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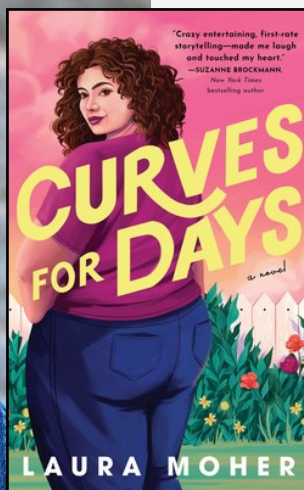
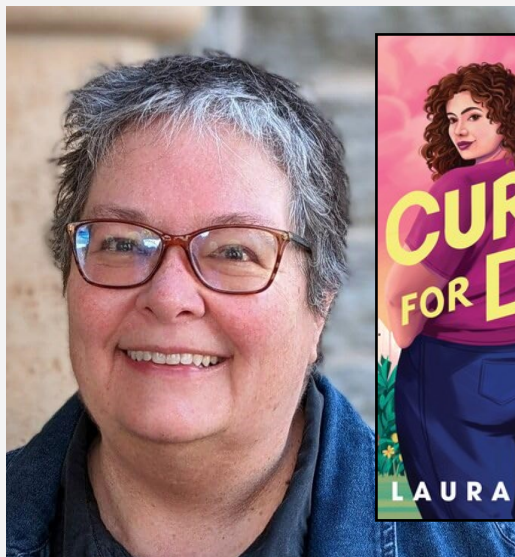
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## MAY

## 2024



## AUTHOR EVENT: LAURA MOHER

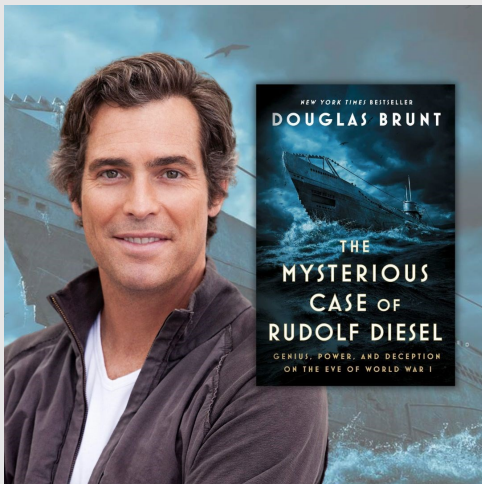
Join us for a conversation with the author of *Curves for Days* and the upcoming *What She's Having*.

"It's easy to root for these deserving and well-matched characters on their bumpy road to love, and the charming small-town setting only adds to the appeal of this complex yet cozy tale. An emphasis on body positivity combines with heartfelt romance to make this a winner." — *Publishers Weekly*

May 20th 6 pm Waseca, in the Music Garden

This program is made possible by the voters of Minnesota through a grant provided by the Traverse des Sioux Library Cooperative, thanks to a legislative appropriation from the arts and cultural heritage fund.

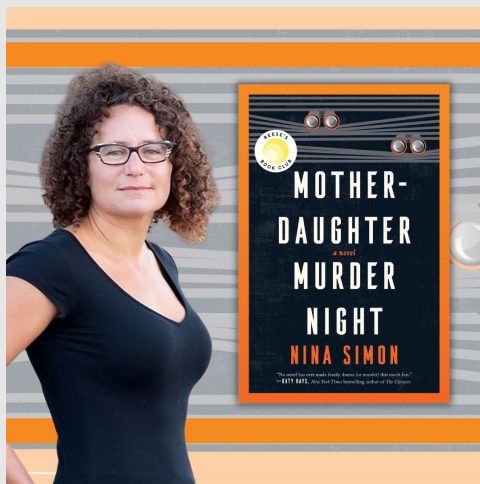
# VIRTUAL AUTHOR EVENTS



## DOUGLAS BLUNT

Join us as we chat with Douglas Brunt, about his instant bestselling debut non-fiction work *The Mysterious Case of Rudolph Diesel: Genius, Power, and Deception on the Eve of World War I*.

May 1st 2 pm Virtual Event



## NINA SIMON

Nothing brings a family together like a murder next door. Nina Simon will chat about her lighthearted whodunnit about a grandmother-mother-daughter trio of amateur sleuths.

