

Hartland Public Library
New Adult Books and Movies – June 2015

FICTION

FIC ACA Acampora, Lauren. The wonder garden / Grove Press, 2015

John likes to arrive first. He enjoys standing quietly with a house before his clients arrive, and today, although he feels pinned beneath an invisible weight, he resolves to savor this solitary moment. It's one of those overhauled ranches so common to Old Cranbury these days, swollen and dressed to resemble a colonial. White, of course, with ornamental shutters and latches pretending to hold them open. A close echo of its renovated sisters on Whistle Hill Road, garnished with hostas and glitzed with azaleas. He has seen too many of these to count. A man strikes an under-the-table deal with a surgeon to spend a few quiet seconds closer to his wife than he's ever been; a young soon-to-be mother looks on in paralyzing astonishment as her husband walks away from a twenty-year career in advertising at the urging of his spirit animal; an elderly artist risks more than he knows when he's commissioned by his newly-arrived neighbors to produce the work of a lifetime.

FIC AND Andrews, Mary Kay, Beach town /

Greer Hennessy needs palm trees. As a movie location scout, picture-perfect is the name of the game. But her last project literally went up in flames, and her career is on the verge of flaming out. Greer has been given one last chance, if she can find the perfect undiscovered beach hideaway for a big-budget movie.

FIC ATT Attenberg, Jami. Saint Mazie : a novel /

Meet Mazie Phillips: big-hearted and bawdy, she's the truth-telling proprietress of The Venice, the famed New York City movie theater. It's the Jazz Age, with romance and booze aplenty--even when Prohibition kicks in--and Mazie never turns down a night on the town. But her high spirits mask a childhood rooted in poverty, and her diary, always close at hand, holds her dearest secrets. When the Great Depression hits, Mazie's life is on the brink of transformation. Addicts and bums roam the Bowery; homelessness is rampant. If Mazie won't help them, then who? When she opens the doors of The Venice to those in need, this ticket-taking, fun-time girl becomes the beating heart of the Lower East Side, and in defining one neighborhood helps define the city. Then, more than ninety years after Mazie began her diary, it's discovered by a documentarian in search of a good story. Who was Mazie Phillips, really? A chorus of voices from the past and present fill in some of the mysterious blanks of her adventurous life. Inspired by the life of a woman who was profiled in Joseph Mitchell's classic *Up in the Old Hotel*, SAINT MAZIE is infused with Jami Attenberg's signature wit, bravery, and heart. Mazie's rise to "sainthood"--and her irrepressible spirit--is unforgettable.

FIC BAC Bacigalupi, Paolo, The water knife /

The American Southwest has been decimated by drought. Nevada and Arizona skirmish over dwindling shares of the Colorado River, while California watches, deciding if it should just take the whole river all for itself. Into the fray steps Las Vegas water knife Angel Velasquez. Detective, assassin, and spy, Angel "cuts" water for the Southern Nevada Water Authority and its boss, Catherine Case, ensuring that her lush, luxurious arcology developments can bloom in the desert and that anyone who challenges her is left in the gutted-suburban dust. When rumors of a game-changing water source surface in Phoenix, Angel is sent to investigate. With a wallet full of identities and a tricked-out Tesla, Angel arrows south, hunting for answers that seem to evaporate as the heat index soars and the landscape becomes more and more oppressive. There, Angel encounters Lucy Monroe, a hardened journalist, who knows far

more about Phoenix's water secrets than she admits, and Maria Villarosa, a young Texas migrant, who dreams of escaping north to those places where water still falls from the sky. As bodies begin to pile up and bullets start flying, the three find themselves pawns in a game far bigger, more corrupt, and dirtier than any of them could have imagined. With Phoenix teetering on the verge of collapse and time running out for Angel, Lucy, and Maria, their only hope for survival rests in one another's hands. But when water is more valuable than gold, alliances shift like sand, and the only truth in the desert is that someone will have to bleed if anyone hopes to drink.

FIC BAR **Barrows, Annie. The truth according to us : a novel /**

Miss Layla Beck, the daughter of a powerful Senator from Delaware refuses to marry the gentleman her father has chosen for her and is forced to get a job working for the FWP to write the first official account of Macedonian History. Her notions of real life--the social whirl of Newport and New York--are totally upended and she despairs in rooming with the overly eccentric Romeyn family in such a small backwater town. The Romeyn family is a fixture in the town, their identity tied to its knotty history. Layla enters their lives and lights a match to the family veneer and a truth comes to light that will change each of their lives forever in deeply personal and powerful ways. As Layla embarks on this grand adventure to establish historical moments in print, her first friend, the town librarian Ms. Betts wisely cautions: 'There is a problem with history. All of us see a story according to our own lights. None of us is capable of objectivity'.

FIC BLA **Blackwood, Grant. Under fire /**

Jack Ryan, Jr. clashes with Russian intelligence in a race to find a missing agent who holds secrets vital to both sides.

FIC BLU **Blume, Judy. In the unlikely event /**

In 1987, Miri Ammerman returns to her hometown of Elizabeth, New Jersey, to attend a commemoration of the worst year of her life -- when a succession of airplanes fell from the sky, leaving her community reeling.

FIC BRO **Brown, Rita Mae, Tail gait /**

Spring has sprung in Crozet, Virginia--a time for old friends to gather and bid farewell to the doldrums of winter. Harry and her husband, Fair, are enjoying a cozy dinner with some of the town's leading citizens, including beloved University of Virginia history professor Greg "Ginger" McConnell and several members of UVA's celebrated 1959 football team. But beneath the cloak of conviviality lurks a sinister specter from the distant past that threatens to put all their lives in jeopardy. When Professor McConnell is found murdered on the golf course the next day--gunned down in broad daylight by an unseen killer--no one can fathom a motive, let alone find a suspect. Just as Harry and her furry cohorts begin nosing into the case, however, a homeless UVA alum confesses to the crime. Trouble is, no one believes that the besotted former All-American could have done the foul deed--especially after Mrs. Murphy, Pewter, and Tucker make another gruesome discovery. As the questions surrounding Ginger's death pile up, Harry's search for answers takes her down the fascinating byways of Virginia's Revolutionary past. The professor was something of a sleuth himself, it seems, and the centuries-old mystery he was unraveling may well have put a target on his back. As Harry edges closer to identifying an elusive killer, her animal companions sense danger--and rally to find a way to keep Harry from disappearing into history.

FIC CAN Cannell, Dorothy, Death at Dovecote Hatch /

Suspecting foul play when a mild-mannered villager is found dead, housekeeper Florence Norris investigates a surprise will that reveals dark secrets in the victim's family history.

