

The City of Staunton will be implementing a new trash modernization program which includes residents receiving a new trash bin. There are two sizes for residents to choose from, a 95 gallon bin or a 45 gallon bin. The new bins will be provided for free from the City of Staunton, one per household. If you need assistance with the bin or have any questions, please contact the City of Staunton Public Works department at 540-332-3892. This is only for residents of Staunton city.



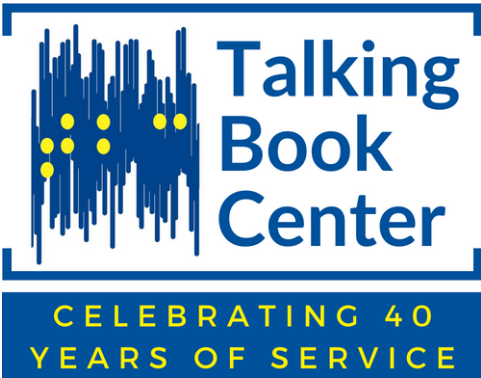
- DB95107 Throwaway Nation: The Ugly Truth About American Garbage by Jeff Dondero
- DB63740 Gone Tomorrow: The Hidden Life Of Garbage by Heather Rogers
- DB124023 Trash Talk: An Eye-Opening Exploration Of Our Planet's Dirtiest Problem by Iris Gottlieb
- DB120561 Total Garbage: How We Can Fix Our Waste And Heal Our World by Edward Humes
- DB103051 Can I Recycle This?: A Guide To Better Recycling And How To Reduce Single-use Plastics by Jennie Romer
- DB81192 Zero Waste Home: The Ultimate Guide To Simplifying Your Life By Reducing Your Waste by Bea Johnson



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Rockbridge County:	540-463-4361	County Clerk - leave a statement
Augusta County:	540-245-5610	Board of Supervisors - leave a statement
Highland County:	540-468-2347	Board of Supervisors - leave a statement
Bath County:	540-839-7221	Administrators Office- leave a statement

Patron Recommendations:

DB125431 American Heroes by James Patterson (nonfiction)
U.S. soldiers who served in overseas conflicts--from World War II, Korea, and Vietnam to Iraq and Afghanistan--share true stories of the actions that earned them some of America's most distinguished military medals, up to and including the Medal of Honor. They never acted alone, but always in the spirit of camaraderie, patriotism, and for the good of our beloved country. There has never been a better time for all of us to think about duty, sacrifice, and what it means to be an American hero. 2024.

DB89147 The Address by Fiona Davis (historical mystery)
1884. Hotel housekeeper Sara Smythe accepts the position of lady manager of the new apartment building in New York City, the Dakota. She is lured into intrigue. One hundred years later, Bailey uncovers secrets in the basement and searches for the truth. 2017.

New and Popular Books on BARD:

DB125480 To Die For; 6:20 Man 03 by David Baldacci (suspense)

DB124522 Safe Enough: And Other Stories by Lee Child (mystery)

DB125446 Preacher’s Bloody Rampage; First Mountain Man 30
by William Johnstone (western)

DBC29837 The Secret Hours by Mick Herron (spy thriller)

DB124836 A Christmas Duet by Debbie Macomber (human relations)

DB125373 The Gift Of Faith; Unexpected Gifts 03 by Kristen McKanagh (religious fict.)

DB122801 The Housemaid Is Watching; Housemaid 03 by Frieda McFadden (suspense)

DB123218 Book Clubs Can Be Fatal; Senior Sleuthing Club 01 by Jinty James (mystery)

DB123909 Return To The Island; Amhurst Island 03 by Kate Hewitt (historical romance)

DB125890 Hearing Loss For Dummies by Frank Lin (health, self-help)

DB125355 Reagan: His Life And Legend by Max Boot (biography)

DB125530 Patriot: A Memoir by Alexei Navalny (autobiography)

DB123875 Lovely One by Kentanji Brown Jackson (Supreme Court Justice, biography)

DB125104 Overcomer: 8 Ways To Live A Life Of Unstoppable Strength, Unmovable Faith, And Unbelievable Power by David Jeremiah (religion, self-help)

