

Street Party to Kick-Off Summer Reading Program

On Saturday, May 19, the street and parking lot east of the library will be blocked off so that Seward Memorial Library can host the 2018 summer program family kick-off party. The activities begin at 11 a.m. During the two hour party guests can enjoy these activities:

- Bounce house and inflatable slide
- Booths by Seward County Public Transit, Seward Head Start, Four Corners Health Department and Southeast Nebraska CASA and more
- Balloon artists
- Music by the Firehouse Five+ and Seth Boggs' band
- Friends of Seward Library cookie walk
- Inflatable basketball game
- Historic military jeep
- Games related to the summer program theme of "Libraries ROCK"
- "Guitar Hero" photo station
- Summer program sign up
- Lunch for purchase

The new 2018 Summer Reading Club Rock 'N Read Book with coupons from local businesses will be introduced.

Guests are encouraged to dress as their favorite rock star. The party ends at 1 p.m. but the summer fun at the library will just be starting!



SEWARD MEMORIAL LIBRARY **SML**

Summer Reading KICK-OFF PARTY!

**SATURDAY, MAY 19,
11:00-1:00**

*Activity Booths, Face Painting, Balloon Animals,
Bounce House and Inflatable Slide,
Live Music, Cookie Walk,
Food for Sale, Summer
Reading Club Registration,
Games, Prizes and More!*



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 28
to observe
Memorial Day.**

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

www.sewardlibrary.org

April 2018

Found Tombstones

Seward Memorial Library will remember those who have gone before us with a special program on Thursday, May 24 at 6:30 p.m. The library will show a short documentary film on the return of a lost and then found tombstone from Polk County. "Taking Lena Home" presents this thought-provoking story. Pat Coldiron, who has led several local cemetery tours, will share information about our cemeteries. Joan Shurtliff, president of the Seward County Genealogy Society, will join the evening presentation and contribute gravestone care information. Information about the Gokie family gravestone discovery last summer will also be available during the "Found Tombstones" program.



Mid-Week Movies in May

Come to Seward Memorial Library to enjoy two recently released DVDs on two dates in May. On Thursday, May 3 "The Greatest Showman," the inspirational story of P.T. Barnum, will be featured. Come back to the library on Wednesday, May 16 to watch "Forever My Girl," an uplifting romance about a country music superstar. Both movies begin at 1:30 p.m. in the lower level conference room. Bring a friend and relax.



Vacation Time Reserves

Attention all avid readers who also enjoy traveling! Do you have an online library account with favorite authors selected for your reserve express? Don't forget that you can keep your place in line for a popular title by entering dates when you want reserves to be deferred but not deleted. You can enter the dates you are unavailable at the bottom of your reserve screen. The staff wants you to relax on your time away and look forward to the bestseller that will be waiting for you when you return to Seward.



The Library Appreciates Volunteers

The library staff and Board would like to thank the team of regular volunteers who generously share their time to help make Seward Memorial Library better. Appreciation goes to the following faithful volunteers: Marlene Block, Nancy Held, Juanita Hill, Phyllis Hronik, Sue Imig, Marj Komenda, and Sandi Rocker.



A library is...

"... richer than Fort Knox and everybody has the key."
– Robert Morgan

Auto Call in Action

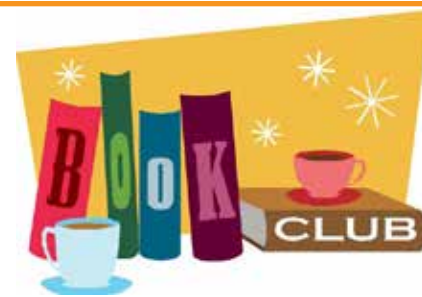


Have you recently received a call from the library which does not sound like the voice of one of your local librarians? To increase efficiency Seward Memorial Library is using an auto-call service on a trial basis. If you prefer not to receive to these announcements, please share your email address or update your cell phone number so you can get text messages and avoid extra home phone calls.

**The Friends of Seward Library
Used Book Bash is extended until May 12!**
Take used books home in exchange for a donation!

Libraries ROCK!

