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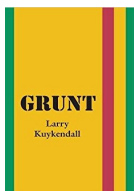
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Christmas and Books—A Perfect Combination

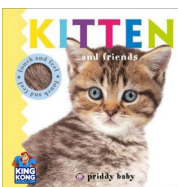
As has become our tradition, we asked Rick and Linda of New Copperfield's Book Service to offer suggestions of books to appeal to the readers on our Christmas shopping lists. New Copperfield's has always supported our Friends organization, and we encourage you to support this cozy, friendly neighborhood bookstore as well.

Grunt: A Tale of Men and War, Larry Kuykendall



Grunt is a tale of an infantry platoon and its leader over a 12-month period during the Vietnam war. Grunt is not a war story. It is a story about men and the impact of war during their tour.

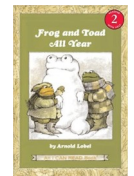
Kitten and Friends, Roger Priddy



An adorable and irresistible touch-and-feel board book for babies and toddlers, full of cute kittens to stroke and textures to explore. See the kittens doing the things kittens do, from eating and playing to snuggling and

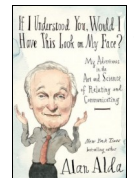
snoozing.

Fred and Toad All Year, Arnold Lobel



In winter, spring, summer, and fall, *Frog and Toad* are always together. From sledding in winter to eating ice cream on hot summer days, these two friends have fun the whole year round!

If I Understood You, Would I Have This Look on My Face?, Alan Alda



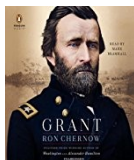
Award-winning actor Alan Alda tells the fascinating story of his quest to learn how to communicate better, and to teach others to do the same.

Fishing: How the Sea Fed Civilization, Brian Fagan



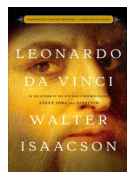
In this history of fishing—not as sport but as sustenance—archaeologist Brian Fagan argues that fishing was an indispensable and often overlooked element in the growth of civilization.

Grant, Ron Chernow



Pulitzer Prize winner *Ron Chernow* returns with a sweeping and dramatic portrait of one of our most compelling generals and presidents, Ulysses S. *Grant*.

Leonardo Da Vinci, Walter Isaacson

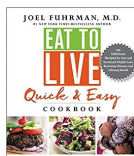


The Italian renaissance master, *Leonardo da Vinci*, becomes human at the hands of Walter Isaacson in a new "genius" biography.

The Road to Little Dribbling: Adventures of an America in Britain, Bill Bryson

A loving and hilarious—if occasionally spiky—valentine to Bill Bryson's adopted country.

Eat to Live Quick and Easy Cookbook, Joel Fuhrman



131 super delicious, easy-to-prepare, incredibly healthy recipes. No guilt, no-fuss, just amazing food that's good for you.

Eat What You Watch: A Cookbook for Movie Lovers, Andrew Rea

In this cookbook, author Andrew Rea (of the hit YouTube channel "Binging with Babish") recreates iconic movie food scenes with recipes from more than 40 classic and cult films.

Tasty Latest and Greatest: Everything You Want to Cook Right Now, Tasty



Tasty, BuzzFeed's popular cooking brand, delivers inventive healthy, vegetarian, and vegan weeknight dinners as well as treats like ice cream.

The Best of America's Test Kitchen 2018, America's Test Kitchen



The best of the best—including recipes, tastings, and testings—from the current year, all compiled into one must-have collection from America's most trusted *test kitchen*.

Mice Skating, Annie Silvestro

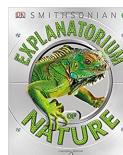


The story of a *mouse* who loves winter so much that she finds a creative way to get her friends to join her in the cold.

Jingle Bells, Susan Jeffers

Ride along with a girl, a boy, their pony, and a mischievous dog as they travel to Grandma's house. With playful animals in their path, their journey gets a bit sidetracked. But soon enough they arrive at Grandma's—where an unexpected visitor fills them with holiday cheer!

Explanatorium of Nature, DK Publishing



A remarkable visual reference for kids that explores the natural world in stunning detail and allows young readers to see nature as they never have before.

National Geographic Kids Why?, Crispin Boyer

The concept is simple. Got a question? Well now you have an answer! 1,111 of them, in fact. With hundreds of topics ranging from silly to serious, we've got the expert information you need in a fun and entertaining format that will keep kids digging for answers.

National Geographic Kids Ultimate Dinopedia, Second Edition, Don Lessem



This new edition of the popular *Nat Geo Kids Dinopedia* includes all the latest species and is the most complete, up-to-date dinosaur reference available.

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FROM THE PRESIDENT

Robert Fulghum's book, All I Really Need to Know I Learned in Kindergarten, was first published in 1986. It became a big seller and a much-quoted book. Throughout the past couple of years I have thought of this book many times as I have seen evidence of misbehavior after misbehavior that I think people should have learned in early childhood. How much better would life be if everyone adhered to the following rules? Some of the following are adapted from Fulghum's work, and others are based on my own observations and experiences.