DB125384 Stop The Spiral Devotional: 100 Days Of Breaking Free From Negative Thoughts by Jennie Allen (religion, self-help)

DB125386 Panic Proof: The New Holistic Solution To End Your Anxiety Forever
by Nicole Cain (self-help)



Celebrating Black Voices:

DB109789 Scenes From My Life: A Memoir by Michael K. Williams
An unflinching memoir of hard-won success, struggles with addiction, and a lifelong mission to give back--from the late iconic actor beloved for his roles in The Wire, Boardwalk Empire, and Lovecraft Country. 2022.

DB122836 I Curse You With Joy by Tiffany Haddish
These essays lay it all bare, bringing readers into Tiffany's inner circle where joy, honesty, humor, and heart are the order of the day. 2024.

DB107994 Finding Me by Viola Davis
Multiple award winning actress Davis tells of her journey from her apartment to the stage in New York City, and beyond. She describes the path she took to find her voice in a world that didn't always see her. 2022.

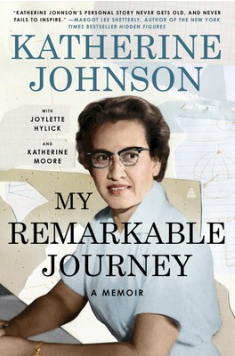
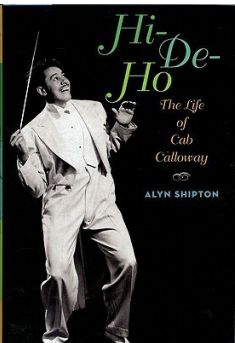
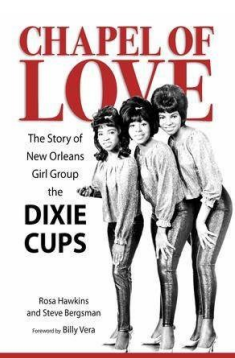
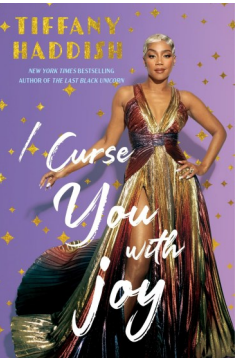
DB102432 Just As I Am by Cicely Tyson
Memoir from an acclaimed African American actress. Chronicles her childhood, marriage to Miles Davis, experiences as a single mother, and achievements on stage and screen. Addresses the racial and gender prejudices she experienced in her life and career. 2021.

DB65675 Friends: A Love Story by Angela Bassett
and Courtney B. Vance
Dual autobiography of acting couple--both graduates of the Yale School of Drama. The two recall their childhoods, the road to success, and their courtship. Gives a behind-the-scenes glimpse of their performances, including Bassett's part in the film Waiting to Exhale. 2007.

DB105956 Chapel Of Love: The Story Of New Orleans Girl Group The
Dixie Cups by Rosa Hawkins
A music journalist, in conversation with one of the members of the iconic girl group, tells the story of the Dixie Cups. Even as they scored hits in the 1960s with songs like "Iko Iko," Hawkins details the exploitation and abuse they suffered under their manager. 2021.

DB100775 Hi-De-Ho: The Life Of Cab Calloway by Alyn Shipton
Jazz critic sheds light on the life and career of performer and bandleader Cab Calloway, explaining how he traversed racial and social boundaries to become one of the country's most beloved entertainers. 2010.

DB108945 My Remarkable Journey: A Memoir by Katherine Johnson
The remarkable woman at heart of Hidden Figures tells the full story of her life, including what it took to work at NASA, help land the first man on the moon, and live through a century of turmoil and change. 2021.



Celebrating Black Voices:

DB86234 Hidden Figures: The American Dream And The Untold Story Of The Black Women Mathematicians Who Helped Win The Space Race by Margot Lee Shetterly (nonfiction)

Daughter of a NASA engineer profiles the black women who worked for NASA, and its predecessor NACA, as human computers. Discusses their lives prior to joining NACA/NASA, the challenges they faced due to gender and race discrimination, and impact on the space program. 2016.

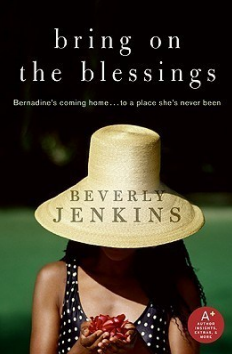
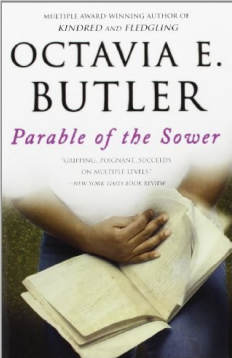
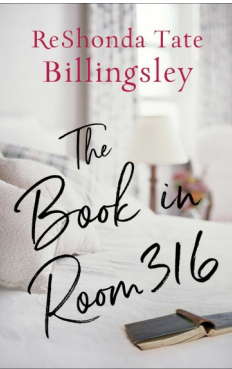
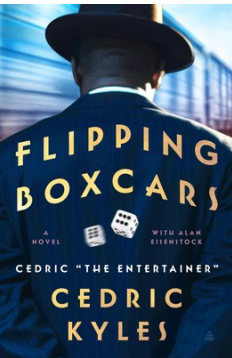
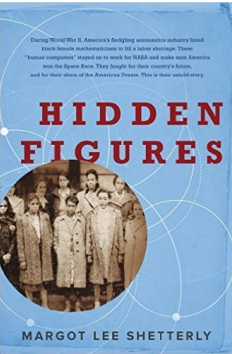
DB117797 Flipping Boxcars by Cedric Kyles (suspense fiction)
Babe is a charismatic and widely loved man, a gambler with a gift for gab that often gets him out of tricky situations. He's also a dreamer, something he shares with his patient and loving wife, Rosie. They both yearn for financial stability for their family. But he and a few comrades enlist in a scheme that improbably falls apart. On the verge of losing everything, what's a family man to do?. 2023.

DB93000 The Book In Room 316 by ReShonda Tate Billingsley (rel. fic)
Different circumstances lead four people to the Markham Hotel. Savannah is dealing with her husband's affair, Ollie is grieving the loss of his wife, Anna is trying to provide a better life for her kids, and Trey is trying to escape the gangs in his neighborhood. 2018.

DB39777 Parable Of The Sower by Octavia E Butler (sci-fi)
In 2024, most well-to-do families live in walled enclaves to protect themselves from the roaming drug addicts who live in squalor and are prone to stealing and murder. Lauren suffers from hyperempathy, which means that she feels not only her own pain but that of others. When the addicts overrun her community, she seeks refuge outside the walls. 1993.

DB69107 Bring On The Blessings; Blessings 01 by Beverly Jenkins
After her marriage of thirty years dissolves, Bernadine Edwards uses her millions to buy the bankrupt town of Henry Adams, Kansas--first settled by freed slaves. Bernadine becomes determined to create a safe haven for foster children and teens. 2009. (religious romance)

DB95925 The Nickel Boys by Colson Whitehead (historical fiction)
1962. Elwood Curtis lives with his grandmother, works when not in school, and admires Dr. Martin Luther King. But one innocent mistake sees him sentenced to reform school--the Nickel Academy. There he meets Turner, whose skepticism challenges Elwood. Their friendship has repercussions in the sadistic school. 2019.



February Titles:

DBG06847 February by Lisa Moore (psychological fiction)
Helen is a woman shattered by the drowning death of her husband, Cal. Now in her mid-50s and reconciled to loneliness, Helen sews wedding dresses, and cares for her grandchildren. After having spent half a lifetime picking up the pieces after Cal's death, she unexpectedly finds herself stirred by the presence of her carpenter, Barry. 2009.

