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Silver Maples – February 2022

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February Celebrations

We are celebrating Black History Month as well as Valentine’s Day and Presidents’ Day. Look for related books on our New Book and Special Display carts as well as the black wire book stands. And check out our bulletin board too!

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

All Read – *How the Word Is Passed: A Reckoning with the History of Slavery Across America* by Clint Smith. **Thursday, February 10.** See a committee member to check out a copy. Large Print copies are available.

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

Fun Facts

~ During 2021 you checked out close to 1,500 books which matches last year’s figure however large print saw a 50% increase this year.

~ We added 136 books to our collection. Drawing on our annual \$1,000 book budget and up to \$400 of our Library Plus (donations) Fund, we purchased 84 books of which 1/3 were large print. In addition, we added 52 donated books.

Tip of the Month – Magnifier Lamp

Three residents have discovered the joy of reading while using a lighted magnifier floor lamp in their home. If you are experiencing vision issues, consider trying one of these lamps out. Perhaps you’ll want to purchase one. In addition to trying the swinging arm model in the library, check in with Norm F. or Carolyn F. who have purchased the goose neck model. They are happy to have you try their lamps out.

Your Library Committee

We’re here to assist you and answer any library-related questions you might have. We welcome any comments and suggestions regarding our Silver Maples Library.

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| Carole V. | Chris N. | Joe Z. | Lila W. |
| Merle M. | Pam R. (Chair) | Suzanne L. | Yvonne L. |



New Books – Series/Prolific Authors

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| Evanovich – <i>The Job</i> | Gabaldon - <i>Go Tell the Bees That I Am Gone</i> |
| Grimes – <i>Hotel Paradise</i> | McCall Smith – <i>The #1 Ladies Detective Agency</i> |
| Patterson – <i>Deadly Cross</i> | Woods – <i>Home at Rose Cottage</i> |

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NEW BOOKS – FEBRUARY 2022

Alaska— James Michener. After pre-history, jumps into 18th Century and follows 100 characters, real and fictional.

All that She Carried: The Journey of Ashley's Sack, a Black Family Keepsake – Tiya Miles, a renowned historian traces the life of a single object handed down through three generations of Black women to craft an extraordinary testament to people who are left out of the archives. National Book Award Winner.

Always (LP)— Sarah Jio. Kailey, engaged to Ryan, discovers a former love, Cade, is homeless. Which one will she chose?

The Bet and Other Stories – Anton Chekhov. Six short stories.

Daisy Fay and the Miracle Man (LP)— Fannie Flagg. A rollicking journey through sassy Daisy Fay's formative years on the Gulf Coast of Mississippi in the '50s.

The Good Lord Bird – James McBride. A young boy born a slave in Kansas who joins John Brown's antislavery crusade—and who must pass as a girl to survive.

The Hundred Wells of Salaga – Ayesha Attah. Based on true events in precolonial Ghana, a story told through the eyes of two women born to vastly different fates.

I Alone Can Fix It: Donald J. Trump's Catastrophic Final Year – Carol Leonning, Philip Rucker. A forensic account based on interviews with key players.

Left for Dead – Kevin O'Brien. An amnesiac survivor of a serial killer, Clare, who doesn't even recognize her husband, isn't sure who to trust when she returns to her life on a Washington island.

The Linden Walk – Elizabeth Elgin. Last of five in the Suttons of Yorkshire series; follows the secrets and passions of the new generation in the aftermath of WW2.

Murder at Mallowan Hall: A Phyllida Bright Mystery – Colleen Cambridge. First in a series about Agatha Christie's housekeeper who solves a murder mystery.

Peril – Bob Woodward, Robert Costa reveal the transition from Trump to Biden was far more than just a domestic political crisis. Interviewed 200+ people.

The President and the Freedom Fighter: Abraham Lincoln, Frederick Douglass, and Their Battle to Save America's Soul (LP) – Brian Kilmeade. The little-known story of how two American heroes moved from strong disagreement to friendship, and in the process changed the entire course of history.

The Runaway Debutante: A Victorian Romance – Elizabeth Harmon. Society will never accept their cross-class romance. Their only hope is a future in America.

Tiny Love Stories: True Tales of Love in 100 Words or Less – Daniel Jones.

Trickster's Point – William Krueger. On a bow hunting trip in Minnesota Cork is set up to take the fall for his Native friend Jubal's death by an arrow through his heart.

Wild Horses – Claire McEwen. Todd, an old flame, returns from saving the rain forest to saving wild horses and nearly crushes Nora during a stampede. Will they find love?