

Wolfgram Memorial Library McNaughton Collection

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NOTES: Our McNaughton Collection delivers New York Times bestsellers to our patrons on or before street date, and are shelved by the author's last name. *Fictitious characters, series, or club names are in "quotes" for easy identification.*

Author - <u>Title</u> - <i>Subject</i> - Synopsis
<p>Clinton, Hillary Rodham and Clinton, Chelsea - <u>The Book of Gutsy Women: Favorite Stories of Courage and Resilience</u> - <i>Women's History, Women's Biography</i> - Ensuring the rights and opportunities of women and girls remains a big piece of the unfinished business of the twenty-first century. While there's a lot of work to do, we know that throughout history and around the globe women have overcome the toughest resistance imaginable to win victories that have made progress possible for all of us. Civil rights activist Dorothy Height, LGBTQ trailblazer Edie Windsor, and swimmer Diana Nyad kept pushing forward, no matter what. Writers like Rachel Carson and Chimamanda Ngozi Adichie named something no one had dared talk about before. Historian Mary Beard used wit to open doors that were once closed, and Wangari Maathai, who sparked a movement to plant trees, understood the power of role modeling. Harriet Tubman and Malala Yousafzai looked fear in the face and persevered. Nearly every single one of these women was fiercely optimistic—they had faith that their actions could make a difference. And they were right. Hillary Rodham Clinton and her daughter, Chelsea, share these stories of the gutsy women who have inspired them—women with the courage to stand up to the status quo, ask hard questions, and get the job done.</p>
<p>Coates, Ta-Nehisi - <u>The Water Dancer</u> - <i>African American Historical Fiction, Fantasy Fiction</i> - Coates makes his ambitious fiction debut with this wonderful novel that follows Hiram Walker, a boy with an extraordinary memory. Born on a Virginia plantation, he realizes at five that he has a photographic recall—except where it concerns his mother, Rose, who was sold and whom he can only reconstruct through what others tell him. Born to Rose and Howell Walker, master and owner of Lockless, the land Hiram works, Hiram is called up at age 12 to the house to serve Maynard, his half-brother. When the novel opens, Hiram is 19, and he and Maynard are on their way back to Lockless when the bridge they're traveling over collapses. Deep in the river, Hiram is barraged with visions of his ancestors, and finally a woman water-dancing, whom he recognizes as his mother. After he wakes up, mysteriously saved even as Maynard dies, Hiram yearns for a life beyond "the unending night of slavery." But when his plans to escape with Sophia, the woman he loves, are dashed by betrayal and violence, Hiram is inducted into the Underground, the secret network of agents working to liberate slaves. Valued for his literacy and for the magical skill the Underground believes he possesses, Hiram comes to learn that the fight for freedom comes with its own sacrifices and restrictions. In prose that sings and imagination that soars, Coates further cements himself as one of this generation's most important writers, tackling one of America's oldest and darkest periods with grace and inventiveness. This is bold, dazzling, and not to be missed.</p>
<p>Hilderbrand, Elin - <u>What Happens in Paradise</u> - <i>"Paradise Series," Caribbean Area Fiction, Widows Fiction</i> - Hilderbrand continues the chronicle of Russell Steele's family as they start over in St. John, U.S. Virgin Islands, after his suspicious death and the discovery of his hidden second life. After learning that Russ fathered a child with Rosie, a St. John waitress who died with him, Russ's widow Irene leaves her life in Iowa and accepts an offer to work on a fishing charter with Rosie's stepdad, Huck. Huck and Irene instantly click, despite the odd circumstances. At the same time, Irene's younger son Cash rethinks his aimless existence after hearing from Rosie's best friend Ayers about an opening on a boat. Cash and his brother Baker, both in their 30s, are smitten with Ayers, who has gone back to her cheating boyfriend Mick. Baker also considers St. John. The group—Irene, Cash, Baker, Huck, and Ayers—rally around 12-year-old Maia, Rosie's daughter, as she navigates tweenhood and her loss. Ayers discovers and hides Rosie's diaries, which detail plenty of evidence regarding Russ's illegal dealings and a motive for his murder. The book ends on a cliffhanger, setting readers up eagerly for the next book. Those who want a sweet page-turner that's more than just beach fare will want to take a look.</p>

Jarrett, Gregg - **Witch Hunt: The Story of the Greatest Mass Delusion in American Political History** - *Corrupt Practices of U.S. Elections, Russia (Federation) Hacking* -

Now that every detail and idea in the number-one New York Times bestseller *The Russia Hoax* (in our McNaughton Collection) has been borne out by the Mueller report, the author is back with a hard-hitting, well-reasoned evisceration of what may be the dirtiest trick in political history. Democrats, the media, and the FBI have been living in an upside down world for more than two years. Hillary Clinton's campaign collected and disseminated a trove of lies about Donald Trump from Russian operatives. Somehow this was spun into Trump working for the Russians. *Witch Hunt* reminds us that our system of justice in America is designed to protect the innocent. It is, in a word, unfair for prosecutors to smear people who have not been charged with anything. Despite this, Mueller's report is a string of one-sided accusations and out-of-context misbehavior that Mueller knew could never amount to a criminal offense, much less impeachment. Those behind the *Witch Hunt* have either been fired or resigned. Many of them are now under investigation for abuse of power. Factual, highly persuasive, and damning, this must-read expose makes clear that not only was there no collusion, but there was not even a basis for Mueller's investigation of this charge that has tainted Trump and his administration, and interfered with his presidency.

