

WHAT'S THE STORY?

A Monthly Newsletter for the Mount Carroll District Library



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New Developments!

We are so excited to be receiving awards from both the Mount Carroll Community Foundation, a component fund of the Quad Cities Community Foundation - Mount Carroll Community Foundation Community Impact Endowment, as well as the Pilcrow Foundation! These grants will both be used to expand library resources and programming.

With the award from the Mount Carroll Community Foundation, we will be partnering with Highland Community College's Lifelong Learning Department to fund a series of history lectures designed to enhance our lifelong learning opportunities here at the library.

In addition, the Pilcrow Foundation has approved our application for a grant that aims to provide us with more quality, hardcover children's books. With these books, we will also be able to provide more topics for our weekly Storytimes centered around this new collection.

We are so incredibly grateful to have received these grants to help us continue to improve our library!

New Materials in Our Collection!

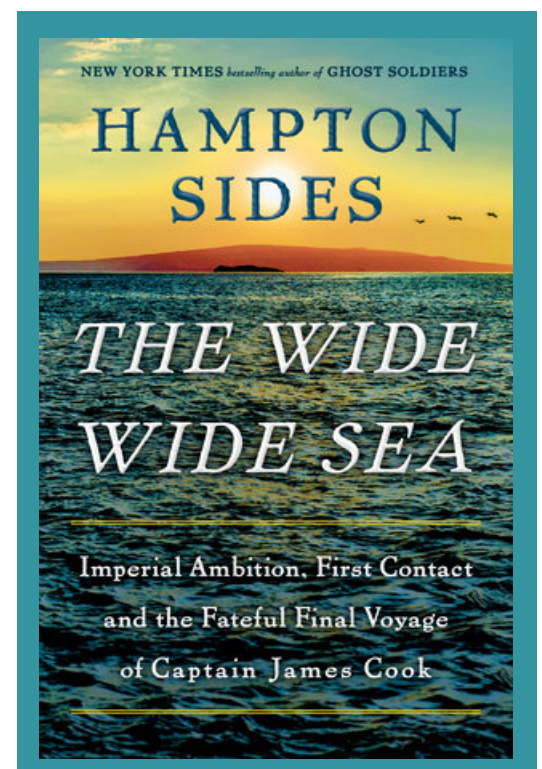
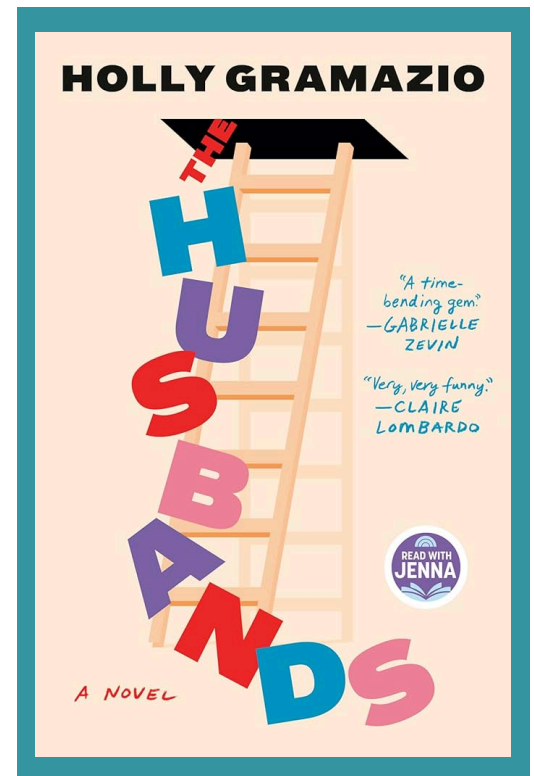
ADULT MATERIALS

Fiction:

- The Paris Agent – Kelly Rimmer
- Husbands – Holly Gramazio
- She's Not Sorry – Mary Kubica
- First Lie Wins – Ashley Elston
- Black Cake – Charmaine Wilkerson