FIC CAS Casey, Jane The kill /

Detective Maeve Kerrigan is away for a colleague's wedding, and she's enjoying an excuse to spend a beautiful fall weekend relaxing in the English countryside. It's a much-needed break from the grit and grime of her daily life on the London police force. But even at a wedding, the job is never far away. Midway through the reception, Maeve and her abrasive but loyal partner on the police force, DI Josh Derwent, are called back to London. A fellow policeman has been murdered, in a compromising position in a public park at night.

FIC COL Colgan, Jenny, Little Beach Street Bakery : a novel /

Polly Waterford flees to the Cornish coast to escape a ruined relationship. To keep her mind off her troubles, she throws herself into her favorite hobby: making bread. But her relaxing weekend diversion quickly develops into a passion. As she pours her emotions into kneading and pounding the dough, each loaf becomes better than the last. Soon, Polly is working her magic with nuts and seeds, chocolate and sugar, and the local honey--courtesy of a handsome beekeeper. Packed with laughter and emotion, Little Beach Street Bakery is the story of how one woman discovered bright new life where she least expected it.

FIC CUS Cushman, Kathryn. Finding me /

After her father's death, Kelli Huddleston discovers the entire life she's known has been a lie, but as she seeks to know more about her past and finds family she's never known, ugly secrets threaten to stifle the truth and restoration she seeks.

FIC DAH Dahl, Julia, Invisible City /

Just months after Rebekah Roberts was born, her mother, an Hasidic Jew from Brooklyn, abandoned her Christian boyfriend and newborn baby to return to her religion. Neither Rebekah nor her father have heard from her since. Now a recent college graduate, Rebekah has moved to New York City to follow her dream of becoming a big-city reporter. But she's also drawn to the idea of being closer to her mother, who might still be living in the Hasidic community in Brooklyn. Then Rebekah is called to cover the story of a murdered Hasidic woman. Rebekah's shocked to learn that, because of the NYPD's habit of kowtowing to the powerful ultra-Orthodox community, not only will the woman be buried without an autopsy, her killer may get away with murder. Rebekah can't let the story end there. But getting to the truth won't be easy--even as she immerses herself in the cloistered world where her mother grew up, it's clear that she's not welcome, and everyone she meets has a secret to keep from an outsider. In her riveting debut, journalist Julia Dahl introduces a compelling new character in search of the truth about a murder and an understanding of her own heritage.

FIC DAV Dave, Laura, Eight hundred grapes : a novel /

Set in the lush backdrop of Sonoma's wine country, ... a heartbreaking, funny, and deeply evocative novel about love, marriage, family, wine, and the treacherous terrain in which they all intersect.

FIC DEL Delinsky, Barbara. Blueprints /

Some women are born with an instinct for knowing how things work -and what to do when they break. Caroline MacAfee is a skilled carpenter, her daughter Jamie, a talented architect. Together they are the faces of Gut It!, a home renovation series on local public television. Caroline takes pride in her work,

and in the way she connects with the show's audience. But when she is told the network wants her daughter to replace her as host-the day after Caroline's fifty-sixth birthday-she is devastated. The fallout couldn't come at a worse time. For Jamie, life changes overnight when, soon after learning of the host shift, her father and his new wife die in a car accident that orphans their two-year-old son. Accustomed to organization and planning, she is now grappling with a toddler who misses his parents, a fiance who doesn't want the child, a staggering new attraction, and a work challenge that, if botched, could undermine the future of both MacAfee Homes and Gut It! For Caroline, hosting Gut It! is part of her identity. Facing its loss, she feels betrayed by her daughter and old in the eyes of the world. Her ex-husband's death thrusts her into the role of caregiver to his aging father. And then there's Dean, a long-time friend, whose efforts to seduce her awaken desires that have been dormant for so long that she feels foreign to herself. Who am I? Both women ask, as the blueprints they've built their lives around suddenly need revising. While loyalties shift, decisions hover, and new relationships tempt, their challenge comes not only in remaking themselves, but in rebuilding their relationship with each other.

FIC DOI Doiron, Paul. The precipice /

When two young female hikers disappear in the Hundred Mile Wilderness--the most remote stretch along the entire two-thousand mile Appalachian Trail--Maine game warden Mike Bowditch joins the search to find them. The police interview everyone they can find who came in contact with the college students and learn that the women were lovers who had been keeping their relationship secret from their Evangelical parents in Georgia. When two corpses are discovered--the bones picked clean by coyotes--rumors spread that the women were stalked and killed by the increasingly aggressive canines. Faced with a statewide panic, Maine's governor places an emergency bounty on every dead coyote, and wildlife officials are tasked with collecting the carcasses. Despite some misgivings, Bowditch does his grisly job. But he finds his complacency challenged by his new girlfriend, the brilliant but volatile biologist Stacey Stevens, who insists coyotes merely scavenged the bodies after the women were murdered. When Stacey herself disappears on the outskirts of the Hundred Mile Wilderness, Bowditch realizes that locating her means he must also discover the truth behind what happened to the two hikers. Were the young women really killed by coyotes or, as Stacey insisted, were they murdered by the most dangerous animal in the North Woods?

FIC EVA Evanovich, Janet. Wicked charms : a Lizzy and Diesel novel /

Lizzy and Diesel are back in an all-new wicked adventure from #1 New York Times bestselling author Janet Evanovich and Emmy Award-winning co-author Phoef Sutton. Murdered and mummified nearly a century ago, notorious bootlegger Collier "Peg Leg" Dazzle discovered and re-hid a famous pirate's treasure somewhere along the coast of New England. A vast collection of gold and silver coins and precious gems, the bounty also contains the Stone of Avarice--the very item reluctant treasure seeker Lizzy Tucker and her partner, Diesel, have been enlisted to find. While Lizzy would just like to live a quiet, semi-normal life, Diesel is all about the hunt. And this hunt is going to require a genuine treasure map and a ship worthy of sailing the seven seas. or at least getting them from Salem Harbor to Maine. Greed is eternal and insatiable, and Lizzy and Diesel aren't the only ones searching for the lost pirate's chest. People who have dedicated their entire lives to finding it are willing to commit murder or make a deal with the devil just to hold the fortune in their hands. One of those people may even be Wulf, Diesel's deceptively charming and enigmatic cousin. Wulf desires the Stone of Avarice. He also desires Lizzy. It's hard to say how far he's willing to go to gain either one. Wicked Charms is a swashbuckling adventure full of raiders, monkeys, minions, and mayhem. Lizzy and Diesel are going to have to do everything they can to keep their heads above water and hope they're living a charmed life.