May 8th 6 pm Virtual Event



## R.F. KUANG

Register for a thrilling conversation with R.F. Kuang as she chats with us about her bestselling novel, *Yellowface*. *Yellowface* grapples with questions of diversity, racism, and cultural appropriation, as well as the terrifying alienation of social media.

May 21st 6 pm Virtual Event

Register at the library or at [wasecalesueurlibraries.com/getregistered](http://wasecalesueurlibraries.com/getregistered)

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## BOOK TALK

Join our book discussion group and chat us up about these compelling books. Geared for adults.

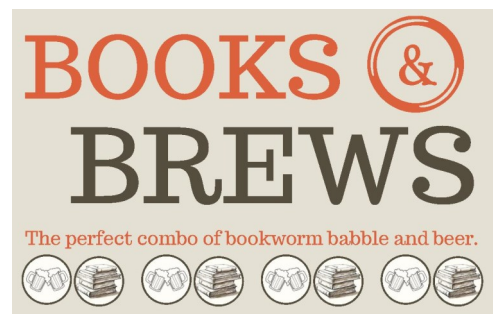
May 15th 1 pm Elysian  
*The Cartographer of No Man's Land* by P.S. Duffy



## BRING YOUR OWN BOOK CLUB

Join our book discussion group and chat us up about the books you've been reading. Geared for adults.

May 20th 5 pm Janesville



## BOOKS & BREWS

It's the perfect combo of bookworm babble and beer. Pick up a copy of *North Woods* by Daniel Mason at Waseca Public Library and discuss it at Half Pint Brewing Company.

May 18th 4 pm  
Half Pint Brewing Company, Waseca



## BOOKS, CRAFTS. & COMMUNITY



### BOOKS & BAGELS

Bagels, coffee, juice, and community. Stop in at the library to talk about books. All ages.

May 4th 9:30 am-1:30 pm Montgomery

Sponsored by Montgomery Area Friends of the Library



### DESTRESSING NIGHT

Start the year off by taking some time for yourself to create greater mental health. Bring coloring books, puzzles, or a book to read. Geared for teens and adults.

May 7th 6 pm Janesville



### SUMMER BOOK PREVIEW

Join Waseca Public Library staff for a preview of the most anticipated books of the summer! Staff will help you load up your TO BE READ piles with steamy romances, unforgettable characters, Minnesota-based stories, and pulse-pounding thrillers. Light refreshments will be served. Geared for adults.

May 6th 6 PM Waseca

Sponsored by Friends of the Waseca Public Library

## CHECK OUT OUR EBOOKS & E-AUDIOBOOKS THROUGH THE LIBBY APP

Meet Libby.



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GREAT VARIETY OF TITLES

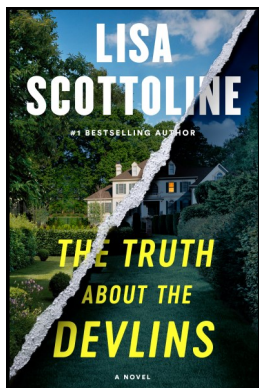


EASY TO USE

**VISIT US AT OUR WEBSITE AT [WASECALESUEURLIBRARIES.COM](http://WASECALESUEURLIBRARIES.COM)**

For event signup, library catalog browsing, access to resources, and more.

# STAFF PICKS



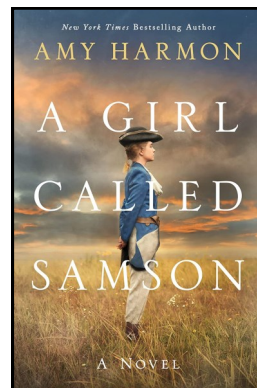
An easy, fun read with some Scottoline twists and turns!  
—Karen



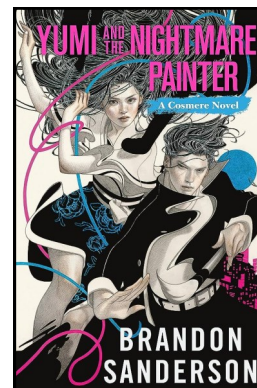
Beautiful and artful telling of Greek mythology.  
—Marla



