

# Annual Book Sale Begins Friday, September 27th!

The annual book sale will begin September 27th and continue through early January. Display space is limited so books will be rotated every two weeks. Check back often to see the newest selections.

The Friends of the Commerce Public Library are selling raffle tickets for one of two iPad minis to be given away separately on Saturday, September 28th at the Bois d'Arc Bash. Tickets are \$5 each or 5 for \$20. The drawing will be at 6:00 P.M. on the 28th and the winner will be announced from the main stage. You do not have to be present to win. Tickets are available at the library, from library board members, at the Library booth during the Bash or online from the library webpage: commercepubliclibrary.org.



The iPad minis were donated to the Library by Duncan Insurance and Cypress Bank. The tickets were printed by Latsons and donated by the Texas A&M-Commerce Office of the President.

# Preserving the Past... Enhancing the Future!

The Library portico is completely restored! Come by and see the difference a few weeks has made to our beautiful historical home. We are able to use the front entrance again and it is wonderful to see the fresh new paint and completely repaired woodwork. What a stark contrast to the rest of the exterior woodwork that still begs to be refinished. The portico is just a preview of what our building could be if only we could continue the restoration. Unfortunately our funds are gone for now. More donations are needed to continue!





**After** 



To donate toward the building restoration, click here!

See the <u>next page</u> for pictures of the building being built in 1917!!

#### From the Local History Files

Excerpt from Commerce Journal, October 4, 1918:

"The Post Office Building was completed at a cost of \$45,000, with the equipment & fixtures =\$6,000. Work started July 2, 1917 and was ready for occupancy on August 15, 1918. The Supervising Architect's Office, Washington, D.C. was the architect. Standardized building, one of a group of 8 contracted in 1917-18.

The foundation and exterior walls are of brick, with cypress exterior ornamentation, ballasted composition roof on tin roof. The roof terrace is enclosed with parapet walls and balustrade panels.

Semi fire proof building of the third class, approximately 55x70 feet with basement, one story, and clear story type; a partial second story was added in the rear of the clear story. It is a composite design with a front portico of a modified Tuscan order. " More pictures are posted on the library website.







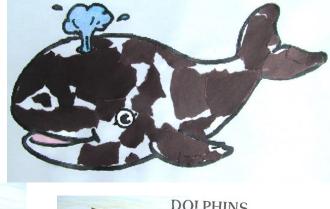


# Story Time with Nana

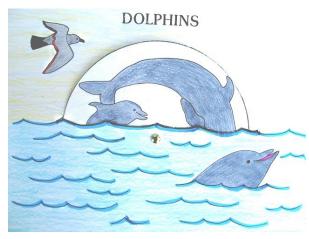


Each Tuesday morning at 10:30 Edna Coplin (Nana) entertains pre-school children at the library with stories and crafts. On this page are some of the undersea themed craft projects from recent weeks!

In the next few weeks, Nana will be reading books about fall, and children will be having fun making pumpkins, scarecrows, and turkeys. Christopher Columbus will be celebrated in October. All pre-schoolers are invited to come and join the fun!

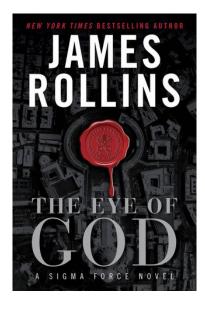




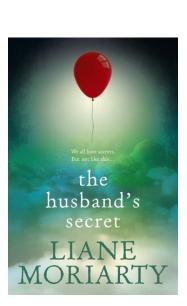


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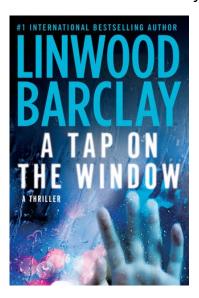
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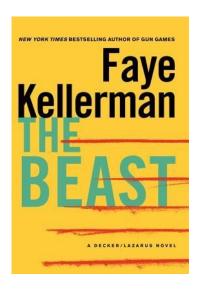
The Eye of God by James Rollins



The Husband's Secret by Liane Moriarty

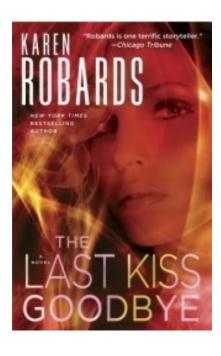


A Tap on the Window by Linwood Barclay

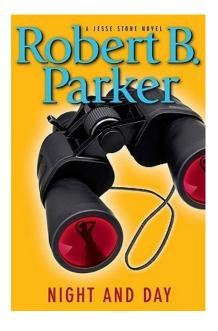


The Beast by Faye Kellerman

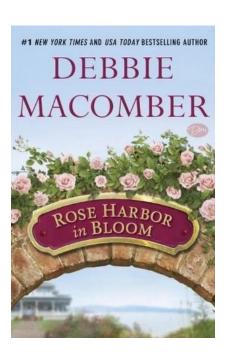
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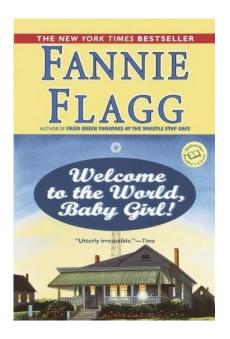
The Last Kiss Goodbye by Karen Robards