FIC FLA Flanders, Judith. A murder of magpies /

A witty, entertaining mystery featuring a hilarious, sharp as a tack new amateur sleuth from the critically acclaimed author of *The Invention of Murder*. It's just another day at the office for book editor Samantha Clair. Checking jacket copy for howlers, wondering how to break it to her star novelist that her latest effort is utterly unpublishable, lunch scheduled with gossipy author Kit Lowell, whose new book will deliciously dish the dirt on the fashion industry. But little does she know how much trouble Kit's book is about to cause. Before it even goes to print. When police inspector Field turns up at the venerable offices of Timmins & Ross, asking questions about an undelivered package that was addressed to Sam, she knows something is wrong. The messenger sent to deliver the package was murdered, and then Kit goes missing. Suddenly, Sam's nine-to-five life is turned upside down and she is propelled into a criminal investigation. Someone doesn't want Kit's scandalous manuscript published and unless Sam can put the pieces together in time, they'll do anything to stop it. With her deliciously fun, cleverly written debut novel, acclaimed author Judith Flanders introduces readers to an enormously enjoyable, too-smart-for-her-own-good new amateur sleuth, as well as a colorful cast of characters including Sam's witty assistant, effortlessly glamorous mother, and the handsome inspector Field. A whip-smart, impeccably crafted mystery, this tremendously entertaining novel will have readers flying through the pages.

FIC FRA Frank, Dorothea Benton, All the single ladies /

Dorothea Benton Frank once again takes us deep into the heart of the magical Lowcountry where three amazing middle aged women are bonded by another amazing woman's death. Through their shared loss they forge a deep friendship, asking critical questions. Who was their friend and what did her life mean? Are they living the lives they imagined for themselves? Will they ever be able to afford to retire? How will they maximize their happiness? Security? Health? And ultimately, their own legacies?

FIC GOB Gobbell, Phyllis C., Pursuit in Provence /

Pursuit in Provence is Jordan Mayfair's debut as an amateur sleuth finding her way through a labyrinth of art rock-and-roll -- and murder -- against the captivating backdrop of Provence.

FIC GRE Green, Jane, Summer secrets : [a novel] /

June, 1998: At twenty seven, Catherine Coombs, also known as Cat, is struggling. She lives in London, works as a journalist, and parties hard. Her lunchtimes consist of several glasses of wine at the bar downstairs in the office, her evenings much the same, swigging the free booze and eating the free food at a different launch or party every night. When she discovers the identity of the father she never knew she had, it sends her into a spiral. She makes mistakes that cost her the budding friendship of the only women who have ever welcomed her. And nothing is ever the same after that. June, 2014: Cat has finally come to the end of herself. She no longer drinks. She wants to make amends to those she has hurt. Her quest takes her to Nantucket, to the gorgeous summer community where the women she once called family still live. Despite her sins, will they welcome her again? What Cat doesn't realize is that these women, her real father's daughters, have secrets of their own. As the past collides with the present, Cat must confront the darkest things in her own life and uncover the depths of someone's need for revenge.

FIC GRI Griffiths, Elly, The ghost fields /

The macabre discovery of a downed WWII plane with the pilot's skeleton still inside leads Ruth and DCI Nelson to uncover a wealthy family's secrets.

FIC HAR Haruf, Kent. Our souls at night /

In Holt, Colorado, widower Louis Waters is initially thrown when the widowed Addie Moore suggests that they spend time together, in bed, to stave off loneliness. They are soon exchanging the confidences and memories of lives now empty of family, and their hopes for the imminent future.

FIC HIL Hilderbrand, Elin, The rumor : a novel /

Nantucket writer Madeline King couldn't have picked a worse time to have writer's block. Her deadline is looming, her bills are piling up, and inspiration is in short supply. Madeline's best friend Grace is hard at work transforming her garden into the envy of the island with the help of a ruggedly handsome landscape architect. Before she realizes it, Grace is on the verge of a decision that will irrevocably change her life. Could Grace's crisis be Madeline's salvation? As the gossip escalates, and the summer's explosive events come to a head, Grace and Madeline try desperately to set the record straight--but the truth might be even worse than rumor has it.

FIC INB Inbinder, Gary. The devil in Montmartre : a mystery in fin-de-siecle Paris /

Inspector Achille Lefebvre delves deep into the underworld of 1889 Paris to investigate the murder of a popular dancer at the Moulin Rouge amidst fears that Jack the Ripper has crossed the English Channel.

FIC JOH Johansen, Erika, The invasion of the Tearling : a novel /

The evil kingdom of Mortmesne invades the Tearling, with dire consequences for Kelsea and her realm.

FIC JOH Johnson, Craig, Dry bones /

Wyoming's beloved lawman must solve his coldest case yet when a T. rex skeleton surfaces--along with a dead rancher--in Absaroka County.

FIC KIN King, Stephen, Finders keepers : a novel /

"Wake up, genius." So begins King's instantly riveting story about a vengeful reader. The genius is John Rothstein, an iconic author who created a famous character, Jimmy Gold, but who hasn't published a book for decades. Morris Bellamy is livid, not just because Rothstein has stopped providing books, but because the nonconformist Jimmy Gold has sold out for a career in advertising. Morris kills Rothstein and empties his safe of cash, yes, but the real treasure is a trove of notebooks containing at least one more Gold novel. Morris hides the money and the notebooks, and then he is locked away for another crime. Decades later, a boy named Pete Saubers finds the treasure, and now it is Pete and his family that Bill Hodges, Holly Gibney, and Jerome Robinson must rescue from the ever-more deranged and vengeful Morris when he's released from prison after thirty-five years.

FIC KUH Kuhns, Eleanor. Death in Salem /

It's 1796, and traveling weaver Will Rees is visiting Salem, Massachusetts. He's in town to buy a luxurious gift for his pregnant wife, a few yards of well-made fabric from the traders at the famed Salem harbor. While traveling through Salem, however, Rees comes upon a funeral procession for the deceased Mrs. Antiss Boothe. When Rees happens upon Twig, a friend who fought alongside him in the war, he learns that Mrs. Boothe had been very ill, and her death had not come as a surprise. But the next morning, the town is abuzz with the news that Mr. Boothe has also died--and this time it is clearly murder. When the woman that Twig loves falls under suspicion, Twig persuades Rees to stay in Salem, despite the family waiting for him back home in Maine, and help solve the murder. Rees is quickly pulled into the murky politics of Salem and the Boothe family, who have long been involved in the robust shipping and trading industry on the Salem harbor. Everyone Rees meets seems to be keeping some kind of secret, but could any of them actually have committed murder? Will Rees returns in

Death in Salem, the next brilliant historical mystery from MB/MWA First Novel Competition winner Eleanor Kuhns.