A modern twist on the classic *And Then There Were None*.  
—Jessi



A daring young woman charts her destiny in life during the Revolutionary War.  
—Lynn



Beautiful, romantic, action-packed, self discovery, self forgiveness.  
—Elizabeth

# HOURS AND LOCATIONS

Our website: [wasecalesueurlibraries.com](http://wasecalesueurlibraries.com)

<b>Elysian</b> 132 Main St E Elysian, MN	507-267-4411 Facebook Instagram	<b>Le Sueur</b> 118 E Ferry St Le Sueur, MN	507-665-2662 Facebook Instagram	<b>Waldorf</b> City Hall 109 Main St N Waldorf, MN	507-239-2248
<b>Janesville</b> 102 W Second Janesville MN	507-234-6605 Facebook Instagram	<b>Montgomery</b> 104 Oak Ave SE Montgomery, MN	507-364-7615 Facebook Instagram	<b>Waseca</b> 408 N State St Waseca, MN	507-835-2910 Facebook Instagram
<b>Le Center</b> 10 West Tyrone St Le Center, MN	507-357-6792 Facebook	<b>New Richland</b> 119 S Broadway New Richland, MN	507-465-3708 Facebook Instagram	<b>Waterville</b> 210 E Paquin St Waterville, MN	507-362-8462 Facebook Instagram

LIBRARY	SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
Elysian	Closed	9-12, 1-7	9-12	9-12, 1-8	9-12	9-12, 1-3	10-12
Janesville	Closed	1-6	1-8	Closed	9-12, 1-6	Closed	Closed
Le Center	Closed	1-7	1-7	Closed	1-5	1-5	Closed
Le Sueur	Closed	10-8	1-8	10-5	1-8	10-5	9-12 (Sept-May) Closed (Jun-Aug)
Montgomery	Closed	9:30-5	9:30-8	9:30-5	9:30-8	Closed	9:30-1:30
New Richland	Closed	1-7	9-1	9-1	1-7	Closed	Closed
Waldorf	Closed	Closed	1-5	9-11:30, 1-5	Closed	1-5:30	Closed
Waseca	Closed	9-8:30	9-8:30	9-8:30	9-5	9-5	9-1 (Sept-May) 9-12 (Jun-Aug)
Waterville	Closed	11-7	2-6	2-6	2-6	Closed	9-12



# SUMMER READING PROGRAM KICK-OFFS

## ADVENTURE — BEGINS AT — YOUR LIBRARY™



### LE CENTER SUMMER READING PROGRAM KICK-OFF

Register for the summer reading program, explore the library and get your first summer books, participate in fun activities, including games and crafts! All ages.

May 31st 1-5 pm Le Center

### MONTGOMERY SUMMER READING PROGRAM KICK-OFF

Register for the summer reading program, explore the library and get your first summer books, participate in fun activities, including games and crafts! All ages.

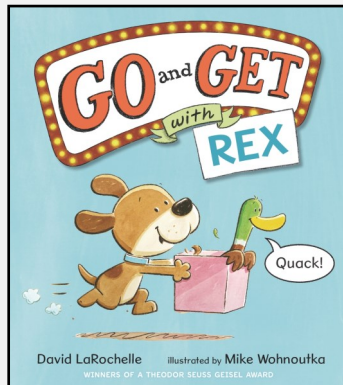
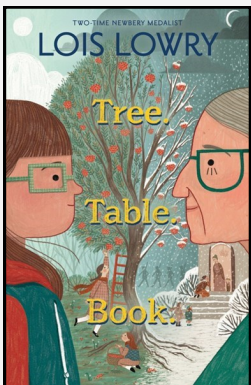
May 30th 2-5 pm Montgomery

### LE SUEUR SUMMER READING PROGRAM KICK-OFF

Register for the summer reading program, pick up a free book, enjoy sweet treats, glam up with a glitter tattoo bar, meet Oliver's Travel Petting Zoo, and more! Bring a food shelf item (food or hygiene) for the Le Sueur Food Shelf and get entered into a special prize basket. Every item is an entry! All ages.

May 31st 1-5 pm Le Sueur  
Sponsored by the Friends of the Le Sueur Public Library, United Fund of Le Sueur, Treasures in Town, Le Sueur Lions Club, Manke Foundation, and Le Sueur Rotary Club.