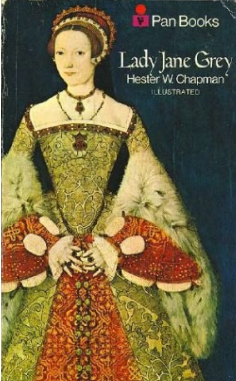
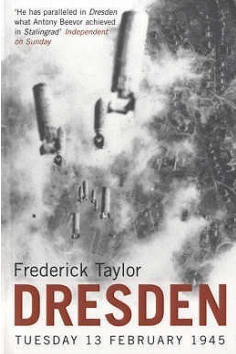
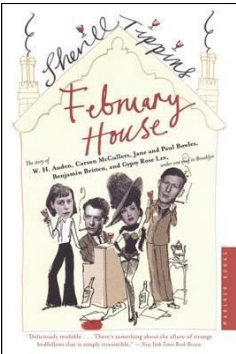
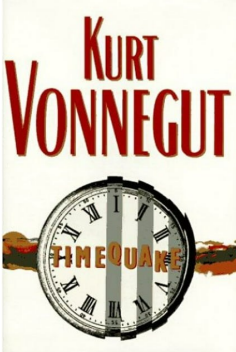
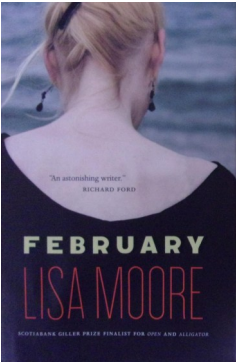
DB68867 Sharpe's Honor: Richard Sharp And The Vitoria Campaign, February To June, 1813 by Bernard Cornwell (war fiction)
To destroy the fragile alliance between England and Spain, French officer Pierre Ducos murders a Spanish general and frames British major Richard Sharpe for the crime. Sentenced to death, Sharpe escapes into the countryside, where he is hunted by allies and enemies alike. 1985.

DB45015 Timequake by Kurt Vonnegut (sci-fi)
On February 13, 2001, the universe will revert back to February 17, 1991, and everyone will relive the next ten years exactly as they did in the past. A decade later, time will again move forward, but where will that leave people who, facing new experiences, have forgotten how to think for themselves? 1997.

DBC00591 February House by Sherill Tippins (biography)
Imagine W.H. Auden, Carson McCullers, Benjamin Britten, and Gypsy Rose Lee all living under one roof. On the eve of U.S. involvement in World War II, "February House" (so named because many of its inhabitants had birthday in that month) became a live-in salon for some of the great creative minds of the twentieth century. 2005

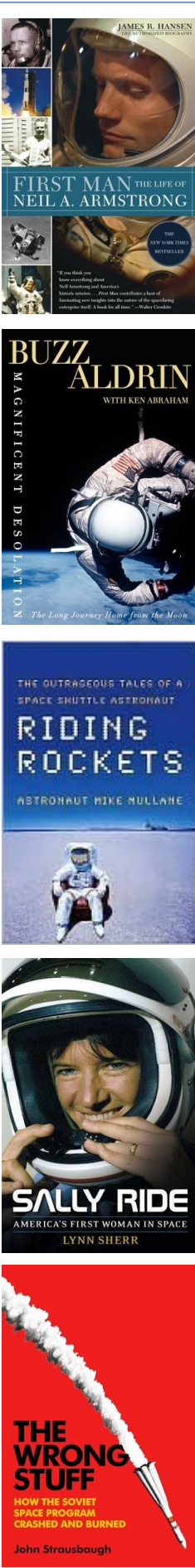
DB58525 Dresden, Tuesday, February 13, 1945 by Fred Taylor (history)
Historian examines the World War II controversial Allied bombing of the ancient German cultural center and industrial city, deemed a "legitimate military target." Provides a minute-by-minute account of the air raid and reviews the postwar moral debate over the magnitude of destruction and civilian casualties. 2004.

DB36111 Lady Jane Grey, October 1537 - February 1554 by Hester Chapman (biography)
The woman who sat on the throne of England for nine days is presented as strong-willed and intelligent in this biography. Long considered a puppet in Tudor politics by most historians, Lady Jane Grey is portrayed by the author as a tragic but forceful figure. 1962.



Space: The Final Frontier...

