

THE PAGE TURNER

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DIRECTOR'S CORNER

by Gayle Trede

Spring has finally sprung and now we are getting ready for the summer. First on the list is the Summer Reading Program. There will be programs for adults, teens and children, even babies. The program will start June 27th at 6:30pm in the Hon Theatre at the Civic Center. This year the big event is a magic show presented by David Casas. All ages are welcome.

The Adult Summer Reading Program is entitled "Novel Destinations" and starts June 27th and ends July 30th. You must be 16 years old or older to be eligible. Registration begins June 20th and ends July 15th. Materials must be checked out from the library, but can include books, books on CD, downloadable books, e-books and DVDs. We will even count books you read to someone else.

More information will be announced later. Hope you can join us.

Through the generosity of one of our patrons we, are pleased to announce that we have an Aladdin Telesensory machine. This machine enlarges print of books, magazines and newspapers. People with macular degeneration and other vision problems can use this machine to see what they are reading. This was a gift to the library and you are welcome to use it at any time. It is located in the Periodicals section of the library.

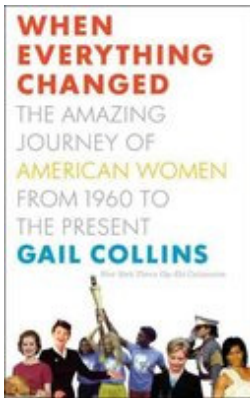
Hope you have a great spring and remember the library has materials on gardening, nature, bird watching or the night skies. At your local library you have access to information from around the world or next door. Come see for yourself.

FOURTH TUESDAY BOOK DISCUSSION

The Fourth Tuesday Book Discussion Group meets every fourth Tuesday of the month for some lively discussion of interesting books. This is a very informal group and anyone is welcome plus there are no dues and you won't get elected president or secretary if you miss a day.

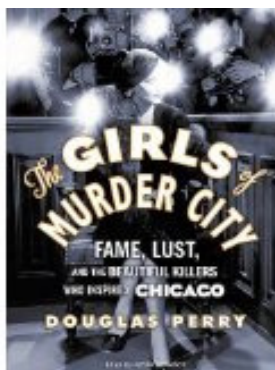
The selection for May 24th is *When Everything Changed: the Amazing Journey of American Women from 1960 to the Present.*

You've come a long way, baby: that's Collins's conclusion about American women, who once lacked the right to publicly wear pants and now take their place on the presidential campaign trail and the battlefield. *New York Times* columnist Collins attempts a comprehensive account of the last 50 years of women's history in this sequel to *America's Women*, primarily focusing on the current generation of young women, the baby boom generation (to which she belongs) and leaders like NOW founder Betty Friedan and Gloria Steinem, as well as dozens of ordinary struggling women. The book's stronger parts include highlighting pioneers like Congresswoman O'Connor. Collins captures the conundrums (does a see-through blouse make a woman liberated or a sex object?), but the book will probably resonate most for her generational peers.



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Douglas Perry's *The Girls of Murder City* is the book for June 28th. This jaunty retrospective of two Jazz Age trials introduces us to the real-life originals of the killer ladies of the musical *Chicago*—and to the society that adored them. Journalist Perry (*The Sixteenth Minute: Life in the Aftermath of Fame*) revisits the 1924 cases of Belva Beulah Annan, a beautiful married woman-lover to death. They were the most Murderess' Row of defendants in a spate that inflamed the press and captivated a public. (Perry's third heroine is skeptical who bemoaned the inability of all-male pretty faces.) The author gives an enterprising and the surrounding media hoop-lawyers cannily manipulated. (Annan appearances and falsely declared herself pregnant to win sympathy.) Beneath the sensationalism, Perry finds anxieties about changing sex roles as feisty flappers and aggressive career women barged into public consciousness; his savvy, flamboyant social history illuminates a dawning age of celebrity culture.

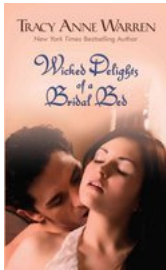


Gaertner, a swanky divorcée, and an iconic grown bored with gangland female reporter Maurine Watkins, Chicago juries to convict killers with tainting, wisened-up rundown of the la, which the defendants and their hired a fashion consultant for court

*Both reviews from Amazon.com

The book discussions are held every 4th Tuesday of the month at 1:30 pm in the library's large study room.

STAFF PICKS

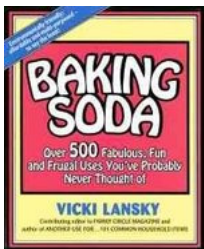


- **WICKED DELIGHTS OF THE BRIDAL BED** by Tracy Anne Warren **LP F WAR**

When she marries the Earl of Gresham, a family friend, Lady Mallory Byron wonders if the explosive passion between them will turn their friendship into true love.

