

BiblioBites



Director's note

Dear Folks,

The American Spirit is alive today! We may be a little bruised, but there are still many Americans who give of themselves to help their fellow Americans and even beyond our borders.

Let me highlight some of those individuals here in our community, and specifically, the library. Our Library Association friends have once again spearheaded our annual book sale. They brought books: they advertised; they sorted books; they ran the sale on Saturday and will take care of unsold items this week.

Our volunteers provide countless hours of service to support our programming here at the library. I recently met with Sophia Antoine, a delightful woman with a desire to share her expertise with her local community. She has so much to offer. Please consider attending and pass the word along.

Come see us!

Linda

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- ✓ Self-care
- ✓ Mindfulness
- ✓ Life Balance
- ✓ Positive Self-Talk
- ✓ Goal Setting
- ✓ Procrastination
- ✓ Self-Esteem
- ✓ Building Support Systems

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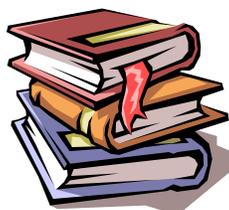
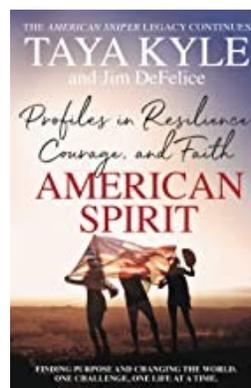
February is Library Lovers Month

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Linda recommends

In **American Spirit, Profiles in Resilience, Courage and Faith**, Taya Kyle and Jim DeFelice have collected true stories of suffering, survival, and triumph from people across America. In embodying the 'American spirit' of resilience, faith and togetherness that has built the nation, these anecdotes profile how love, passion, and service can combine to help us persevere over personal pain and heal our communities. The stories these individuals tell can teach us how to find purpose, no matter the difficulties we face.



Publishers Weekly

Bestseller Lists

January 31, 2020

FICTION

1. ***American Dirt***, by Jeanine Cummins
2. ***The Boy, the Mole, the Fox and the Horse***, by Charlie Mackesy
3. ***Lost***, by James Patterson and James O Born
4. ***The Guardians***, by John Grisham
5. ***Dear Edward***, by Ann Napolitano
6. ***Such a Fun Age***, by Kiley Reid
7. ***The Silent Patient***, by Alex Michaelides
8. ***Moral Compass***, by Danielle Steel
9. ***A Long Petal of the Sea***, by Isabel Allende
10. ***Agency***, by William Gibson

NONFICTION

1. ***A Very Stable Genius: Donald J. Trump's Testing of America***, by Philip Rucker and Carol Leonnig
2. ***Profiles in Corruption: Abuse of Power by America's Progressive Elite***, by Peter Schweizer
3. ***Leadership Strategy and Tactics: Field Manual***, by Jocko Willink
4. ***Boundless: Upgrade Your Brain, Optimize Your Body & Defy Aging***, by Ben Greenfield
5. ***Talking to Strangers: What We Should Know about the People We Don't Know***, by Malcolm Gladwell
6. ***All Along You Were Blooming: Thoughts for Boundless Living***, by Morgan Harper Nichols
7. ***The Defined Dish Wholesome Weeknights: Whole30 ...***, by Alex Snodgrass and Melissa Hartwig
8. ***The Values Compass: What 101 Countries Teach Us about Purpose, Life, and Leadership***, by Mandeep Rai
9. ***Tightrope: Americans Reaching for Hope***, by Nicholas D Kristof and Sheryl Wudunn
10. ***Tiny Habits: The Small Changes That Change Everything***, by BJ Fogg and Doug Abrams

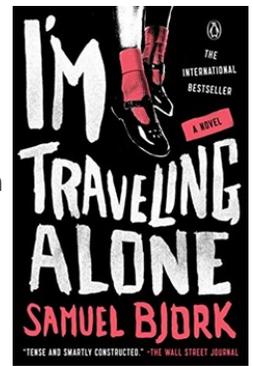
Leigh's pick—by Leigh Hornbake

A six-year-old girl is found in the countryside, hanging lifeless from a tree and dressed in strange doll's clothes. Around her neck is a sign that says "I'm traveling alone."

