



“Right Here in Nebraska”

The composers of “Right Here in Nebraska” will be teaching this song and others in June. Celebrate Nebraska with the popular String Beans on Thursday, June 29 at the Seward Bandshell. The free concert sponsored by Runza Restaurant® will begin at 7 p.m. Come prepared to enjoy an hour of educational songs as well as humorous lyrics. These family-friendly musicians will lead the audience in singing, dancing and lively musical antics. Friends of Seward Library will provide ice cream for donations during the evening show. In the event of rain, the concert will be held at the Seward Civic Center Auditorium. The library thanks Runza® for their support of literacy in our community!



Pre-Three Story Times

Seward Memorial Library will offer a Pre-Three Story Time opportunity during May and again in June. The popular 30-minute program will begin at 10 a.m. on May 30, 31, and June 1. It will also meet on June 27, 28 and 29. Stories, songs and finger plays will be shared during this family program. Older pre-school age siblings may attend with their younger siblings. Every child must be accompanied by a parent or adult caregiver. No pre-registration is required.



Summer Hours May 1 - August 14

Monday	9 - 6
Tuesday	9 - 6
Wednesday	9 - 6
Thursday	9 - 8
Friday	9 - 5
Saturday	9 - noon
Sunday	Closed

(drive-up window opens at 8:00 am)



**The library will
be closed
Monday, May 29
to observe
Memorial Day.**

**Seward Memorial Library
233 South Fifth Street
Seward, NE 68434
402-643-3318**

www.sewardlibrary.org

May 2017

Family Friendly Programs Sponsored by the Library

Seward Memorial Library will host several family friendly programs on Thursdays during June and July. Children who have not yet attended kindergarten must be accompanied by an adult for all of the programs.

On Thursday, June 29 the String Beans will return to Seward. Come to the Seward Bandshell and enjoy a lively concert by the very popular Nebraska musicians at 7 p.m. The one-hour concert includes original humorous as well as educational songs for the entire family. Friends



of Seward Library will be scooping a variety of flavors of ice cream for donations. Seward Memorial Library thanks Runza® Restaurant – Seward for sponsoring this special evening.

There will be magic in the library on Thursday, July 13 when Theron Milo: The Rocky Mountain Wizard performs at 1:30 p.m. This award winning magician will surprise the audience with his sleight of hand and large illusions. Come and enjoy an hour of unique entertainment.



“Discover Nebraska through Quilts” on Thursday, July 20. Becky Reisinger will host the one-hour program which begins at 1:30 p.m. Find out how a needle and thread can tell a story and preserve our history.

Dr. John Jurchen will open up his Concordia University science lab for another special program on Thursday, July



27. “Build a Better World through Chemistry” begins at 1:30 p.m. Come to the Science Building and witness an hour of exciting science experiments.



The Seward Memorial Library offers three book clubs that meet on a monthly basis. Titles being read for June:

New York Times Best Sellers

This group will not be meeting in June.

Midday Mysteries

June 20 at noon

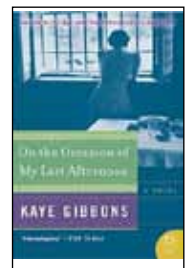
Invisible City
by Julia Dahl



Random Reads

June 26 at noon

On the Occasion of My Last Afternoon
by Kaye Gibbons



If any of these selections interest you, or if you would like to visit or join a club, please call the library at 402-643-3318.

A library is...

“...the whisper of eternity.” – Marc Gafni

Take a Shopping Trip in the Library

A unique store will open in Seward Memorial Library in the main level conference room. Children who have earned points reading in the Kid's Reading Club will be able to "shop" for prizes with their reading logs. The store will be open on Saturday, August 19 from 10 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. and on Sunday, August 20 from 1 p.m. to 3 p.m. Children will be able to choose their rewards for reading throughout the summer! Mark these dates on your calendar and enjoy turning the pages in many library books.

Fit4Seward adds a 150 Challenge

The library has a variety of new fitness items as well as popular games and materials from past years. Come and check these out in the lower level and have some healthy fun with your family and friends during the summer months. The library is including a 150 challenge this year. Pick up a tracking sheet and record your physical activities such as running, walking, biking, swimming, etc. Sheets turned in by August 1 will be included in a drawing for prizes.