Night and Day by Robert Parker

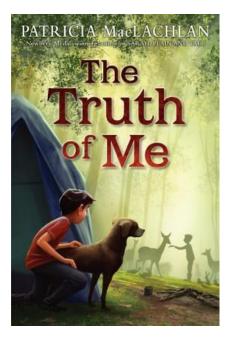


Rose Harbor in Bloom by Debbie Macomber

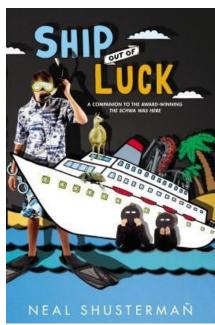


Welcome to the World, Baby Girl! By Fannie Flagg

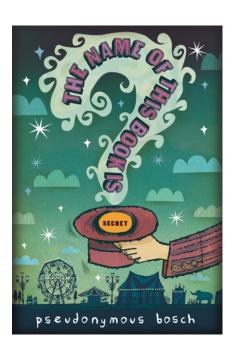
## Junior



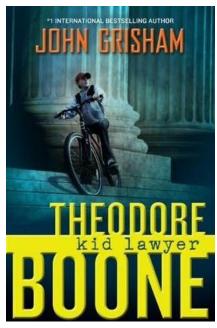
The Truth of Me by Patricia
MacLachlan



Ship Out of Luck by Neal
Shusterman



<u>The Name of This Book is</u> <u>Secret by Pseudonymous Bosch</u>



<u>Theodore Boone, Kid Lawyer, by John</u>
<u>Grisham</u>

## NEW (TO US) MOVIES

## **DVD Videos**

Don't forget the library has movies! These are a few of the recent donation we have received...



Despicable Me



Casablanca



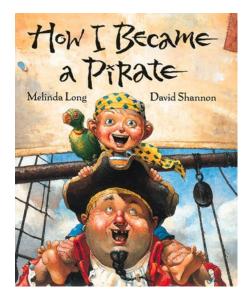
**The Waitress** 



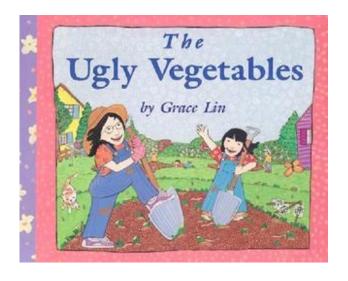
Slumdog Millionaire

## **Easy Books**

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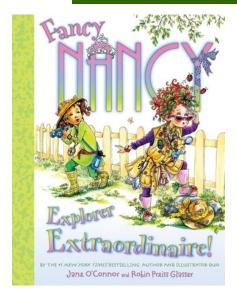
How I Became a Pirate



The Ugly Vegetables

#### **NEW BOOKS**

## **Easy Reader Books**



Fancy Nancy Explorer
Extroidinaire!

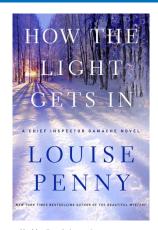


Junie B. Jones is (almost) a Flower Girl

#### READING BETWEEN THE LINES

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Other books in this series:

- 1. STILL LIFE (on order)
- 2. A FATAL GRACE (the library has this on CD)
- 3. THE CRUELEST MONTH
- 4. A RULE AGAINST MURDER
- 5. THE BRUTAL TELLING (e-book)
- **6. BURY YOUR DEAD**
- 7. A TRICK OF THE LIGHT (e-book)
- 8. THE BEAUTIFUL MYSTERY

Linda Gilmartin sends this review:

How the Light Gets In

By Louise Penny

I give this book my highest recommendation - but with a caution.

<u>How the Light Gets In</u> is the latest in the wonderful Armand Gamache mystery series by Canadian writer, Louise Penny, and it is best to have read the previous novels in order to fully appreciate just how special this book is. In particular, the last book, <u>A Beautiful Mystery</u>, sets the scene and the plot for <u>How the Light Gets In</u>, which is a tour de force of a book, superior in every way to traditional mystery novels.

In particular, Penny has created a fictional world and a set of characters so enticing that you will never want to leave them. The books take place in Quebec and, especially, in a magical village named Three Pines, where some of the mysteries actually take place. Penny's characters are so real and so endearing that you feel as if you actually know them.

<u>How the Light Gets In</u> is the culmination of a vast conspiracy among the Quebec police and government, one which threatens the very stability of the province and the fate of the book's irresistable protagonist, Detective Chief Inspector Armand Gamache and his troubled assistant, Beauvois.

I cannot recommend this series highly enough, even for those who do not traditionally read mysteries. Louise Penny is simply the best mystery writer currently at work - wise and caring and a genius at plotting.

And, oh, yes, this novel has the most intense and exciting climax I have ever read. Try it; you'll like it..

**The author says:** My books are about terror. That brooding terror curled deep down inside us. But more than that, more than murder, more than all the rancid emotions and actions, my books are about goodness. And kindness. About choices. About friendship and belonging. And love. Enduring love. If you take only one thing away from any of my books I'd like it to be this: Goodness exists.

A small note about the themes in my books. They're inspired by two lines from a poem by WH Auden, in his elegy to Melville. *Goodness existed, that was the new knowledge/his terror had to blow itself quite out to let him see it.* How powerful is that? From her website: http://www.louisepenny.com