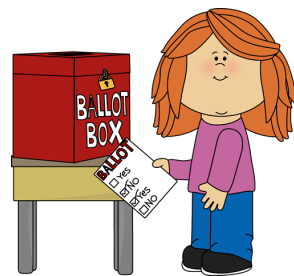


November Events:



Election Day will be held on Tuesday, November 5. For the general election of 2024 we will be voting for President & Vice President of the United States, U.S. Senator, U.S Representative for the 6th District, city councils, school boards, and one State Constitution amendment.



The annual Augusta County Senior Health Fair, hosted by Augusta County Parks and Recreation, will be held on November 6th from 9:00 am to noon at the Government Center in Verona. This free event will feature vendors, organizations, businesses, clinics, and more. All dedicated to increasing access to healthy living for seniors in Augusta County. Stop by any time and say hello to us at our Talking Book Center table!

The Talking Book Center will be closed on Friday, November 11 in honor of Veterans Day, as well as Thursday and Friday, November 28 and 29 for Thanksgiving. Be sure to call ahead to request books.

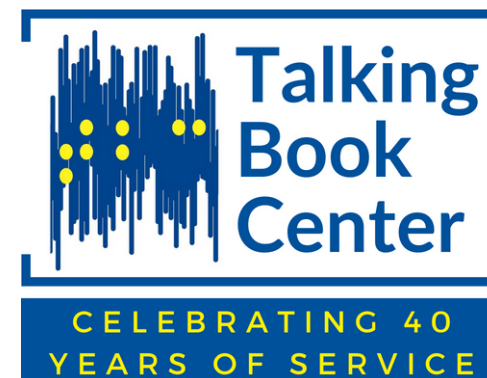
We hope you have a wonderful Thanksgiving!



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The Virginia Department of Social Services offers a range of services including adult and child protective services, energy and heating assistance, and food assistance.

Augusta County, Staunton, Waynesboro: 540-245-5800

Rockbridge County, Lexington, Buena Vista: 540-463-7143

Highland County: 540-468-2199 Bath County: 540-839-7271

With cooler weather on its way, here are some heating and safety tips:

- ♦ Limit extension cords to temporary use only. Use surge protectors for long-term use
- ♦ Don't wash electric blankets too often as the heating element and wires can fray
- ♦ Check power cords for exposed wires or frays. Check while the machine is unplugged
- ♦ Keep the clothes dryer free from lint by cleaning out the vents and hose
- ♦ Never use propane heaters inside your home
- ♦ Don't heat your home with the stove or oven, especially gas appliances
- ♦ Be sure to have a good fire extinguisher and know how to use it- remember PASS: Pull the pin, Aim the hose, Squeeze the handle, Sweep side to side
- ♦ Spray the fire extinguisher at the base of the flames, and back out of the room- don't turn your back on a fire! Call 911 and once outside, don't go back in
- ♦ Make an escape plan with the residents of your home, so everyone knows what to do in case of an emergency.

Did you know, some local Fire Departments provide a smoke alarm installation program. For more information contact:

Staunton: 540-332-3884

Waynesboro: 540-942-6730

Augusta County: 540-245-5624

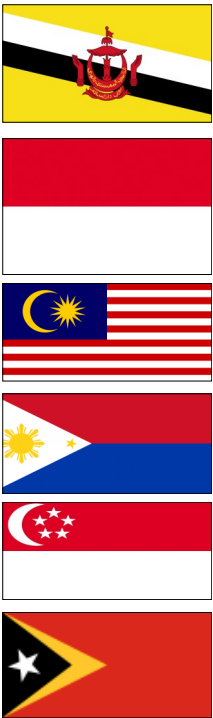


Patron Recommendations:
DB117517 Renegade: Defending Democracy And Liberty In Our Divided Country
by Adam Kinzinger (political biography)
Former congressman Adam Kinzinger tells his story of faith, service, and political duty in a democracy under siege. From the small Illinois county board where he got his start, to his years in the Air Force flying tanker missions over Iraq, to his final tumultuous term in Congress as one of the few Republican members to vote to impeach Trump and join the House Select Committee to Investigate the January 6th Attack on the United States Capitol, Kinzinger takes readers inside the most critical moments and pivotal decisions of the last years. 2023.