FIC LOC Locke, Attica, Pleasantville /

Environmental lawyer Jay Porter ... takes one last case on the behalf of the community of Pleasantville ...only to become embroiled in its shadowy politics, a disturbing education in how far those in power are willing to go to win.

FIC LOG Logan, Kirsty, The grace keepers : a novel /

As a Gracekeeper, Callanish administers shoreside burials, laying the dead to their final resting place deep in the depths of the ocean. Alone on her island, she has exiled herself to a life of tending watery graves as penance for a long-ago mistake that still haunts her. Meanwhile, North works as a circus performer with the Excalibur, a floating troupe of acrobats, clowns, dancers, and trainers who sail from one archipelago to the next, entertaining in exchange for sustenance. In a world divided between those inhabiting the mainland ('landlockers') and those who float on the sea ('dampplings'), loneliness has become a way of life for North and Callanish, until a sudden storm offshore brings change to both their lives.

FIC MAL Mallery, Susan, The girls of Mischief Bay /

Three very different women find family through friendship--including Nicole, who faces a difficult choice involving her dependent husband; Shannon, who must choose between love and career; and Pam, whose marriage is tested by an unexpected change.

FIC MEL Meltzer, Brad, The President's shadow /

Beecher White makes an alarming discovery on the White House grounds: there is a severed arm buried in the Rose Garden. As he investigates, he realizes it's a message--one that may have dire repercussions for the President. Even worse, the message turns Beecher's personal life upside down, pointing him towards the dark truth about his father's death.

FIC NOV Nović, Sara, Girl at war : a novel /

When her happy life in 1991 Croatia is shattered by civil war, ten-year-old Ana Juric is embroiled in a world of guerilla warfare and child soldiers before making a daring escape to America, where years later she struggles to hide her past.

FIC PAL Palmer, Daniel, Constant fear /

When Jake Dent's dreams of baseball glory fell apart in a drunk-driving incident, his marriage did too. In those dark days, a popular survivalist blog helped to restore Jake's sense of control. He's become an avid Doomsday Prepper, raising his diabetic son, Andy, to be ready for any sudden catastrophe. Andy, now a student at the prestigious Pepperell Academy where Jake works as a custodian, has a secret - he's part of a computer club that redistributes money from the obscenely wealthy to the needy. But this time, they've stolen from the wrong people: a vicious drug cartel that is coming to get its money back.

FIC PAT Patterson, James, 14th deadly sin /

With San Francisco under siege and everyone a suspect, the Women's Murder Club must risk their lives to save the city--and each other.

FIC PAT Patterson, James, Truth or die /

After a serious professional stumble, attorney Trevor Mann may have finally hit his stride. He's found happiness with his girlfriend Claire Parker, a beautiful, ambitious journalist always on the hunt for a scoop. But when Claire's newest story leads to a violent confrontation, Trevor's newly peaceful life is shattered as he tries to find out why. Chasing Claire's leads, Trevor unearths evidence of a shocking secret that-if it actually exists-every government and terrorist organization around the world would do anything to possess. Suddenly it's up to Trevor, along with a teenage genius who gives new meaning to the phrase "too smart for his own good," to make sure that secret doesn't fall into the wrong hands. But Trevor is about to discover that good and evil can look a lot alike, and nothing is ever black and white: not even the truth.

FIC PER Perry, Anne. The angel court affair : a Charlotte and Thomas Pitt novel /

When Thomas Pitt is tasked with playing bodyguard to Sofia Delacruz, a young and controversial British preacher who has been living in Spain and has returned to England on a mysterious errand, he thinks it's a waste of Special Branch's time and resources. But when kidnappers manage to reach Sofia, murdering two of her companions in the process, Pitt learns that the message the lovely evangelist was meant to deliver was far more urgent than he knew. With his career on the line, he races to unravel the truth behind Sofia's disappearance, enlisting the help of his beloved wife Charlotte and his old friend Victor Narraway. And he soon realizes that if he cannot find Sofia before it's too late, the consequences could destroy not only his reputation, but the British empire itself.

FIC PIT Pitlor, Heidi, The daylight marriage : a novel /

Over the years, Lovell and Hannah's conversations have become charged with resentments and unspoken desires. She has become withdrawn. His work affords him a convenient distraction. And then, after one explosive argument, Hannah vanishes. For the first time, Lovell is forced to examine the trajectory of his marriage through the lens of memory. As he tries to piece together what happened to his wife--and to their life together--readers follow Hannah on that single day when a hasty decision proves irrevocable.

FIC PRY Pryor, Mark, The reluctant matador : a Hugo Marston novel /

A nineteen-year-old aspiring model has disappeared in Paris. Her father, Bart Denum, turns to his old friend Hugo Marston for help.

FIC QUI Quick, Amanda. Garden of lies /

When Ursula Kern, proprietor of the Kern Secretarial Agency, discovers the body of one of her best secretaries, she immediately suspects murder. But no one, including the police, believes her. So Ursula seeks the help of her newest and most mysterious client, Slater Roxton.

FIC ROS Ross, Ann B., Etta Mae's worst bad-luck day /

Frustrated with her life in the trailer park, Etta Mae Wiggins dreams of something better, but her ambition to marry a wealthy elderly man is challenged by the man's scheming children, her ex's underworld enemies, and her former flame Bobby Lee.

FIC ROS Ross, Barbara, Musseled out /

The busy summer tourist season is winding down in Busman's Harbor, Maine, but Julia Snowden senses trouble simmering for the Snowden Family Clambake Company. Shifty David Thwing--the "Mussel King" of upscale seafood restaurants--is sniffing around town for a new location. But serving iffy clams turns out to be the least of his troubles...When Thwing is found sleeping with the fishes

beneath a local lobsterman's boat, the police quickly finger Julia's brother-in-law Sonny as the one who cooked up the crime. Sure, everyone knows Sonny despised the Mussel King...but Julia believes he's innocent. Proving it won't be easy, though. It seems there's a lot more than murder on the menu, and Julia needs to act fast.

FIC SAN Sanders, Neal Murder in negative space / The Hardington Press, 2015

Valentina Zhukova is a glamorous, globetrotting floral designer; the "Queen of Negative Space" and "Vladimir Putin's favorite flower arranger". But in the hours before the opening of the prestigious International Floral Design Alliance conference in Boston, someone stabbed her and then hung her body from a massive floral design. Six weeks after solving the murder of the Executive Director of the New England Botanical Society, Lieutenant Victoria Lee and young, computer-savvy Detective Jason Alvarez are again plunged into a world where flowers and horticulture can be grounds for homicide.

FIC SAN Sanders, Neal. The accidental spy /

A cab ride to deliver a wayward suitcase to a Miami Beach hotel turns into a dangerous, uncharted journey for stewardess Susan Delaney. At the hotel she quickly discovers the case's owner is dead, and it turns out everyone from the KGB and the CIA to the Mafia wants to get their hands on the contents. What potential world-changing plans are in the suitcase? Who can Susan trust?