LEGO® Boards on Loan

Seward Memorial Library hosts a LEGO® Club during the summer and school year. Many children use the 10,000 + LEGO® building blocks to complete the weekly challenges as well as create original products. However, the library does not own enough base boards for each child to have their own base. The participants have been very good natured about helping one another and sharing during the past years. If you would like to enrich this program, the library would gladly accept base boards on loan for the month of July. Use permanent marker to identify your board(s) and we will return them after the July Club. Donations of new or used LEGO® materials are always welcome! Thank you for your support of this educational play.

BOOK SALE!

Used Book Bash

On July 4th the library will host a Used Book Bash from 9 a.m. to noon. If you have books you no longer need, please consider donating them to the library for this event. Your books and items pulled from the library collection will be available for browsing and may be taken home for a donation. Contributions go to Friends of Seward Library. Give a book a second home and support the library!

Mid-Week Movies in June

Escape the summer heat and relax with a newly released feature film on DVD. In June Seward Memorial Library will host movies on Thursday, June 1 and on Wednesday, June 21. Both movies begin at 1:30 p.m. On June 1 bring a friend as well as a snack to enjoy while you watch "The Shack," an emotional story of a grieving man who receives an invitation to meet God. Return to the library for "Land of Mine" on June 21. This suspenseful WWII movie with subtitles shares the story of German POWs who dug up millions of land mines by hand. No reservations or tickets required!



A library is...

"...a place in town where you can always find a great book and a public bathroom." – Diane de Groat

Which Reading Club Will You Join?

Seward Memorial Library has a reading club available for any age. The library invites everyone to join a club! Young children through 4th grade graduates can participate in the Kid's Reading Club which begins on May 22. Readers get points and earn library bucks as they record their titles and pages in log books. These will be used later for shopping at the library store in August. Stop in and pick up a log so you can start recording your reading. The club ends at noon on August 10. The Kid's Reading Club participants will be acknowledged at a special presentation at the Seward County Fair on August 11.



Students who have completed grades 5-12 are encouraged to join the "Build a Better World" Teen Reading Club. Stop in and get information, complete a registration form and get your first punch card. There are treats every time you show the staff your finished books. The Club starts on May 22 and punch cards can be turned in until August 10. The more punch cards you turn in, the better your odds are for winning prizes.

"Summer Reading Smackdown" is the 2017 Reading Club for adult readers. Starting on June 1 participants can pick up special punch cards for recording completed books. Readers earn rewards each day they get a get a punch. Completed cards are turned in for a prize drawing at the end of this program on July 31. The past four years there has been a special incentive for adult readers. There is a friendly competition between the Seward and York libraries to see who will read more on Highway 34. Seward has dominated the challenge, winning the unique trophy 3 times, but York is willing to try one more time to carry it back west. Take a look at the trophy located on the south wall bookshelf. Let's keep in there! Follow the progress of this competition by visiting www.readingsmackdown.org. Read and guarantee that Seward remains the champion!

Reminder

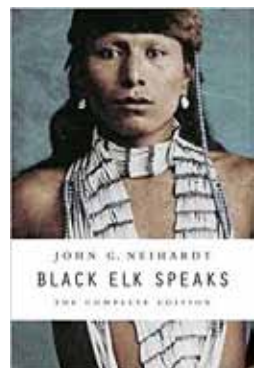
Children 8 years old and older must have a photo and an updated card if they want to check out materials without a parent!

The library staff appreciates donations for the children's summer reading program!

Check the library website for current summer supply list!
Thank you!

One Book One Nebraska

One Book One Nebraska encourages Nebraskans across the state to discuss one book, chosen from books written by Nebraska authors or having a Nebraska theme or setting. *Black Elk Speaks* by John Neihardt is the 2017 title. This classic book is the story of Nicholas Black Elk (1863-1950) who was an Oglala Lakota visionary and healer. It is a tale of Lakota life and a history of a Native nation. The library will be hosting a community book discussion on Monday, August 14 at 7 p.m. Pick up a copy to read during the summer and join in reflecting on the message of Black Elk as well as reviewing this period of our state's history.



