Chatterbox, Saint*** by Emily Wilson who offers a comprehensive look at the trial and death of Socrates as both a historical event and a controversial cultural ideal.
- ***The Elephant Whisperer: My Life with the Herd in the African Wild*** by Lawrence Anthony who after taking in a herd of rogue elephants in order to save them, became a part of their family; a heartwarming, exciting, funny, and sometimes sad memoir.
- ***The Fifties***. A sweeping social, political, economic, and cultural history of the ten years that author David Halberstam regards as seminal in determining what our nation is today.
- ***The Lovestory of Missy Charmichael*** by Beth Morrey. A coming-of-old story about a lonely woman but filled with wry laughter and deep insights with the help of a rambunctious mutt-on-loan.
- ***An Odyssey: A Father, a Son, and an Epic*** by Daniel Mendelsohn. Eighty-one year old Jay Mendelsohn enrolls in the undergraduate *Odysseys* seminar his son teaches which leads to a father and son's transformative journey in reading--and reliving--Homer's epic masterpiece.
- ***One Amber Bead*** a novel by Michigan author Rebecca Thaddeus about two Polish cousins – one an immigrant's daughter in Chicago, the other witnessing the World War II devastation of her country - and their relationship with one another.
- ***The Other Wes Moore: One Name, Two Fates*** by Wes Moore. Explores how two fatherless boys in Baltimore with the same name, age, neighborhood, and police run-ins grew up when one became a Rhodes Scholar and White House Fellow while the other ended up in jail.
- ***The Rise and Fall of the Dinosaurs: A New History of Their Lost World*** by NYT Bestseller author Steve Brusatte, a foremost paleontologist, who tells the complete, surprising, and new history of the dinosaurs. Includes stories of his expeditions, pics, maps, and family trees.
- ***Small Great Things*** by Jodi Picoult who explores race, privilege, prejudice, justice, and compassion when her African-American delivery nurse faces a moral dilemma.
- ***A World Lit Only by Fire: The Medieval Mind and the Renaissance - Portrait of an Age*** by William Manchester. The preeminent popular history of Europe's rebirth after the Dark Ages.
- ***The Zookeepers' War: An Incredible True Story from the Cold War*** by J.W. Mohnhaup. The fascinating true story of the Cold War's strangest proxy war fought between the zoos on either side of the Berlin Wall.