FIC SAN Sanders, Neal. Murder in the garden club / The Hardington Press, 2012

Who killed Sally Kahn? There hasn't been a murder in 15 years in tranquil, affluent Hardington, Massachusetts. But someone pushed a moderately wealthy 65-year-old widow down her basement stairs, and then tried to make it look like an accident.

FIC SHE Shepard, Jim, The book of Aron /

Aron, [a child living in World War II Poland], is an engaging if peculiar and unhappy young boy whose family is driven by the German onslaught from the Polish countryside into Warsaw and slowly battered by deprivation, disease, and persecution ... When his family is finally stripped away from him, Aron is rescued by Janusz Korczak, a doctor renowned throughout prewar Europe as an advocate of children's rights who, once the Nazis swept in, was put in charge of the Warsaw orphanage. Treblinka awaits them all, but does Aron manage to escape--as his mentor suspected he could--to spread word about the atrocities?

FIC STE Stephenson, Neal, Seveneves : a novel /

What would happen if the world were ending? A catastrophic event renders the earth a ticking time bomb. In a feverish race against the inevitable, nations around the globe band together to devise an ambitious plan to ensure the survival of humanity far beyond our atmosphere, in outer space. But the complexities and unpredictability of human nature coupled with unforeseen challenges and dangers threaten the intrepid pioneers, until only a handful of survivors remain . . . Five thousand years later, their progeny--seven distinct races now three billion strong--embark on yet another audacious journey into the unknown . . . to an alien world utterly transformed by cataclysm and time: Earth.

FIC THA Thayer, Nancy, The guest cottage : a novel /

Sensible thirty-six-year-old Sophie Anderson has always known what to do, but when her husband announces that he's leaving her for another woman, Sophie realizes she has no idea what's next. Impulsively renting a guest cottage on Nantucket from her friend Susie Swenson, Sophie rounds up her kids, Jonah and Lacey, and leaves Boston for a quiet family vacation, minus one.

FIC TRU Truss, Lynne. Cat out of hell /

Alec Charlesworth, a librarian suddenly facing the loss of his job, the death of his wife, and his sister's disappearance, hears a shocking tale of dark forces from his sister's cat, Roger, who is the only witness to what happened to her.

FIC VAN VanderMeer, Jeff. Annihilation /

Area X has claimed the lives of members of eleven expeditions. The twelfth expedition consisting of four women hopes to map the terrain and collect specimens; to record all their observations, scientific and otherwise, of their surroundings and of one another; and, above all, to avoid being contaminated by Area X itself.

FIC VAN VanderMeer, Jeff. Authority /

In the second volume of the Southern Reach Trilogy, questions are answered, stakes are raised, and mysteries are deepened. In Annihilation, Jeff VanderMeer introduced Area X--a remote and lush terrain mysteriously sequestered from civilization. This was the first volume of a projected trilogy; well in advance of publication, translation rights had already sold around the world and a major movie deal had been struck. Just months later, Authority, the second volume, is here. For thirty years, the only human engagement with Area X has taken the form of a series of expeditions monitored by a secret agency called the Southern Reach. After the disastrous twelfth expedition chronicled in Annihilation, the Southern Reach is in disarray, and John Rodriguez, aka "Control," is the team's newly appointed head. From a series of interrogations, a cache of hidden notes, and hours of profoundly troubling video footage, the secrets of Area X begin to reveal themselves--and what they expose pushes Control to confront disturbing truths about both himself and the agency he's promised to serve. And the consequences will spread much further than that.

FIC VAN VanderMeer, Jeff. Acceptance /

It is winter in Area X. A new team embarks across the border on a mission to find a member of a previous expedition who may have been left behind. As they press deeper into the unknown, navigating new terrain and new challenges, the threat to the outside world becomes more daunting.

NON-FICTION

170 BRO Brooks, David, The road to character : the humble journey to an excellent life /

With the wisdom, humor, curiosity, and sharp insights that have brought millions of readers to his New York Times column and his previous bestsellers, David Brooks has consistently illuminated our daily lives in surprising and original ways. In *The Social Animal*, he explored the neuroscience of human connection and how we can flourish together. Now, in *The Road to Character*, he focuses on the deeper values that should inform our lives. Responding to what he calls the culture of the Big Me, which emphasizes external success, Brooks challenges us, and himself, to rebalance the scales between our "resume virtues"--achieving wealth, fame, and status--and our "eulogy virtues," those that exist at the core of our being: kindness, bravery, honesty, or faithfulness, focusing on what kind of relationships we have formed. Looking to some of the world's greatest thinkers and inspiring leaders, Brooks explores how, through internal struggle and a sense of their own limitations, they have built a strong inner character. Labor activist Frances Perkins understood the need to suppress parts of herself so that she could be an instrument in a larger cause. Dwight Eisenhower organized his life not around impulsive self-expression but considered self-restraint. Dorothy Day, a devout Catholic convert and champion of the poor, learned as a young woman the vocabulary of simplicity and surrender. Civil rights pioneers A. Philip Randolph and Bayard Rustin learned reticence and the logic of self-discipline, the need to distrust oneself even while waging a noble crusade.

305.897 FEN Fenn, Elizabeth A. Encounters at the heart of the world : a history of the Mandan people /

A book that radically changes our understanding of North America before and after the arrival of Europeans. Encounters at the Heart of the World concerns the Mandan Indians, iconic Plains people whose teeming, busy towns on the upper Missouri River were for centuries at the center of the North American universe. We know of them mostly because Lewis and Clark spent the winter of 1804-1805 with them, but why don't we know more? Who were they really? In this book, Elizabeth A. Fenn retrieves their history by piecing together important new discoveries in archaeology, anthropology, geology, climatology, epidemiology, and nutritional science. Her boldly original interpretation of these diverse research findings offers us a new perspective on early American history, a new interpretation of the American past. By 1500, more than twelve thousand Mandans were established on the northern Plains, and their commercial prowess, agricultural skills, and reputation for hospitality became famous. Recent archaeological discoveries show how they thrived, and then how they collapsed. The damage wrought by imported diseases like smallpox and the havoc caused by the arrival of horses and steamboats were tragic for the Mandans, yet, as Fenn makes clear, their sense of themselves as a people with distinctive traditions endured. A riveting account of Mandan history, landscapes, and people, Fenn's narrative is enriched and enlivened not only by science and research but by her own encounters at the heart of the world.