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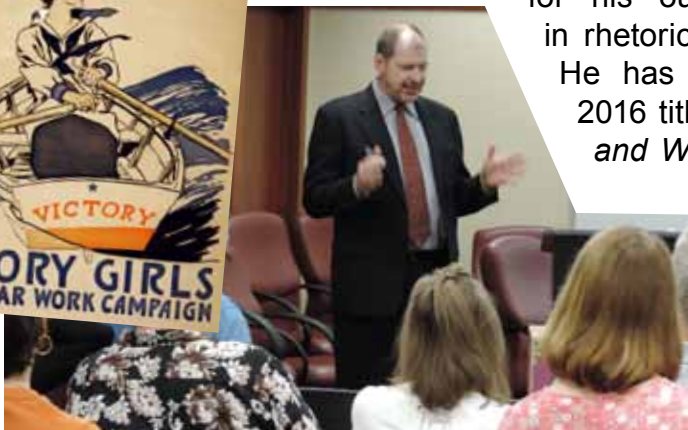
"...something that holds the American family together." – Michael Beschloss

James Kimble Returns to Seward



World War I and the Legacy of Propaganda is an upcoming program that fits nicely with June's Chautauqua theme: World War I: Legacies of a Forgotten War. It will be presented by Dr. James J. Kimble of Seton Hall University on Thursday, June 22 at 6:30 p.m. at the Seward Memorial Library. Dr. Kimble has presented several intriguing programs in past summers here, first on the metal scrap drive of WWII and two years ago he spoke about Rosie the Riveter and more. Originally from Norfolk, Nebraska, Dr. Kimble is the recipient of multiple awards and has been widely recognized for his outstanding scholarship in rhetoric and public discourse.

He has authored several books and co-edited a 2016 title: *The 10¢ War: Comic Books, Propaganda, and World War II*. He has also been involved with documentary films and is currently serving as guest curator and catalog editor for a major international traveling exhibition from the Norman Rockwell Museum. Please join us for what promises to be an entertaining and educational evening.



SUMMER NOTES

ALL summer library program participants must pre-register.

School age children who register can come to ANY 2017 Summer Library Programs in June and July that are offered for his or her COMPLETED grade level.

The only exceptions are Maker Mondays and LEGO® Robotics that require specific registration due to class size limits.

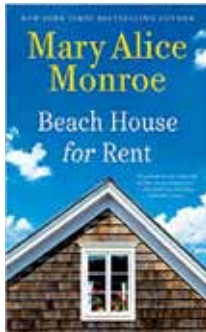
3-5 year olds can register to attend one week of Story Time.



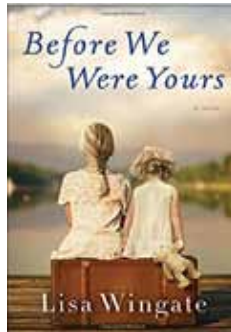
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"...the theme park of your imagination. Play!"
– Bebe Moore Campbell

New Fiction Books Coming Soon



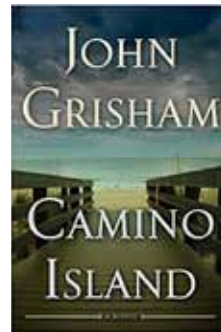
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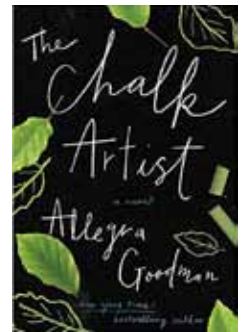
Before We Were Yours
by Lisa Wingate



The Fall of Shannara
by Terry Brooks



Camino Island
by John Grisham



The Chalk Artist
by Allegra Goodman



The Child
by Fiona Barton



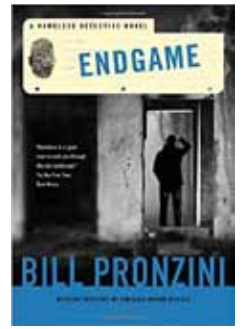
Dangerous Minds
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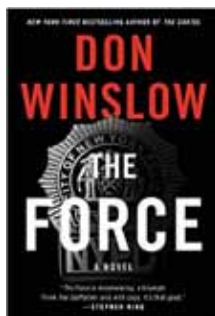
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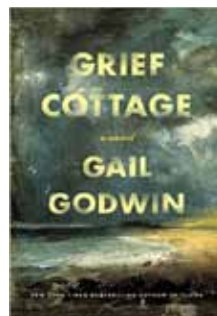
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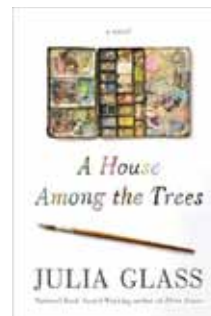
Endgame
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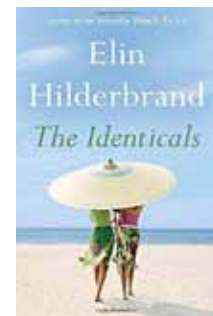
The Force
by Don Winslow