The theme for the 2018 summer library program is "Libraries ROCK." The staff at Seward Memorial Library is preparing many musical activities to make the summer active. There is a little twist to this summer's schedule. The afternoon sessions are longer, starting at 1:30 p.m. and ending at 3 p.m. and have been expanded to include children who have attended kindergarten through 4th grade. There are weekly afternoon movies for kids. Special guest entertainers, speakers, and musicians will be visiting the library each week. Story Times will change. Participants sign up for a series of six consecutive Tuesdays or a series of Wednesdays, etc. Pick the day that works best for your family. The 2018 summer program begins with the Kick-Off Party on May 19 and continues into August with the final event being held at the Seward County Fair on August 10. Most programs require pre-registration which includes email information for messages and reminders. For specific dates and details pick up a calendar which will be available in May or check the library website. Registration begins on May 10.



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

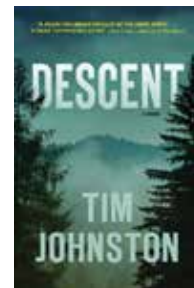
**New York Times
Best Sellers**
May 14 at 7 p.m.

The Orphan's Tale
by Pam Jenoff



**Midday
Mysteries**
May 15 at noon

Descent
by Tim Johnston



Random Reads
May 24 at noon

Wonder
by R.J. Palacio



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...

"... full of mouth-watering food for thought."
– Diana Wynne Jones

Volunteers will be Needed

Seward Memorial Library has two months filled with activities to enrich the lives of children from age three through fourth grade. This requires extra hands. The library welcomes summer volunteers! If you are interested in sharing your time and energy at the library and have completed 5th grade or are older please call the library at 402-643-3318.



“Rockin’ Your Health”

The 2018 theme for the annual Memorial Health Care Systems Health Fair was “Rockin’ Your Health.” Almost 200 people visited the library table during the fair. The library promoted reading and healthy eating by handing out books, bookmarks, food coupons and other prizes on the special spinning wheel which visitors spun. Seward Memorial Library would like to thank the following businesses for their generous donations:

Amigos
JD’s Coffee Shop
R O’s
Subway

Dairy Queen
La Carreta
Runza
Valentino’s

Godfather’s Pizza
Pizza Hut
Spare Time



What is CHIRS?



Are you looking for health information? Consumer Health Information Resource Services is available for Nebraska residents and Nebraska Medical patients and families at no cost! Make your request by phone, email or online form. A librarian at the University of Nebraska Medical Library will research your question and prepare a packet of informational articles and scanned materials. A collection of consumer health books is also available for checkout with a valid Nebraska Driver’s license. For questions or more information call 402-559-6221, 866-800-5209 or email askus@unmc.edu.

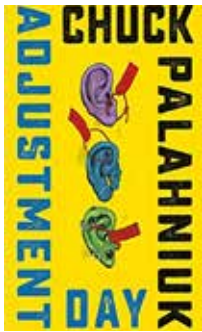
No Smackdown in 2018

Kilgore Memorial Library in York, who challenged Seward Memorial Library to a “Smackdown” the past several summers, has declined to participate this year. There will still be a summer reading club for adult readers with incentives and prizes beginning on June 1. Watch for details in the next newsletter and on the library website.

A library is...

“...oxygen.” – Graham Salisbury

New Fiction Books Coming Soon



Adjustment Day
by Chuck Palahniuk



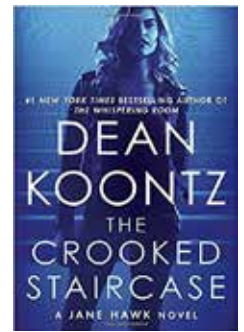
Alter Ego
by Brian Freeman



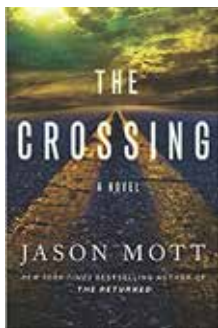
Beach House Reunion
by Mary Alice Monroe



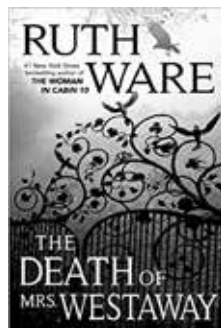
By Invitation Only
by Dorothea Benton Frank