# BOOKS FOR YOUNG READERS HEADED TO OUR LIBRARIES THIS MONTH



## KIDS EVENTS



### THE SECRET SCIENCE OF COTTON CANDY

What is cotton candy made of? How do you spin sugar? Why is it sticky? Why do some people call this fairy floss? Learn this and more (while you sample your self-spun cotton candy). Ages 9-12.

May 2nd	3:45 pm	Waterville
May 6th	4 pm	Le Center
May 8th	3:30 pm	Montgomery
May 24th	4 pm	Waldorf



### LEGO CLUB

Unlock the magic of Legos by ditching the instruction manual and building your own! Lego builders will be given a theme to inspire their creations. Ages 7-12.

Tuesdays	4 pm	Waldorf
May 21st	4 pm	Le Sueur
May 21st	3:30 pm	Janesville



### KINDERGARTEN CARD PARTY

Come to the library to collect your library card, play games, pose with a GIANT library card, boogie down at a dance party, collect giveaways, and more! Exclusively for kindergarteners and their families.

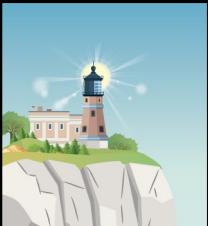
May 4th	10 am	Janesville
May 4th	10 am	New Richland
May 18th	10 am	Montgomery



### MISTER ROGERS' NEIGHBORHOOD PARTY

Explore the different themes of Mr. Roger's Neighborhood by exploring emotions, telling stories, sharing kindness, and identifying ways to be a good community helper and friend. Ages 3-6.

May 13th	6 pm	Elysian
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## MINNESOTA STATE PARKS LIBRARY PASS

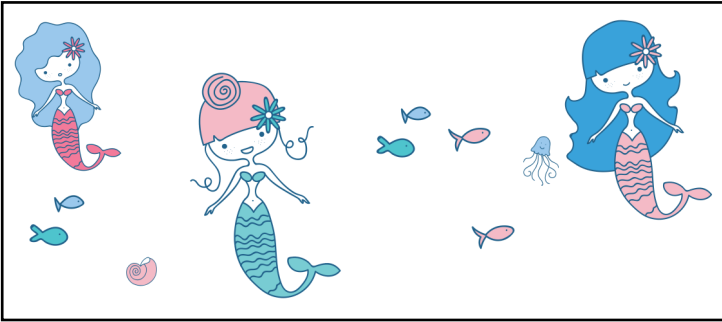
Reserve a 7-day pass at our libraries today! A collaboration between our library system and Minnesota State Parks & Trails.

## GET LIT SUBSCRIPTION BOX

Sign up to receive a free box of hand-selected books and book-themed swag for ages 10-18. At the end of the month, return the books and keep the swag. Available at Le Sueur and Waseca.







## MERMAID STORY TIME PARTY

Enjoy mermaid stories, undersea exploration, treasure sorting, and mermaid games! Ages 3-5, with an adult.

May 13th      6 pm      Waterville



## WHIMSICAL WANDCRAFTING FOR WACKY WIZARDS

The magical librarian is here to assist you in your wizarding training. Kids will make cool wands and learn how to use them. Geared for ages 8-12.

May 3rd      10 am      Waseca



## MOTHER-DAUGHTER BOOK CLUB

Geared for girls in grades 3-6 and a significant adult female, this book club features the latest children's books and fun activities. May's book club selection is *Camp Famous* by Jennifer Blecher.

May 16th      6 pm      Waseca



## BRING YOUR OWN BOOK CLUB

Join our book discussion group and chat us up about the books you've been reading and share recommendations. Geared for tweens and teens.

May 23rd      3:30 pm      Janesville



## ROMP AND RHYME STORY TIME

From puppets to pumping music, from bubble machines to banging bands, these are not your average story times. Free and open to the public.