New and Popular Books on BARD:
DB123376 Angel Of Vengeance; Aloysius Pendergast 22
by Douglas Preston and Lincoln Child (suspense)
DB123623 Matters Of The Heart by Kelly Irvin (religious romance)
DB123621 Double Take by Lynette Eason (religious suspense)
DB123511 Joy by Danielle Steel (human relations)
DB123719 By Any Other Name by Jodi Picoult (historical fiction)
DB123457 The Instruments Of Darkness; Charlie Parker 21 by John Connolly (susp.)
DB121610 My Child Is Missing; Detective Josie Quinn 18 by Lisa Regan (suspense)
DB123410 The Fires Of Hell; The Jackals 05 by William W. Johnstone (western)
DB123709 Tom Clancy, Shadow State; Jack Ryan, Jr. 12 by M.P. Woodward (spy fic.)
DB123661 Tom Clancy's Op-Center: For Honor; Op-Center 17 by Jeff Rovin (spy fic.)
DB123488 The Library Of Borrowed Hearts by Lucy Gilmore (romance, human relations)
DB120432 Alcoholics Anonymous: The Official "Big Book" from Alcoholics Anonymous
DB123670 Fifth Chinese Daughter by Jade Snow Wong (memoir of Chinese-American ceramic artist, originally published in 1945)
DB123412 Autocracy, Inc.: The Dictators Who Want To Run The World
by Anne Applebaum
DB123685 Ancient Remedies: Secrets To Healing With Herbs, Essential Oils, CBD,
And The Most Powerful Natural Medicine In History by Josh Axe
DB121851 Talking With God: A Practical Plan For Personal Prayer by Dick Eastman
DB121809 The Madam And The Spymaster: The Secret History Of The Most Famous
Brothel In Wartime Berlin by Nigel Jones



Global Reading: Maritime Southeast Asia:
Brunei, Indonesia, Malaysia, the Philippines, Singapore, and East Timor
DB91909 Suicide Club: A Novel About Living by Rachel Heng (sci-fi)
In a future where society pursues immortality, Lea might be able to live forever, if she plays her cards right. When she spots her estranged father, Lea is drawn into the Suicide Club, a network of individuals who reject this pursuit. 2018. (Singapore)
DB35356 This Earth Of Mankind; Buru Quartet 01 by Pramoedya Ananta Toer (hist. fic)
In 1898, Java is a race- and caste-dominated Netherlands Indies society. Minke, a Java- nese student at a Dutch high school, falls in love with mixed-blood Annelies. Eventually the unrest wreaks havoc on Minke's own life. 1980. (Indonesia)
DB83530 The Garden Of Evening Mists: A Novel by Tan Twan Eng
Yun Ling Teoh, a survivor of a Japanese wartime camp and Japanese war-criminal prosecutor, returns to Northern Malaya in 1949. She discovers the exiled former gardener of the emperor of Japan. Despite her hatred for the Japanese, she eventually agrees to work with him as a temporary apprentice. 2012. (Malaysia)
DB47279 The Bondmaid by Catherine Lim (historical fiction)
Four year old Han is sold to the house of Wu as a bondmaid. She is overcome with grief and acts possessed. But young master Wu is able to calm Han and comes to enjoy her company. A strong and dangerous bond develops between Han and Wu, even though their stations in life should keep them apart. 1995. (Singapore)
DB112896 The Rainbow Troops by Andrea Hirata (contemporary fiction)
Ikal is a student at the poorest village school where graduating from sixth grade is considered a remarkable achievement. His friends, a group nicknamed the Rainbow Troops, face threats from every angle: government officials, deepening poverty and crumbling infrastructure, and their own low self- confidence. But, the students also have hope. 2005. (Indonesia)
DB77099 Crazy Rich Asians by Kevin Kwan (contemporary fiction)
Nicholas Young brings his girlfriend Rachel Chu home to Singapore to meet his wealthy family. Rachel finds herself unable to cope with his rich and spiteful relatives, especially his mother. 2013. (Singapore)
DB38553 Brunei by David Wright (nonfiction, geography)
DB66741 Southeast Asia by Douglas A. Phillips (nonfiction, geography)
DB92823 The Killing Season: A History Of The Indonesian Massacres, 1965-66 by Geoffrey B. Robinson (nonfiction, history/war)
DB69495 Tears In The Darkness: The Story Of The Bataan Death March And Its Aftermath by Michael Norman (nonfiction, history/war)