Keep your hands to yourself.

Don't take what doesn't belong to you.

Tell the truth.

Don't brag.

Don't claim someone else's work as your own.

Learn to work cooperatively with others.

Help those in need of assistance.

Pay attention to the feelings of others.

Don't be a bully.

Be considerate.

Share!

If we were to follow these rules, I think that 2018 could be a much better year than 2017 has been.



- Paula Wise, President

BOOK SALE NEWS

- Better Books Sale

A beautiful day partnering with the Gazebo Art Festival and timed with the Annual Balloon Rally contributed to a very successful 2017 Better Books Sale for the Friends of the Library! A continuous flow of book lovers examining a wide variety of good-condition books exceeded our financial goal by nearly \$500. This year we sold \$3,494.25 worth of books and media.

Our biggest success was in the volunteers who set up and took down the sale in Chandler Park along with customer driven sales people. We achieved the extraordinary feat of dismantling tents, tables, books, etc. and having everything returned to the Annex in the record-breaking time of JUST 45 minutes! Well done volunteers!!!!

- Non-Fiction Books and Media Sale

The December 2 sale featuring Non Fiction and Media at the Library Annex was a big success bringing in \$910 in sales in just three hours! The sale not only makes many bargain hunters happy, it serves to recycle good-condition donated books, CDs, and DVDs and results in supporting the library



financially in a variety of ways. We thank members for not only coming by to shop but for the on-going donations of good-condition books and media. You can leave donations at the library or call Parkers, 836-7206, for pick up of books.

Becky Parker and Elisa Rasmussen, sales coordinators

- Coming Up! Mystery/Fiction Books & Media Sale

Soon it will be time to stock up on your winter recreational reading! Join us **Saturday, February 3, 2018** between 11 a.m. and 2 p.m. inside the Library Annex, 109 E. Jefferson St. for a large sale of good-condition books and media.

We are looking forward to offering you a wide range of books featuring mysteries/action-adventure books and general fiction. Most of these have been donated since our last sale. In addition we will have our over-sized books available including graphic novels, classics, poetry, art, film/theater, history/biography, sports, wellness, cookbooks, etc.

Our CD and DVD collection has expanded greatly thanks to over 500 CDs being donated early this fall. This collection has many Celtic & Scottish CDs, show tunes, as well as a large collection of contemporary music. We have a few hundred DVDs offering a good range of current and vintage movies! media and the shelved over-sized books on Saturday, February 3 from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. at The Annex, 109 E. Jefferson St. Spread the word!

Library Purchases Telescope With Funds From Arlene Harhen Memorial

The Macomb Public Library has purchased an Orion StarBlast Reflector Tabletop Telescope from a Memorial with the Friends of the Library. The Library will check out to a Macomb Public Library Card holder in good standing with the presentation of their library card and photo ID. The check-out period is 2 weeks.



"What really knocks me out is a book that, when you're all done reading it, you wish the author that wrote it was a terrific friend of yours and you could call him up on the phone whenever you felt like it. That doesn't happen much, though."

- J.D. Salinger

"I find television very educating. Every time somebody turns on the set, I go into the other room and read a book."

- Groucho Marx

WINTER ACTIVITIES IN THE LIBRARY



Celebrate Christmas With Us

Santa Claus will visit the library during story time at 10:00 am on Thursday, December 14. Story times will continue all month with Baby Time on Mondays at 9:30 am, and Preschool Story Time at 10:00 am on Tuesday and Thursday. Story times will include books and songs on the holiday season.

Upcoming in Youth Services

The library will be showing two movies during Christmas Break on Thursday, December 28 at 2:00 pm and Friday, December 29 at 2:00 pm. Children are encouraged to vote for their favorite movie from a list of four options and the two winning movies will be shown. Families are invited to attend a Chinese New Year program on Saturday, February

17 at 10:00 am. This program will include folk tales, songs and games to celebrate the Year of the Dog. This event was well attended last year and we are looking forward to featuring it again. Another seasonal favorite is the Spring Break Film Festival which will feature a different line up of movies. After the success of videogaming this summer, we will be holding videogaming sessions again on the first and third Thursday of the month from 3:00-5:00 pm. This program attracts different patrons to the library and remind them of our varied types of services.

Adult Coloring

Winter is a great time to color! When the world is cold and gray, there is nothing better than being inside a nice warm building with a rainbow of colors before you. Adult coloring will meet on the second Thursday of the month from 2:00-4:00 pm, specifically January 11, February 8, March 8, April 12 and May 10.

- Tiffany Erickson, Children's Librarian

Winter Reading Program for Adults Returns to the Library

Dreading the cold winds and short days of winter? Don't let the weather get you down. Curl up, relax and read! The Macomb Public Library's Adult Winter Reading Program, **Winter Blast Bingo**, is running until 8 pm, Wednesday, February 14, 2018.