Tuesdays	10 am	Le Center
Wednesdays	10 am	New Richland (ending May 22nd)
Wednesdays	4 pm	Waldorf
Thursdays	9:30 am	Janesville (ending May 23rd)
May 13th	5:30 pm	Waseca (Camping)



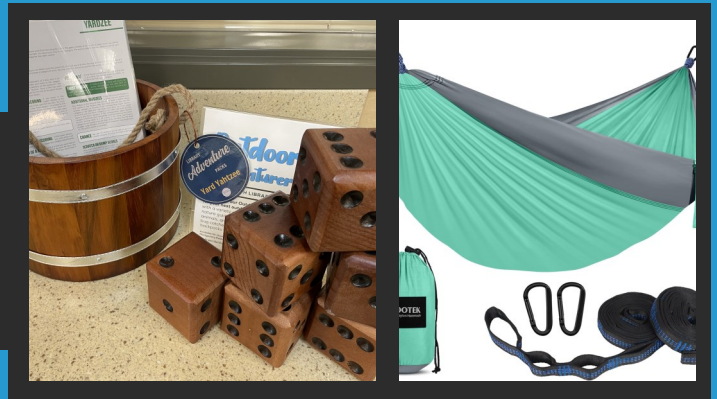
**Read ebooks.  
Create.  
Communicate.  
All on one device.**

Check out an iPad Hotspot for 3 weeks today! Available for ages 18+. Available at Waseca Public Library.

Match with our Cricut Maker, Astronomy, Birding, or Hiking Adventure Packs.

# ADVENTURE PACKS

From yard games to multimedia projectors, try out a new hobby or create a special memory by checking out items from our collection. Available for 1-week checkouts. Check with your local library to see what is available.



'90s Toys  
Astronomy  
Badminton  
Bird Watching  
Bocce Ball  
Bug Catcher  
Button Maker  
Cookie Decorating  
Crafter's Kit  
Cricut EasyPress  
Cricut Maker  
Dance Party  
Disc Golf  
Dungeons and Dragons  
Fishing

Furniture Sliders & Movers  
Gaming Headset  
Geocaching  
Hammock  
Hiking  
Hooks 'n' Books  
Ice Skates  
Inflatable Kayak  
Karaoke Machine  
Kubb  
Ladder Toss  
Metal Detector  
Mindfulness  
Minute-to-Win-It  
Multimedia Projector

Nail Art  
Night Vision Goggles  
Pickleball  
Play Dough  
Playground Games  
Portable PA  
Portable Power Station  
Purls & Patterns  
Record Player  
Retro Video Games: Atari  
Retro Video Games:  
Nintendo  
Road Trip

Sketchbook  
Slackline  
Sleepover Party Kit  
Snow Cone Machine  
Snowshoes  
Spikeball  
Spyder Pong  
Tarot  
Tinker Toolbox  
Traveling Sketchbook  
Ukulele  
Washer Toss  
Yard Yahtzee



## ROKU STREAMING STICK

Check out a Roku Streaming Stick for 3 weeks today! Available for ages 18+. Available at Montgomery Public Library.

Includes subscriptions to:

Apple TV+	Hulu
Disney+	Max
ESPN+	Netflix

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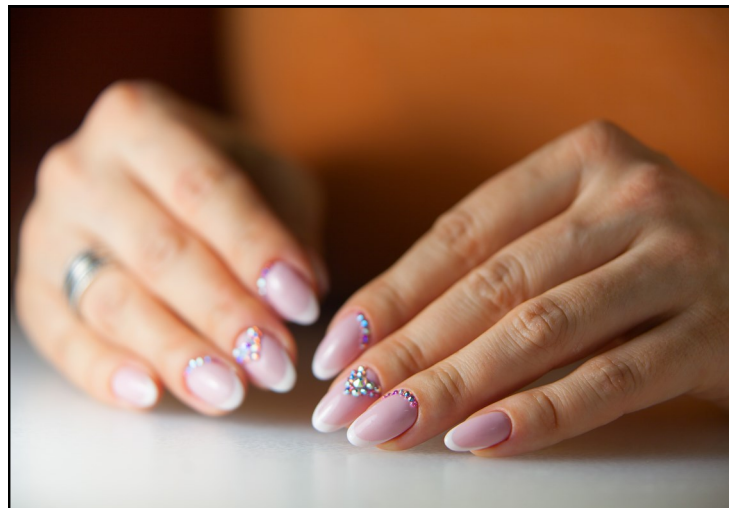
## TEEN EVENTS



### TEEN CLOUD LIGHT

Craft a unique cloud light fixture that will make a statement in your room! Ages 13-18.

