



Staff and Reader Recommendations

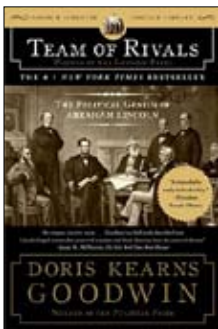
The Secret Between Us

By Barbara Delinsky

The lives of Deborah Monroe's children are in turmoil after her bitter divorce. When she picks up her daughter from a party on a dark rainy night, Monroe takes the blame for the car accident that her daughter caused when she insisted on driving home. This honest telling of a family dealing with weighty issues asks the question "How far would you go to protect your child from harm?"

Reviewed by Lin M., Outreach Staff

Also available in large print and on compact disc



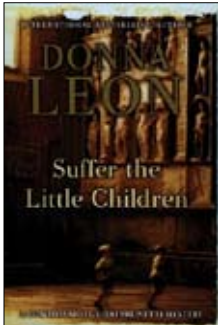
Team of Rivals

By Doris Kearns Goodwin

Goodwin's impeccable research translates into a masterpiece of historical, political and biographical importance about its subject, Abraham Lincoln. Made to feel physically present in every meeting and decision-making event, one reads faster so they can turn pages quicker and not miss a moment of the action and suspense.

Reviewed by Paul M., Deposit Collection Volunteer

Also available on compact disc



Suffer the Little Children

By Donna Leon

This installment in the Commissario Brunetti mystery series finds him investigating a police raid that results in the removal of an illegally adopted infant from the invaded home and puts the father in intensive care. There are no easy answers in this story and sometimes all Brunetti can do is enforce the law, an action which cannot guarantee justice.

Reviewed by Patrice P., Deposit Collection and At Home Volunteer

Also available in paperback



Made in the U.S.A.

By Billie Letts

Letts is up to her same interesting way of writing. It's the story of two abandoned children who embark on a desperate journey to their father's last known whereabouts. A difficult book to put down before you finish.

Reviewed by Anna Belle A., At Home by Mail Customer

Also available in large print and on compact disc



New Fiction

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Chasing Darkness

By Robert Crais

Three years ago, Elvis Cole cleared an innocent man of murder. When the defendant is found dead, holding photos of the victim, Cole is the one on trial. He and Joe Pike race the LAPD to uncover the truth.

Also available in large print and on compact disc

Born to Run

By James Grippando

Intrepid Miami attorney Jack Swytek comes to the aid of his father as he investigates the suspicious hunting death of the vice president.

Also available in large print and on compact disc

A Dog Named Christmas

By Greg Kincaid

When a shelter is looking for homes for dogs over the holidays, Todd, a developmentally challenged man, takes in a special canine and teaches the community about the power of love and goodwill.

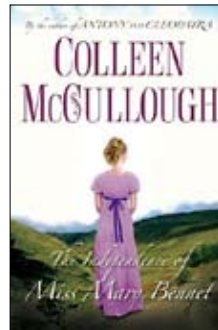
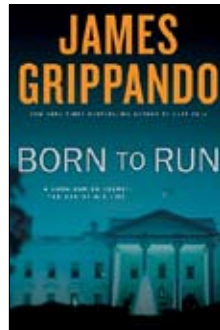
Also available on compact disc

House and Home

By Kathleen McCleary

In this poignant, gently humorous novel, newly divorced Ellen Flanagan and her two daughters are being forced to give up the home that they have loved and nurtured for 10 years.

Also available in large print



The Independence of Miss Mary Bennet

By Colleen McCullough

The best-selling author of *The Thorn Birds* presents a sequel to *Pride and Prejudice* that finds the willful third Bennet sister setting out in her late 30s in pursuit of adventure.

Also available in large print

Sweet Trouble

By Susan Mallery

Jesse Keyes has done some growing up. With a steady job and a young son, she's in a better place than when she left Seattle five years ago. Now it's time to go home and face her son's father.

Also available in large print

Sinister Sudoku

By Kaye Morgan

Liza Kelly, sudoku maven with an Oregon newspaper, is conducting a class at the local minimum security prison. All goes well until one of her students turns up dead--in her room.

Also available in large print

Songs for the Missing

By Stewart O'Nan

When Kim Larsen disappears from her quiet Lake Erie town, her family, friends and boyfriend do everything to find her. As time passes and the news interest ends, the story becomes an intimate portrayal of what happens to those left behind.