Grief Cottage
by Gail Godwin



A House Among the Trees
by Julia Glass



The Identicals
by Elin Hilderbrand



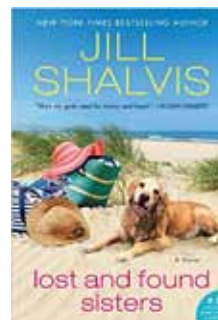
Kiss Carlo
by Adriana Trigiani



The Little French Bistro
by Nina George



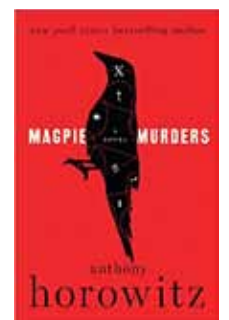
Lockdown
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Lost and Found Sisters
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Love Story
by Karen Kingsbury

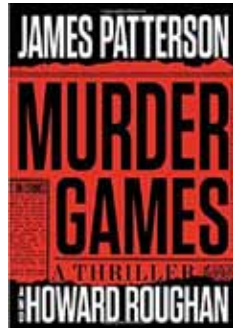


Magpie Murders
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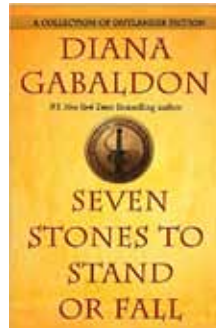
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Matchup
edited by Lee Child



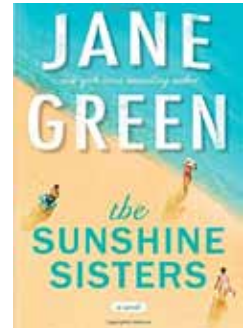
Murder Games
by James Patterson
and Howard Roughan



Seven Stones to Stand or Fall
by Diana Gabaldon



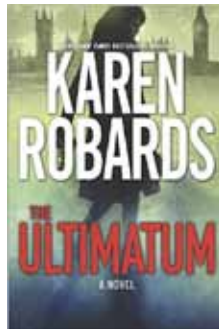
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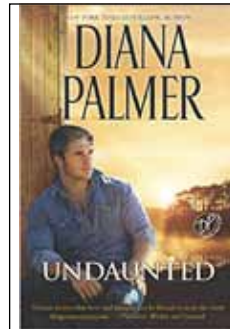
The Sunshine Sisters
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The Switch
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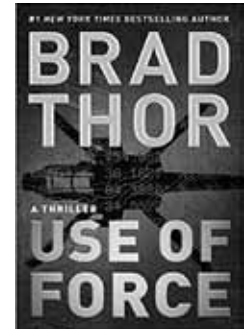
The Ultimatum
by Karen Robards



Undaunted
by Diana Palmer

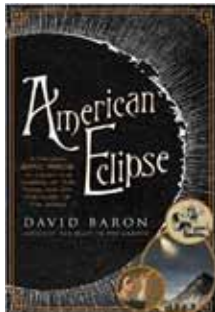


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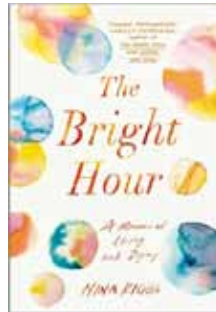


Use of Force
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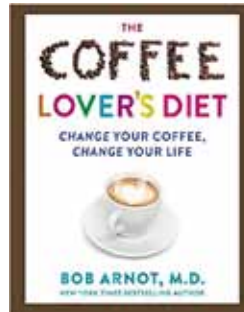
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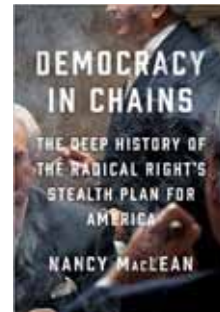
American Eclipse
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The Bright Hour
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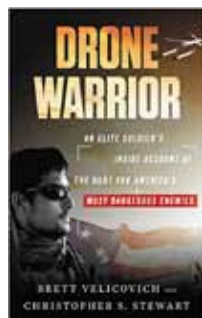
The Coffee Lover's Diet
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Democracy in Chains
by Nancy MacLean