- **LORD OF THE FLIES** by William Golding **F GOL**

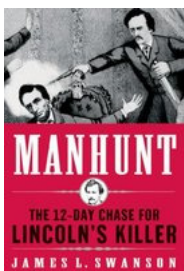
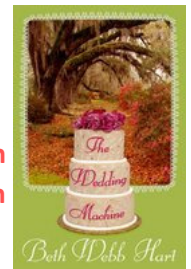
The classic study of human nature which depicts the degeneration of a group of schoolboys marooned on a desert island.



- **BAKING SODA: Over 500 Fabulous, Fun and Frugal Uses You've Probably Never Thought Of** by Vicki Lansky **640.41 LAN**

- **THE WEDDING MACHINE** by Beth Webb Hart **LP F HAR**

The Wedding Machine is a celebration of life-long friendship --- the kind that endures death and divorce, accidents, hot flashes and hurricanes. Even the drama of small-town Southern weddings done exactly right.



- **MANHUNT: The 12-Day Chase For Lincoln's Killer** by James L. Swanson **364.1524 SWA**

Recounts the escape of John Wilkes Booth, Abraham Lincoln's assassin, and follows the intensive search for him from the streets of Washington, D.C., through the swamps of Maryland, into the forests of Virginia.

- **SHINE** by Lauren Myracle **YA F MYR**

When her best friend falls victim to a vicious hate crime, sixteen-year-old Cat sets out to discover the culprits in her small North Carolina town.



KID'S PLAY

PBS KIDS RAISING READERS CORNER

Our Raising Readers corner is now up and running. The corner features a large PBS Kids Raising Readers rug, 2 free-standing PBS banners, an adult-size chair, child size table and chairs, 2 bean bags and a dedicated computer. We have been waiting on the computer to make that area complete. Parents will be happy about allowing their children to play on this computer because it will only play PBS site games. Also in that corner are handouts for parents and coloring/activity books for children. The book bins in the corner are currently featuring all of our Sesame Street books. This is a perfect spot for a parent and child to spend some quality time reading and playing educational games featuring the characters they know and love. Come in and play!



2011 SUMMER READING PROGRAM

Get ready for a boot-stompin' good time this summer! We are bringing in the Wild West! Cowboys and cowgirls, horses and all things western will be our feature for the children's summer reading program. The program will start the last week of June with a kick-off by David Casas, magician extraordinaire! The children's program will run for 6 weeks, ending on August 7th. Elementary age children will be bringing home a flyer so watch for it! This will serve as your reminder about the start date of the program. If you have any "gear" you'd like to loan us for the summer, please tell Susan, Children's Librarian.



WRAPPING PAPER TUBES

My request for wrapping paper tubes around the Christmas holiday was not very profitable. If you have some taking up space in your house, please bring them in. No paper towel tubes, please.

I Hate Reading

But I Love:



filmaking



photography



Registration begins June 6th and ends July 5th. This summer, we're doing things a little bit differently and I think you'll love it! First, Magician and Illusionist David Casas will be kicking off our summer reading program with an unbelievable show for all ages on June 27th at 6:30 pm. Don't miss this amazing performance! Then, on July 11th, we will be hosting a talent show, sign-up ahead of time for a spot. This summer, not only can you enter for prizes with book logs, but also with forms of artwork. We will be accepting poetry, music, short films, writing, photography, and art! All work must be original and appropriate. All work will be displayed at the library.

The Mount Pleasant Public Library Presents:



June 27th - Civic Center Auditorium - 6:30pm

Free for all ages!

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LIBRARY HOURS

MON-THU	10:00am-8:00pm
FRIDAY	10:00am-5:30pm
SATURDAY	10:00am-5:00pm
SUNDAY	CLOSED

IMPORTANT DATES



BOARD MEETINGS

The Trustees will be meeting in May and June to elect new officers and to review policies.

MAY 10th - 6:30pm

JUNE 14th - 6:30pm

FRIENDS MEETINGS

The Friends will not meet until fall. The book sale will be conducted by the library starting in May.

4TH TUESDAY BOOK DISCUSSION

MAY 24th - 1:30pm

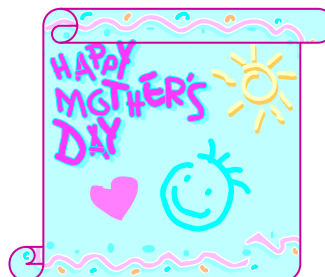
JUNE 28th - 1:30pm

REMEMBER...

**BUY A BAG OF USED BOOKS
FROM THE FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY
BOOK SALE FOR ONLY \$4.00 A BAG!!**

**BUY A HEAVY-DUTY TOTE BAG FULL
OF BOOKS FOR ONLY \$10.00 -
BOOKS INCLUDED!!**

*The Mount Pleasant Public
Library would like to thank
Family Video for cleaning
and repairing our dirty and
damaged CD's and DVD's.*



May 8th



June 19th