Also available in large print and on compact disc

A Promise to Believe In

By Tracie Peterson

It's 1879 in Montana territory and the three Gallatin sisters begin to operate a roadhouse at the crossroads of two stage lines. Tragedy strikes when their father is accidentally killed and they must struggle to keep their business going.

Spiritual fiction.
Also available in large print

The Good Thief

By Hannah Tinti

Growing up in a New England orphanage, 12-year-old Ren is terrified of the future, until a man shows up claiming to be his long-lost brother and involves him in an adventure-filled odyssey of scam artists and petty criminals.

Also available in large print and on compact disc



New Nonfiction

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The House at Sugar Beach

By Helene Cooper

The author traces her childhood in war-torn Liberia and her reunion with a foster sister who had been left behind when her family fled the region.

Also available in large print and on compact disc

American Prince: A Memoir

By Tony Curtis

The legendary actor chronicles his odyssey from hard-knock childhood as the son of immigrant parents to Hollywood success, and his life as an artist at age 80.

Also available in large print and on compact disc

Joyce Lamont's Favorite Minnesota Recipes & Radio Memories

By Joyce Lamont with Linda Larsen

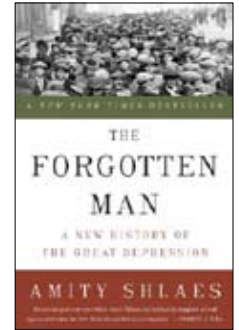
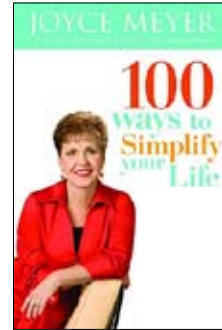
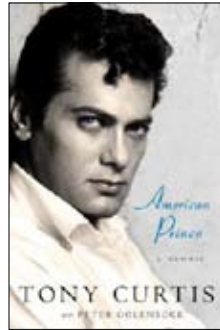
Time-tested recipes tuned to the seasons, charming reminiscences and trustworthy household tips from one of the Midwest's best-loved cooks and broadcasters.

Titanic's Last Secrets

By Brad Matsen

Divers Chatterton and Kohler investigate the enduring mystery of history's most notorious shipwreck and try to answer questions such as "Why did the Titanic sink as quickly as it did?"

Also available in large print



American Lion: Andrew Jackson in the White House

By Jon Meacham

Chronicles the life and career of a self-made man who played a seminal role during a turbulent era in history.

Also available in large print and on compact disc

100 Ways to Simplify Your Life

By Joyce Meyer

Meyer shares advice on drawing on one's faith in order to balance a hectic schedule. She covers a variety of topics from prioritizing and trusting in God to letting go and embracing realistic expectations.

Also available in large print and on compact disc

Your Brain Health Lifestyle

By Paul David Nussbaum

Healthy brain habits you can adopt on a daily basis that can fight off or delay neurodegenerative diseases such as Alzheimer's.

Mortal Danger and Other True Cases

By Ann Rule

A collection of five true crime stories by the *Queen of True Crime*. Rule creates riveting portraits of victims and sociopaths.

Also available in large print

Bob Schieffer's America

By Bob Schieffer

The longtime CBS commentator brings together 168 of his best essays on today's hard issues and human interest stories.

Also available in large print

The Forgotten Man: A New History of the Great Depression

By Amity Shlaes

It's difficult today to imagine how America survived the Great Depression. Shlaes presents moving stories of individual Americans and shows how through brave leadership our nation grew strong.

Also available in large print and on compact disc



New Large Print

Alphabetical Order by Author

Fiction

Cockatiels at Seven

By Donna Andrews

Divine Justice

By David Baldacci

Gunman From Texas

By Todhunter Ballard

The Secret Scripture

By Sebastian Barry

The Charlemagne Pursuit

By Steve Berry

Texas Lucky

By Sandra Brown

Legally Dead

By Edna Buchanan

Centurion's Wife

By T. Davis Bunn and Janette Oke

America, America

By Ethan Canin

Never Romance a Rake

By Liz Carlyle

Dark Light

By Jayne Castle

Iced

By Carol Higgins Clark

Twice Loved: Belles of Timber Creek

By Lori Copeland

Scarpetta

By Patricia Cornwell

Undead and Unworthy

By MaryJanice Davidson

Bodies Left Behind

By Jeffery Deaver

Dying for Revenge

By Eric Jerome Dickey

Into the Shadow

By Christina Dodd

Eleventh Man

By Ivan Doig

Cat in a Sapphire Slipper

By Carole Nelson Douglas

19th Wife

By David Ebershoff

Foul Play

By Janet Evanovich

Grace

By Richard Paul Evans

Turbulent Sea

By Christine Feehan

Leaving Whiskey Bend

By Dorothy Garlock

Fire and Ice

By Julie Garwood

I See you Everywhere

By Julia Glass

Deadly Gift

By Heather Graham

Deadly Harvest

By Heather Graham

Fisherman's Bend

By Linda Greenlaw

Sisterchicks go Brit!

