

Books & Beyond

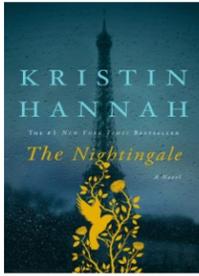
Newsletter of the Elisha D. Smith Public Library in Menasha, Wisconsin

Novel Thoughts Book Club

Thursday, March 4, at 10:00am

The Novel Thoughts Book Club will discuss *The Nightingale* by Kristin Hannah. Everyone is welcome. If you would like a copy of this book, call us at 920.967.3690. This is an online book discussion. Join from your computer, tablet, smartphone, or telephone. Get the information you need to join at

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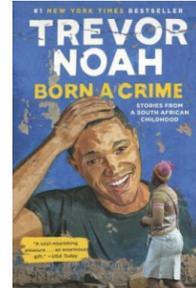


Nonfiction Book Club

Tuesday, March 16, at 2:00pm

The library's Tuesday Afternoon Nonfiction Book will discuss *Born a Crime* by Trevor Noah. If you would like a copy of this book, call us at 920.967.3690. This is an online book discussion. Join from your computer, tablet, smartphone, or telephone. Get the phone number or link at

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Teen Take & Make

Create your own Mini Watercolor Polaroids! Two Polaroids of watercolor paper, paint palette and paintbrush are provided. Pickup your kit at the library to take home and make. Free! While supplies last. Snap a photo of your creations and tag us on Instagram to have your creations featured @menashalibrary.



Find Your Ancestors

Saturday, March 20, at 9:00am

Get help and help others doing genealogical research. Find the link to join this presentation at www.menashalibrary.org/calendar

Tax Forms -

Find federal, state, and the Homestead Tax Credit forms & rent certificates at your library.

2021 Fox Cities Reads

The 2021 Fox Cities Reads selection is *George* by Alex Gino. It is available to check out in regular print, large print, and as an audiobook on disc and Playaway. Call 920.967.3690 for help placing a hold.

The Fox Cities' public libraries will hold events throughout the spring related to this book. Visit foxcitiesbookfestival.org/fox-cities-reads/ during the next few months for more information on how to join the conversation. Go to www.menashalibrary.org/calendar for the link to join the library's book discussion. Join the other conversations on Facebook @FoxCitiesBookFestival:

Tuesday, March 16, at 6:30pm —Trans 101 with author and lecturer Helen Boyd

Thursday, April 1 at 10:00am — *George* Virtual Book Discussion at Menasha Public Library

Tuesday, April 6, at 6:00pm — Supporting LGBTQ+ Youth. A virtual program offered by Diverse and Resilient

Thursday, April 15, at 6:30pm — Virtual visit with the author



Spring Break Music & Magic

Spring Break Concert with Randy Peterson

Monday, March 29, at 1:30pm

Singer and storyteller Randy Peterson will kick off spring break with a concert. This is a musical treat for the whole family. Watch this program on Facebook @MenashaLibrary



Spring Break Magic Show with Rondini

Tuesday, March 30, at 1:30pm

The master of magic returns with a hat full of tricks and Einstein, our favorite German bunny with his own Facebook page. Everyone will enjoy this magical experience. Watch Rondini (and his bunny) on Facebook @MenashaLibrary



Library Browsing is Back!

See inside for details.

Come into the library to pick up your holds, browse for materials to check out, or use a computer.

THANK YOU to our community partners for supporting our year-long anniversary celebration!

