

Heartland Regional Library System presents **LIBRARY NEWS!**

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September is Library Card Sign-up Month

“There’s nothing more empowering than a library card. Through access to technology, media resources and educational programs, libraries provide people of all ages the opportunity to pursue their dreams and passions. And there's no one better to tell that story than library lovers like you. This Library Card Sign-up Month, we're asking everyone to help spread some library love by posting to social media about how the library empowers you for a chance to win. Here's how it works:

Post to Instagram or Twitter using the hashtag #LibrariesEmpower. Entries can also be submitted by posting as a comment or wall post on the I Love Libraries Facebook page. Don't forget to tag your library! The creator of one randomly-selected post will receive a \$100 Visa gift and an ALA Graphics [The Child Poster](#). Additionally, three second-place winners will receive an ALA Graphics [The Child Poster](#).

The #LibrariesEmpower promotion begins Wednesday, September 1, at noon CT and ends Wednesday, September 22, at noon CT.”

From ALA.org

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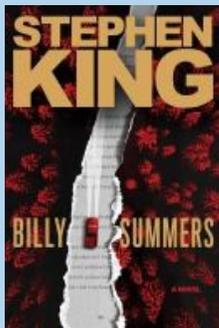
HRLS Director, Lisa Garro, MLIS

New Items!

Reviews from www.goodreads.com

Adult Fiction:

Billy Summers by Stephen King

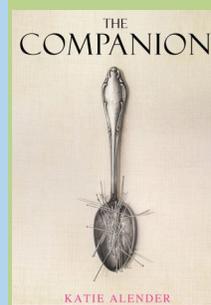


Billy Summers is a man in a room with a gun. He's a killer for hire and the best in the business. But he'll do the job only if the target is a truly bad guy. And now Billy wants out. But first there is one last hit. Billy is among the best snipers in the world, a decorated Iraq war vet, a Houdini when it comes to vanishing after the job is done. So what could possibly go wrong?

How about everything.

Young Adult Fiction:

The Companion by Katie Alender



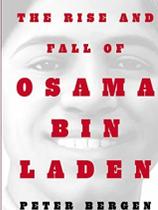
The other orphans say Margot is lucky. Lucky to survive the horrible accident that killed her family. Lucky to have her own room because she wakes up screaming every night. And finally, lucky to be chosen by a prestigious family to live at their remote country estate. But it wasn't luck that made the Suttons rescue Margot from her bleak existence at the group home. Margot was hand-picked to be a companion to their silent, mysterious daughter, Agatha. At first, helping with Agatha - and getting to know her handsome

DVD: A Quiet Place Part II

After an apocalyptic event, a family emerges into the outside world and discovers that they must live in silence to hide from monsters with extra-sensitive hearing and face other dangers.



older brother - seems much better than the group home. But soon, the isolated, gothic house begins playing tricks on Margot's mind, making her question everything she believes about the Suttons... and herself. Margot's bad dreams may have stopped when she came to live with Agatha - but the real nightmare has just begun.



Adult Biography: The Rise and Fall of Osama Bin Laden by Peter Bergen

Bergen sheds light on bin Laden's many contradictions: he was the son of a billionaire, yet insisted his family live like paupers. He adored his wives and children, depending on two of his wives,

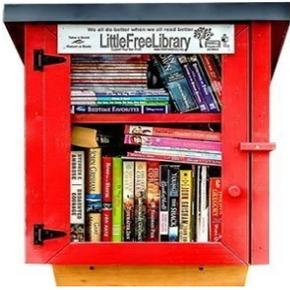
both of whom had PhDs, to make important strategic decisions, yet he also brought ruin to his family. He was fanatically religious, yet willing to kill thousands of civilians in the name of Islam. He inspired deep loyalty yet, in the end, his bodyguards turned against him. In the end, bin Laden died in a squalid suburban compound, far from the front lines of his holy war. Despite that unheroic denouement, his ideology lives on. Bergen's portrait of Osama will reveal for the first time who he really was and why he continues to inspire a new generation of jihadists.-- adapted from jacket

Picture Books: The Very Last Leaf By Stef Wade



Lance Cottonwood is the best and brightest of the leaves, but even the top students on the tree have worries. Can Lance conquer his fear of falling and just let go when the time comes for his final exam, or will he let his worries take over? In this funny and encouraging picture book, best-selling author Stef Wade (A Place for Pluto) tells an engaging story and deftly addresses social and emotional struggles many kids encounter each day...feeling anxious, wanting to be perfect, facing fears, etc. These themes combined with illustrator Jennifer Davison's delightful characters and rich autumnal colors make The Very Last Leaf a perfect book for the start of a new school year, the arrival of autumn, or any period of transition in life.

Little Free Libraries



Heartland Library has purchased four, new Little Free Libraries using funds from state aid grants. Two will go in Maries County and the other two will go in Miller County. To be delivered soon. The four locations are:

Maries

- ◆ Brinktown Crossroads Convenient Store at jct. Hwy 42 and Hwy 133
- ◆ Vichy Firehouse at Hwy 63

Miller

- ◆ Tuscumbia - Eagle Stop at jct. Hwy 17 and Hwy 52
- ◆ St. Elizabeth- Park

New Online Resources

Access remotely from home using your library card

Visit our website and look under resources for these databases



This award-winning resource provides middle and high school students with up-to-date, nonjudgmental, self-help support. Articles are correlated to state, national and provincial standards. Topics covered

include diseases, drugs, alcohol, nutrition, mental health, suicide, bullying and LGBTQ+ information. It has recently been updated to meet the needs of today's teens and with new content on bullying, suicide, vaping, opioid abuse, gender identity, school safety, sexual harassment, COVID-19 and more.



Empower learners with digital citizenship skills to navigate today's virtual landscape. Interactive activities guide students through project-based learning activities using digital tools to create podcasts, multimedia presentations, social media campaigns, and more. Database articles explore cyberbullying, digital research skills, citizen journalism, and more. Digital Literacy will give your students and patrons the skills to be savvy digital citizens!



The Rosen Financial Literacy database makes economics and personal finance easy to understand and highly engaging. Articles explore macro-, micro-, and global economics as well as personal and household finance. Users will learn to manage credit

and debt, save and invest with confidence, plan for college and retirement and avoid fraud and scams. Financial Literacy is an online economics and personal finance resource specifically designed for students in grades 7–12, but can easily benefit adults.

Southeastern US Herbaria Digitize Three Million Specimens, Now Freely Available Online

"A network of over 100 herbaria spread out across the southeastern United States recently completed the herculean task of [fully digitizing more than three million specimens](#) collected by botanists and naturalists over a span of 200 years." —Library Journal InfoDocket—by Gary Price. "The project, which was funded by the National Science Foundation, is part of a larger, ongoing effort by natural history institutions worldwide to make their biological collections easily accessible to researchers studying broad patterns of evolution, extinction, range shifts, and climate change."



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