By Robin Jones Gunn

Three Bedrooms, One Corpse

By Charlaine Harris

Ghost at Work

By Carolyn Hart

Phoebe Deane

By Grace Livingston Hill

Blood Sins

By Kay Hooper

Pepper's Way

By Kay Hooper

High Stakes

By Lisa Jackson

Private Patient

By P.D. James

Cruel Intent

By J.A. Jance

Dark Summer

By Iris Johansen

Bones

By Jonathan Kellerman

Heretic's Daughter

By Kathleen Kent

Just After Sunset

By Stephen King

Every Now & Then

By Karen Kingsbury

Your Heart Belongs to Me

By Dean Koontz



New Large Print

Alphabetical Order by Author

Fiction continued

Collected Short Stories of Louis L'Amour: Volume 6

By Louis L'Amour

Hour I First Believed

By Wally Lamb

A Most Wanted Man

By John Le Carre

Hardly Knew Her: Stories

By Laura Lippman

Sweet Spot

By Susan Mallery

Death's Half Acre

By Margaret Maron

Rustler

By Linda Lael Miller

Who's Loving You

By Mary B. Morrison

A Mercy

By Toni Morrison

Burn Out

By Marcia Muller

Cold Pursuit

By Carla Neggers

Stop Me

By Brenda Novak

What Was Lost

By Catherine O'Flynn

Dark of Day

By Barbara Parker

Cross Country

By James Patterson

Under the Northern Lights

By Tracie Peterson

Other Side of Silence

By Bill Pronzini

Goldengrove

By Francine Prose

Salvation in Death

By J.D. Robb

Pagan Stone

By Nora Roberts

Reflections

By Nora Roberts

Crossfire

By JoAnn Ross

Heat Lightning

By John Standford

So Long at the Fair

By Christina Schwarz

Testimony

By Anita Shreve

Wedding Belles

By Haywood Smith

One Perfect Day

By Lauraine Snelling

A Good Woman

By Danielle Steele

Murder Inside the Beltway

By Margaret Truman

Nonfiction

Ernie: The Autobiography

By Ernest Borgnine

Here's the Story: Surviving Marcia Brady and...

By Maureen McCormick

American Lion: Andrew Jackson in the White House

By Jon Meacham

100 Ways to Simplify Your Life

By Joyce Meyer

Alex and Me: How a Scientist and a Parrot...

By Irene M. Pepperberg

I Still Have It, I Just Can't Remember Where I Put It

By Rita Rudner

Mortal Danger and Other True Cases

By Ann Rule

September Songs: The Good News About Marriage in the...

By Maggie Scarf

Bob Schieffer's America

By Bob Schieffer

Call Me Ted

By Ted Turner with Bill Burke



New Talking Books

Alphabetical Order by Author

These are the newest titles on compact disc:

Fiction

Night Shadow

By Cherry Adair

Lie Down With the Devil

By Linda Barnes

The Charlemagne Pursuit

By Steve Berry

Ender in Exile

By Orson Scott Card

Arctic Drift

By Clive Cussler

Black Ops

By W.E.B. Griffin

Born to Run

By James Grippando

Swallowing Darkness

By Laurell K. Hamilton

English Major

By Jim Harrison

Ghost at Work

By Carolyn Hart

Private Patient

By P.D. James

A Most Wanted Man

By John Le Carre

The World According to Bertie

By Alexander McCall Smith

Hide and Seek

By Fern Michaels

Songs for the Missing

By Stewart O'Nan

A Christmas Grace

By Anne Perry

Nonfiction

Magnificent Mind at any Age

By Daniel G. Amen

Big History, Parts 1, 2, 3 and 4

By David Christian

America's Hidden History

By Kenneth C. Davis

Philosophy of Mind, Parts 1 and 2

By Patrick Grim

The Longest Trip Home: A Memoir

By John Grogan

Comparative Religion

Parts 1 and 2

By Charles Kimball

Masterpieces of Short Fiction

Parts 1 and 2

By Michael Krasny

The Soloist

By Steve Lopez

Car Talk: Field Guide to the

North American Wacko

By Tom and Ray Magliozzi

Tried by War: Abraham Lincoln...