Bingo boards are available at the Circulation Desk. The program is open to those age 16 years and up. Each adult must be a Macomb library card holder and has to pick up his/her own bingo board.

There are ten different bingo boards and each has the same instructions on the back. There are four ways to get a bingo: across, down, diagonal or four corners. All completed bingo cards submitted to the Circulation Desk



prior to the deadline will be entered in a drawing. The winner will be contacted by phone or email.

Some of the local authors included on the board are: David Badger, Jill Bartelt, John Hallwas, David Kerr, Allen Nemec and Julia Quinn.

If you have any questions or concerns pertaining to this program, please contact me as soon as possible. Every effort has been taken to ensure the program will run smoothly, but sometimes unanticipated situations occur.

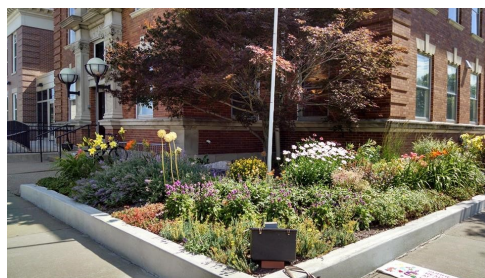
So, grab a good book and broaden your horizons while having fun!

- Sharon Sample, Librarian

Macomb Beautiful Presents Library With Beautification Award

In 2013, Macomb Public Library applied and received a Build Illinois Construction Grant from the Illinois State Library for the remodeling of our 1903 Carnegie Building and the adding of a 10,000 square feet 2 story addition. The \$3.5 million project was for construction only and did not include outside landscaping. In January 2016 a plan was developed and approved to create a "pollinator garden" which is attractive to library patrons, passersby and to bees, birds and butterflies. A member of Macomb Beautiful, John Looman, designed and

implemented the garden based on a Wisconsin Gardener Designer Roy Diblik



with local input from Carrie Boehm-Corrie, Boehm's Nursery and Chris

Enroth, University of Illinois Extension Adviser. Plant selection includes a variety of perennial flowers, decorative grasses, flowering shrubs, and hostas for year round visual interests. About 80 plants were purchased by the library from Boehm's Nursery, 40 donated by the Looman, and 30 allium bulbs donated by Macomb Beautiful. Along with the garden, the library contracted with Boehm's Nursery to develop a border in front of the new addition to include hydrangea and weigela and shrubs.



Special Library Holiday Hours

Saturday, Dec. 23, 2017 to Monday Dec. 25, 2017—CLOSED

Saturday, Dec. 30, 2017 to Monday, Jan. 1, 2018—CLOSED

Monday, Jan. 15, 2018—CLOSED-Martin Luther King Day

Great Reads Schedule for 2017-2018

<u>Date</u>	<u>Author</u>	<u>Title</u>	<u>Discussion leader</u>
Dec. 13	Joint Social Meeting with the Mystery Book Club at Lois Ganyard's home.		
Jan. 10	Patchett, Ann	<i>Commonwealth</i>	TBA
Feb. 14	Johnson, Adam	<i>The Orphan Master's Son</i>	Mary Elizabeth Vos
Mar. 14	Hazeltrove, William Elliott	<i>Madam President: The Secret Presidency of Edith Wilson</i>	Gloria Hurh
Apr. 11	McEwan Ian	<i>The Children Act</i>	Polly Upton
May 9	Huxley, Aldous	<i>Brave New World</i>	TBA

Great Reads is an adult reading/discussion group sponsored by the Friends of the Macomb Public Library. From September through May (except for December) it meets on the second Wednesday of each month at 7:00 p.m. in the Library Community Room. Books are available at the Library, through inter-library loan or can be ordered from New Copperfield's.

Mystery Book Club Schedule for 2017-2018

<u>Date</u>	<u>Author</u>	<u>Title</u>	<u>Discussion Leader</u>
Dec. 13	Joint Social Meeting with the Great Reads Book Club at Lois Ganyard's home.		
Jan. 24	Gardner, Erle Stanley	<i>The Case of the Velvet Claws</i>	Phil Weiss
Feb. 28	Castillo, Linda	<i>After the Storm</i>	TBA
Mar. 27	Gerritsen, Tess	<i>Last to Die</i>	Sue Zendt
Apr. 25	Sandford, John	<i>Invisible Prey</i>	Polly Upton
May 23	Matthews, Francine	<i>Death in the Off Season</i>	Mel Kerr

The Friends of the Library Mystery Book Club meets from 7-8 p.m. on the fourth Wednesday of each month in the Library Community Room. It is a discussion group of reading adults who read the books ahead of time and come to share views. A member serves as a discussion leader. There are no dues, just conversation and occasional treats. Books are available from New Copperfield's and the library. New members are welcome at any meeting.