Readers' Advisory News at Stickney-Forest View Public Library

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Everybody Loves READING

Everybody Loves Cathy

Cathy retires; the community celebrates a treasured library employee



Cathy could tell you what books were on the bestseller lists. She would remember your favorite authors and would place a hold for you on a new title, before you even asked. Patrons would come to the library asking for her by name. If she wasn't at the desk, people would ask, "Is Cathy here?"

Sadly, Cathy isn't here, she has taken early retirement after working here for 19 years.

Cheerful and good-hearted, she always had friendly chitchat for everyone. And she was so helpful. Often she would make a list of "high holds" (requested books) for me to order, and other helpful notes. I miss her everyday. Best wishes to her in her retirement.

Everybody Loves Read-a-likes



I've been getting a lot of requests for Kristin Hannah read-a-likes. She authored the hugely popular WWII novel *The Nightingale*, and gained more popularity with the recent TV series adaption of her novel *Firefly Lane*. She writes dramatic, heart-warming relationship fiction, particularly focusing on family relationships. Try these read-a-likes:

If you liked...



Everybody Loves Book Talks

These are the books featured on my latest Book Talk videos. Find all of the library's BookTube videos at **bit.ly/SoniasBookTalks**.

Top right: Books for Black History Month (February)

Bottom right: Literary Fiction (March)

Take the survey

What do you like to read? Let me know of a good book you've read lately. Take the quick survey! **bit.ly/Book4meSFV**



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Everybody Loves Book Club

Mark your calendars for April 25th at 6:30. We are going to have a virtual author visit by **Elle Cosimano**, author of *Finlay Donovan is Kiling It*, our April book club pick.



Our book club loved *The Girl With the Louding Voice* by Abi Dare, set in Nigeria, and *The Last Flight*, a suspense novel by Julie Clark, which one member said was one of the best books they'd ever read. *What Unites us: Reflections on Patriotism* by Dan Rather got mixed reviews.



The 43rd Street Book Club meets on Monday nights. Check www.sfvpld.org for updates.





Spotlight: Podcasts About Books

Podcasts are more popular than ever. For book lovers, two of my favorites I recommend are **Sarah's BookShelves** and **Book Riot: The Podcast.**

Sarah gives fun, smart book reviews. Based in Virginia, each week she features a bookish guest whom she asks to name:

- 2 old books they love
- 2 new books they love
- 1 book they don't love
- 1 new release they are excited about

The Book Riot podcast is a weekly news and talk show about what's new, cool, and worth talking about in the world of books and reading, brought to you by the editors of Book Riot.

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Everybody Loves Staff Recommendations

Cathy's Picks

Cathy loves cooksbooks. Here are some that she recommends:

The Pioneer Woman Cooks Super Easy! by Ree Drummond



Air Fryer Cookbook: 70 Delicious Recipes by Good Housekeeping



Copycat Cooking: 100+ Popular Restaurant Meals You Can Make at Home by Six

Sisters





Winter Reading 2022

Compared to Summer Reading, winter always draws a smaller number of participants, but those participants are the serious readers. 20 mighty readers collectively read a total of 142 books!

We drew the raffle March 1st. Three lucky readers received gift cards.

Celebrities Read Their Memoirs

Have fun listening to celebrity audio-memoir. Listen for free with digital audiobooks on the Libby and Hoopla apps. Here are new ones that I enjoyed:



