



Check It Out

Book Sale on Saturday May 10



A moment of calm during our March 15 sale. If this is how you like to shop, join us around 1 PM. If you want the best selection, shop our members preview at 9 AM!

Another big Plymouth Library book sale is coming on May 10! The Friends of the Plymouth Library will be selling hundreds and hundreds of adult and kid's books, puzzles, DVDs, CDs.

Books range in price from 50¢ to just \$2. From 2–3 PM, you can fill entire bags with books for \$5 per bag! Proceeds benefit the Plymouth Library and Friends programs and events.

Sale Hours:

- 9–10 AM - Exclusive early access for Friends members (join at the door!)
- 10 AM–3 PM - Open to the general public
- 2–3 PM - Fill entire shopping bags with books for just \$5 per bag!

Cash or check only, please. We do not yet have a solution for accepting credit cards or digital payments.

Sale takes place at the Plymouth Library, located at 15700 36th Ave N, Plymouth, MN 55446.

Interested in volunteering for the sale or donating books? Flip to page 4 →

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A Letter to Our Members

Dear Members,

Thank you for being Friends of the Plymouth Library, one of Hennepin County Library's 41 vibrant locations! Your memberships this past year helped advance lifelong learning by adding more books to the library's world-class collection, transform lives through meaningful programs like Homework Help tutoring, and uplift the community through thought-provoking author talks.

We have some exciting news to share – the Friends of the Plymouth Library Board voted unanimously to join the Friends of the Hennepin County Library **joint membership program!** Current Friends of the Plymouth Library members will have their memberships automatically enrolled in the joint membership program through their upcoming renewal dates. Going forward, renewal requests will come from Friends of the Hennepin County Library.

Your memberships will continue to support the beloved Plymouth Library, along with key initiatives across our 41 library locations in Hennepin County. Members will continue to receive the Friends of the Plymouth Library newsletters, access to our members-only hour at book sales, and information about our volunteer opportunities. You'll also receive another level of member benefits, including a 10% discount at local area bookstores, invitations to special events, discounts on Pen Pals Author Lecture Series tickets, and a complimentary subscription to an additional newsletter from Friends of the Hennepin County Library. For more information about your new member benefits and the impact your gift will make this year, visit supportHCLIB.org.

On behalf of our growing community of nearly 10,000 Friends of the Hennepin County Library members, we are delighted to welcome you to this generous community of Library supporters.

With much gratitude,

Josh Velasquez
President & Communications Chair
Friends of the Plymouth Library

Kristi Pearson
Executive Director & CEO
Friends of the Hennepin County Library

P.S. If you have any questions about your membership, please feel free to email Josh Velasquez at plymouth@supporthclib.org.

Member Updates

Changes to our Membership Dues

Dear Members,

As the Friends of the Plymouth Library transition to the joint membership program with Friends of the Hennepin County Library, we are making changes to our annual membership dues.

Going forward, we will no longer be requesting specific amounts for an annual membership.

Your gift of any amount that's meaningful to you gets you membership for a year from the date of your gift. We suggest an annual donation of \$25 or more. If you can give any amount on a recurring basis, that makes an even bigger impact as it gives us some predictability in our fundraising.

Thank you, as always, for being a member!

Warm Regards,

Josh Velasquez
President & Communications Chair



Thank you, Members!

This coupon entitles the Member to one FREE book* at the May 2025 book sale.

**Coupon counts towards books only.
Maximum value \$2. Must present coupon to cashier at checkout.*

Enjoy the Perks of Being Friends

All members receive these special benefits:

Discounts at Local Bookstores and Library Friends Events

- Fuel your literary love with a 10% discount at [select area bookstores](#).
- See your favorite authors live with discounts to [Pen Pals](#) and more.

Special Invites

Have fun with your friends by attending member-only events and members-only preview hours at local library book sales, including Plymouth!

This Plymouth Friends Newsletter

Includes this coupon for a free book at our next sale on May 10! Look for these coupons in every Friends of the Plymouth Library newsletter, sent exclusively to our members before each sale.

The Friends of HCL Newsletter

Receive the latest library and Friends news in the fun and informative [Friends of the Hennepin County Library newsletter](#) along with one-of-a-kind bookmarks!

Ready to join or renew?

Give now at
supporthclib.org/join-plymouth



IMPORTANT: Be sure to select Plymouth as your favorite library when you fill out the form to register as a Plymouth member

Prologue

Book Sale Volunteers Needed

- We are still looking for volunteers to...
- Transport boxes of books from storage to the book sale room on the evening of **Thursday, May 8**
 - Receive donated books and help set up the book sale on **Friday, May 9**
 - Run the sale and clean up after the sale on **Saturday, May 10**

Please visit this link to view the online sign-up sheet: <http://fopl.link/volunteer-may2025>

Donation Days on May 3 and May 9

- We will be accepting donations in the meeting room at the Plymouth Library on:
- **Saturday, May 3, from 10:30 AM–12 PM**
 - **Friday, May 9, from 9 AM–3 PM**

(Thank you for respecting these donation hours.)

