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March Celebrations

This month we are celebrating National Women's History Month, St. Patrick's Day, and National Vietnam War Veterans Day. You'll find related books on our New Book and Special Display carts and book stands. Check out our bulletin board too! And stop by to add some pieces to the group puzzle.

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

<u>Let's Talk Books</u> – **Thursday, March 10**. Come share a book (or e-book) you've been reading or an old favorite. Fellow readers look for recommendations.

<u>All Read</u> – Thursday, **April** 11. *Lessons in Chemistry* by Bonnie Garmus. Ask a committee member to check out a copy. Large Print copies are available.

When checking out a book . . .

- 1. Please remember to check out all books, including the CDL Large Print books on the circulation counter. Hint: Sometimes the checkout card is on the 2nd page.
- 2. Our new calendar clock will remind you of the month, day, and year.
- 3. Be sure to leave the signed checkout card in the black wire basket. <u>If it goes missing, we have to reprocess the book with a new Silver Maples barcode number, checkout card labels, etc.</u> We appreciate your help with this.
- 4. We like to have books returned by a month so others may borrow them. Simply put the book through the Book Return slot; the committee will check it back in.

We're Looking For . . .

Can you help us locate the CDL-LP book: *Troubled Blood* by Robert Galbraith? We sure would appreciate it if it was returned along with the white checkout card.

Weeding

Every March the Library Committee "weeds" books from our collection that have not been checked out in three years. This makes room for all the great new books that we add to our collection each month. Weeded books are donated to the hospital, CDL, and Better World Books which fosters literacy world-wide.

Fun Fact: The Library of Congress has eight miles of shelving!

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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NEW BOOKS - MARCH 2024

Resident Pick. Dan S. recommended the following book.

The Wager: A Tale of Shipwreck, Mutiny and Murder (LP) by David Grann. (NYT Bestseller) The Wager left England in 1740 on a secret mission but shipwrecked off Patagonia. Two years later, one group of survivors arrived near dead in Brazil, a second in Chile, but with different stories. A British court martial followed to determine the truth; the guilty would hang.

The 100 Most Influential Women of All Time by Kathleen Kuiper. Britannica reference volume with short articles arranged in chronological order.

Ageless Women, Timeless Wisdom: Witty, Wicked, and Wise Reflections on Well-Lived Lives by Dr. Lois Frankel. From L.A. to Shanghai, women over seventy share wisdom and stories that are heartwarming and hilarious, insightful and witty, and philosophical and practical.

All the Frescoes of the Sistine Chapel by Lutz Heusinger. Good color photographs.

Between Two Shores by Jocelyn Green. Catherine, daughter of a Mohawk mother and French father, remains neutral in 1759 Montreal until her British ex-fiance, Sam, is taken prisoner by her father. Sam asks for her help to escape; she eventually risks becoming a traitor helping him flee.

The Border Country by Lauran Paine. Death rode on Texas Sheriff Tim Conley's hip as he rode south into Mexico seeking the man who shot a lovely girl and left her for dead.

Dust Child by Que Mai Phan Nguyen. Set during and post-Việt Nam war, a suspenseful saga about two Vietnamese sisters, an American veteran, and an Amerasian man whose lives intersect.

If I Were You by Lynn Austin. Eve's mother served as lady's maid for Audrey's mother; they became friends during the war. Post-war, Audrey, a war widow with a child, moves to the US to be near her American in-laws only to discover that Eve has been impersonating her for four years.

The Impossible First: From Fire to Ice - Crossing Antarctica Alone by Colin O'Brady. Recounts his solo 54-day, 932-mile, unsupported, human-powered crossing of Antarctica pulling a sled initially weighing 375 pounds which, prior to December 2018, no individual had ever done.

The Lost Apothecary (LP) by Sarah Penner. (NYT Bestseller) In 18th century England, Nella sells poisons women use against their oppressive men. In present day London, Caroline stumbles upon a clue to unsolved apothecary murders that haunted London 200 years ago leading to a twist of fate when not everyone will survive.

The Only Woman by Immy Humes. Across time and cultures, groups of artists, activists, scientists, servants, movie stars, or metal workers have often included exactly and only one woman. A pictorial statement.

Snow in August by Pete Hamell. The story of the unlikely friendship of eleven-year-old Irish Catholic Michael and a lonely rabbi from Prague in 1947 Brooklyn. Neither can entirely escape from the swirling prejudices of the time.

The Spymistress by Jennifer Chiaverini. Based on the life of Elizabeth Van Lew born to Virginia slave-holding aristocracy but educated by Quakers in the North. During the Civil War she gathered military intelligence for the Union, even reaching into Jefferson Davis's home; spent much of her own money for the Union cause (denied a government pension, a grateful rescued Union soldier supported her in her old age); and was inducted posthumously into the Military Intelligence Hall of Fame.

Series/Prolific Authors

Braun - The Cat Who Went Into the Closet; Baldacci - Dream Town; Cussler - Celtic Empire