- CVS Pharmacy
- Festival Foods
- Glass Nickel Pizza
- Kitz & Pfeil Ace Hardware
- Michiels Restaurant
- Parker John's BBQ & Pizza
- PDQ Car Wash
- Sammy's Pizza
- Stone Toad Bar & Grill
- Third Street Diner
- Waverly Beach Bar & Grill
- YMCA Fox Cities

Elisha D. Smith: A Life

Thursday, March 25, at 7:00pm

Kathy Humski from the Menasha Historical Society will chronicle the life of library benefactor Elisha D. Smith, one of the first businessmen to settle in Menasha. Go to our Facebook page @MenashaLibrary or watch this program on our website later: www.menashalibrary.org/vimeo



Elisha D. Smith

Join us as we celebrate the library's 125th Anniversary throughout the year with special events and programs that highlight the library's history, showcase the present, and share plans for the future.

Our partners — listed on the left — are honoring this milestone with prizes for library patrons! We are grateful for their support. Enter this month to win one of ten \$20 certificates for Festival Foods or a three-month Family Membership to the YMCA of the Fox Cities whenever you visit the library during March.

And watch for more events and prizes in future newsletters; there will be more prizes to win each month!

All services at the Elisha D. Smith Public Library are free and for everyone. Those with special needs are encouraged to call the library office at 920.967.3662 within 24 hours of an event to assure that specific needs with regards to parking are met.

Todos los servicios de la Biblioteca Elisha D. Smith son gratuitos y para todos. Aquellos con necesidades especiales pueden llamar a la oficina de la biblioteca 920.967.3662 con 24 horas de anticipación a un evento para asegurar que las necesidades específicas de parqueo, acceso al edificio o acceso a las salas de reunión puedan ser satisfechas.



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Inspiring learning. Connecting community.

For Children

*** All programs are live-streamed on Facebook @MenashaLibrary**

Spring into Reading through April

Sign up for Spring into Reading on Beanstack on for a great reading challenge. Children age three through those in fifth grade are encouraged to read, be read to, and check out books. Sign up and track your reading at menashalibrary.beanstack.org Kids will receive their free bag of prizes starting Monday, May 3.

March Take & Make

Beginning March 1, there will be a new Take & Make kit for you to pick up at the library to take home and make. Free! Until supplies last.

Family Story Times *

Monday, March 1, 8, 15, 22, & 29, at 10:00am

Tuesday, March 9, 16, 23, & 30, at 10:00am

Join us for a fun online story time filled with songs, rhymes, singing, learning concepts, and story fun. Story times include STEAM elements (Science, Technology, Engineering, Art, and Math).

Dr. Seuss Story Time *

Tuesday, March 2, at 10:00am

Help us celebrate Dr. Seuss' birthday with a yuzz-a-ma-tuzz story time.

Baby Story Times *

Fridays, March 5, 12, 19 & 26, at 10:00am

Stories, rhymes, and songs for babies up to 24 months old.

Virtual Spring Break Concert * with Randy Peterson

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(See front page for more details.)

Virtual Spring Break Magic Show * with Rondini

Tuesday, March 30, at 1:30pm

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Bilingual Story Times *

Do you like stories read in English and Spanish? Check out our Facebook page @BibliotecaPublicadeMenasha for stories, puppets, and projects.

Library Browsing is Back!

You are invited to come into the library to pick up your holds and browse for materials to check out or use a computer.

Library hours are:

8:30 to 6:00 Monday through Friday

9:00 to 1:00 Saturday

closed Sunday

If you prefer to continue curbside pickup of your holds, please park in a designated parking spot and let us know you are here by using the Winnefox Mobile app (My Account * Holds * Click & Connect) or by calling us at 920.967.3680.

A maximum of ten people may be inside the library at a time. Anyone four years old or older must cover their mouth and nose the entire time they are inside the library. Children 15 years old and younger must be accompanied by a parent. Computers may be used for up to 45 minutes.

Those who are unable to wear a mask have several options: book packs, curbside pickup, homebound delivery, and Chromebooks with WiFi hotspots (for two weeks). Call 920.967.3690 to arrange for these.