We gladly accept gently used adult and children's books, DVDs, CDs, and jigsaw puzzles. Unfortunately, we cannot accept textbooks, encyclopedias, video tapes, or audio tapes. Please read your shelves and bring us some goodies! Thank you for your contributions.

Plymouth Library Sees Strong Numbers for Q1 2025

Plymouth Library Book Sale Day Visits	
Nov 16, 2024	2,086
Jan 11, 2025	2,131
Mar 15, 2025	1,902

Plymouth Library Monthly Visitors	
Jan '25	23,022
Feb '25	18,904
Mar '25	25,268

Plymouth Library Checkouts	
Jan '25	40,108
Feb '25	34,693
Mar '25	43,059

Plymouth Library Library Card Sign-ups	
Jan '25	242
Feb '25	230
Mar '25	344

First Quarter 2025 Financial Update



Bernadeen Brutlag,
Treasurer

We’ve had two book sales so far in 2025 that have brought in a total of \$15,050 (\$7,660 in January and \$7,390 in March). During these three months, we also received \$1,650 in donations from the Ready Reads carts of used books in the library lobby, and \$1,240 from memberships. As is discussed elsewhere in this newsletter, we are transferring our membership process to Friends of the Hennepin County Library (FHCL). This change will provide additional benefits to our members, allow FHCL to have quicker access to membership donations, and will save some administrative expenses for the Friends of the Plymouth Library.

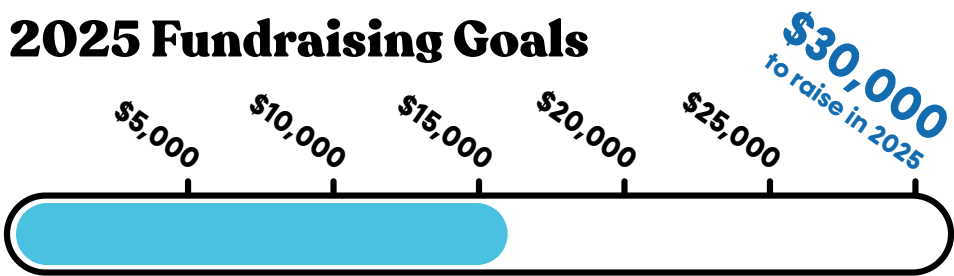
From this year’s income, we’ve sent two grants to FHCL. The first was for \$7,000 designated to be used for the World Class Collection, and the second was for \$7,400 to support Outreach and Engagement initiatives.

Near the end of last year, we took advantage of favorable interest rates to put \$20,000 into certificates of deposit (CDs). Those CDs matured in March. We then sent a grant representing the principal plus interest earned totaling \$20,603 to FHCL. We designated this grant to be used “where most needed.” FHCL used this grant to support the Collection.

The Friends of the Plymouth Library \$25,000 endowment fund that was set up in November 2022 has a value of \$30,115 at the end of March 2025. This endowment is designated for the collection. The first appropriation will occur in the first quarter of 2026.

The financial support we are able to provide to FHCL for the benefit of all 41 libraries is made possible by of all the enthusiastic shoppers at our book sales. We have four more sales this year. Hope to see you there!

2025 Fundraising Goals



Jan. 11 proceeds: \$7,660
☒ **World-class Collection**

Mar. 15 proceeds: \$7,392
☒ **Outreach & Engagement**

May 10 sale benefits HCL's
☐ **Student Success Initiatives**

Jul. 12 sale benefits HCL's
☐ **Youth Development Initiatives**

Sep. 13 sale benefits HCL's
☐ **Let's Read! Literacy Initiative**

Nov. 15 sale benefits HCL's
☐ **Local Programs Equity Fund**

Celebrating 15 Years of Plymouth READS with Author Mona Susan Power

On April 10, nearly 100 readers and book lovers gathered at the Plymouth Community Center for a conversation with award-winning author Mona Susan Power about her latest novel, *A Council of Dolls*.

LuAnn Svendsen, chair of the Plymouth READS committee, welcomed attendees to the milestone event marking 15 years of Plymouth READS. Hennepin County Library's Jesse Sawyer opened with a land acknowledgment before introducing Power, who captivated the audience with readings from her works, reflections on her youth, and insights into her writing journey. Her warmth and humor shone through as she answered audience questions and signed books to close out the evening.

A heartfelt thank-you to the Plymouth READS committee for their dedication throughout the year, and our deepest gratitude to our event collaborators: the Plymouth Arts Council, City of Plymouth, Hennepin County Library, and Friends of the Hennepin County Library.



Author Sujata Massey Packs the Plymouth Room at Club Book Event

The Plymouth Library was thrilled to welcome bestselling author Sujata Massey on March 26 for a free Club Book event — and the response was phenomenal!

A full room of 70 attendees enjoyed Massey's lively and inspiring talk, with 100% of survey respondents rating the program as "excellent." Audience members praised her engaging presentation and shared how her practical advice left them feeling energized, especially the writers in the crowd.

Massey, a master of both mystery and historical fiction, is the award-winning author of two popular series: the Rei Shimura mysteries, set in Japan, and the Perveen Mistry series, featuring India's first female solicitor in 1920s Mumbai. Her work has earned her multiple Agatha Awards and a devoted following around the world.