Nonfiction:

- Teddy and Booker T: How Two American Icons Blazed a Path for Racial Equality – Brian Kilmeade
- Gangsters vs Nazis: How Jewish Mobsters Battled Nazis in Wartime America – Michael Benson
- Klan War: Ulysses S. Grant and the Battle to Save Reconstruction – Fergus M. Bordewich
- Outlive: The Science and Art of Longevity – Peter Attia, MD
- Age of Revolutions: Progress and Backlash from 1600 to the Present – Fareed Zakaria
- The Wide Wide Sea: Imperial Ambition, First Contact and the Fateful Final Voyage of Captain James Cook – Hampton Sides
- The Anxious Generation: How the Great Rewiring of Childhood is Causing an Epidemic of Mental Illness – Johathan Haidt



YOUNG ADULT/TEEN MATERIALS

Fiction:

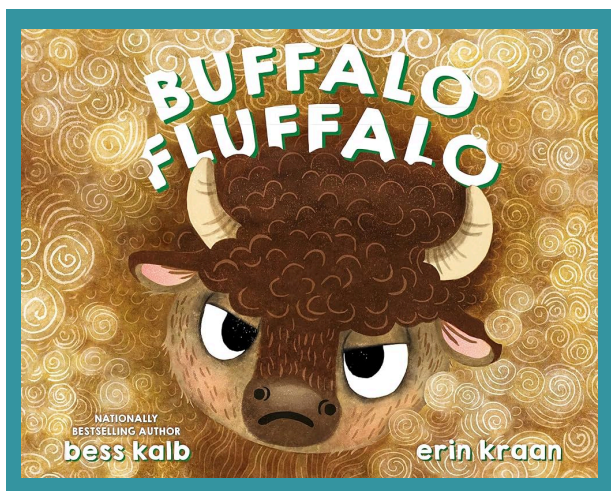
- Powerless – Lauren Roberts
- The Reappearance of Rachel Price – Holly Jackson
- Six of Crows – Leigh Bardugo
- Crooked Kingdom – Leigh Bardugo
- Once Upon a Broken Heart – Stephanie Garber



JUVENILE MATERIALS

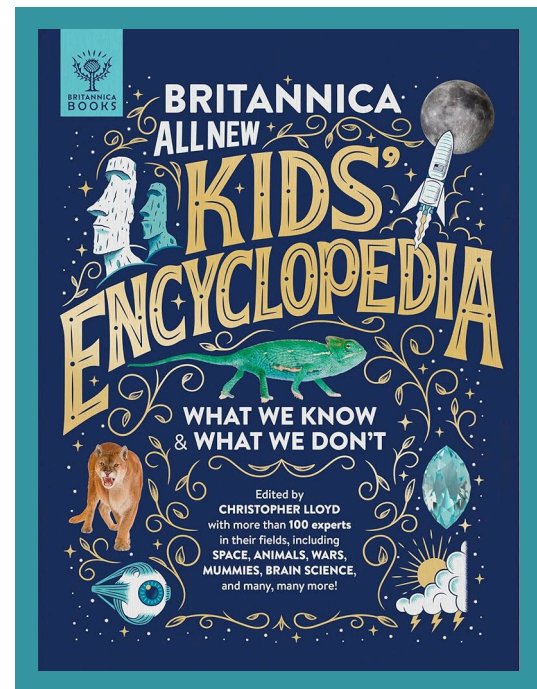
Fiction:

- Buffalo Fluffalo – Bess Kalb
- Be Brave Little Penguin – Giles Andreae
- Splatter – Diane Alber
- City Spies – James Ponti
- How to Steal a Dog – Barbara O'Connor
- The Feather Chase – Shannon L. Brown