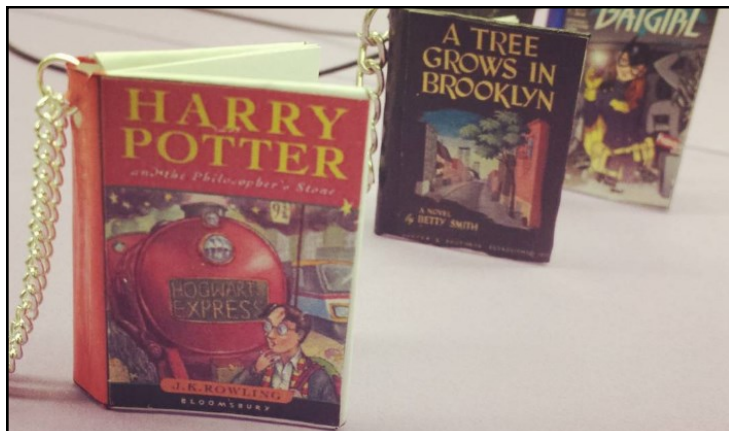
May 2nd 5:30 pm Le Sueur



### NAIL ART

Try out some trendy nail art hacks without spending a fortune! Ages 13-18.

May 3rd 1 pm Waseca

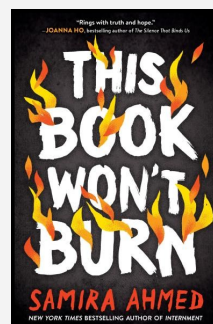
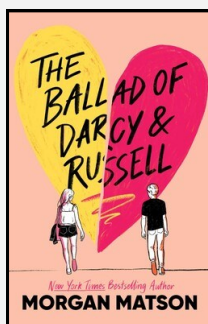
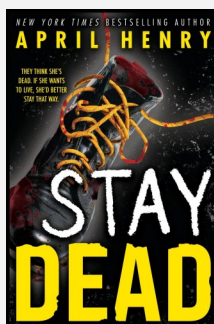
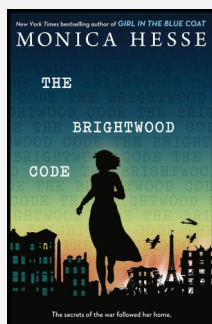


### BOOK COVER KEYCHAINS

Create a bookish keychain. All supplies provided. Ages 13-18.

May 14th 5 pm Janesville

## YOUNG ADULT BOOKS HEADED TO OUR LIBRARIES THIS MONTH



# YOUR GIFTS HELP

When you think of places where you can have fun, enjoy cultural events, or find the answers to burning questions, the libraries in the Waseca-Le Sueur Regional Library System are some of the most special places in your community to enjoy your time.

Every gift of every size is a symbol of gratitude for what our libraries bring to you and give you a chance to connect to your community and share our libraries with others. These gifts make a meaningful difference in people's lives.

Your gifts are important. It is gifts that make it possible for our libraries to offer the materials, services, and events that you enjoy. Our libraries need your help to provide these high-quality events and services.

Thank you for all your support!

# DONATIONS & GRANTS

Arts and Cultural Heritage Fund  
Amy and Peter Bulger  
Curtis Swenson Fund  
Manke Foundation



# BOOK SALE

Our Friends of the Library group is selling books for all ages. Help us raise money for our library!

May 3rd 2-6 pm	Janesville City Park shelter
May 4th 9 am-12 pm	Janesville City Park shelter
May 11th 8 am-12 pm	Elysian (on sidewalk)
May 18th 8 am-4 pm	Langerud's Garage, 503 Marion St, Waterville



# PAINT & SIP

Join us for an afternoon of creativity and fun as we raise funds for our library! Tickets can be purchased online by scanning the code on the left. Space is limited. Food and beverage not provided.