WWII History Series: Shoot on Sight—FDR's September 1941 Fireside Chat

Tuesday, March 9, at 7:00pm

This presentation will explore the events surrounding the decision to "shoot on sight" and the presidential speech that announced to Americans that they would be entering war in the Atlantic. Join this virtual presentation with Professor Steven Sheehan of the UW-O Fox Cities history department. Find the link here:

www.menashalibrary.org/calendar

The next part of this series will be on Tuesday, March 9, at 7:00pm, and it will feature a discussion of Fox Cities soldiers returning home from the front and how our community changed while they were gone.

Meet with a Coach



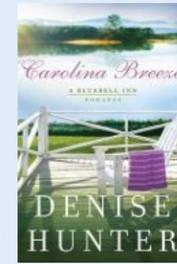
Thursday, April 1, from 3:00 to 5:00pm

Help is here. A coach from the Menasha Community Addiction Assistance Program will be at the library on the first Thursday of each month to meet with Menasha residents or family members dealing with addiction. MCAAP provides free coaching, family assistance, outreach, and education. Call 920.345.7747 for information or send a message to mcaap@unitypeersupport.org

Large Print

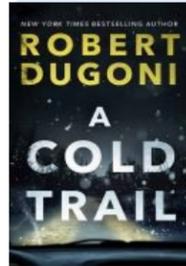
Carolina Breeze by Denise Hunter

A follow-up to Lake Season finds Levi Bennett returning to Bluebell, North Carolina, where he struggles to care for his younger siblings and fulfill his parents' retirement dream, an effort that is complicated by a Hollywood star's scandal.



A Cold Trail by Robert Dugoni

While Dan takes the case of a merchant whose small business is being jeopardized by redevelopment, Tracy investigates the brutal murders of a police officer's wife and a journalist who had been investigating a cold case.



The Guest List by Lucy Foley

An expertly planned celebrity wedding between a rising television star and an ambitious magazine publisher is thrown into turmoil by petty jealousies, a college drinking game, the bride's ruined dress and an untimely murder.



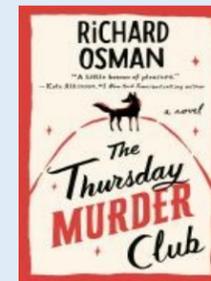
Miss Janie's Girls by Carolyn Brown

A bittersweet reunion becomes a time for looking back and starting over in a heartwarming new novel from New York Times bestselling author Carolyn Brown.



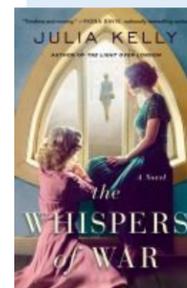
The Thursday Murder Club by Richard Osman

Meeting weekly in their retirement village's Jigsaw Room to exchange theories about unsolved crimes, four savvy septuagenarians propose a daring but unorthodox plan to help a woman rookie cop solve her first big murder case.



The Whispers of War by Julia Kelly

Three friends struggle between their loyalties to England and each other when one of them is threatened with internment by the British government for her German heritage during World War II.



DVDs

All Creatures Great and Small

James Herriot's adventures as a veterinarian in 1930s Yorkshire get a glorious new adaptation.



Archenemy

Max Fist claims to be a hero from another dimension who fell through time and space to Earth, where he has no powers. No one believes his stories except for a local teen named Hamster.



The Croods: A New Age

The Crood family sets off into the world in search of a safer place to call home when they discover an idyllic walled-in paradise that meets all their needs.



News of the World

A Civil War veteran agrees to deliver a girl, taken by the Kiowa people years ago, to her aunt and uncle, against her will. They travel hundreds of miles and face grave dangers as they search for a place that either can call home.



Wonder Woman 1984

Diana contends with a work colleague and businessman, whose desire for wealth sends the world down a path of destruction, after an ancient artifact that grants wishes goes missing.



Love and Monsters

In a monster-infested world, Joel learns his girlfriend is just 80 miles away. To make the dangerous journey, Joel discovers his inner hero to be with the girl of his dreams.