War Fiction:

DB22405 The Red Badge Of Courage by Stephen Crane
Henry Fleming has joined the Union army because of his romantic ideas of military life, but soon finds himself in the middle of a battle against a regiment of Confederate soldiers. Terrified, Henry deserts his comrades. Upon returning to his regiment, he struggles with his shame as he tries to redeem himself and prove his courage. 1895.

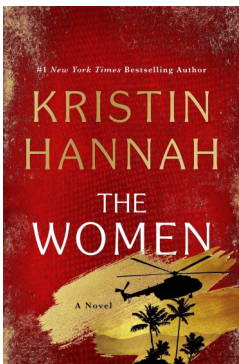
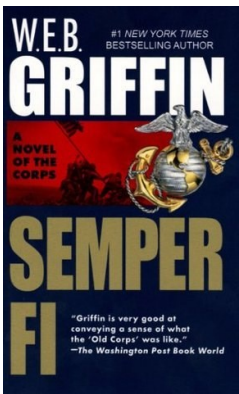
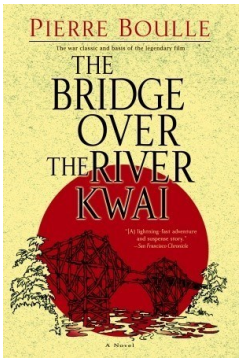
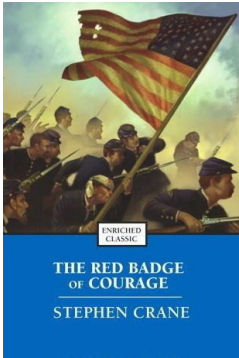
DB54896 All Quiet On The Western Front by Erich Maria Remarque
World War I novel depicting the horrors and futility of armed conflict. Nineteen-year-old German private Paul Baumer relates the daily routine of ordinary soldiers in the trenches and tells how warfare affected him and his three classmates. Portrays young men who may have escaped bullets but were destroyed by their combat experience. 1929.

DB37925 Bridge Over The River Kwai by Pierre Boulle
Satire focusing on a British colonel in a Japanese prison camp during World War II. Even in captivity this officer maintains discipline among his fellow prisoners. When he is put in charge of building a bridge with prison labor, he is so successful that he betrays the Allied commandos who have come to blow up his efforts. 1952.

DB25064 Semper Fi; Corps 01 by W.E.B. Griffin
From Parris Island to Pearl Harbor, the leathernecks come to life as heroes and lovers, fighters and dreamers, united in spirit and devoted to the Marine Corps code of honor. PFC Ken McCoy, whose cool head under fire combined with his skulduggery and knack for learning foreign languages, helps him gain a commission. 1986. (explicit content)

DB49506 A Farewell To Arms by Ernest Hemingway
Romance between American lieutenant Frederic Henry in the ambulance service in Italy during World War I and the English nurse Catherine Barkley, who tends him when he is wounded. She refuses to marry Frederic when she becomes pregnant. 1929.

DB118896 The Women by Kristin Hannah
Nursing student Frankie McGrath has always prided herself on doing the right thing. But in 1965, the world is changing, and she dares to imagine a different future for herself. She joins the Army Nurse Corps and goes to Vietnam. She becomes overwhelmed by the chaos and destruction of war. In war, she meets- and becomes one of- the lucky, the brave, the broken, and the lost. But war is just the beginning for Frankie and her veteran friends. The real battle lies in coming home to a changed and divided America, to angry protesters, and to a country that wants to forget Vietnam. 2024.



Historical Fiction:

DB33235 The Beloved Invader; St. Simons Trilogy 01 by Eugenia Price
The romantic, inspiring story of a northerner who comes to war-ravaged Georgia on business. He loses his heart to St. Simons Island and dedicates his life to its people. First novel of the St. Simons trilogy; the second is New Moon Rising (DB10711), and the third is Lighthouse (DB23288). 1965.

DB35558 The English Patient by Michael Ondaatje
Set in Italy during the final days of World War II. Four people occupy an abandoned villa-the "English Patient," badly burned in a parachute jump; a former spy and thief who was tortured by the Nazis; an exhausted nurse; and a bomb-disposal expert. The members of this quartet reveal their pasts while forming new connections to one another. 1992.

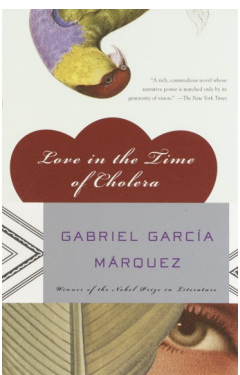
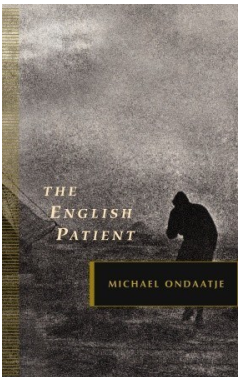
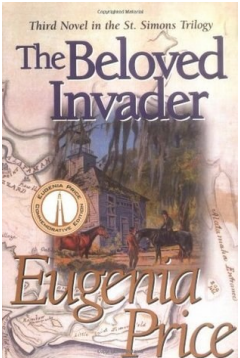
DB26981 Love In The Time Of Cholera by Gabriel García Márquez
Set in an unnamed Latin American country. After an eminent physician dies, leaving behind a bereft but still vital widow, a man with whom she was involved before her marriage emerges and declares his continued love for her. 1985.

DB116977 The Girl From Paris by Ella Carey
Paris, 1918. Young seamstress Vianne Mercier is longing for the day when she can stop sewing military uniforms and start creating the beautiful dresses that she has been dreaming up. She sets sail for New York and spends her days sewing dresses for wealthy women. Terrible news sends her back to France, where she discovers proof of a secret that changes everything she thought she knew about her family. 2022.

DB33082 Gone With The Wind by Margaret Mitchell
A romantic Civil War epic in which Scarlet O' Hara, a forceful and ruthless heroine, and Rhett Butler, a war profiteer, play out their tempestuous love affair against the background of the war-torn South. 1936.

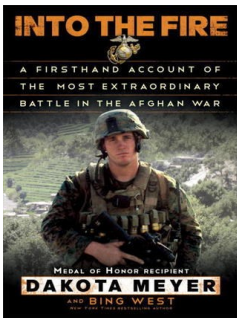
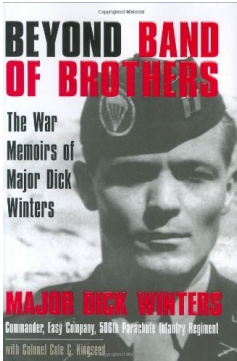
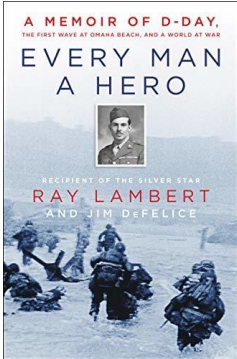
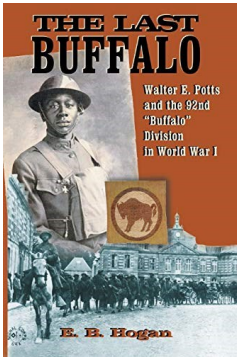
DB62431 The Book Thief by Markus Zusak
Death narrates the tale of nine-year-old Liesel from 1939 to 1943 in Nazi Germany. Liesel copes with a foster family, air raids, her friend Rudy, and a hidden Jew, sustained by the books she steals. 2006.

DB77666 The Girl You Left Behind by Jojo Moyes
France, 1916. Sophie Lefèvre treasures the portrait her husband painted of her before going off to war. So does the German commander who takes over Sophie's hotel. Ninety years later the painting hangs in the home of London widow Liv Halston, and Sophie's descendants want it back. 2012.