May 4th 2 pm \$35  
Elysian American Legion #311

# FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY GROUPS

Friends of the Elysian Area Library  
President: Patricia Nusbaum  
132 Main St E  
Elysian, MN 56028

Friends of the Janesville Public Library  
President: Cheryl Schuch  
102 W Second  
PO Box H  
Janesville, MN 56048

Friends of the Le Center Public Library  
President: Patti Germscheid  
10 W Tyrone St  
Le Center, MN 56057

Friends of the Le Sueur Public Library  
President: Janet Nordstrom  
118 E Ferry St  
Le Sueur, MN 56058

Montgomery Area Friends of the Library  
President: Doreen Devoy-Hulgan  
104 Oak Ave SE  
Montgomery, MN 56069

Friends of the New Richland Public Library  
President: Nancy Rudau  
119 S Broadway  
New Richland, MN 56072

Friends of the Waldorf Public Library  
President: Amanda Bottin  
Box 121  
Waldorf, MN 56048

Friends of the Waseca Public Library  
President: Josie Jackson  
408 N State St  
Waseca, MN 56093

Friends of the Waterville Public Library  
Chairperson: Judy Graham  
210 E Paquin St  
Waterville, MN 56096



# COMPETITIONS



## BOARD GAME NIGHT

Join us for a night of gaming. We'll have a variety of games to choose from and we'll teach a new game. Geared for adults and families.

May 2nd 5 pm Janesville



## JIGSAW PUZZLE DERBY

Assemble a team of up to 4 players to compete in a jigsaw puzzle competition. The first team to complete the puzzle wins a prize (and bragging rights)! Registration required.

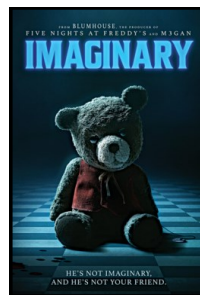
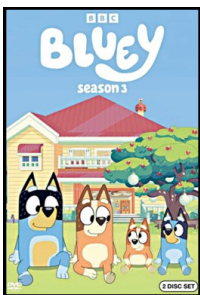
May 3rd 6 pm Le Sueur  
Prizes sponsored by Friends of the Library groups

