



# BiblioBites

## Director's note

Dear Folks,

There is a distinct change in the weather as we turn toward our version of autumn in Florida. Soon the fall flowers will be popping out all over. Here at the library we are doing our best to assist you with what you need and/or want to make your days a little brighter. We are here to help you complete those applications, submit those documents for employment or assistance, find the right book with which to relax, learn or improve a new-to-you skill. Our October program for adults will take a look at the Florida constitutional amendments on this year's ballot. Pat Schudel, longtime educator in DeSoto County will take us through each of the proposed amendments, sharing the pros and cons, helping us understand what a yes vote means and what a no vote means, all in effort to help us be more informed citizens as we go to the polls.

We look forward to serving you.

Come on in and see us.

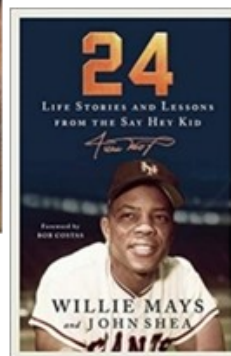
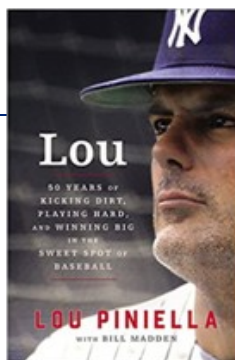
Linda

## Linda recommends—Two sure hits for baseball fans

**Lou: Fifty Years of Kicking Dirt, Playing Hard, and Winning Big in the Sweet Spot of Baseball**, by Lou Piniella with Bill Madden.

In this candid, revealing, and entertaining memoir, the beloved New York Yankee legend looks back over his nearly fifty-year career as a player and a manager, sharing insights and stories about some of his most memorable moments and some of the biggest names in Major League Baseball.

For nearly five decades, Lou Piniella has been a fixture in Major League Baseball, as an outfielder with the legendary New York Yankees of the 1970s, and as a manager for five teams in both the American and National leagues. With respected veteran sportswriter Bill Madden, Piniella now reflects on his storied career, offering fans a glimpse of life on the field, in the dugout, and inside the clubhouse.



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Publishers Weekly  
Hardcover Frontlist  
September 26, 2020

#### FICTION

1. **The Evening and the Morning**, by Ken Follett
2. **Troubled Blood**, by Robert Galbraith
3. **Total Power, Volume 19**, by Vince Flynn and Kyle Mills
4. **The Harbinger II: The Return**, by Jonathan Cahn
5. **To Sleep in a Sea of Stars**, by Christopher
6. **Shadows in Death: An Eve Dallas Novel**, by J D Robb, Author
7. **The Vanishing Half**, by Brit Bennett
8. **Piranesi**, by Susanna Clarke
9. **One by One**, by Ruth Ware
10. **Transcendent Kingdom**, by Yaa Gyasi

#### NONFICTION

1. **Rage**, by Bob Woodward
2. **Blackout: How Black America Can Make Its Second Escape from the Democrat Plantation**, by Candace Owens
3. **The Home Edit Life: The No-Guilt Guide to Owning What You Want and Organizing Everything**, by Clea Shearer and Joanna Teplin
4. **Disloyal: A Memoir: The True Story of the Former Personal Attorney to President Donald J. Trump**, by Michael Cohen
5. **Killing Crazy Horse: The Merciless Indian Wars in America**, by Bill O'Reilly
6. **Skinnytaste Meal Prep: Healthy Make-Ahead Meals and Freezer Recipes to Simplify Your Life**, by Gina Homolka
7. **Think Like a Monk: Train Your Mind for Peace and Purpose Every Day**, by Jay Shetty
8. **Caste: The Origins of Our Discontents**, by Isabel Wilkerson
9. **Compromised: Counterintelligence and the Threat of Donald J. Trump**, by Peter Strzok
10. **Speaking for Myself: Faith, Freedom, and the Fight of Our Lives Inside the Trump White House**, by Sarah Huckabee Sanders

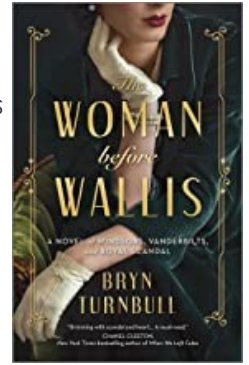
### Leigh's pick—by Leigh Hornbake

In the summer of 1926, when Thelma Morgan marries Viscount Duke Furness after a whirlwind romance, she's immersed in a gilded world of extraordinary wealth and privilege. For Thelma, the daughter of an American diplomat, her new life as a member of the British aristocracy is like a fairy tale—even more so when her husband introduces her to Edward, Prince of Wales.