This event was presented in partnership with MELSA (Metropolitan Library Service Agency) and funded with money from Minnesota's Arts and Cultural Heritage Fund. Thank you to everyone who joined us for this wonderful evening of stories, inspiration, and community!



Getting to Know Library Supervisor Stephanie Steinwedel

WHAT IS YOUR ROLE AT THE PLYMOUTH LIBRARY, AND WHAT DOES A TYPICAL DAY LOOK LIKE FOR YOU?

I am a Library Supervisor alongside Steve Richter. On a typical day, you might find me working on staff schedules, facilitating a staff meeting, writing a performance review, working with our Facilities colleagues to ensure the library is in good repair, working at the information desk, shelving a cart of books, or sitting in on a meeting of the Plymouth Library Friends Board!

WHAT FIRST SPARKED YOUR INTEREST IN WORKING IN LIBRARIES? WAS THERE A PARTICULAR MOMENT OR INFLUENCE THAT DREW YOU IN?

The idea of working in a library came to me one day when I was at my college career center and found a pamphlet titled *What Else Can I do with a Foreign Language Degree!* I was a Russian major, but had decided I didn't want to live in Russia or work for the CIA. I loved the ideas of a job that used my research skills and being surrounded by books every day!

WHERE DO YOU CALL HOME?

I grew up in nearby Golden Valley, and now I live between downtown and Uptown in Minneapolis.

WHEN YOU'RE NOT AT THE LIBRARY, HOW DO YOU LIKE TO SPEND YOUR TIME?

Reading, of course. My partner Paul and I also love to travel and to be outside camping, biking, hiking and paddling. We are working on getting to all of Minnesota's State Parks together. (We're up to 57 out of 72!) It also helps offset our other hobbies, which are trying new breweries, doughnut shops, and ice cream stores...

WHAT KINDS OF BOOKS DO YOU LOVE TO READ, AND WHAT DRAWS YOU TO THOSE GENRES?

I read a little bit of everything, fiction and non-fiction. If I was cornered, I'd probably say outdoor adventure and survival (see above question). I also like to read about Russia, past and present (see



question 2 above). But to be clear, Putin is my least favorite Russian person right now.

IS THERE A BOOK THAT CHANGED YOUR PERSPECTIVE OR MADE A LASTING IMPRESSION ON YOU?

Many, but one that stands out in my mind is *No Logo* by Naomi Klein.

DO YOU HAVE A FAVORITE BOOK YOU FIND YOURSELF RECOMMENDING OVER AND OVER AGAIN?

A River Runs Through It by Norman MacLean. Though I don't think I fully comprehend the ending, it gives me chills every time I read it. It just feels like it gets at the meaning of life in a profound way. "Like many fly fishermen in western Montana where the summer days are almost Arctic in length, I often do not start fishing until the cool of the evening. Then in the Arctic half-light of the canyon, all existence fades to a being with my soul and memories and the sounds of the Big Blackfoot River and a four-count rhythm and the hope that a fish will rise.

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Eventually, all things merge into one, and a river runs through it. The river was cut by the world's great flood and runs over rocks from the basement of time. On some of those rocks are timeless raindrops. Under the rocks are the words, and some of the words are theirs. I am haunted by waters."

WHAT'S THE BEST BOOK YOU'VE READ LATELY? (NO PRESSURE TO CHOOSE JUST ONE!)

I'm on a winning streak lately! *A Walk in the Park: The True Story of a Spectacular Misadventure in the Grand Canyon* (Kevin Fedarko), *Intermezzo* (Sally Rooney), *The Talk* (Darrin Bell), *You are Here* (David Nicholls), *Mother Doll* (Katya Apekina), *Solito* (Javier Zamora), *What's Cooking in the Kremlin?* (Witold Szablowski)

WHAT'S SOMETHING FUN OR QUIRKY MOST PEOPLE DON'T KNOW ABOUT YOU?

I have jumped out of a plane (with an experienced parachute jumper attached to me).

WHAT'S YOUR FAVORITE PART OF BEING AT THE PLYMOUTH LIBRARY SO FAR?

The staff and Friends are hard-working and fun!

Lightning Round with Stephanie

COFFEE OR TEA?

Herbal tea

FICTION OR NONFICTION?

Fiction

EARLY BIRD OR NIGHT OWL?

Neither

FAVORITE SEASON OF THE YEAR?

Summer

CATS OR DOGS (OR ANOTHER FAVORITE ANIMAL)?

Both

MOST-USED LIBRARY SERVICE? (BESIDES BOOKS!)

Libby

BOOK YOU WISH YOU HAD TIME TO READ?

War and Peace. Seriously.

DEWEY DECIMAL OR LIBRARY OF CONGRESS?

Dewey Decimal!

