Montgomery City-County Public Library

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Bertha P. Williams Library @ Rosa Parks Avenue 1276 Rosa Parks Avenue 334-625-4979

> Ramer Branch Library 5444 State Highway 94 334-562-3364

Pike Road Branch Library 9585 Vaughn Road 334-244-8679

Pintlala Branch Library 255 Federal Road 334-625-4890

Hampstead Branch Library 5251 Hampstead High Street, Suite 107 334-244-5770

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New Releases in December

Annotations from Baker & Taylor Booking Ahead

Biography

Book Collectors, The: A Band of Syrian Rebels and the Stories That Carried Them Through a War by Delphine Minoui

The journalist and author documents the achievements of Syrian Civil War survivors who built a secret library from thousands of books that survived the four-year siege that decimated their community.

Promised Land, A by Barack Obama

A deeply personal account of history in the making—from the president who inspired us to believe in the power of democracy.

Sometimes You Have to Lie: The Life and Times of Louise Fitzhugh, Renegade Author of *Harriet the Spy* by Leslie Brody

The playwright behind the *Harriet the Spy* stage adaptation traces the life story of author Louise Fitzhugh, discussing her upbringing and experiences as a closeted lesbian and influential creative relationships.

Fantasy & Science Fiction

Blade Between, The by Sam J. Miller

Reluctantly visiting his hometown when his father falls ill, a restless gay photographer reconnects with two friends who become his allies in a plan to expose the corrupt motives of invasive corporate gentrifiers.

D: A Tale of Two Worlds by Michel Faber.

Baffled by the sudden disappéarance of the letter D, a young woman is summoned to the home of a former history teacher before arriving in an enslaved, wintry land where free thinking is under threat.

Jolene, No. 15 (Elemental Masters) by Mercedes Lackey

Learning elemental magic from her witch aunt after her Tennessee coal miner father's black-lung death, Anna May falls in love with a stonemason who would abandon his work as a gravestone cutter to pursue true art.

Perestroika in Paris by Jane Smiley

Coexisting in Paris until cold weather arrives, an escaped racehorse and her companion, a German shorthaired pointer, forge a bond with a boy living in seclusion with his grandmother in an ivy-covered house.

General Fiction

Burden of Proof by Davis Bunn

Consumed by guilt for failing to prevent his brother's murder, Ethan helps his sister-in-law uncover the truth about a legal case behind his brother's death.

Dead Sea Conspiracy, No. 2 (Dead Sea Chronicles) by Jerry B. Jenkins

A sequel to *Dead Sea Rising* finds archaeologist Nicole Berman securing funding for a controversial dig in Saudi Arabia that may provide a key to uniting the world's three major religions.

Glimmer As You Can by Danielle Martin

Operating a secret women's club in her 1962 boutique, Madeline bonds with a British ex-pat who would save her troubled marriage and a young stewardess whose future plans have been irrevocably upended.

Rest and Be Thankful by Emma Glass

A burned-out pediatric nurse in a loveless relationship begins experiencing recurring dreams about water before starting to glimpse the figure of an unknown individual dancing just beyond the corner of her vision.

General Nonfiction

Greatest Secret, The by Rhonda Byrne

Shares the most direct way out for those experiencing hardship and the path to end pain and suffering endured by so many, and shines a light on a future without anxiety or fear.

Happiness Becomes You: A Guide to Changing Your Life for Good by Tina Turner

The performing artist provides spiritual tools and advice for self-empowerment while examining the role of her enduring Buddhist faith in helping her overcome poverty, loss and other personal and professional obstacles.

One Wild and Precious Life, The: The Path Back to Connection in a Fractured World by Sarah Wilson The author addresses the chronic loneliness affecting a high percentage of Americans today, discussing the vulnerabilities of high-pressure, tech-driven environments and how to view solitude through a spiritual lens.

Pattern Seekers, The: How Autism Drives Human Invention by Simon Baron-Cohen The author identifies the link between autism and ingenuity, revealing that people on the spectrum have played an essential role in human progress, often at the expense of their social well-being.

Tale of a *Niggun*, The by Elie Wiesel

A narrative poem based on true events from World War II traces the powerful sacrifice of a Persian rabbi and his community, who stood together to sing a wordless song of joy as they were massacred by the Nazis.

Health and Fitness

Cancer Code, The: A Revolutionary New Understanding of a Medical Mystery (Wellness Code) by Jason Fund

The author argues that cancer is a primarily metabolic condition related to obesity and insulin dysregulation, outlining recommendations for cancer prevention through intermittent fasting and a calorie-restricted diet.