Wild Mountain Thyme

A pair of star-crossed lovers in Ireland get caught up in their family's land dispute.



Freaky

A high school student inexplicably switches bodies with a notorious mass murderer. In twenty-four hours, she must uncover the secret that will return her to her body before the change becomes irreversible.



Fatman

Santa's workshop is in financial peril and a disgruntled boy puts a sizable hit on the fatman's head after receiving a lump of coal for Christmas.



www.menashalibrary.org/stories
www.menashalibrary.org/cuentos

Fiction

A Million Aunties by Alecia McKenzie

American-born artist Chris is forced to reconsider his own concept of "family" during a visit to his mother's Caribbean homeland.

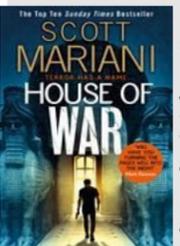
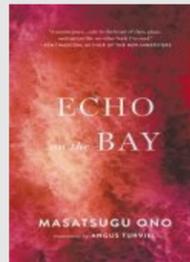


Agatha Arch is Afraid of Everything by Kristin Bair

A quirky, nervous wreck of a New England mom is forced to face her many fears in this touching, irresistible novel from author Kristin Bair.

Echo on the Bay by Masatsugu Ono

Tells the story of a small fishing village in Japan with the untreated wounds of the town's history in the foreground.

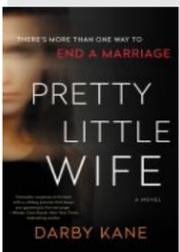
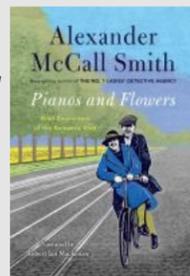


House of War by Scott Mariani

Following a chance encounter with a terrified young woman in the streets of Paris, former SAS soldier Ben Hope finds himself hurled into a violent new mission involving murder, international terrorism and stolen historic artifacts.

Pianos and Flowers: Brief Encounters of the Romantic Kind by Alexander McCall Smith

An anthology of 14 stories by the best-selling author imagines the rich lives and loves behind everyday people featured in pictures from the London Sunday Times photograph archives.



Pretty Little Wife by Darby Kane

Debut author Darby Kane thrills with this twisty domestic suspense novel that asks one central question: shouldn't a dead husband stay dead?

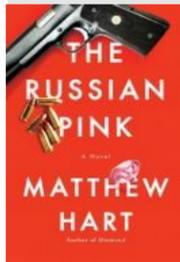
The Arctic Fury by Greer Macallister

Secretly hired by an eccentric Lady Franklin to lead a team of women explorers into the Arctic to recover Captain Sir John Franklin's lost expedition, Virginia Reeve survives a harrowing quest only to find herself on trial for murder.



The Chanel Sisters by Judithe Little

Raised by pious nuns, Antoinette, the younger sister of Gabrielle "Coco" Chanel, escapes to Paris, where her shared effort to launch a fashion brand is challenged by discriminating conventions and the horrors of World War I.



The Russian Pink by Matthew Hart

U.S. treasury agent Alex Turner and diamond thief Slav Lily pursue the truth behind a precious stone known as the Russian Pink.

The Secret French Recipes of Sophie Valroux by Samantha Verant

Aspiring to run a Michelin-starred restaurant, a French-born American chef loses everything to a sabotaging rival before moving to her ailing grandmother's luxurious chateau, where she rediscovers her heritage and culinary passions.



The Wrong Family by Tarryn Fisher

Before moving in with the Crouch family, Juno thought Winnie and her husband, Nigel, had the perfect marriage, the perfect life. Only now, after a grim diagnosis, she's living in their beautiful house, and sees the cracks in the facade are too deep to ignore. Especially after the day Juno overhears a chilling conversation between Winnie and Nigel.

