



January Newsletter

Back in November for World Kindness Day, we had a children's craft dog toy. They were to be donated to Giant Paw Prints Rescue. We were able to donate 14 tug toys! If you are looking for a gentle giant, Giant Paw Prints Rescue is a great facility to checkout.



Baby Yoda (aka Grogu, "The Child") wants you to stop by the library and checkout a book. Oh and get a bookmark too! He's super excited about the design.

January Take and Make Crafts

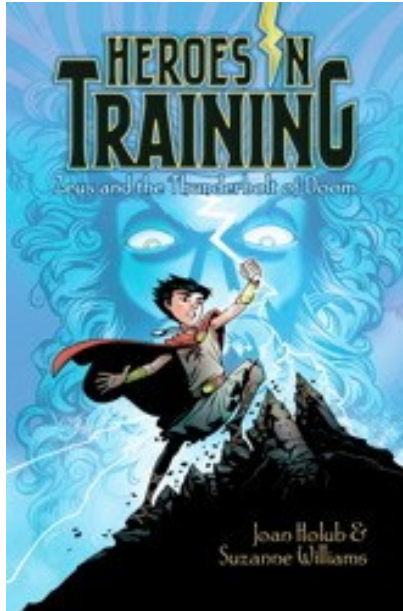
Featuring Unicorns, Penguins, Baby Owls and More!

Crafts are available while supplies last!

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NEW JUVENILE FICTION: ZEUS AND THE THUNDERBOLT OF DOOM

Part of the Heroes in Training Series by Joan Holub and Suzanne Williams, this series would be good for children who like mythology but are not at the reading level for Rick Riordan's books. After pulling a magical thunderbolt from a stone, ten-year-old Zeus goes on the adventure of a lifetime in this thrilling start to a brand-new series! The terrible Titans—merciless giants who enjoy snacking on humans—have dominated the earth and put the world into chaos. But their rule is about to be put to the test as a group of young Olympians discover their powers and prepare to righteously rule the universe.... Ten-year-old Zeus is mystified (and super-annoyed) by the fact that he

keeps getting hit by lightning. Every. Single. Year. He also longs for adventure, as he has never been far from the cave where he grew up. Zeus gets his wish—and a lot more than he bargained for—when he is kidnapped by dangerous, giant Titans! In self-defense, Zeus grabs the first thing he sees—an actual thunderbolt he pulls from a stone that is covered in mysterious markings. Zeus is the only one who can decipher the markings, and sets off on a quest to rescue his fellow Olympians from the evil Cronus. Armed with his trusty thunderbolt (named Bolt, of course), Zeus is on an adventure of a lifetime—and a journey to fulfill his destiny as King of the Gods. (Goodreads)

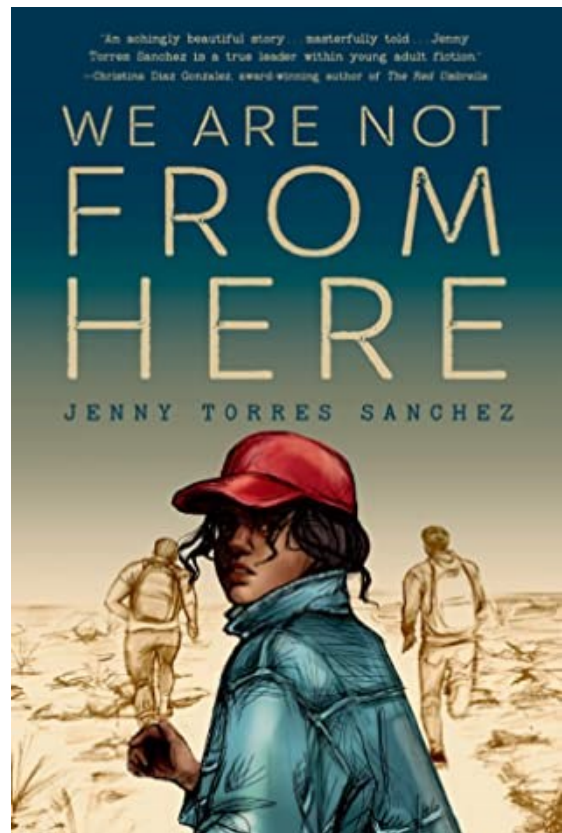
NEW YOUNG ADULT FICTION: WE ARE NOT FROM HERE

Named one of the best books of 2020 by Goodreads, *We Are Not From Here* is a ripped-from-the-headlines novel of desperation, escape, and survival across the U.S.-Mexico border.

Pulga, Chico, and Pequeña have no false illusions about the town they've grown up in and the dangers that surround them. Though their families—both biological and found—create a warm community for them, threats lurk around every corner. And when those threats become all too real, the three teens know they have no choice but to run: for the border, for the hope of freedom, and for their very lives.

Crossing from Guatemala through Mexico with their eyes on the U.S. border, they follow the route of La Bestia, a system of trains that promise the hope of freedom—if they are lucky enough to survive the harrowing journey. With nothing but the bags on their backs and the desperation that courses through their very veins, Pulga, Chico, and Pequeña know that there's no turning back, dangerous though the road ahead might be.