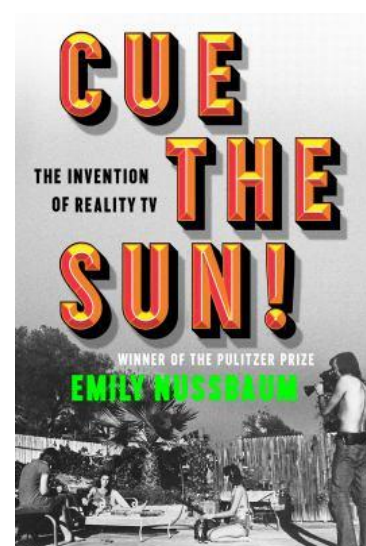
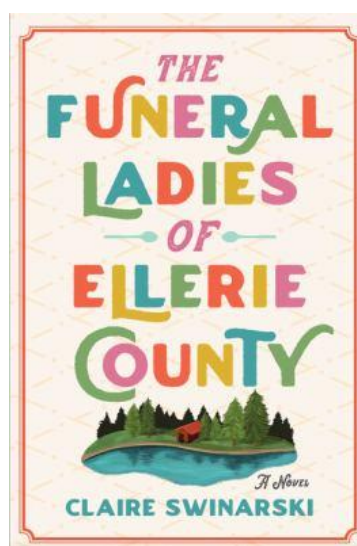
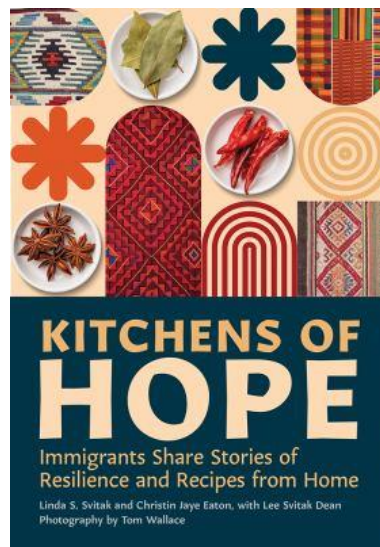
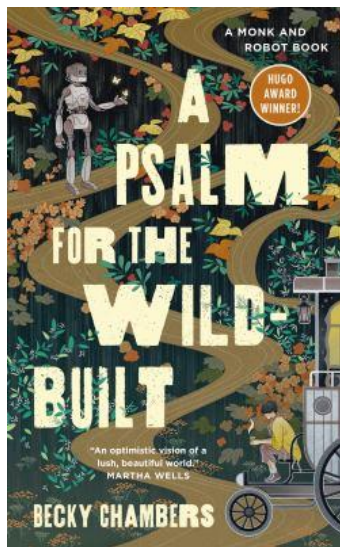
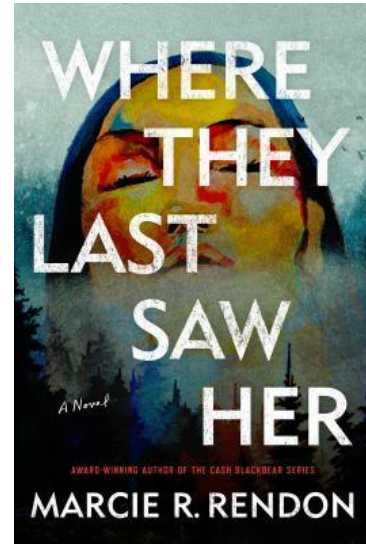
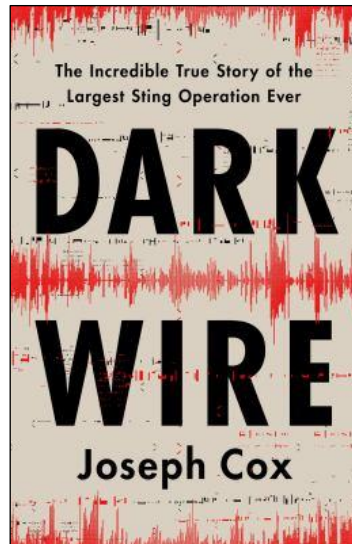
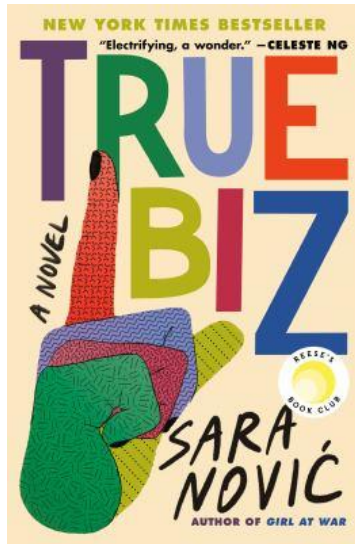
ONE WORD YOUR FRIENDS WOULD USE TO DESCRIBE YOU?

Responsible? Funny?

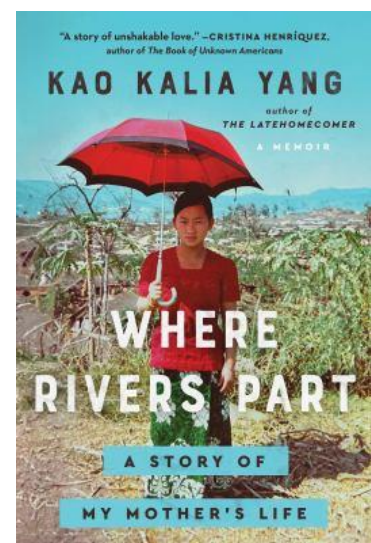
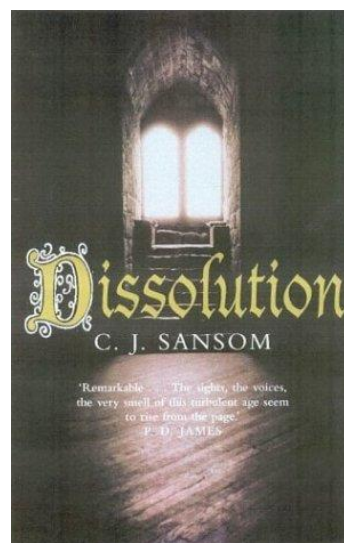
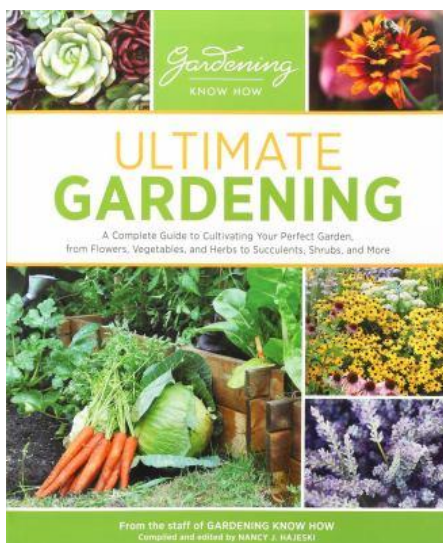
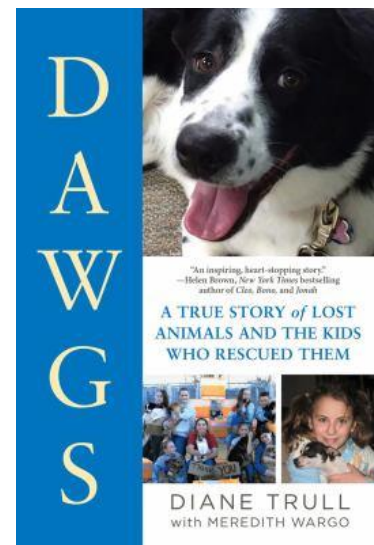
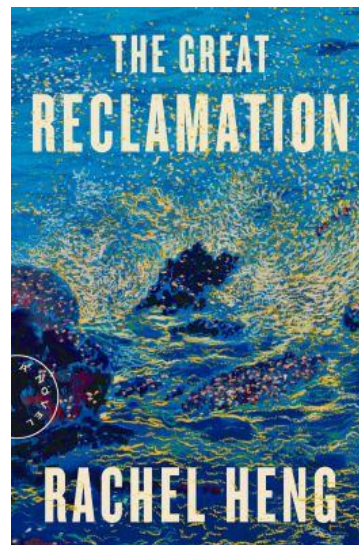
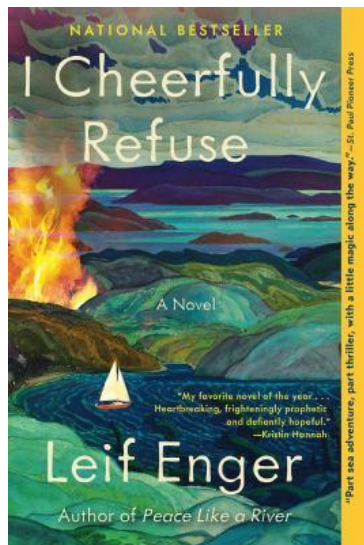
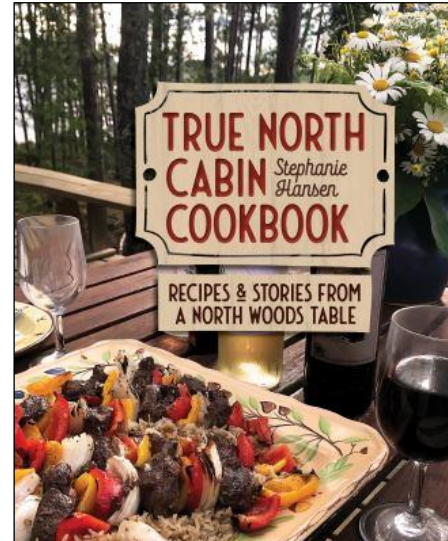
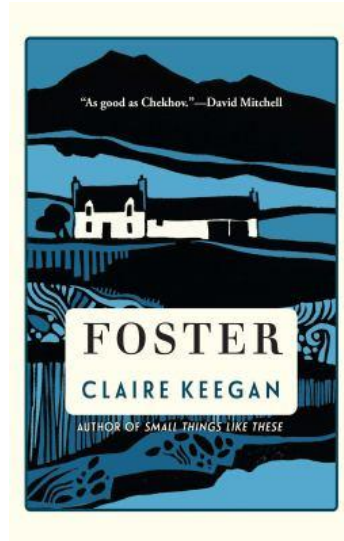
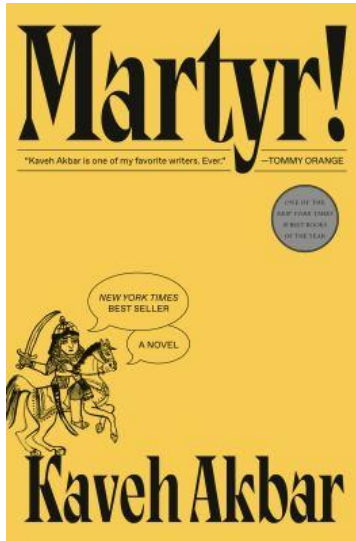
IF YOU COULD INVITE ANY AUTHOR (LIVING OR PASSED) TO A DINNER PARTY, WHO WOULD IT BE?