# NOW CHECKING OUT VIDEO GAMES

CURRENTLY AVAILABLE AT LE CENTER, LE SUEUR, MONTGOMERY, WASECA, WATERVILLE



- CHECK OUT MAXIMUM OF 1 VIDEO GAME AT A TIME
- 3-WEEK CHECKOUT
- NONHOLDABLE



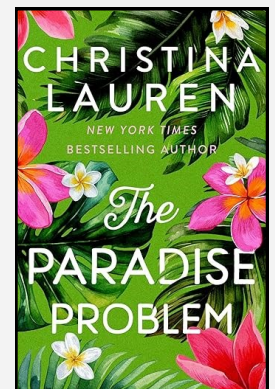
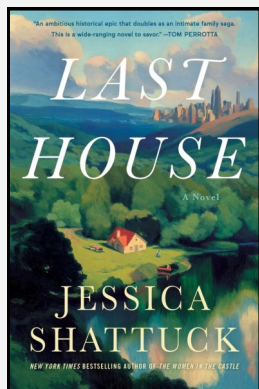
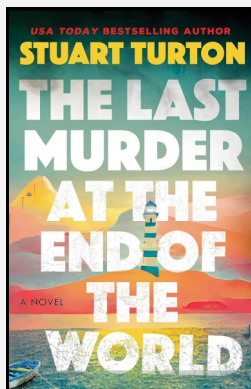
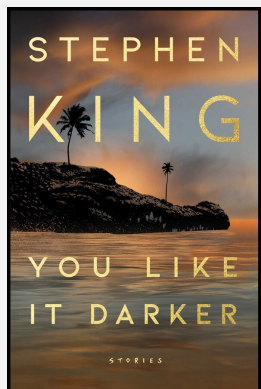
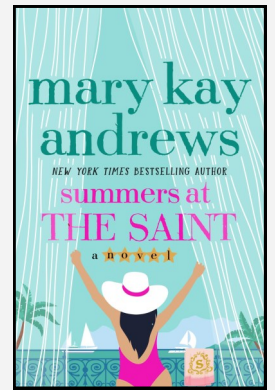
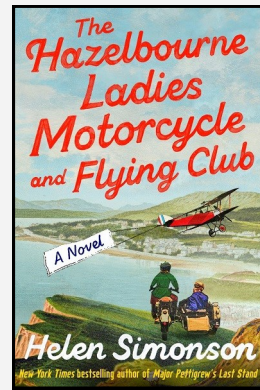
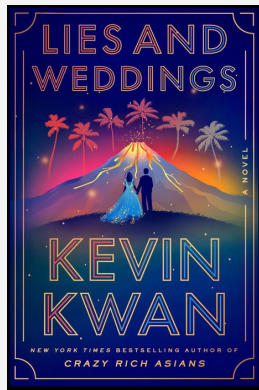
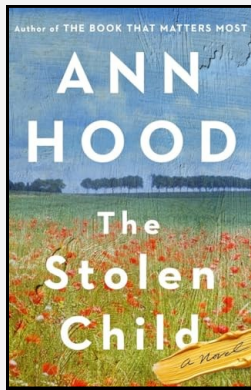
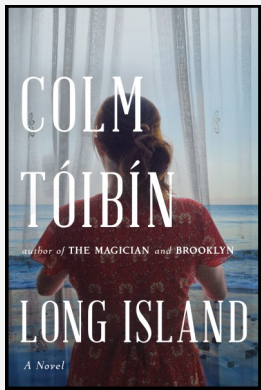
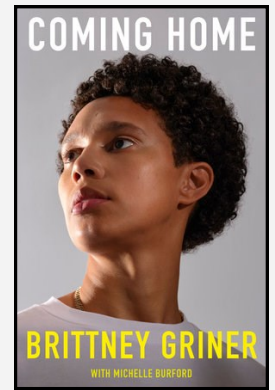
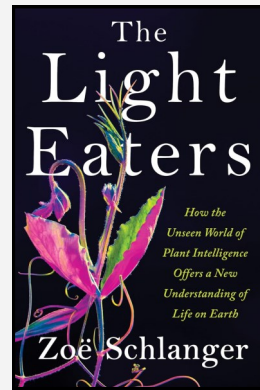
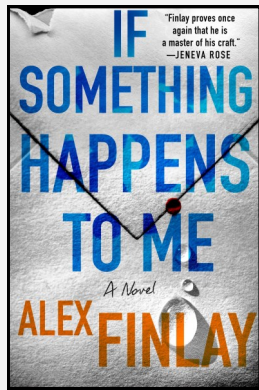
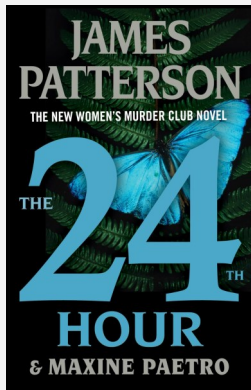
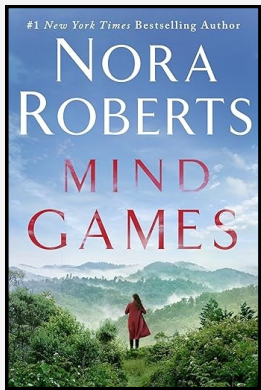
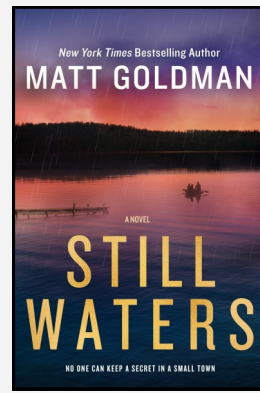
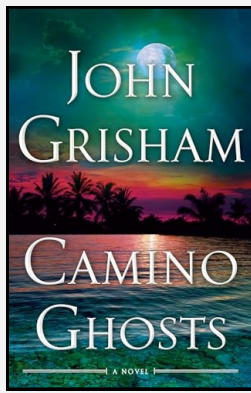
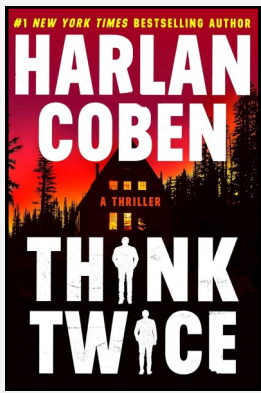
# NEW MOVIES

COMING TO OUR LIBRARIES THIS MONTH

THESE MOVIES & TV SHOWS ARE GETTING A LOT OF BUZZ AT OUR LIBRARIES!

We recommend to get your name on the waiting list as soon as possible.





# NEW BOOKS

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