In a twist of fate, her marriage to Duke leads her to fall headlong into a love affair with Edward. But happiness is fleeting, and their love is threatened when Thelma's sister, Gloria Morgan Vanderbilt, becomes embroiled in a scandal with far-reaching implications. As Thelma sails to New York to support Gloria, she leaves Edward in the hands of her trusted friend Wallis, never imagining the consequences that will follow.

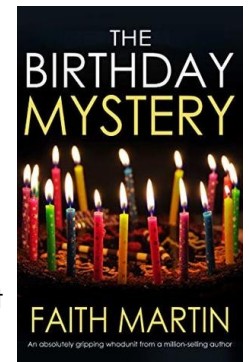
**The Woman Before Wallis** by **Bryn Turnbull** is a book about the Vanderbilts, Windsors, and Royal Scandal. Loved it.

Enjoy!



### Wendy's bookshelf—by Wendy Farris

I have discovered a wonderful series by **Faith Martin** featuring amateur detective and professional cook, Jenny Starling. This tall, Junoesque woman with striking blue eyes is very shrewd and intelligent. She is rather well known by several police forces, either with joy or trepidation, as someone who can suss out the clues and figure out who, what, when, and how. The first in the series is **The Birthday Mystery**. Jenny is engaged to cook a fabulous birthday dinner for twins that has no limits as to cost. The best part of this series is Jenny's taking temporary jobs in different places for different people. No one else is in any two of the books. It keeps the reader interested. I have thoroughly enjoyed all that I have read so far.

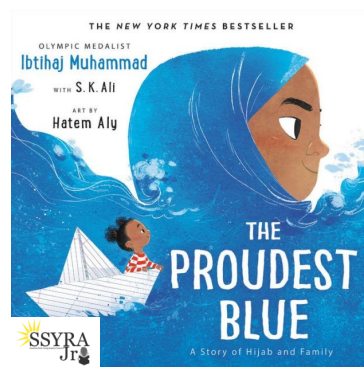


*“Many people don’t want to admit this, but you can learn more by spending a single day in the library than you could spending four years loitering outside of a 7-Eleven.”*

~Riane Konc, Cool Facts About the Library April 30, 2018. <https://www.newyorker.com/humor/daily-shouts/cool-facts-about-the-library>

## Choice for children—by Liz Coronado

**The Proudest Blue** is a powerful, vibrantly illustrated story about the first day of school and two sisters on one's first day of hijab. With her new backpack and light-up shoes, Faizah knows the first day of school is going to be special. It's the start of a brand new year and, best of all, it's her older sister Asiya's first day of hijab—a hijab of beautiful blue fabric, like the ocean waving to the sky. But not everyone sees hijab as beautiful, and in the face of hurtful, confusing words, Faizah will find new ways to be strong. Paired with Hatem Aly's beautiful, whimsical art, Olympic medalist **Ibtihaj Muhammad** and Morris Award finalist **S.K. Ali** bring readers an uplifting, universal story of new experiences, the unbreakable bond between siblings, and of being proud of who you are.



## Editor's suggestion—by Karen Smoke

Rail thin twenty-four year old Phoebe Hawley, on the road with two of her siblings is on a quest to find a home for her family, which includes her parents and mentally challenged sister. She has a minor collision with the owner of the local junk yard, who confiscates her bumper and auto tag, until she can pay him for the damages. Phoebe is out of money, out of gas and out of patience. But she is a hard worker and determined to find a place for her family. She realizes the junkyard is a perfect. She insinuates herself into Gage Morgan's life, wields all of the pride, backbone and country smarts she owns to claim his home. But Gage Morgan has a bruised ego, a tight fist on his land and an iron fist on his heart and is the unlikeliest man in the universe to succumb to her schemes. With time running against her family, she plies one last inducement—her scarce feminine wiles. I thoroughly enjoyed **Finding Home** by **Jackie Weger**, a free ebook I downloaded from the Kindle Store.



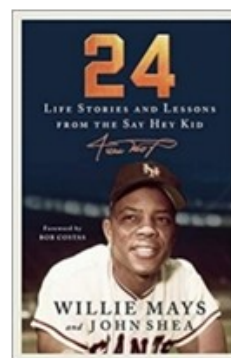
*Books are the quietest and most constant of friends; they are the most accessible and wisest of counselors, and the most patient of teachers."*

~Charles W. Eliot

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Presented in 24 chapters to correspond with his universally recognized uniform number, Willie's memoir provides more than the story of his role in America's pastime. This is the story of a man who values family and community, engages in charitable causes especially involving children and follows a philosophy that encourages hope, hard work and the fulfillment of dreams.



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Saturday: 9:00-2:30  
Closed Sunday and Monday



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