327.12 MAC Macintyre, Ben, A spy among friends : Kim Philby's great betrayal / Random House Inc, 2014

The best-selling author of Operation Mincemeat presents a definitive portrait of the notorious 20th-century spy that discusses his rise in MI6, high-profile intelligence friendships and 20-year espionage operation that culminated in his 1963 defection to Moscow.

362.293 QUI Quinones, Sam, Dreamland : the true tale of America's opiate epidemic /

In fascinating detail, Sam Quinones chronicles how, over the past 15 years, enterprising sugar cane farmers in a small county on the west coast of Mexico created a unique distribution system that brought black tar heroin--the cheapest, most addictive form of the opiate, 2 to 3 times purer than its white powder cousin--to the veins of people across the United States.

598.15 ERI Erickson, Laura, Into the nest : intimate views of the courting, parenting, and family lives of familiar birds /

The intimate lives of familiar birds as never before seen! Spectacular, stunning, and beautiful close-up photography documents the family lives of more than 30 birds, from the first song of the courting male to the first flight of the fledglings. You'll find images of the male and female, nest construction, the eggs, the parents on the nest, nestlings, feeding time, fledglings taking their first leap, and more. The featured birds include songbirds, urban birds such as raptors and pigeons, water birds, and owls, all of them common to North America.

636.1 HAY Hayes, Tim Riding home : the power of horses to heal /

For thousands of years one animal has contributed to human survival more than any other. It has been a source of food, a means of transportation, a provider of physical labor and an instrument of war. This extraordinary creature is the horse. Throughout human history people have loved, owned and ridden horses. Horses fascinate us; they silently speak to our hearts. Young and old, rich or poor we are drawn; whether to books like The Horse Whisperer, events like The Kentucky Derby, TV Specials like the award winning HBO movie Temple Grandin or movies like Steven Spielberg's War Horse. Millions of

people -- horse owners and non-horse owners alike -- have also discovered the amazing abilities of horses to help us heal and recover from disabling physical and mental conditions such as autism and multiple sclerosis by participating in what is known as Equine Therapy. Now something quite extraordinary has been discovered about the ability of horses to help humans. Men and women afflicted with severe emotional damage are healing and making dramatic recoveries by receiving the simple love, understanding and acceptance that comes from establishing a relationship with a horse. The unique message of Tim Hayes' *Riding Home* is two-fold. On an individual level it is the first and only book to explain why horses have this remarkable ability to heal and positively transform emotionally wounded men and women whether they be troubled teens, prison inmates or war veterans with post traumatic stress disorder. On a societal level *Riding Home* offers a powerful argument for the expansion of such equine programs that accomplish what many institutional organizations that utilize traditional psychotherapy and pharmaceutical medication have often been unable to achieve. To have a relationship with a horse is to discover and know yourself, other humans and the world with more truth and compassion than one could dream or imagine. Horses help us discover hidden parts of ourselves. They cause us to become better people, better parents, better partners and better friends. They teach us that when we're not getting what we want, we're the ones who need to change either what we're doing or who we're being. A horse can be our greatest teacher for a horse has no ego, he never lies and he's never wrong.

636.4 EST Estabrook, Barry, Pig tales : an omnivore's quest for sustainable meat /

An eye-opening exploration of the commercial pork industry that tells you how you can bring home the bacon without compromising your conscience"--Book jacket.

637.3 PAT Paterniti, Michael. The telling room : a tale of love, betrayal, revenge, and the world's greatest piece of cheese / Dial Press, 2013

In the picturesque village of Guzmán, Spain, in a cave on the edge of town, there is a cramped limestone chamber known as "the telling room." This is where villagers have gathered for centuries to share their stories and secrets--usually accompanied by copious amounts of wine. It was here, in the summer of 2000, that Michael Paterniti found himself listening to a Spanish cheesemaker as he spun an odd and compelling tale about a piece of cheese. Made from an old family recipe, Ambrosio's cheese was reputed to be among the finest in the world, and was said to hold mystical qualities. But then, Ambrosio said, things had gone horribly wrong. Paterniti was hooked. Soon he was fully embroiled, relocating his young family to Guzmán in order to chase the truth about this fairy tale-like place. What he ultimately discovers is nothing like the idyllic fable he first imagined. Instead, he's sucked into the heart of an unfolding mystery, a blood feud that includes accusations of betrayal and theft, death threats, and a murder plot.

709.44 ROE Roe, Sue, In Montmartre : Picasso, Matisse and Modernism in Paris, 1900-1910

When young Pablo Picasso arrived in Paris in October 1900 he made his way up the hillside of Montmartre ... The real revolution in the arts first took place not, as is commonly supposed, in the 1920s to the accompaniment of the Charleston, black jazz and mint juleps but more quietly and intimately, in the shadow of the windmills-- artificial and real-- and in the cafes and cabarets of Montmartre during the first decade of the century. The cross-fertilization of painting, writing, music and dance produced a panorama of activity characterized by the early works of Picasso, Braque, Matisse, Derain, Vlaminck and Modigliani, the appearance of the Ballets Russes and the salons of Gertrude Stein. In *In Montmartre*, Sue Roe vividly brings to life the bohemian world of art in Paris between 1900-1910.

741.597 MCC McCloud, Scott, The sculptor /

David Smith is giving his life for his art--literally. Thanks to a deal with Death, the young sculptor gets his childhood wish: to sculpt anything he can imagine with his bare hands. But now that he only has 200 days to live, deciding what to create is harder than he thought, and discovering the love of his life at the 11th hour isn't making it any easier! This is a story of desire taken to the edge of reason and beyond; of the frantic, clumsy dance steps of young love; and a gorgeous, street-level portrait of the world's greatest city. It's about the small, warm, human moments of everyday life...and the great surging forces that lie just under the surface. Scott McCloud wrote the book on how comics work; now he vaults into great fiction with a breathtaking, funny, and unforgettable new work"--

92 ALE Alexander, Elizabeth, The light of the world : a memoir /

In THE LIGHT OF THE WORLD, Elizabeth Alexander--poet, mother, and wife--finds herself at an existential crossroads after the sudden death of her husband, who was just 49. Reflecting with gratitude on the exquisite beauty of her married life that was, grappling with the subsequent void, and feeling a re-energized devotion to her two teenage sons, Alexander channels her poetic sensibilities into a rich, lucid prose that describes a very personal and yet universal quest for meaning, understanding, and acceptance. She examines the journey we take in life through the lens of her own emotional and intellectual evolution, taking stock of herself at the midcentury mark. Because so much of her poetry is personal or autobiographical in nature, her transition to memoir is seamless, guided by her passionate belief in the power of language, her determination to share her voyage of self-discovery with her boys, and her embrace of the principle that the unexamined life is not worth living. This beautifully written book is for anyone who has loved and lost. It's about being strong when you want to collapse, about being grateful when someone has been stolen from you--it's discovering the truth in your life's journey: the good, the bad, and the ugly. It's Elizabeth Alexander's story but it is all of our stories because it is about discovering what matters.