Ann Patchett

Book Picks for Adults



Book Picks for Adults





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Try Ukulele

Register at www.hclib.org/events or call 612-543-5825

Choose one date/session:

Sunday, June 1 3:00 – 4:00 p.m.

Tuesday, June 3, 4:30 – 5:30 p.m.

For adults but high schoolers welcome. Start off the summer with the sunny sounds of the ukulele! This single-session program is a hands-on introduction to the ukulele and how to play it. Attendees will learn about the instrument and how to play their first few chords. Led by Hennepin County Library staff. Ukuleles provided. No musical background needed. Registration required.

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Tabletop Gaming!

Saturday, June 28, 2–3:30 p.m.

All ages. Calling all tabletop gamers! Challenge friends to classics such as Scrabble and Sorry! or explore new favorites from Ticket to Ride and Forbidden Island to Wizard and 5-Minute Dungeon. Play our games or bring your own. No tabletop gaming experience needed. Drop-in.

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Plymouth Library Adult Events

Great Decisions: India, Between China, the West, and the Global South

Saturday, May 17, 3–4:30pm



Join Andrew Latham, Professor of International Relations and Political Theory at Macalester College, as he will discuss about India: Between China, the West, and the Global South. This event is part of the

Great Decision series, and he will discuss about international security, Chinese foreign policy, regional conflict in the Middle East, regional conflict in the Asia-Pacific, Medieval political thought, US foreign policy, and conservative political theory. Sponsor: Friends of the Hennepin County Library. Register: hclib.org/events

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House Plant Swap

Sunday, June 8, 1–2pm

Join us to swap or pick up cuttings from different house plants! You can bring cuttings from your plants in wet paper towels or cups of water to share with others and pick out some new additions to your house plant collection from what others bring. Varieties available will depend on what others bring. Please only bring healthy house plants free of disease or pests. Please do not bring any cuttings from plants that have been outside.

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Plymouth Library Language Clubs

More info about language clubs: hclib.org/events

English Conversation Circle

Mondays, 9:30–10:30am (in May; no meeting May 26)

Mondays, 10:00–11:00am (new time beginning June 2)

French Club

Mondays, 1–2pm (no meeting May 26)

Tuesdays, 5–6pm (no meeting June 3)

Spanish Club

Thursdays, 1–2:30pm (no meeting June 19)

Plymouth Library Chess Club

Mondays, May 5 & 19, June 16, 4:30–6pm

Open to chess players of all ages and abilities, but children under 8 must be accompanied by an adult. Non-competitive and friendly playing only. All chess equipment will be provided. Come and have fun!

Monday Night Book Club

Second Monday of the month, 6–7pm



Join our discussion of new and interesting titles. Hosted by Antonio from Plymouth Library. Some lending copies will be available at the Plymouth Library service desk. Registration required: hclib.org/events



Titles:

May 12: *The Lost Apothecary*
by Sarah Penner

June 9: *Lone Women*
by Victor LaValle

Plymouth Library Adult Events

Bring Your Own Book - Book Club

First Tuesday of the month, 6-7pm

Join us for a casual, commitment-free book club and discuss what books you are reading with the group. You may hear about books you'd like to read and ones you may not have considered before. In May we will meet at Luce Line Brewing Company - purchase of refreshments is not required to participate. We will meet at the Plymouth Library from June-August then return to Luce Line Brewing in September.

Collaborator: Luce Line Brewing Company

Location:

May 6: Luce Line Brewing

June 3: Plymouth Library

Wednesday Afternoon Book Club

First Wednesday of the month, 2-3pm

Join our discussion of new and interesting titles. Hosted by Antonio from Plymouth Library. Some lending copies will be available at the Plymouth Library service desk. Drop in.

Titles:

May 7: *A Woman is No Man* by Etaf Rum

June 4: *Did You Hear About Kitty Karr?* by Crystal Smith Paul

History Discussion Club

Second Wednesday of the month, 2-3pm

Each session we will dive into a fascinating historical topic, event or era. We all read a history packet comprised of news articles, database journal excerpts and book snippets before the discussion. There will be some physical packets available at Plymouth Library by the service desk. You won't need to read everything but come ready to have a conversation. Every month we will alternate meeting at the Plymouth Library (Py) or at the Old Town Hall (OTH). Collaborator: Plymouth History Center. Register: hclib.org/events

Topics:

May 14: CCC in Minnesota (@Py)

June 11: Pre-Historic Minnesota (@ OTH)

Genealogy Discussion Club

Third Wednesday of the month, 2-3pm

Join the Genealogy Discussion Group to talk about all things genealogy! Each month we will talk about our research challenges and triumphs while sharing tips and tricks. You are welcome to bring your laptop but that is not required. This program will be cohosted by staff of the Plymouth Library and the Plymouth History Center and every month we will alternate meeting at Plymouth Library or at the Old Town Hall.