Nonfiction Oral History, Biographies, And Memoirs For Veterans Day:

- DB09677 The Spirit Of 'Seventy-Six: The Story Of The American Revolution As Told By Participants
- DB29623 A Creek Warrior For The Confederacy: The Autobiography Of Chief G.W. Grayson
- DB71711 Libby Prison Breakout: The Daring Escape From The Notorious Civil War Prison by Joseph Wheelan
- DBC18749 The Last Buffalo: Walter Potts, Oldest Documented Buffalo Soldier by E.B. Hogan
- DB122633 Harlem's Hell Fighters: The African-American 369th Infantry In World War I by Stephen Harris
- DB96041 Every Man A Hero by Ray Lambert (WWII)
- DB61999 Beyond Band Of Brothers by Dick Winters (WWII)
- DB70746 The Pacific by Hugh Ambrose (WWII)
- DB70843 With The Old Breed At Peleliu And Okinawa by E.B. Sledge
- DB70931 Hero Of The Pacific: The Life Of Marine Legend John Basilone by James Brady
- DB114218 The Battle Of The Huertgen Forest by Charles MacDonald
- DB49964 Between Silk And Cyanide: A Codemaker's War, 1941-1945 by Leo Marks
- DBC06973 Korea 65: The Forgotten War Remembered by John C. Hughes
- DB83006 Devotion: An Epic Story Of Heroism, Friendship And Sacrifice by Adam Makos (Korea)
- DB115468 Tap Code: The Epic Survival Tale Of A Vietnam POW And The Secret Code That Changed Everything by Colonel Carlyle Harris
- DB56230 Patriots: The Vietnam War Remembered From All Sides by Christian Appy
- DB115314 Reflections On Captivity: A Tapestry Of Stories By A Vietnam War POW by Porter Alexander Halyburton
- DB53265 Falcon's Cry: A Desert Storm Memoir by Michael Donnelly
- DB74855 Service: A Navy SEAL At War by Marcus Luttrell (Afghanistan)
- DB75726 Into The Fire: A First-Hand Account Of The Most Extraordinary Battle In The Afghan War by Dakota Meyer



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- DB103819 Revolutionary Mothers: Women In The Struggle For America's Independence by Carol Berkin
- DB80094 Liar, Temptress, Soldier, Spy: Four Women Undercover In The Civil War by Karen Abbott
- DB57629 They Fought Like Demons: Women Soldiers In The American Civil War by DeAnne Blanton
- DB99932 No Man's Land: The Trailblazing Women Who Ran Britain's Most Extraordinary Military Hospital During World War I by Wendy Moore
- DBC06268 The Hello Girls: America's First Women Soldiers by Elizabeth Cobbs Hoffman
- DB122206 American Flygirl by Susan Tate Ankeny (WWII)
- DB113325 The Girls Who Stepped Out Of Line: Untold Stories Of The Women Who Changed The Course Of World War II by Major General Mari K. Eder.
- DBC28373 Her War: American Women In WWII edited by Eleanor Lang
- DB89146 The Unwomanly Face Of War: An Oral History Of Women In World War II by Svetlana Alexievich (translated from Russian)
- DBC10019 One Woman's War: Letters Home From The Women's Army Corps, 1944-1946 by Anne Bosanko Green
- DB50664 We Band Of Angels: The Untold Story Of American Nurses Trapped On Bataan By The Japanese by Elizabeth Norman
- DBC11881 Korea, Her Story by Adrienne Harrell
- DBC00760 Death Zones And Darling Spies: Seven Years Of Vietnam War Reporting by Beverley Deepe Kever
- DB115959 Healing Wounds: A Vietnam War Combat Nurse's 10-year Fight To Win Women A Place Of Honor In Washington, D.C. by Diane Carlson Evans
- DB94737 The League Of Wives: The Untold Story Of The Women Who Took On The U.S. Government To Bring Their Husbands Home by Heath Hardage Lee
- DB87242 Danger Close: My Epic Journey As A Combat Helicopter Pilot In Iraq And Afghanistan by Amber Smith
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