

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

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## The "Summer Slide"



## Prevent the Summer Slide!

Summer Slide is the loss of reading skills a child experiences from the end of a school year, through the summer, until the beginning of the next school year. Teachers then struggle to get their students back up to the levels they are supposed to be. Heartland Library can help!! We recently purchased 8 phonics kits to help children who are just learning to read. Look elsewhere in this newsletter for more information on those. We also have a great

collection of early reader books in print for checkout to help with practicing reading. We also have digital ways to help. We have Tumblebooks for reading fun. Overdrive has a Kids section for audio and ebooks. We also subscribe to two Worldbook modules—Early Learning and eBooks. Kanopy Kids is full of literary fun like Reading Rainbow, Sesame Street, Highlights, and Story Time books. Check out our website to view all the ways to help crush summer slide!!!

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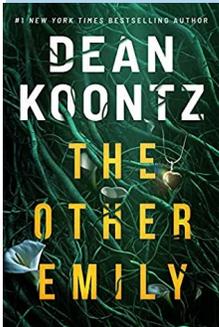
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## New Items!

Reviews from [www.goodreads.com](http://www.goodreads.com)

### Adult Fiction:

#### The Other Emily by Dean Koontz



A decade ago, Emily Carlino vanished after her car broke down on a California highway. She was presumed to be one of serial killer Ronny Lee Jessup's victims whose remains were never found.

Writer David Thorne still hasn't recovered from losing the love of his life, or from the guilt of not being there to save her. Since then, he's sought closure any way he can. He even visits regularly with Jessup in prison, desperate for answers about Emily's final hours so he may finally lay her

body to rest. Then David meets Maddison Sutton, beguiling, playful, and keenly aware of all David has lost. But what really takes his breath away is that everything about Maddison, down to her kisses, is just like Emily. As the fantastic becomes credible, David's obsession grows, Maddison's mysterious past deepens—and terror escalates.

Is she Emily? Or an irresistible dead ringer? Either way, the ultimate question is the same: What game is she playing? Whatever the risk in finding out, David's willing to take it for this precious second chance. It's been ten years since he's felt this inspired, this hopeful, this much in love...and he's afraid.

### Juvenile Non-Fiction: Summertime Sleepers : Animals that Estivate by Melissa Stewart



All science classrooms discuss animals that hibernate during winter months, but few know about animals that estivate—a prolonged sleep during hot or dry periods.

### Young Adult Fiction:

#### A Better, Bad Idea by Laurie Devore

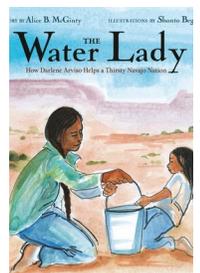


Evelyn Peters is desperate. Desperate for a way out of McNair Falls, the dying southern town that's held her captive since the day she was born. Desperate to protect her little sister from her mother's terrifying and abusive boyfriend. And desperate to connect with anyone, even fallen golden boy Ashton Harper, longtime boyfriend of the girl Evelyn can never stop thinking about — beautiful, volatile, tragically dead Reid Brewer. Until a single night sends Evelyn and Ashton on a collision course that starts

something neither of them can stop. With one struck match, their whole world goes up in flames. The only thing left to do is run—but leaving McNair Falls isn't as easy as just putting distance between here and there and some secrets refuse to stay left behind. A reckoning is coming . . . and not everyone is getting out alive.

### Picture Books:

#### The Water Lady How Darlene Arviso Helps a Thirsty Navajo Nation By Alice B. McGinty, ill Shonto Begay



Underneath the New Mexico sky, a Navajo boy named Cody finds that his family's barrels of water are empty. He checks the chicken coop— nothing. He walks down the road to the horses' watering hole. Dry. Meanwhile, a few miles away, Darlene Arviso drives a school bus and picks up students for school. After dropping them off, she heads to another job: she drives her big yellow tanker truck to the water tower, fills it with three thousand gallons of water, and returns to the reservation, bringing water to Cody's family, and many, many others. Here is the incredible and inspiring true story of a Native American woman who continuously gives back to her community and celebrates her people.

# Programs



## Mad Science

Be sure to join us for some exciting fun when Mad

Science comes to town! Full of science experiments and tons of interaction. Great for ALL ages!

**July 15th**

Belle & Eldon branches-3pm

Iberia & Vienna branches-6pm

## Big Library Read

*The Quiet Girl*

by S. F. Kosa from June 28 - July 12.



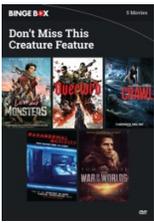
Be sure to watch for the discussion guide and use #biglibraryread on social media for a chance to win a tablet and a signed book from the author. <https://biglibraryread.com/>



## GooseChase

Don't forget the GooseChase Scavenger Hunt challenge! The drawing to win prizes will take place Sept. 1st.

## New BingeBox Collections



Creature Feature

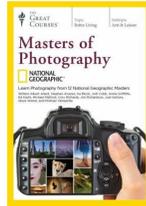


Indiana Jones



Anne Hathaway

## New Great Courses



- \* Written Communications
- \* Understanding the Old Testament
- \* Understanding the New Testament
  - \* The Science of Gardening
- \* Ancient Civilizations of North America
- \* The Great Tours: England, Scotland, and Wales
- \* The Guide to Birding in North America
  - \* Learning Spanish
  - \* Writing Great Fiction
- \* Masters of Photography
- \* Understanding Investments
  - \* Nutrition Made Clear
    - \* How to Paint
    - \* How to Draw
- \* Native Peoples of North America
  - \* Our Night sky

## New Phonics Kits



**Phonics**



There are 8 themes to choose from:

- ◆ Berenstain Bears
- ◆ Biscuit
- ◆ Fancy Nancy
- ◆ Lego Star Wars
- ◆ Little Critter
- ◆ Paw Patrol
- ◆ Peppa Pig
- ◆ Pinkalicious



**Each set includes books, activities, and games.**