Collaborator: Plymouth History Center.

Location:

May 21: Plymouth Library

June 18: Old Town Hall

Career Counseling and Job Search Assistance

Thursday, May 8, 1:30-4pm

Drop in and meet with an employment counselor from **CareerForce** for career counseling and job search assistance. Résumé critique, job interview coaching, and effective job search strategies offered.

Knitting Club

Fridays, May 16 & 30, June 13 & 27, 2-4pm

For all skill levels. Make new friends while creating your own handmade masterpieces. Learn how to knit or practice new techniques. Bring your own needles and yarn. Register: hclib.org/events

Book Sale

Saturday, May 10, 9am-3pm

Members only first hour. Bag sale last hour. Proceeds benefit Hennepin County Library.

Book Donations for Book Sales

First Saturday of the month, 10:30am-12pm

Friday before sale (May 9), 9am-3pm

Awesome Books for Kids & Teens

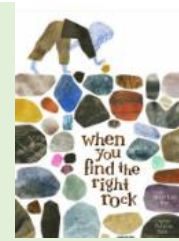
Picture Books



Dumplings for Lili
by Melissa Iwai (K-gr3)

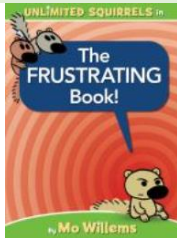


Night Owl Night by Susan Edwards
Richmond (prek-gr3)

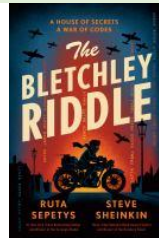


When You Find the Right Rock by
Mary Lyn Ray (k-gr4)

Kid Books



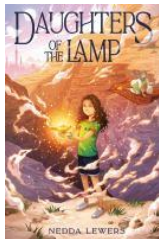
The Frustrating Book
by Mo Willems (k-gr2)



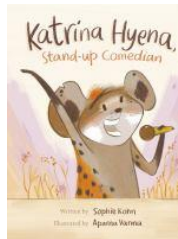
* The Bletchley Riddle
by Ruta Sepetys (gr5+)



@ * Curse of the Eelgrass Bog
by Mary Averling (gr3-7)



@ * Daughters of the Lamp
by Nedda Lewers (gr3-7)



Katrina Hyena, Stand-up Comedian
by Sophie Kohn (gr1-3)



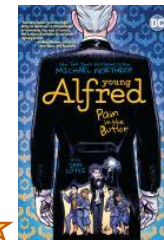
★ Looshkin
by Jamie Smart (gr 2-4)



@ * Max in the House of Spies
by Adam Gidwitz (gr3-7)



* We Were the Fire
By Shiela P. Moses (gr5+)



★ Young Alfred: Pain in the Butler
by Michael Northrop (k-3)

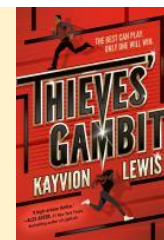
Teen Books



@ * Hemlock House
by Katie Cotugno (gr7+)



@ * Impossible Escape
D804.34 .S537 (gr8+)



@ * Thieves' Gambit
by Kayvion Lewis (gr8+)

Titles on this list were compiled for students in grades k-12 by Hennepin County librarians, February 2025

* = eBooks available @ = downloadable audio available ★ = graphic novel

Grade recommendations are from School Library Journal and Amazon and should be used as a guide, not as a rule.

Awesome Events for Kids & Teens

Asian Pacific Heritage Month: Korean Story Time

Sunday, **May 18**, 1pm

No registration required. For children of all ages and their caregivers.

Celebrate Korean heritage in this special storytime.

Baby Storytime

Monday, **May 12**, 10am

No registration required. For children from birth to 30 months and their caregivers. Talk, sing, read, and play together. Share books, stories, rhymes, music and movement in a format especially designed for babies.

PreK Friday

Friday, **May 2**, 10-10:30am

No registration required.

Toddlers and preschoolers and their favorite grown-ups. Drop by the library for a fun activity!

PreK Playtime

Thursday, **May 8**, 10-11am

Toddlers and PreKs and their favorite grown-ups.

Drop in to play, learn and move together at the library! No registration required.

Family Storytime

Thursday, **May 1**, 10am

No registration required. For children of all ages and their caregivers. Talk, sing, read, write and play together. Share books, stories, rhymes, music and movement.

Teen Anime and Fandom Club

Sunday, **May 11**, 3-4:30pm

Grades 6-12. Watch anime and other shows/movies, play fun games, share your artwork, make geeky crafts, and nerd out about your favorite fandoms with others who share anime interests.