Maddow, Rachel - **Blowout: Corrupted Democracy, Rogue State Russia, and the Richest, Most Destructive Industry on Earth** - *Gas and Oil Industries Corrupt Practices* -

By almost any standard, the oil and gas industry can be viewed as a renegade enterprise that not only enjoys a sacrosanct protection from government interference but also flourishes, thanks to sweetheart tax breaks, bountiful subsidies, and lax regulations. Known for her intense inquiries into complex subjects, Maddow brings her laser-like intuitiveness and keen and wily perception to Big Oil, that stalwart of global economics, and the shadowy nexus of commerce and politics. Maddow likes murky, the murkier the better, and her examination of the intricacies of off-shore drilling, transnational pipelines, and hydraulic fracking is as deep as the coveted wells themselves. But there's more afoot than corrupt practices, including a labyrinthine connection between Oklahoma oil fields and Putin's Kremlin that goes a long way to explaining Russia's 2016 election interference. Cameo appearances are made by familiar Trump team members Rex Tillerson, Paul Manafort, and Carter Page along with Putin henchmen Igor Serchin and Dmitry Firtash and energy titans Harold Hamm and Aubrey McClendon. Maddow's trademark snark is on display, as is her geeky fascination with the minutiae buried beneath these massive social injustices. Like trailblazing journalists before her, Maddow exposes both the slapdash and sinister practices underlying geopolitics and energy policies and revels in peeling back the layers of malfeasance to stoke righteous outrage.

Moore, Demi - **Inside Out: A Memoir** -

Demi Moore Biography, Celebrity Entertainers - Famed American actress Demi Moore at last tells her own story in a surprisingly intimate and emotionally charged memoir. For decades, Demi Moore has been synonymous with celebrity. From iconic film roles to high-profile relationships, Moore has never been far from the spotlight-or the headlines. Even as Demi was becoming the highest paid actress in Hollywood, however, she was always outrunning her past, just one step ahead of the doubts and insecurities that defined her childhood. Throughout her rise to fame and during some of the most pivotal moments of her life, Demi battled addiction, body image issues, and childhood trauma that would follow her for years-all while juggling a skyrocketing career and at times negative public perception. As her success grew, Demi found herself questioning if she belonged in Hollywood, if she was a good mother, a good actress-and, always, if she was simply good enough. As much as her story is about adversity, it is also about tremendous resilience. In this deeply candid and reflective memoir, Demi pulls back the curtain and opens up about her career and personal life-laying bare her tumultuous relationship with her mother, her marriages, her struggles balancing stardom with raising a family, and her journey toward open heartedness. *Inside Out* is a story of survival, success, and surrender-a wrenchingly honest portrayal of one woman's at once ordinary and iconic life.

O'Reilly, Bill - **The United States of Trump: How the President Really Sees America** - *President Donald J. Trump Biography, Trump Political and Social Views* -

A rare, insider's look at the life of Donald Trump from Bill O'Reilly, the bestselling author of the *Killing* series, based on exclusive interview material and deep research. Readers around the world have been enthralled by journalist and New York Times bestselling author Bill O'Reilly's *Killing* series-riveting works of nonfiction that explore the most famous events in history. Now, O'Reilly turns his razor-sharp observations to his most compelling subject thus far-President Donald J. Trump. In this thrilling narrative, O'Reilly blends primary, never-before-released interview material with a history that recounts Trump's childhood and family and the factors from his life and career that forged the worldview that the president of the United States has taken to the White House. Not a partisan pro-Trump or anti-Trump book, this is an up-to-the-minute, intimate view of the man and his sphere of influence-of "how Donald Trump's view of America was formed, and how it has changed since becoming the most powerful person in the world"- from a writer who has known the president for thirty years. This is an unprecedented, gripping account of the life of a sitting president as he makes history.

Patterson, James - **The 19th Christmas** - "*Women's Murder Club*," *Suspense/Thriller Fiction* - If the Women's Murder Club can't be together this Christmas, a killer is to blame. As the holidays approach, Detective Lindsay Boxer and her friends in the Women's Murder Club have much to celebrate. Crime is down. The medical examiner's office is quiet. Even the courts are showing some Christmas spirit. And the news cycle is so slow that journalist Cindy Thomas is on assignment to tell a story about the true meaning of the season for San Francisco. Then a fearsome criminal known only as "Loman" seizes control of the headlines. He is planning a deadly surprise for Christmas morning. And he has commissioned dozens of criminal colleagues to take actions that will mask his plans. All that Lindsay and the SFPD can figure out is that Loman's greed -- for riches, for bloodshed, for attention -- is limitless. Solving crimes never happens on schedule, but as this criminal mastermind unleashes credible threats by the hour, the month of December is upended for the Women's Murder Club. Avoiding tragedy is the only holiday miracle they seek.

Snowden, Edward - **Permanent Record** - *Edward J. Snowden Biography, Electronic Surveillance* - In 2013, American journalist and whistleblower Snowden released, to sympathetic journalists, classified documents describing a U.S. mass-surveillance program capable of interfering with the lives of every person on earth. Here, he shares his experiences mostly working for international corporations that contracted with the Central Intelligence and National Security agencies. Snowden also relates his unorthodox childhood; by age 12 his obsessions with computer hacking and gaming replaced friends, school activities, and family relations. Following the 9/11 attacks, the author was determined to serve his country, which he did through computing skills, following a medical discharge during army basic training. Tediously lengthy and complex stories of his assignments will be most meaningful to computing professionals, as the most fascinating passages probe the concerns that drove him to release the top-secret report; how his life and that of his now wife was uprooted; and his life in Russia, which granted him asylum.