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Silver Maples Library - November 2022
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November Special Celebrations

This month's special celebrations include Native American Heritage Month, Veterans Day (11th), National Recycling Day (15), and Thanksgiving (25th).

- Come browse selected related books on our New Books and Special Celebrations carts as well as the black book racks. You'll notice, too, that our bulletin board displays the related themes each month.

Book Discussions (2nd Thursday of every month; Garden Room; 1-2 pm)

- Let's Talk Books – Thursday, November 10. Come share one book (or e-book) you've been reading or an old favorite. Fellow readers are always looking for recommendations.

- All Read – *The Ghosts of Eden Park: the Bootleg King, the Women Who Pursued Him, and the Murder that Shocked Jazz-Age America* by Karen Abbott. Thursday, **December 8**. See a committee member to check out a copy. We have many Large Print copies.

Coffee Table Books

- We set out one of our coffee table books on the library counter in order to display color photography or perhaps a *New Yorker* cartoon too good to miss. It's a treat to see a new page every day or so. Feel free to select one you like.

Friendly Reminders

- All books, including those on the New Book cart and the Special Celebrations cart, should be checked out before you leave the library so the Turkey Gobbler doesn't get you!!
- This month we were overwhelmed with donated books! We appreciate the donations but respectfully request that you please limit to just one a month.

Your Library Committee

We're here to assist you and answer any library-related questions you might have. We welcome your comments and suggestions.

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Suzanne L. Yvonne L. Pam R. (Chair)

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NEW BOOKS – NOVEMBER 2022

~***The Big Lie: Election Chaos, Political Opportunism, and the State of American Politics after 2020*** by journalist Jonathan Lemire who explores the roots of “the Big Lie” to understand how it has become a fixture of political life.

~***The Collaborator*** - Diane Armstrong. Budapest, 1944: Jewish journalist Miklos risks his life to save Jews from the death camps. Sydney, 2005: Annika journeys to Budapest & Tel Aviv to learn about the man who rescued her grandmother.

~***Holidays with the Wongs: The Complete Series*** by Jackie Lau. Four holiday (including Thanksgiving) romance novellas about the Wong siblings.

~***A Hundred Sweet Promises*** by Sepehr Haddad. Based on the true story of his grandfather, a famed Persian composer who, on the eve of WW I, went to Russia to study music and fell in forbidden love with a Romanov princess.

~***Judy, A Dog in Million: From Runaway Puppy to the World's Most Heroic Dog*** by Damien Lewis. The mascot of two Royal Navy gunboats became Japanese prisoner of war #81-Medan. She dragged survivors from a torpedoed ship, scavenged food for her starving fellow inmates, and received an award.

~***The Matriarch: Barbara Bush and the Making of an American Dynasty*** by journalist Susan Page. Explores Barbara Bush's accomplishments, struggles, and contributions as a unique and influential women in American history.

~***Never*** by Ken Follett. Struggling to prevent the outbreak of a world war are a young woman intelligence officer; a spy working undercover with jihadists; a Chinese spymaster; and President Pauline Green beleaguered by a populist rival for the next president election.

~***The Sewing Girl's Tale: A Story of Crime and Consequences in Revolutionary America*** by historian John Sweet. In 1793 17-year-old Lanah Sawyer charged a gentleman with rape, unheard of in the day. The case drew top lawyers, including Alexander Hamilton, and shaped the development of American law. Eventually she won the case. Includes photographs.

~***The Splendid and the Vile: A Sage of Churchill, Family, and Defiance During the Blitz*** (LP) by Erik Larson. A top favorite All Read book. Drawing on diaries, documents, and once-secret intelligence reports, Larson provides the day-to-day experience of Churchill and his family during London's darkest year.

~***The Spy and the Traitor: The Greatest Espionage Story of the Cold War*** (LP) by Ben Macintyre. Oleg Gordievsky, famous double agent senior KGB officer, was uncovered by CIA double agent Aldrich Ames who tipped Russian officials off; a baby's diaper enabled him to escape to freedom, a rare feat.

~***Teacher Man*** by Frank McCourt. Tells how his 30-yr. teaching career shaped his second act as a writer. A tribute to his ability to tell a great story as, 5 days a week, 5 periods per day, he worked to gain the attention and respect of unruly, hormonally charged or indifferent adolescents. The 3rd in his memoir series.

~***The Witch Elm*** by Tana French. While recuperating from being beaten up by burglars, Toby moves in to take care of his dying uncle. A skull is found in the trunk of a garden elm tree. As detectives close in, Toby must face his past.