- DB118508 First Man: The Life Of Neil A. Armstrong by James R. Hansen
- DB69784 Magnificent Desolation: The Long Journey Home From The Moon by Buzz Aldrin
- DB82817 The Ordinary Spaceman: From Boyhood Dreams To Astronaut by Clayton C. Anderson
- DB60634 Gus Grissom: The Lost Astronaut by Ray E. Boomhower
- DB60535 Fallen Astronauts: Heroes Who Died Reaching For The Moon by Colin Burgess and Kate Doolan
- DB49106 John Glenn: A Memoir by John Glenn
- DB116999 Reaching For The Stars: The Inspiring Story Of A Migrant Farmworker Turned Astronaut by José M. Hernández
- DB89525 Endurance: A Year In Space, A Lifetime Of Discovery by Scott Kelly
- DB88594 Chasing Space: An Astronaut's Story Of Grit, Grace, And Second Chances by Leland Melvin
- DB89262 Spaceman: An Astronaut's Unlikely Journey To Unlock The Secrets Of The Universe by Mike Massimino
- DB62819 Riding Rockets: The Outrageous Tales Of A Space Shuttle Astronaut by Mike Mullane
- DBC13579 Spacewalker: My Journey In Space And Faith As NASA's Record-Setting Frequent Flyer by Jerry L. Ross
- DB79670 Sally Ride: America's First Woman In Space by Lynn Sherr
- DB59129 Light This Candle: The Life And Times Of Alan Shepard, America's First Spaceman by Neal Thompson
- DB116758 The Six: The Untold Story Of America's First Women Astronauts by Loren Grush
- DB66404 The Hazards Of Space Travel: A Tourist's Guide by Neil Comins
- DB121258 The Wrong Stuff: How The Soviet Space Program Crashed And Burned by John Stausbaugh
- DB108903 Phasers On Stun!: How The Making (And Remaking) Of Star Trek Changed The World by Ryan Britt



Space: The Final Frontier...

- DB78389 The Martian by Andy Weir (sci-fi)
Six days after becoming the first man to walk on Mars, astronaut Mark Watney is caught in a windstorm. Though his support crew thinks he died, Mark survived and now faces abandonment, failed machinery, and a hostile environment. 2011.
- DBC19274 The Second Star by Alma Alexander (sci-fi)
Six heroes stepped on board humanity's first starship, purely on faith. The Parada had been lost for almost two hundred years before they recovered the ship, drifting in stygian interstellar darkness, and brought her home again. But that was not the miracle. The miracle was that the crew was still alive. That was also the problem. 2020.
- DB101721 Space Station Down by Ben Bova (sci-fi, suspense)
Terrorists team up with an extremist cosmonaut to target a space tourism venture for the ultra-rich. In the wake of the slaughter on board the International Space Station, lone survivor Kimberly is the only one who can foil their destructive plan. 2020.
- DBG16846 Doctor Who And The Daleks by David Whitaker (sci-fi)
Contains three classic Doctor Who novelizations, each read by William Russell. They are "Doctor Who and the Daleks"; "Doctor Who and the Crusaders"; and "Doctor Who and the Zarbi". 1964.
- DB18556 Star Trek, The Wrath Of Khan: A Novel by Vonda N. McIntyre
When the evil genius Khan escapes from his planet of exile with his followers, he is determined to capture the ultimate weapon that would enable him to conquer the galaxy. All that stands between him and the realization of his evil plan is Admiral Kirk and the crew of the starship Enterprise. Novel based on the motion picture. 1982.
- DB17742 Space: A Novel by James Michener (science fiction)
Expansive portrayal of the achievements of the U.S. space program and the lives and loves of the intriguing characters associated with NASA. Based on extensive research, this space saga also grapples with the issues of the justifiability of the space program, extraterrestrial life, and evolutionism. 1982.
- DB95490 Vessel by Lisa A. Nichols (sci-fi, suspense)
Everyone believes astronaut Catherine Wells and her crew perished in deep space. When Catherine returns to Earth a decade later with no memory of what happened, she finds her family has moved on. Meanwhile, her erratic behavior makes others question how her crew died. 2019.