By James M. McPherson

Your Breathing Body

Volumes 1 and 2

By Reginald A. Ray

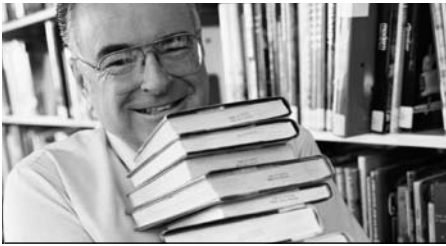
Intuitive Eating

By Elyse Resch and Evelyn Tribole

War Within: A Secret White

House History, 2006-2008

By Bob Woodward



Forthcoming Fiction

Alphabetical Order by Author

Publication Date	Author	Title
7/09	Adler, Elizabeth	There's Something About St. Tropez
7/09	Brockmann, Suzanne	Hot Pursuit
7/09	Burke, James Lee	In the Valley of Ancient Rain Gods
5/09	Connelly, Michael	Scarecrow
6/09	Davidson, MaryJanice	Undead and Unwelcome
6/09	Deaver, Jeffery	Roadside Crosses
4/09	Deveraux, Jude	Lavender Morning
9/09	Diamant, Anita	Day After Night
8/09	Douglas, Carole Nelson	Cat in a Topaz Tango
7/09	Frank, Dorothea Benton	Return to Sullivan's Island
6/09	Gardner, Lisa	Don't Make a Sound
4/09	Goudge, Eileen	Diary
4/09	Graham, Heather	Nightwalker
6/09	Green, Jane	Dune Road
6/09	Griffin, W.E.B.	Traffickers
6/09	Hamilton, Laurell K.	Skin Trade
4/09	Hart, Carolyn G.	Dare to Die
4/09	Henry, Sue	End of the Road
8/09	Jance, J.A.	Fire and Ice
7/09	Johansen, Iris	Storm Cycle
5/09	Koontz, Dean	Other Side of the Woods
6/09	Lindsey, Johanna	Rogue of My Own
8/09	Macomber, Debbie	Be My Angel
7/09	Parker, Robert B.	Brimstone
6/09	Patterson, James	Swimsuit
7/09	Rice, Luanne	Deep Blue Sea for Beginners
4/09	Scottoline, Lisa	Look Again
8/09	Straub, Peter	Dark Matter
6/09	Tanebaum, Robert K.	Capture
5/09	Thayer, Nancy	Beach Grass Garden
8/09	Tracy, P.J.	Disconnected
7/09	Westlake, Donald E.	Get Real
8/09	White, Stephen	Man in the Tomb
4/09	Woods, Stuart	Loitering With Intent



News & Notices

Things you would like to know

Outreach celebrates National Volunteer Appreciation Week, April 19-25, 2009

It's that special time of year when we say thank you to our volunteers for helping our customers continue to have access to the library.

I can no other answer make, but, thanks, and thanks.

~William Shakespeare

Meet our Volunteers

Betsy

Way back in 1987, Betsy B. was out walking with her neighbor. Her friend mentioned that she had seen an ad in the newspaper asking for volunteers to work in the libraries of local nursing homes. Betsy checked into it and became the librarian at Maranatha Care Center in Brooklyn Center. She is still happily working there today. Once a week Betsy brings a library cart stocked with Hennepin County Library material from room-to-room in the building. "I like to talk and I learn so much from the residents when we visit," Betsy says.

She recommends *The Guernsey Literary and Potato Peel Pie Society* by Mary Ann Shaffer and Annie Barrows. "It's a great story set on the Guernsey Islands during World War II and it will leave you with a nice feeling after you've read it."

Chris and Cheryl

Chris B. is a customer who is served by the At Home by Volunteer service. He uses the service mostly in the winter when it is difficult to make it to the library. He says that his volunteer makes time to drop off his material and is genuinely interested in what he has to say. He has recommended the At Home service to three of his friends and says, "I just can't find enough positive words to say what I feel. My friends and I love the program." Chris' volunteer Cheryl T. says that she really enjoys bringing books to Chris because he has such a great spirit. Cheryl also delivers to Janelle V. and Anne Marie L. Cheryl just finished reading *The Traveler's Gift: Seven Decisions That Determine Personal Success* by Andy Andrews.