In this powerful story inspired by real—and current—events, the plight at our southern border is brought to painful, poignant life. (Goodreads)



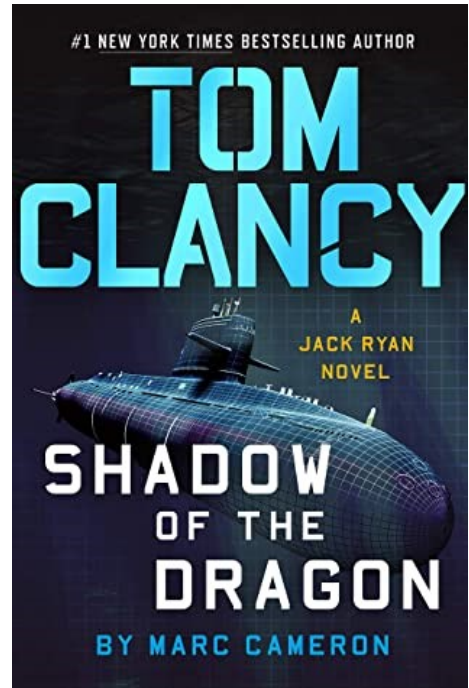
NEW ADULT FICION: SHADOW OF THE DRAGON

A missing Chinese scientist, unexplained noises emanating from under the Arctic ice, and a possible mole in American intelligence are just some of the problems that plague President Jack Ryan in the latest entry in Tom Clancy's #1 New York Times bestselling series.

Aboard an icebreaker in the Arctic Ocean a sonar operator hears an unusual noise coming from the ocean floor. She can't isolate it and chalks the event up to an anomaly in a newly installed system.

Meanwhile, operatives with the Chinese Ministry of State Security are dealing with their own mystery--the disappearance of brilliant but eccentric scientist, Liu Wangshu. They're desperate to keep his crucial knowledge of aerospace and naval technology out of their rivals' hands.

Finding Liu is too great an opportunity for any intelligence service to pass up, but there's one more problem. A high-level Chinese mole, codenamed Surveyor, has managed to infiltrate American Intelligence. President Jack Ryan has only one choice: send John Clark and his Campus team deep into China to find an old graduate student of the professor's who may hold the key to his whereabouts. It's a dangerous gamble, but with John Clark holding the cards, Jack Ryan is all in. (Goodreads)



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NEW PICTURE BOOK: TREES MAKE GREAT PETS

By Paul Czajak, an endearing and environmentally friendly story about a girl's unlikely best friend...a tree!

Abigail is determined to get the perfect pet.

So she chooses Fido. He keeps her cool from the sun, stays where she tells him, and even gives her air to breathe. That's because Fido is a tree!

But not everyone thinks having a tree as a pet is a good idea, though, especially when Fido starts to grow. Will Abigail be able to keep her perfect pet? (Goodreads)

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FEBRUARY BOOK CLUB BOOK: BEHIND CLOSED DOORS

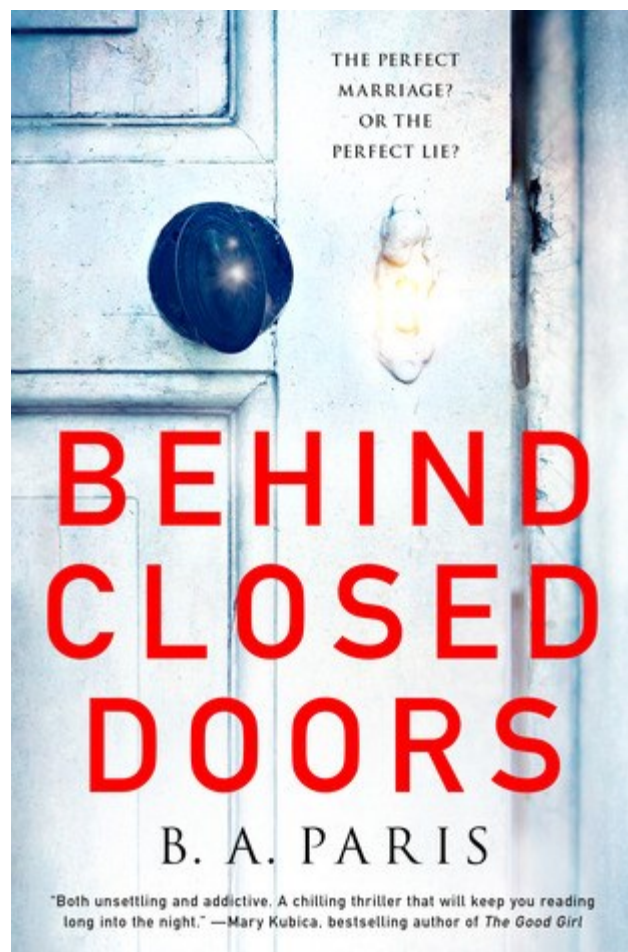
The Westville Bookworms Book Club will meet on Monday, February 1st from 6:00 to 7:00 PM to discuss *Behind Closed Doors* by B. A. Paris. Awarded book of the year by Goodreads, this novel tells the story about Jack and Grace. Everyone knows a couple like Jack and Grace. He has looks and wealth, she has charm and elegance. You might not want to like them, but you do.

You'd like to get to know Grace better.

But it's difficult, because you realise Jack and Grace are never apart.

Some might call this true love. Others might ask why Grace never answers the phone. Or how she can never meet for coffee, even though she doesn't work. How she can cook such elaborate meals but remain so slim. And why there are bars on one of the bedroom windows. (Goodreads)

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THE SWEET MAGNOLIAS HAVE ARRIVED!

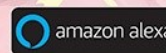
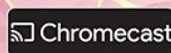
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