The Crooked Staircase
by Dean Koontz



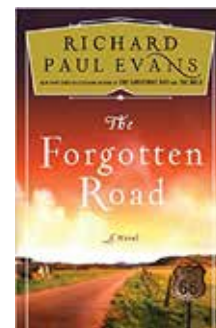
The Crossing
by Jason Mott



The Death of Mrs. Westaway
by Ruth Ware



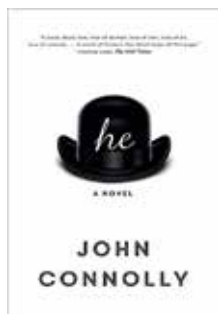
Do This for Me
by Eliza Kennedy



The Forgotten Road
by Richard Paul Evans



The Glitch
by Elisabeth Cohen



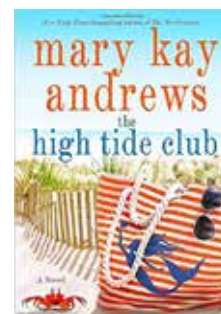
He
by John Connolly



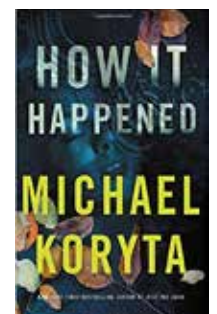
The Hellfire Club
by Jake Tapper



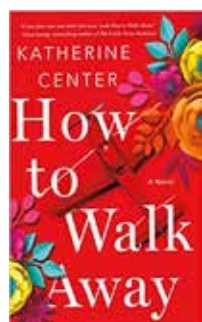
The High Season
by Judy Blundell



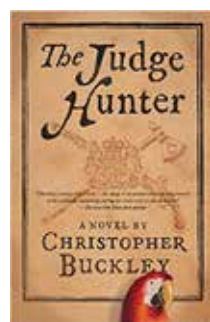
The High Tide Club
by Mary Kay Andrews



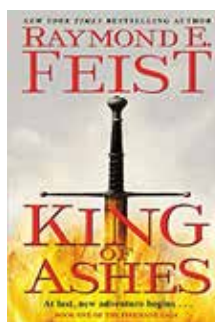
How It Happened
by Michael Koryta



How to Walk Away
by Katherine Center



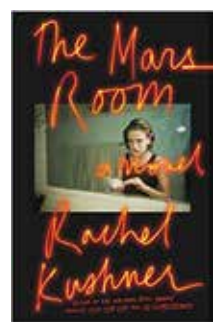
The Judge Hunter
by Christopher Buckley



King of Ashes
by Raymond E. Feist

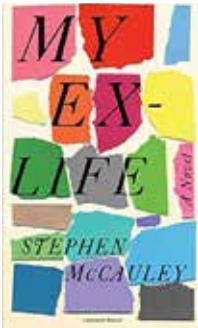


Love and Ruin
by Paula McLain



The Mars Room
by Rachel Kushner

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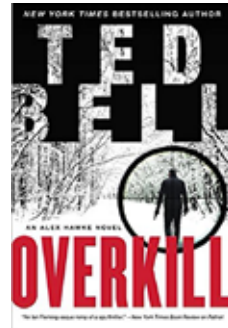
My Ex-Life
by Stephen
McCauley



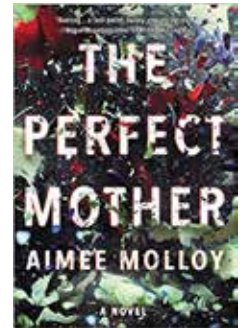
*The Other Lady
Vanishes*
by Amanda Quick