Eat Smarter: Use the Power of Food to Reboot Your Metabolism, Upgrade Your Brain, and Transform Your Life by Shawn Stevenson

Lose weight, boost your metabolism, and start living a happier life with this transformative 30-day plan for healthy eating.

Future of Nutrition, The: An Insider's Look at the Science, Why We Keep Getting It Wrong, and How to Start Getting It Right by Colin T. Campbell, with Nelson Disla

A follow-up to Whole presents a critique of the nutrition institution that identifies the systematic ways that well-intentioned companies perpetuate misinformation, overlook key nutritional deficiencies and promote unhealthy levels of animal protein dependence.

Historical Fiction

Arctic Fury, The by Greer Macallister

Secretly hired by 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.

Chanel Sisters, The by Judithe Little

Raised by 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.

Frances Gorges, hoping to distance herself from the ruthlessness of King James, finds herself drawn back in to courtly intrigue when an ambitious man arrives, ready to take down whoever - stands in his way.

Garden of Promises and Lies, The by Paula Brackston

The next installment in the series finds Xanthe taking responsibility for inadvertently transporting dangerous Benedict Fairfax to her own time, while learning to use her skills as a spinner to keep her and Flora safe.

Midnight Train to Prague by Carol Windley Natalia Faber arrives in Prague to search for her fiancé and, accused of spying, is sent to a concentration camp where her only solace is a friendship with the daughter of a woman she met decades earlier on a stalled train.

My Name Is Anton by Catherine Ryan Hyde

Realizing that a neighbor is trapped in an abusive marriage, a young man, haunted by his brother's accidental death, offers the woman shelter and a means to escape.

History

Age of Wood, The: Our Most Useful Material and the Construction of Civilization by Roland Ennos A scientific examination of the unrecognized role of trees in the planet's ecosystem reveals wood's unexpected influence on human evolution, civilization and the global economy.

Sicily '43: The First Assault on Fortress Europe by James Holland

A major new history of one of World War II's most crucial campaigns—the first Allied attack on European soil.

Unsinkable: Five Men and the Indomitable Run of the U.S.S. *Plunkett* by James Sullivan Documents the true story of a U.S. Navy destroyer that inspired the writings of Herman Wouk, drawing on the journals and other writings of five shipmates who witnessed the Anzio attacks and D-Day invasion.

Humor

Best of Me, The by David Sedaris

The humorist, author and radio contributor presents shares his most memorable work in a collection of stories and essays that feature him shopping for rare taxidermy, hitchhiking with a quadriplegic and hand-feeding a carnivorous bird.

Survival of the Thickest: Essays by Michelle Buteau

The comedian, actress and host of the *Late Night Whenever* podcast shares a collection of essays that reflect on her heritage, her September 11 newsroom work and her experiences with IVF, surrogacy and motherhood.

Mystery & Detective

Catered Book Club Murder, A, No. 16 (Mysteries with Recipes) by Isis Crawford

When a member of their book club is found murdered after failing to appear at a monthly gathering, sisters Bernie and Libby uncover the victim's shady dealings and knowledge of scandalous community secrets.

Cold Wind, No. 2 (Alaska Wild) 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.

Deadly Edition, A, No. 5 (Blue Ridge Library Mysteries) by Victoria Gilbert

Investigating a murder to help clear a friend's name while juggling the demands of her approaching nuptials, librarian Amy Webber is thwarted by her aunt Lydia's boyfriend, who believes the chief suspect is guilty.

Grounds for Murder, No. 1 (Coffee Lover's Mysteries) by Tam Lush

When her best employee switches sides days before a barista championship, coffee-shop owner Lana Lewis investigates jilted lovers, a shrimp-boat captain and a mafia-connected surfer to prove her innocence of a rival's murder.

Hidden Treasure, No. 13 (Josie Prescott Antiques Mysteries) by Jane K. Cleland

Beginning renovations on their dream home, Josie and her new husband, Ty, become embroiled in a murder investigation involving a mysterious relic and the disappearance of the property's previous owner.

Leave No Trace, No. 5 (F.B.I. K-9) by Sara Driscoll

Investigating an outbreak of fatal hunting accidents in the southern community of Blue Ridge, Meg and Brian, aided by search-and-rescue dog Hawk, connect the killings to a 200-year-old mystery.