Things We Didn't Say by Amy Lynn Green

In this epistolary novel from the WWII home front, Johanna Berglund is forced to return to her small Midwestern town to become a translator at a German prisoner of war camp. There, amid old secrets and prejudice, she finds that the POWs have hidden depths. When the lines between compassion and treason are blurred, she must decide where her heart truly lies.



Lost Wonderland Diaries by J. Scott Savage

Celia and Tyrus are lost in Wonderland, just like Lewis Carroll's made up world in *Alice's Adventures in Wonderland*. But what if Wonderland is real? A whimsical adventure full of puzzles awaits you when you fall down this rabbit hole. Complete with a Mad Hatter, Cheshire cat, White Rabbit, and the Queen of Hearts.

One Time by Sharon Creech

Gina is different from her classmates, with her brightly colored clothes and her active imagination. With the help of a new teacher and a new friend named Antonio who is different like her, she grows into herself.



We Dream of Space by Erin Entrada Kelly

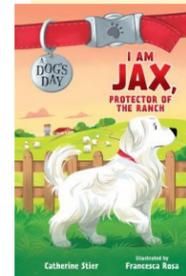
Fitch, his twin sister Bird, and their brother Cash are siblings living in Park, Delaware. Each has problems of belonging, and each dreams of friendship, family, and finding their own place in space.



Glitch

Glitch by Laura Martin

Reagan and Elliot are training to become Glitchers, people who travel through time to stop others from altering history in order to change the future. Past enemies, they must collaborate to save everyone they love and break every rule they know to do it.



I Am Jax, Protector of the Ranch by Catherine Stier

Jax the Great Pyrenees is a livestock guardian dog who protects the sheep herd from predators at night. But when the lead dog gets injured, can Jax protect the herd with only a young pup to help?

If We Were Giants by Dave Matthews & Clete Barrett Smith

Kirra must confront her past before she can save her forest community from a dire environmental threat.



New Releases

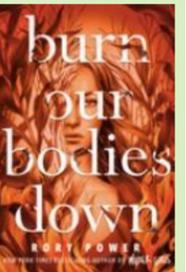
Place a hold on any of these books in the catalog using your library card or call us at 920.967.3690 to make arrangements to pick them up at the library.

Recommended for Children

For Young Adults

Burn Our Bodies Down by Rory Power

Growing up alongside a mother who refuses to speak about the past, a teen who longs for a family discovers a photograph that leads to her mother's hometown, where she encounters disturbing revelations.



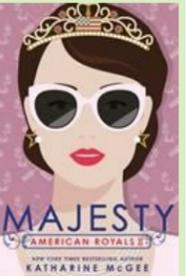
Don't Call the Wolf by Aleksandra Ross

A fantasy debut inspired by Eastern European culture finds a young queen hopelessly battling the monster hordes that have descended on her forest before agreeing to help a lone surviving dragon slayer in exchange for his services.



Majesty by Katharine McGee

In an alternate America, tensions are high as Beatrice prepares to become the country's first queen, while Princess Samantha and Prince Jefferson struggle to decide what their futures might hold.



One of Us is Next by Karen M. McManus

Finds the Bayview friends targeted by an anonymous adversary who uses an increasingly dangerous truth-or-dare app to keep the late Simon's gossip legacy alive.



Secrets of the Casa Rosada by Alex Temblador

Sixteen-year-old Martha's life is transformed when her mother leaves her in Laredo, Texas, in 1990 with a grandmother she never knew, who is a revered curandera.



What I Like About Me by Jenna Guillaume

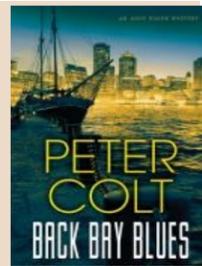
The last thing Maisie Martin thought she'd be doing this summer is entering a beauty pageant. Now her dad is AWOL for Christmas and her best friend starts going out with the boy she's always loved. But Maisie's got something to prove. And she's not going to let anything or anyone - including herself - hold her back.



