

## **LIBRARY NEWS**

### **Fiction for Adults**

A Love Discovered – Tracie Peterson (F Pet)

Invited by a friend to trek west and help establish the newly formed town of Cheyenne, Edward Vogel is prepared to leave the haunting memories of his wife and son's deaths behind him. The only problem is the corrupt new railroad town wants family men who can establish law and order, and desperation leads Edward to his friend Marybeth with a proposition of marriage. After her father's death leaves her with no means of support, Marybeth Kruger is in danger of having her two-year-old half sister taken from her. So, when Edward Vogel, the widower husband of her late best friend, offers her a marriage of convenience to escape both their troubles, she has no choice but to accept. Life in Cheyenne is fraught with danger, but will this arrangement be enough to save Edward and Marybeth from the pasts they tried to escape? Or will life with each other put them--and their hearts--in more danger than ever?

The Warsaw Sisters – Amanda Barratt (F Bar)

On a golden August morning in 1939, sisters Antonina and Helena Dąbrowska send their father off to defend Poland against the looming threat of German invasion. The next day, the first bombs fall on Warsaw, decimating their beloved city and shattering the world of their youth. When Antonina's beloved Marek is forced behind ghetto walls along with the rest of Warsaw's Jewish population, Antonina turns her worry into action and becomes a key figure in a daring network of women risking their lives to shelter Jewish children. Helena finds herself drawn into the ranks of Poland's secret army, joining the fight to free her homeland from occupation. But the secrets both are forced to keep threaten to tear the sisters apart--and the cost of resistance proves greater than either ever imagined.

A Haven of Her Heart – Susan Anne Mason (F Mas)

Homeless after being released from a women's reformatory in 1939 Toronto, Olivia Rosetti is taken in by an angel of mercy, Ruth Bennington. The two discover they share a painful past and together decide to open a maternity home for troubled women. Despite the success of the home, Olivia is haunted by her inhumane treatment at the reformatory and the way her newborn son was taken from her. She feels undeserving of love--until she meets businessman Darius

Reed. Although his attention makes her heart soar, he can never learn of her past. Can love prove stronger than prejudice and past mistakes? Or will Olivia's secrets destroy any chance at a future together?

The Secret to Happiness – Suzanne Woods Fisher (F Fis)

Callie Dixon had the world by the tail . . . until it all slipped away. Fired from her dream job after making a colossal mistake, she's escaped to her aunt's home on Cape Cod for time to bounce back. Except it isn't a home, it's an ice cream shop. And time isn't going to help, because Callie's bounce has up and left. There's a reason she made that mistake at work, and she's struggling to come to terms with it. Things go from bad to worse when Callie's cousin Dawn drags her to a community class about the secret to happiness. Happiness is the last thing Callie wants to think about right now, but instructor Bruno Bianco--a curiously gloomy fellow--is relentless. He has a way of turning Callie's thoughts upside down. Her feelings, too. Bruno insists that hitting rock bottom is the very best place to be. But if that's true, how is it supposed to help her figure out what--or who--has been missing from her life all along?

Chasing the Horizon – Mary Connealy (F Con)

Upon uncovering her tyrannical father's malevolent plot to commit her to an asylum, Beth Rutledge fabricates a plan of her own. She will rescue her mother, who had already been sent to the asylum, and escape together on a wagon train heading west. Posing as sisters, Beth and her mother travel with the pioneers in hopes of making it to Idaho before the others start asking too many questions. Wagon-train scout Jake Holt senses that the mysterious women in his caravan are running from something. When rumors begin to spread of Pinkerton agents searching relentlessly for wanted criminals who match the description of those on his wagon train, including Beth, she begins to open up to him, and he learns something more sinister is at hand. Can they risk trusting each other with their lives--and their hearts--when danger threatens their every step?

### **Non-Fiction for Adults**

Now and Not Yet – Ruth Chou Simons (248.4 Cho)

Too often, we feel disappointed with our "right now"—our life circumstances, our relationships, our lack of progress towards our

dreams and goals, our daily grind. We want to do so many things—good, godly things—but our situations don't allow us to step into them. The author reminds us that it's okay to not like the right now we've been given, but we don't have to like it to lean in. Ruth explains how God is profoundly present, how He wastes nothing, how He's active and using this exact moment for the very purposes he's calling you to.

### Children

Heather the Sheep – Eva Zimmerman (J Zim)

In this picture book we find out about Heather, the sheep, who was afraid when she came to her new home. What would happen to her now? But Heather had nothing to worry about. The shepherd was there to help her. Heather like the shepherd but she didn't like strangers. One cold winter morning Heather had a BIG surprise for the shepherd. Two surprises! Heather was happy and so was the shepherd.

Dolphins in Danger (The Magnificent Mulligans) – Bill Myers (J Mye)

When Dad learns about a distressed dolphin who has run away from her pod, he knows right away who can help this poor creature. He turns to his oldest daughter, Lisa for help. But big storms are brewing. Will Lisa get in over her head?

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