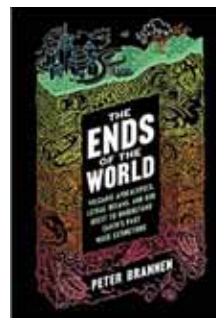
Dirt is Good
by Jack Gilbert



Drone Warrior
by Brett Velicovich
and Christopher S. Stewart



The End of Advertising
by Andrew Essex



The Ends of the World
by Peter Branner



The Great Rescue
by Peter Herson

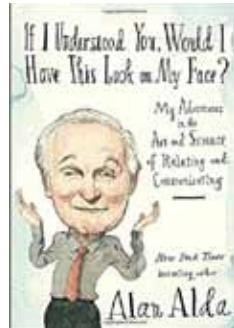


How to Fall in Love With Anyone
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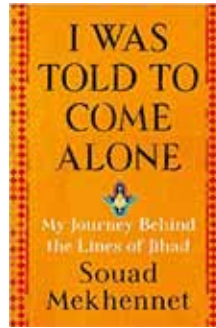
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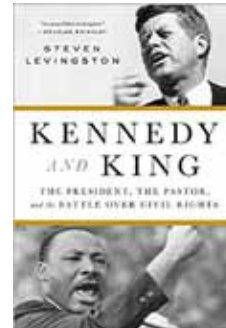
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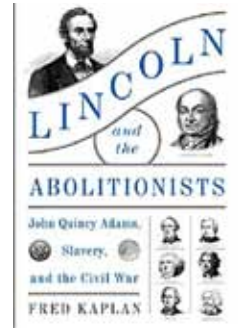
If I Understood You, Would I Have This Look on My Face?
by Alan Alda



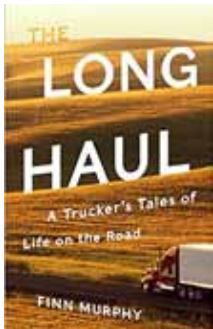
I Was Told to Come Alone
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Kennedy and King
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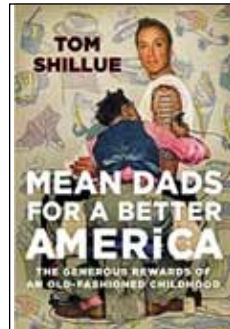
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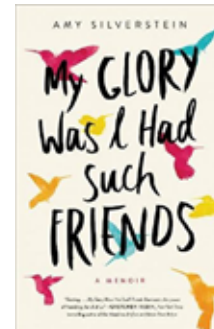
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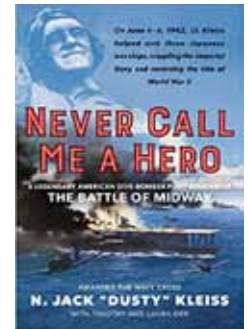
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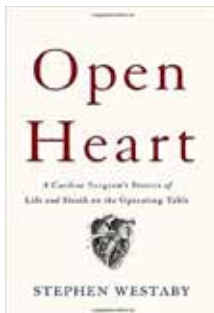
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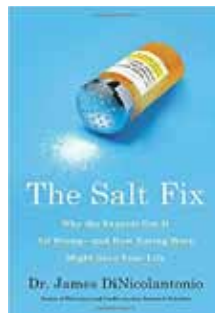
My Glory Was I Had Such Friends
by Amy Silverstein



Never Call Me a Hero
by N. Jack Kleiss



Open Heart
by Stephen Westaby



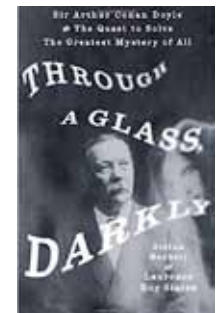
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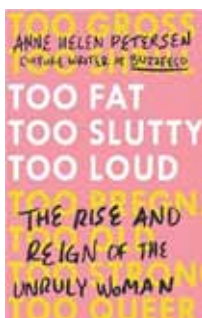
The Smear
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The Swamp
by Eric Bolling



Through a Glass Darkly
by Stefan Bechtel



Too Fat Too Slutty Too Loud
by Anne Petersen



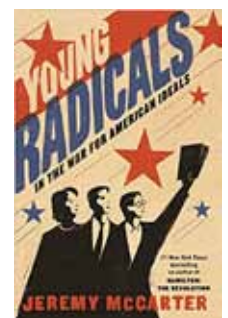
The Trial of Adolf Hitler
by David King



Understanding Trump
by Newt Gingrich



You Don't Have to Say You Love Me
by Sherman Alexie



Young Radicals
by Jeremy McCarter