92 BRO Brokaw, Tom. A lucky life interrupted : a memoir of hope /

After a career in journalism culminating in his twenty-two years as anchor of the NBC Nightly News and as bestselling author of The Greatest Generation, comes a powerful memoir of a year of dramatic change--a year spent battling cancer and reflecting on a long, happy, and lucky life.

92 GAT Montgomery, Ben. Grandma Gatewood's walk : the inspiring story of the woman who saved the Appalachian Trail /

Emma Gatewood was the first woman to hike the entire Appalachian Trail alone, as well as the first person — man or woman — to walk it twice and three times and she did it all after the age of 65. This is the first and only biography of Grandma Gatewood, as the reporters called her, who became a hiking celebrity in the 1950s and 60s. She appeared on TV with Groucho Marx and Art Linkletter, and on the pages of Sports Illustrated. The public attention she brought to the little-known footpath was unprecedented. Her vocal criticism of the lousy, difficult stretches led to bolstered maintenance, and very likely saved the trail from extinction. Author Ben Montgomery was given unprecedented access to Gatewood's own diaries, trail journals, and correspondence. He also unearthed historic newspaper and magazine articles and interviewed surviving family members and hikers Gatewood met along the trail. The inspiring story of Emma Gatewood illustrates the full power of human spirit and determination.

92 JAU Jauhar, Sandeep, Doctored : the disillusionment of an American physician /

In his memoir Intern, Sandeep Jauhar chronicled the formative years of his residency at a prestigious New York City hospital. Doctored, his harrowing follow-up, observes the crisis of American medicine through the eyes of an attending cardiologist. Hoping for the stability he needs to start a family, Jauhar

accepts a position at a massive teaching hospital. With a decade's worth of elite medical training behind him, he is eager to settle down and reap the rewards of countless sleepless nights. Instead, he is confronted with sobering truths. Doctors' morale is getting lower. Cronyism determines referrals, corporate ties distort medical decisions, and unnecessary tests are routinely performed to generate income. Meanwhile, a single patient might see fifteen specialists and still fail to receive a full picture of his actual condition. Jauhar has written an introspective memoir that is also an impassioned plea for reform.

92 MAN Mann, Sally, Hold still : a memoir with photographs /

A memoir and family history from acclaimed photographer Sally Mann. Her luminous photographs have become icons of modern art, but Mann also possesses a fearlessness and clarity of vision in her writing as well. As she sets out to understand her parents, Mann unravels threads that lead to discoveries about generations past, the marks they made on the world, and how these reverberate in her life and work today.

92 SAC Sacks, Oliver W. On the move : a life /

When Oliver Sacks was twelve years old, a perceptive schoolmaster wrote in his report: "Sacks will go far, if he does not go too far." Sacks has never stopped going. From its opening pages on his youthful obsession with motorcycles and speed, *On the Move* is infused with his restless energy. As he recounts his experiences as a young neurologist in the early 1960s, first in California, where he struggled with drug addiction, and then in New York, where he discovered a long-forgotten illness in the back wards of a chronic hospital, we see how his engagement with patients comes to define his life. Sacks shows us that the same energy that drives his physical passions -- weight lifting and swimming -- also drives his cerebral passions. He writes about his love affairs, both romantic and intellectual; his guilt over leaving his family to come to America; his bond with his schizophrenic brother; and the writers and scientists -- Thom Gunn, A. R. Luria, W. H. Auden, Gerald M. Edelman, Francis Crick -- who influenced him.

92 WIL Wilder, Laura Ingalls, Pioneer girl : the annotated autobiography /

Presents Laura Ingalls Wilder's unedited, and unpublished, draft of her autobiography that was written for an adult audience and eventually served as the foundation for her popular *Little House on the Prairie* series.

973.5 INS Inskip, Steve, Jacksonland : President Andrew Jackson, Chief John Ross, and a great American land grab /

Five decades after the Revolutionary War, the United States approached a constitutional crisis. At its center stood two former military comrades locked in a struggle that tested the boundaries of our fledgling democracy. One man we recognize: Andrew Jackson--war hero, populist, and exemplar of the expanding South--whose first major initiative as President instigated the massive expulsion of Native Americans known as the Trail of Tears. The other is a half-forgotten figure: John Ross--a mixed-race Cherokee politician and diplomat--who used the United States' own legal system and democratic ideals to oppose Jackson. Representing one of the Five Civilized Tribes who had adopted the ways of white settlers--cultivating farms, publishing a newspaper in their own language, and sending children to school--Ross championed the tribes' cause all the way to the Supreme Court. He gained allies like Senator Henry Clay, Chief Justice John Marshall, and even Davy Crockett. In a fight that seems at once distant and familiar, Ross and his allies made their case in the media, committed civil disobedience, and benefited from the first mass political action by American women. At stake in this struggle was the land of the Five Civilized Tribes. In shocking detail, *Jacksonland* reveals how Jackson, as a general,

extracted immense wealth from his own armies' conquest of native lands. Later, as president, Jackson set in motion the seizure of tens of millions of acres in today's Deep South. This is the story of America at a moment of transition, when the fate of states and nations was decided by the actions of two heroic yet tragically opposed men.

VT 920.72 BIT Bittinger, Cynthia D. Vermont women, Native Americans and African Americans : out of the shadows of history / History Press, 2012

Vermont's constitution, drafted in 1777, was one of the most enlightened documents of its time, but in contrast, the history of Vermont has largely been told through the stories of influential white men. This book takes a fresh look at Vermont's history, uncovering hidden stories, from the earliest inhabitants to present-day citizens striving to overcome adversity and be advocates for change...Educator and historian Cynthia Bittinger unearths these and other inspirational stories of the contributions of women, Native Americans and African Americans to Vermont's history.

AUDIOBOOKS

AUDIO CD 916.76 BRY Bryson, Bill. Bill Bryson's African diary Corgi Audio, 2003

Bill Bryson goes to Kenya at the invitation of CARE International ... a country that shares many serious human and environmental problems with the rest of Africa: refugees, AIDS, drought and grinding poverty.

AUDIO CD 92 FRA Isaacson, Walter. Benjamin Franklin an American life / Simon & Schuster Audio, 2003

Traces the life of Benjamin Franklin, from his days as a runaway printer to his triumphs as a statesman, inventor, and founding father. Chronicles his tumultuous relationship with his illegitimate son and grandson, his practical marriage, and his flirtations with the ladies of Paris.