Dick and Ann

In 2007 Ann and Dick P. began library service to a group home in Eden Prairie that provides care for senior women. Ann brings lots of books on their monthly visit and the residents and staff all sit down with Ann and they discuss the books over coffee and treats. Ann has loved researching and finding new topics to share which have ranged from poverty in the United States to the history of Valentine's Day.



Linda B.

Linda B. (pictured) volunteers with the Deposit Collection Booktalking program. Linda and a Hennepin County Library librarian visit 2-4 senior living sites each year and present a program of book reviews and library information. Volunteers have been an important component of this effort to bring library programming to individuals who face barriers in visiting a library in person. Linda says many of the people who attend the program have been lifelong readers and they are quite appreciative of occasions to hear about books. Right now Linda is reading *Salt: A World History* by Mark Kurlansky.

Thanks Helen!

Longtime Deposit Collection volunteer Helen D. has given up her duties as the person in charge of library service at the Yorktown Continental Apartments in Edina. Helen has been a tireless worker in ensuring that residents have access to library material and get exactly the book they want.



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Boost Your Brain Power

In his book *Your Brain Health Lifestyle: A Proactive Program to Preserve Your Life Story*, Dr. Paul Nussbaum gives this brain health tip: Start to play those wonderful board games again, learn a musical instrument and tune in to the classic radio station.

Brain Health Across the Lifespan

Southdale Library

Tuesday, March 10, 7-9 p.m.

Be proactive in keeping your brain healthy. Award-winning author Dr. Paul Nussbaum, researcher and professor, will present healthy brain habits you can adopt on a daily basis that can fight off or delay neurodegenerative diseases such as Alzheimer's. Books available for purchase and signing.

Funded by grants and gifts to the Library Foundation of Hennepin County; sponsored by the Friends of the Edina Library and MELSA (Metropolitan Library Service Agency); and presented in partnership with Vital Aging Network.



Valentine's Day Brings Us All Together

Recently, some Generation Y students (born between 1981-2000) took advantage of an opportunity to make Valentine cards for Hennepin County Library's almost 750 At Home customers, who are most likely from the Veterans (1922-1945) or Boomers (1945-1964) generations.

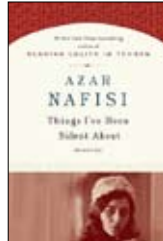
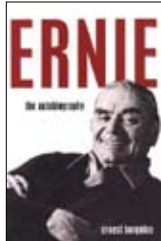
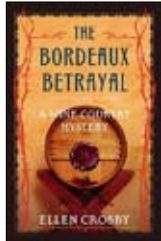
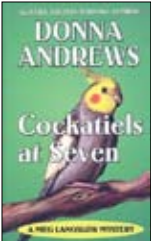
Participative teen groups that were involved include:

The International Teen Club from Brookdale Library; Teen advisory groups from Brookdale, Brooklyn Park, Franklin, Ridgedale, St. Louis Park, Southdale and Westonka libraries; Teens Online; and the Valley View Middle School students from Bloomington, whose involvement was coordinated by Oxboro library staff. It was a special intergenerational experience to share. What a great Valentine message!



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Do You Need a Book Now?

These large print books are on our shelves and can be mailed to you right away.

Large Print Cozy Mysteries

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By Stephanie Barron

The Bordeaux Betrayal: A Wine Country Mystery

By Ellen Crosby

Large Print Biographies

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By Ernest Borgnine

Things I've Been Silent About

By Azar Nafisi

A Bold Fresh Piece of Humanity: A Memoir

By Bill O'Reilly

Audio versions of the At Home Reader

The *At Home Reader* is now available as a podcast. You can find it online at www.hclib.org/pub/bookspace/AtHomeReaders.cfm

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This national nonprofit program is committed to assisting permanent U.S. residents who are deaf or hard-of-hearing and have limited financial resources. For more information about Hear Now Aid, call 1-800-648-4327 or visit their web site at www.sotheworldmayhear.org/hearnow



5 Ways to Order

By phone, volunteer, returned in mail bag, U.S. mail, online

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- Skin Trade
- Dare to Die
- End of the Road
- Fire and Ice
- Storm Cycle
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Author: _____

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