For complete programming information:

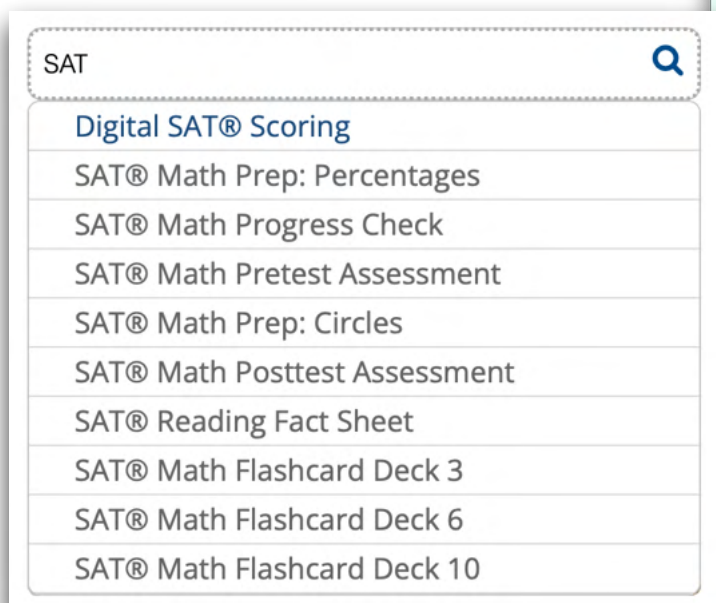
www.hclib.org/events

Did You Know?

Have a library card? Access FREE test prep and practice tests for the PSAT, ACT, AP courses, and more!

Six easy steps to access these free test prep resources:

1. Go to hclib.org and click on "website" search
2. Type in "learningexpress library" and hit enter or tap the search button
3. Tap "Connect to this resource"
4. Authenticate your Hennepin County Library card number and PIN
5. Register for an account (it's free because you have a library card!)
6. Type in the test you are looking for. You should get multiple prep and test options!

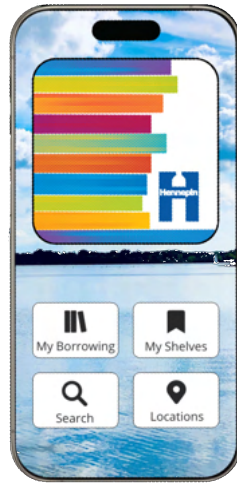


Did You Know?

Download the new HCL App

Explore the library wherever you are with the new Hennepin County Library mobile app.

- Display your barcode
- Manage multiple accounts
- Discover library events



Available for Apple and Android devices



<http://fopl.link/hcl-appstore>



<http://fopl.link/hcl-googleplay>

At Home Service

A free service for any Hennepin County resident unable to visit the library due to illness, disability or visual impairment.

Call 612-543-8850 or apply online at www.hclib.org/outreach

Ask Us Service

Your library. Here for you.

- **Call:** 612-543-KNOW (5669)
- **Chat or email:** www.hclib.org/askus
- **Text:** 612-400-7722

Get a free library card

All Hennepin County residents are encouraged to get their own individual library cards!

Visit one of the 41 Hennepin County libraries — or get a card online, instantly. Scan to sign up for your free library card or visit www.hclib.org/card



Free things to do with your library card

- Borrow from a collection of more than **4 million items**.
- Watch **movies and TV shows** on your mobile device.
- Stream or download **music** from Minnesota artists on MNspin.
- Learn over 70 **languages** online.
- Listen to 100,000+ **audiobooks for adults, teens, and children**.
- Print up to \$5 of **free printing** each week.
- Connect to **Wi-Fi** in welcoming library spaces.
- Study with online or in-person **homework help** tutors.
- Reserve a **meeting room** for yourself or a group.

Accurate as of February 2025. Available services subject to change at any time.

Epilogue

Board Meetings

All members are welcome at Board meetings, which are held at the Plymouth Library on the second Thursday of each month from 6–8 PM unless otherwise announced.

Recurring Donation Days

Donations of gently used adult and children’s books, DVDs, CDs, and jigsaw puzzles are accepted the first Saturday of each month from 10:30 AM to noon in the meeting room at the Plymouth Library. Donations are also accepted the Friday before each book sale, from 9 AM to 3 PM, with one exception: *on July 9, donations will only be accepted from 12 PM to 3 PM.*

Growing Our Endowment

In 2022, the Friends of Plymouth Library established an endowment fund to support the Hennepin County Library collection well into the future. When we have extra funds, we contribute them to the endowment. Did you know you can contribute, too? There are three options that are commonly used by individuals to help grow an endowment:

- 1. Making a qualified charitable distribution (QCD)
- 2. Including the fund in an estate plan
- 3. Making a legacy gift

Please consider these when making your charitable giving decisions this year. For questions, please contact us at plymouth@supporthclib.org or write us at: Friends of the Plymouth Library, P.O. Box 46232, Plymouth, MN 55446.

Plymouth Library Hours

Monday–Thursday 9 AM–8 PM
Friday–Saturday 9 AM–5 PM
Sunday 12 PM–5 PM

Upcoming library closure: Monday, May 26

Who are we?

The Friends of the Plymouth Library is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization. Our mission is to support the Plymouth Library by providing resources, promoting programs and services, and strengthening community. FOPL volunteers also assist library staff with many activities throughout the year. Membership is open to all.

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