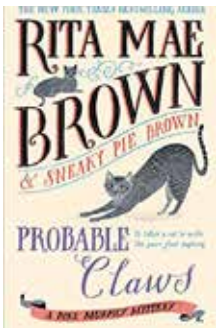
The Outsider
by Stephen King



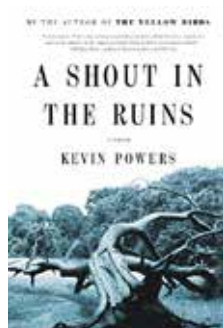
Overkill
by Ted Bell



The Perfect Mother
by Aimee Molloy



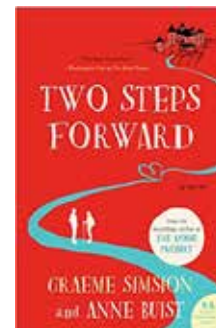
Probable Claws
by Rita Mae Brown



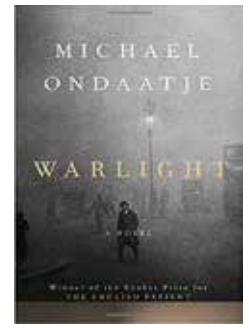
A Shout in the Ruins
by Kevin Powers



*To The Moon
and Back*
by Karen Kingsbury

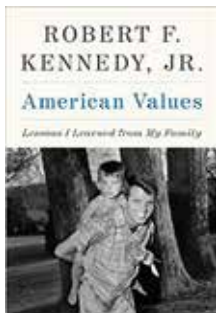


Two Steps Forward
by Graeme
Simsion

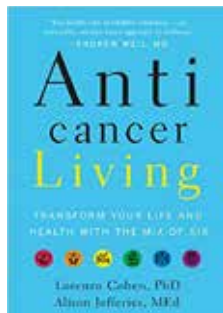


Warlight
by Michael Ondaatje

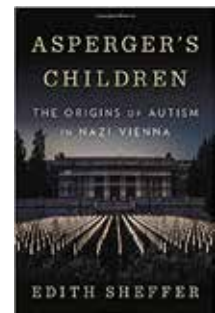
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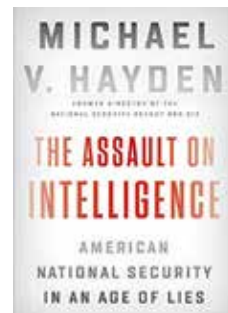
American Values
by Robert F.
Kennedy, Jr.



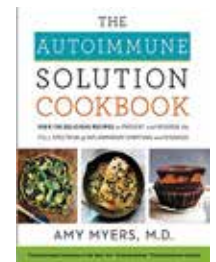
Anticancer Living
by Lorenzo Cohen



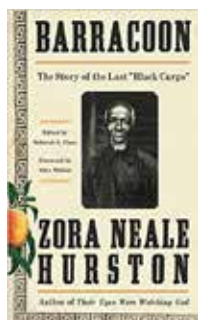
Asperger's Children
by Edith Sheffer



*The Assault
on Intelligence*
by Michael V. Hayden



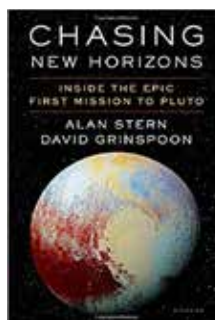
*The Autoimmune
Solution Cookbook*
by Amy Myers, M.D.



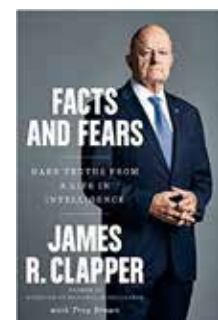
Barracoon
by Zora Neale
Hurston



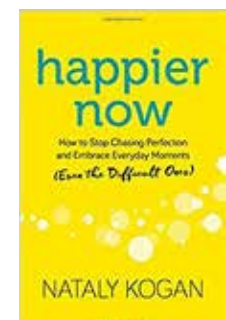
Calypso
by David Sedaris



Chasing New Horizons
by Alan Stern

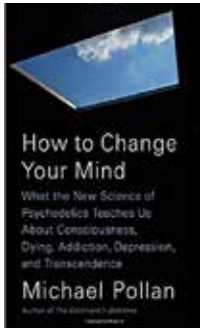


Facts and Fears
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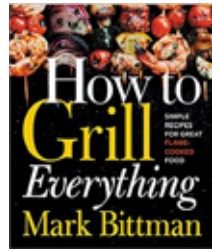