A special homicide unit re-opens with veteran police investigator Holger Munch at the helm. Holger's first step is to persuade the brilliant but haunted investigator Mia Kruger, who has been living on an isolated island, overcome by memories of her past. When Mia views a photograph of the crime scene and spots the number "1" carved into the dead girl's fingernail, she knows this is only the beginning. Could this killer have something to do with a missing child, abducted six years ago and never found, or with the reclusive religious community hidden in the nearby woods? Mia returns to duty to track down a revenge-driven and ruthlessly intelligent killer. But when Munch's own six-year-old granddaughter goes missing, Mia realizes that the killer's sinister game is personal, and ***I'm Traveling Alone*** races to an explosive--and shocking--conclusion.

I was looking for a new author to grab me and pull me into the story immediately, and I have found him in **Samuel Bjork**. This is book one in a series.

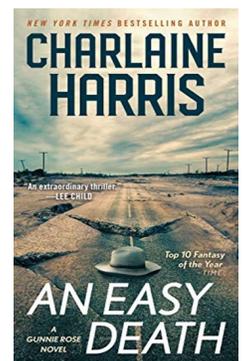
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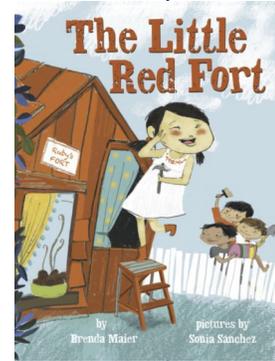
Wendy's bookshelf—by Wendy Farris

An Easy Death by Charlaine Harris (Sookie Stackhouse, Aurora Teagarden, Midnight Texas, Harper Connelly, Lily Bard) is the first in a new series. The sequel is ***A Longer Fall***. Set in a fractured United States where Rasputin lived and wizards and magic are acknowledged, Gunnie Rose is part of a group that sees safe passage for people wanting to leave the harsh life in Texoma. Members of her troop wish each other an easy death, meaning quick and painless. Her last trip ends with the death of nearly everyone, except Gunnie, who gets shot several times. When she has healed enough, she is hired by two wizards to find the supposed descendent of Rasputin. This is a good read with lots of action and excellent characters. Ms. Harris has done it again.



Choice for children—by Liz Coronado

Ruby's mind is always full of ideas. One day, she finds some old boards and decides to build something. She invites her brothers to help, but they just laugh and tell her she doesn't know how to build. "Then I'll learn," she says. And she does! When she creates a dazzling fort that they all want to play in, it is Ruby who has the last laugh. ***The Little Red Fort*** by **Brenda Maier** has sprightly text and winsome pictures, this modern spin on a timeless favorite celebrates the pluck and ingenuity of young creators everywhere! Kids will love this fresh retelling of the classic folktale, *The Little Red Hen*. The vibrant illustrations add to this delightful story.



Editor's suggestion—by Karen Smoke

Before Us Like a Land of Dreams, by **Karin Anderson** follows a disheartened Utah mother back through two centuries and half a dozen generations of a family's migration to the West. (There's a genealogy chart that serves as a roadmap.) The book begins with a long chapter narrated by a woman in her 50s, a mother and professor who cannot fathom where her life goes next. Anderson draws upon her own heritage conjuring up intense visions of her ancestors, revelations of their lives, great hardship, loss, moments of wonder and love. The vignettes are told by a chorus of voices, evocative of *Spoon River Anthology*.



JANUARY 24, 2020

In U.S., Library Visits Outpaced Trips to Movies in 2019

by Justin McCarthy

<https://news.gallup.com/poll/284009/library-visits-outpaced-trips-movies-2019.aspx>

Visiting the library remains the most common cultural activity Americans engage in, by far. The average 10.5 trips to the library U.S. adults report taking in 2019 exceeds their participation in eight other common leisure activities. Americans attend live music or theatrical events and visit national or historic parks roughly four times a year on average and visit museums and gambling casinos 2.5 times annually. Trips to amusement or theme parks (1.5) and zoos (.9) are the least common activities among this list.

Women report visiting the library nearly twice as frequently as men do, 13.4 to 7.5 visits.

Across nearly all measures, the highest average activity rates are among the 30 to 49 age group, while the lowest are among those 65 and older.

The 30 to 49 age group's higher activity may reflect their relative youth combined with mid-life financial stability. U.S. adults aged 18 to 29 visit the library much more than all older age groups—possibly reflecting college-going adults, who visit the library for studies.

The library—which is free and offers a variety of services including WiFi—is visited most by adults in low-income households and least by adults in high-income households.

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Saturday 9:00 a.m.—2:30 p.m.
Closed Sunday and Monday





February

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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National Leap Day February 29

Enjoy our display of vintage valentine card images on the library association bulletin board.

Our
valentine to
you!