AUDIO CD 92 LIN Epstein, Daniel Mark. The Lincolns portrait of a marriage / BBC Audiobooks America, 2008

Spanning their mysterious and troubled courtship in 1840 through his assassination in Ford's Theatre in 1865, Daniel Mark Epstein has produced an incisive and balanced portrait of the Lincolns.

AUDIO CD 973.70 GOO Goodwin, Doris Kearns. Team of rivals : the political genius of Abraham Lincoln Simon & Schuster Audio, 2005

When the 1860 Republican National Convention chose Abraham Lincoln over three seasoned politicians, his rivals were shocked and humiliated. Lincoln immediately went about mending fences by inviting them to join his cabinet. Historian Doris Kearns Godwin reveals how Lincoln brilliantly converted former political foes and used them to strengthen his presidency.

AUDIO CD FIC ATK Atkinson, Kate, A God in ruins a novel /

Kate Atkinson's dazzling *Life after Life* explored the possibility of infinite chances and the power of choices, following Ursula Todd as she lived through the turbulent events of the last century over and over again. *A God in Ruins* tells the dramatic story of the twentieth century through Ursula's beloved younger brother Teddy--would-be poet, heroic pilot, husband, father, and grandfather--as he navigates the perils and progress of a rapidly changing world. After all that Teddy endures in battle, his greatest challenge is living in a future he never expected to have.

AUDIO CD FIC BUS Bushnell, Candace. Lipstick jungle Hyperion Audiobooks, 2005

Victory is a world-famous fashion designer whose spring collection failed to impress at New York's all-important fashion week. As the president of Parador Pictures, Wendy is gearing up for the film she hopes will finally snag her the coveted Best Picture Oscar. Nico, editor in chief of Bonfire magazine, is working her way up the corporate ladder. The ladies' love lives are just as interesting as their careers. Victory is being courted by an eccentric billionaire; Wendy's handsome, lazy husband has just demanded a divorce; and married Nico finds herself drawn into a fling with a handsome, younger male model.

AUDIO CD FIC SIN Sinclair, Upton, The jungle Blackstone Audio Books, 2006

A young Lithuanian immigrant, hoping to create a good life for himself and his family in the early 1900s, is discouraged by the shocking conditions he encounters as a worker in the Chicago stockyards.

MOVIES/TV SHOWS

C DVD ABO About Schmidt New Line Home Entertainment, 2002

Warren Schmidt is about the taste the not-so-sweet slice of life. When he retired, he and his wife, Helen, had big plans - but an unexpected twist changes everything. Now, all of Schmidt's attention is focused on his daughter's upcoming wedding to a loser waterbed salesman. From meeting the groom's hippie parents to sponsoring a Tanzanian foster child, Schmidt embarks on a search for answers, only to discover that life is full of trick questions.

C DVD EMP Empire Records Remix! / Warner Home Video, 2003

A manager of a struggling record store is desperately trying to avoid a corporate takeover, while handling the problems of his teenage workers. Special edition contains over 15 minutes of new footage and extras.

C DVD HIT Hitch Columbia Pictures : | Distributed by Sony Pictures Home Entertainment, 2005

Hitch is New York City's greatest matchmaker. Love is his job and when Albert Brennaman wins the heart of gorgeous society heiress Allegra Cole, Albert has Hitch to thank. So when tabloid columnist Sara Melas decides to uncover the secret behind the relationships unlikely success, she's shocked to discover that Alex Hitchens, the charming young man she's been dating, is the legendary date doctor himself. Exposed in a front-page scoop, it's now up to Alex to try and save Albert and Allegra's relationship as well as his own.

D DVD LAS The last king of Scotland 20th Century Fox Home Entertainment, 2007

Chronicles Idi Amin's rise and fall. Amin's despotic reign of terror is viewed through the eyes of Nicholas Garrigan, a Scottish doctor who arrives in Uganda in the early 1970s to serve as Amin's personal physician. His perspective as an outsider causes him to be initially impressed by Amin's calculated rise to power and he grows increasingly monstrous. A pointed examination of how independent Uganda (a British colony until 1962) became a breeding ground for Amin's genocidal tyranny. Amin is both seductive and horribly destructive. Garrigan grows increasingly prone to exploitation.

D DVD ME Me and you and everyone we know Metro Goldwyn Mayer; | Distributed by Sony Pictures Home Entertainment, 2005

A lonely shoe salesman and an eccentric performance artist struggle to connect in this unique take on contemporary life.

D DVD PER Persuasion Columbia Tristar Home Video : | Sony Pictures Classics, 1999

When Anne Elliot turned down Captain Wentworth's proposal of marriage, she allowed herself to be persuaded by her snobbish family's conviction of his unworthiness. But now, after a separation of eight years, Anne Elliot and Captain Wentworth are to meet again and the tables have turned. Her former lover's fortunes have prospered and he is now returned from a career at sea both eligible and affluent. Anne's father, Sir Walter Elliot of Kellynch Hall, has been forced to lease their home and move the family into a rather small abode in Bath. Just as Anne now recognizes the false values that persuaded her to reject Captain Wentworth, so she must accept that his heart now seems set upon the youth and beauty of the impetuous Louisa Musgrove.

DOC DVD FOO Food chains

A powerful true story of one small group of workers overcoming corporate greed to end slavery and abuse in America's fields.

TV DVD AME The Americans.

Secrets can be deadly in this suspenseful thriller about undercover Russian spies in 1980s Washington D.C. Phillip and Elizabeth Jennings seem to be a typical suburban couple, but they're actually lethal KGB agents plotting to bring down America. As the Cold War escalates, Philip and Elizabeth must take extreme measures to continue their mission to keep their true identities hidden. But when an FBI agent movies in across the street, they become ensnared in a pulse-pounding game of cat and mouse.

TV DVD FUT Futurama. 20th Century Fox, 2008

The thrilling conclusion to Futurama: Bender's Big Score. Bender and the Planet Express crew must contend with a massive cosmic team that sends the world into panic.

TV DVD PAR Parks and recreation. Universal Studios Home Entertainment, 2009

A new mockumentary that looks at the exciting world of local government. Examines the mundane but necessary ways that people interact with their government, and asks why it's frequently so complicated - standing in line at the DMV, applying for home construction permits, or trying to get the city to fix a pothole.

TV DVD SIX The six wives of Henry VIII BBC Video ; | Distributed by Warner Home Video, 2006

The six wives of Henry VIII: A six-part chronicle of England's early 16th century, recounting the turbulent life and times of King Henry VIII through the eyes and travails of his wives. | The Other Boleyn Girl: A modernized, dramatized retelling of Anne Boleyn's marriage and life with Henry the VIII, mixing traditional costuming and settings with contemporary language and idioms.