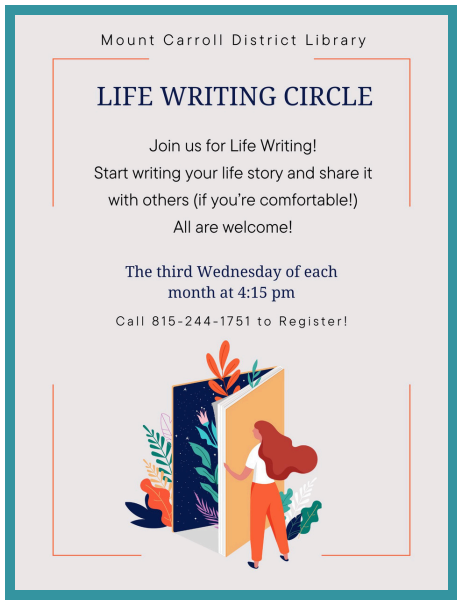
Nonfiction:

- Abuela, Don't Forget Me – Rex Ogle
- The 57 Bus – Dashka Slater
- Shackled: A Tale of Wronged Kids, Rogue Judges, and a Town that Looked Away – Candy J. Cooper
- Better Than We Found It: Conversations to Help Save the World – Frederick Joseph and Porsche Joseph



Nonfiction:

- The 50 States: Explore the USA with 50 Fact-Filled Maps! – Gabrielle Balkan
- Women who Dared: 52 Stories of Fearless Daredevils, Adventurers, and Rebels – Linda Skeers
- The Backyard Bug Book for Kids – Lauren Davidson
- Britannica All New Kids' Encyclopedia: What We Know & What We Don't – Christopher Lloyd



LIFE WRITING CIRCLE

Last month's Life Writing Program was a hit! It will now be a monthly club. We will have writing prompts to get you started and we will all be writing our stories. At the end of the session, there will be an opportunity to share your writing, although it is not mandatory. Hope to see you there!

Upcoming Program Spotlights!



TOTE BAG PAINTING

This teen program was planned and organized by our new Library Intern, Hannah Joens! Stop by to socialize with friends and decorate a tote bag to take home!

EUCHRE RETURNS!

After a bit of a false start last month, we are trying Euchre again with a new time slot! Whether you're a seasoned pro or you're just learning the game, all are welcome! Stop by to play a few rounds and socialize with fellow patrons!



All Programs in May

Kids' Programming

Mothers' Day Gifts

Stop by on May 4th between 10-12 to make a flower gift for mothers' day! No registration required

LEGO Night

On the first Thursday of each month at 5:30, come play with LEGOs! It is a free build, fun-for-all-ages event!

Storytime

Each week, there will be a story and craft for young children to encourage early literacy! Every Wednesday at 10 am!

STEAM Team

Join us for a hands-on activity related to Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts, and Math! The third Thursday of each month at 5:30 pm!

Teen Programming

Painting Tote Bags

Stop by to decorate a tote bag and hang out with friends! Thursday, May 9th at 5:30

Board Game Night

Play some of our board games, or bring some of our own to play! The second Monday of each month at 3:30.

Adult Programming

Euchre

Join us for a couple rounds of Euchre on fourth Thursdays at 1!

Life Writing Circle

On the Third Wednesday of each month at 4:15, join us to write and share our life stories!

Local Author Visit

Alyne Baker is stopping by on her book tour! May 31st at 1 pm

Creativity Club

Each month will have a different project you can try, but you are also welcome to bring any project you want to work on! The last Monday of each month at 3:30!

Bullet Journaling

On Wednesday, May 22nd, we will be learning about and starting our own Bullet Journals! Registration Required.

Cooking with Veggies

On Fourth Thursdays, join Nancy Gmitro for cooking classes. Registration Required

Breakfast Book Club

Our monthly book club meets on Fourth Fridays at 9 am. This month we are reading "Becoming Mrs. Lewis." All are welcome!

Wits Fitness

Join Kara Schweitzer to train your brain! First Thursday of each month at 1:30.