Mysteries

Bay Back Blues by Peter Colt

Theft, greed, and corruption collide in Peter Colt's hard-edged new mystery featuring Vietnam veteran turned Boston P.I. Andy Roark.

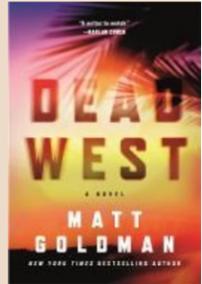


Cold Wind by Paige Shelton

A sequel to Thin Ice finds Beth investigating the discovery of a trapper's secluded home in the woods near Benedict, Alaska, where a murder victim is linked to the owner of the local mercantile.

Dead West by Matt Goldman

Visiting Hollywood to investigate Beverly Mayer's heartbroken grandson's reckless spending activities, Minneapolis private detective Nils Shapiro infiltrates the grieving man's disorienting inner circle to uncover the truth about a fiancée's tragic death.



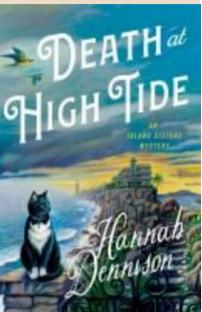
A Death Long Overdue by Eva Gates

When her former director is found dead in the water, librarian Lucy Richardson will have to get to the bottom of the mystery before the killer ends her tale.



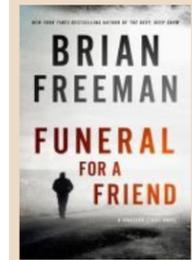
Death at High Tide by Hannah Dennison

Death at High Tide is the delightful first installment in the Island Sisters series by Hannah Dennison, featuring two sisters who inherit an old hotel in the remote Isles of Scilly off the coast of Cornwall and find it full of intrigue, danger, and romance.



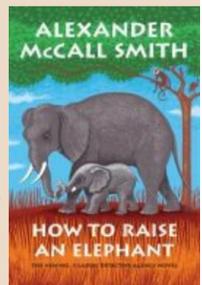
Funeral for a Friend by Brian Freeman

Jonathan Stride investigates after his best friend confesses on his death bed to covering up a murder that leads to the discovery of a body buried in his yard in the latest addition to the series following Alter Ego.



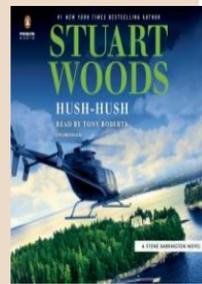
How to Raise an Elephant by Alexander McCall Smith

Precious Ramotswe and the rest of the No. 1 Ladies' Detective Agency must come together to raise a small elephant, in this two-ton case that employs Precious's maternal instincts.



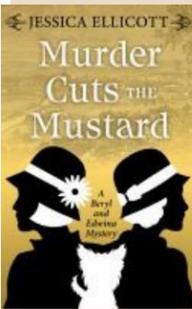
Hush-Hush by Stuart Woods

Stone Barrington is settling in for some downtime in New York City when an anonymous enemy makes himself known. This nameless foe's threats hit close to home, and before Stone can retaliate, the fearsome messages turn into very real consequences.



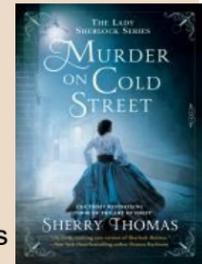
Murder Cuts the Mustard by Jessica Ellicott

Proper Brit Edwina Davenport and brash American Beryl Helliwell investigate the murder of an elderly gardener's brother-in-law in the quaint post-World War I village of Walmsley Parva, discovering a valuable ring and a second homicide along the way.



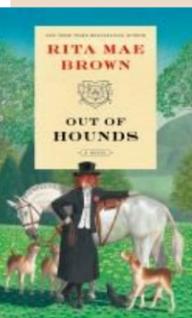
Murder on Cold Street by Sherry Thomas

When her friend refuses to defend himself after being found in a locked room with two murder victims, Charlotte Holmes navigates baffling evidence and rumors in a case that is complicated by Lord Ingram's long-anticipated offer.