Happier Now
by Nataly Kogan

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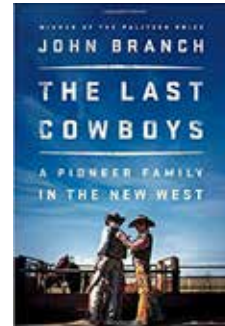
How to Change Your Mind
by Michael Pollan



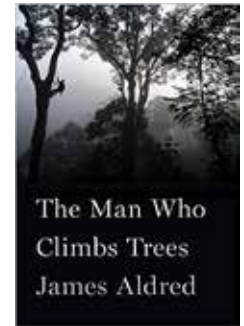
How to Grill Everything
by Mark Bittman



Human Errors
by Nathan H. Lents



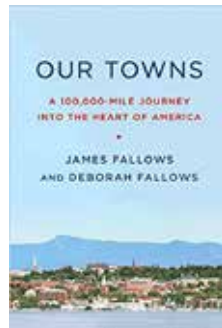
The Last Cowboys
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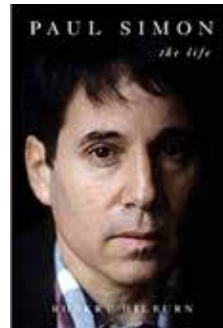
The Man Who Climbs Trees
by James Aldred



The Order of Time
by Carlo Rovelli



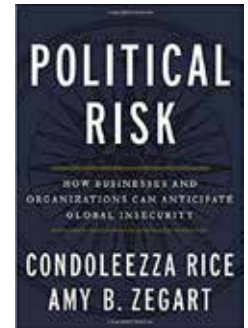
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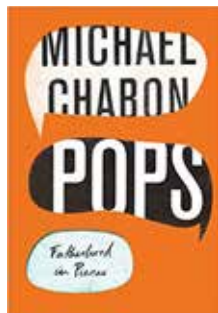
Paul Simon: The Life
by Robert Hilburn



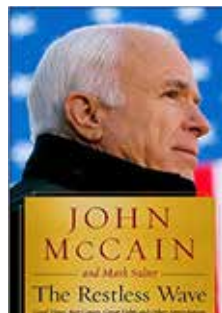
The Perfectionists
by Simon Winchester



Political Risk
by Condoleezza Rice



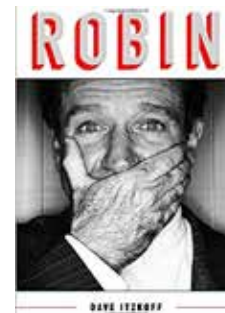
Pops
by Michael Chabon



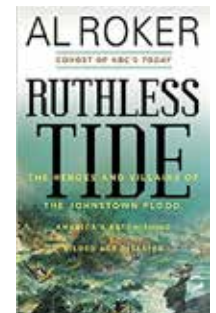
The Restless Wave
by John McCain



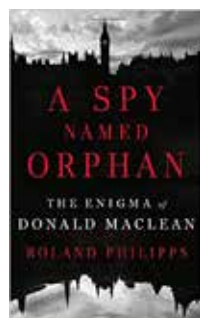
RFK: His Words For Our Times
by Edwin O. Guthman



Robin
by Dave Itzkoff



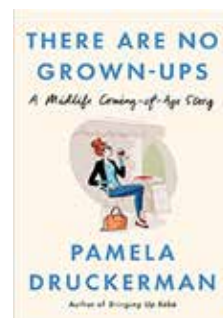
Ruthless Tide
by Al Roker



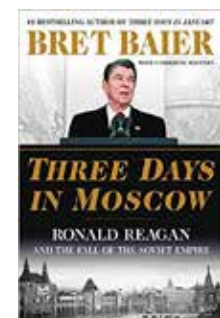
A Spy Named Orphan
by Roland Philipps



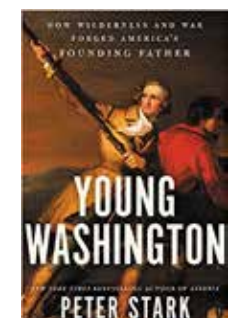
The Stuff
by Dr. Sampson Davis



There Are No Grown-Ups
by Pamela Druckerman



Three Days in Moscow
by Bret Baier



Young Washington
by Peter Stark