Watch Her, No. 3 (Hester Thursby) by Edwin Hill

Investigating a burglary and the disappearance of a Prescott University alumni, librarian Hester Thursby and Detective Angela White uncover financial transgressions, rumors of infidelity and a decades-old tragedy.

Wicked Hour, The, No. 2 (Natalie Lockhart) by Alice Blanchard

A sequel to *Trace of Evil* finds Detective Natalie Lockhart connecting a string of murders that lead to a friend's unsolved disappearance before uncovering evidence that the killer is among the people she knows.

Romance

Sweetest Thing, The by Judith McNaught

Launching a nuptials-based reality show, the creative genius behind a successful lifestyle magazine, lands the filming rights to a high-profile wedding only to bump into a heartbreaker from her past.

Under the Alaskan Ice, No. 2 (Alaska Wild) by Karen Harper

A sequel to *Deep in the Alaskan Woods* finds a young widow assisting a pilot in the wake of a bush plane crash, before an unknown adversary begins sabotaging the pilot's investigation in the Alaskan wilderness.

Suspense

Attack Protocol (Net Force) by Jerome Preisler

Tracking a master hacker operating in the shadows of the Carpathians, an elite team of Net Force cyber-security agents is betrayed by one of its own as part of a Dark Web plot to seize world power.

Double Agent, No. 2 (Kate Hunderson) by Tom Bradby

MI6 agent Kate Henderson investigates information from a Russian defector, including financial trails and a horrifying video, that may offer proof that the British Prime Minister is a live agent working for Moscow.

Eddie's Boy, No. 4 (Butcher's Boy) by Thomas Perry

Surviving an attempt on his life, retired mob hit man Michael Shaeffer reflects on his apprenticeship under an elite killer while pursuing his would-be assassins.

Fool Me Twice, No. 2 (Riley Wolfe) by Jeffry P. Lindsay

A sequel to *Just Watch Me* finds thief and disguise artist Riley Wolfe continuing his Robin Hood-inspired crusade against the wealthy elite by orchestrating the theft of a highly prized Faberge egg.

Hush-Hush, No. 56 (Stone Barrington) by Stuart Woods

New York City cop turned Manhattan law firm rainmaker, Stone Barrington, lands in hot water in a highly anticipated latest installment in the best-selling series.

NYPD Red, No. 6 by James Patterson & Marshall Karp

Available for the first time in print, a sixth entry in the series co-written by the award-winning author of *Jackie Ha-Ha* continues the story of top NYPD Red Detective Zach Jordan and his partner, Detective Kylie MacDonald.

System, The by Ryan Gattis

On December 6, 1993, a drug dealer is shot and left for dead on the lawn outside her mother's house in South Central Los Angeles, and a heroin addict fingers two drug dealers as the killers, but only one of them is guilty.

Violent Peace: The War with China -- Aftermath of Armageddon, No. 20 (Dan Lenson) by David Poyer Dan Lenson motorcycles across America in search of his missing daughter, while his wife negotiates the tenuous reunification of Taiwan with China and a young case officer confronts a devastating choice.

Wrong Alibi by Christina Dodd

Sentenced to life in prison for a murder she did not commit, 18-year-old Evelyn escapes and works under an alias at a wilderness camp, where her chance at revenge is complicated by a former employer's mysterious connections.

Wrong Family, The by Tarryn Fisher

An off-kilter narrator witnesses the slow unraveling of a couple's strained marriage that erupts in unexpected ways, in a chilling tale of domestic suspense by the best-selling author of *The Wives*.

True Crime
Killer's Shadow, The: The Fbi's Hunt for a White Supremacist Serial Killer by John E. Douglas A legendary FBI criminal profiler and international best-selling author of <i>Mindhunter</i> returns with a book that goes to the heart of extremism and domestic terrorism, examining in-depth his chilling pursuit of, and eventual prison confrontation with Joseph Paul Franklin, a White Nationalist serial killer.
Last Days of John Lennon, The by James Patterson, with Casey Sherman & Dave Wedge Published to commemorate the 40th anniversary of Lennon's assassination and based on insider interviews, a chronicle of the iconic music artist's final days includes coverage of his last album and the life of Mark David Chapman.
We Thought We Knew You: A Terrifying True Story of Secrets, Betrayal, Deception, and Murder by William M. Phelps The investigative journalist and best-selling author of <i>Dangerous Ground</i> documents the 2015 poisoning murder of chiropractic therapist Mary Yoder and the community-dividing investigation that implicated members of the victim's own family.

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