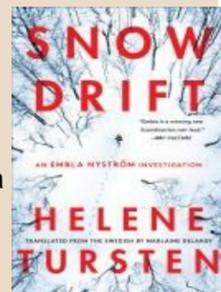
Out of Hounds by Rita Mae Brown

Sister Jane investigates when a series of art thefts and acts of vandalism targeting the Jefferson Hunt Club escalates to the murder of a retired foxhunter. By the best-selling author of the Sneaky Pie Brown mysteries.



Snowdrift by Helene Tursten

When a new lead breaks in the cold case that has long haunted Swedish Detective Inspector Embla Nyström, the truth she's been seeking about her best friend's disappearance may finally be revealed—if it doesn't kill her first.



NonFiction

7-Minute Body Plan by Lucy Wyndham-Read

Whatever your body shape, fitness level, or age, feel amazing after just 1 week of 7-minute workouts, recipes, and Lucy's positive mindset to help you believe in yourself and love your body.



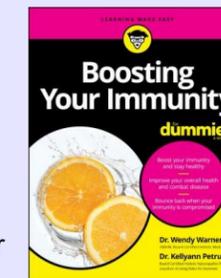
Behind the Horror: True Stories That Inspired Horror by Dr. Lee Mellor

Uncover the twisted tales that inspired the big screen's greatest screams such as *The Exorcist* and *A Nightmare on Elm Street*.



Boosting Your Immunity for Dummies by Wendy Warner

Through diet, exercise, stress reduction, nutritional supplements, and the role of water, sunlight, and oxygen, you can harness the power of your immune system and drastically improve your immunity to disease.



Celebrate with Bread Baking by Jenny Prior

With this bread cookbook, you'll find a world of festive breads to bake, break, and celebrate every season and special occasion.



Dog is Love: Why and How Your Dog Loves You by Clive D.L. Wynne

A humane, illuminating book, *Dog Is Love* is essential reading for anyone who has ever loved a dog—and experienced the wonder of being loved back.



Free Motion Quilting 101 by Ashley Nickels

Teacher and quilter Ashley Nickels provides in-depth instruction on learning the technique of free-motion quilting, combined with simple small projects that reinforce the technique.



Into the Woods: Retreats and Dream Houses by Philip Jodidio

International in scope, this book is an A to Z of ideas, from a pavilion in Argentina to a forest house in New Zealand, all designed to have minimal architectural traces—made with local materials that harmonize with the surrounding environment.



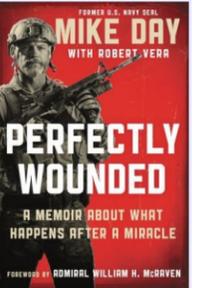
Living Without Plastic by Brigette Allen

Organized into five sections—At Home, Food & Drink, Health & Beauty, On the Go, and Special Occasions—*Living Without Plastic* is a cover-to-cover collection of doable solutions, including a 30-Day Plastic Detox Program.



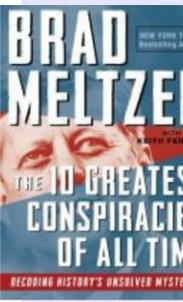
Perfectly Wounded: a Memoir about What Happens After a Miracle by Mike Day

The remarkable story of a former Navy SEAL whose incredible survival defies explanation, and whose blessed life of service continues in the face of unimaginable odds.



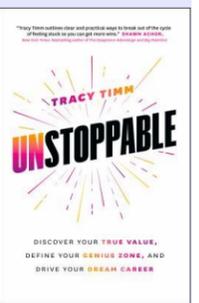
The Ten Greatest Conspiracies of All Time by Brad Meltzer

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