

Library News



BLUEBONNET AWARD BOOKS

Many of the 2021-2022 Bluebonnet Award books have arrived! The library will give special awards those who read 5, 10, and ALL Bluebonnet Award books. Sign up at the library and we'll keep track of the books you read.

NATIONAL LIBRARY MONTH

April is National Library Month and April 12 is D.E.A.R. day: **Drop Everything And Read**. Beverly Cleary first wrote about D.E.A.R. day in *Ramona Quimby, Age 8*. Since then, "Drop Everything And Read" programs have been held nationwide on April 12th in honor of Mrs. Cleary's birthday. Celebrate our beloved author and joy of reading the whole month of April and "DROP" by the library or website (www.whitneylibrary.org) all month long or anytime you want to make reading a priority!

BLIND DATE WITH A BOOK!

Ever been on a blind date? What are your memories of it? The library is sponsoring an adult event in May called "Blind Date with a Book". We will feature a basket of wrapped books. You will not know the title or author but there will be a few clues to give you a hint about your mystery date. You might meet a new author or acquaint yourself with an old friend. No matter what, it's sure to be fun and something a bit different to change things up. Stop by and pick up your date!

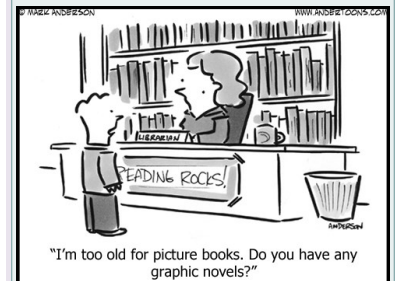


WORD OF THE MONTH

April showers bring May flowers, so let's examine the word "shower". Shower can be a verb or a noun. As a verb, it can mean: to pour, sprinkle, storm, bathe, bestow, or bombard. As a noun, it can mean: rain-fall, shower-room, mist, or drizzle.

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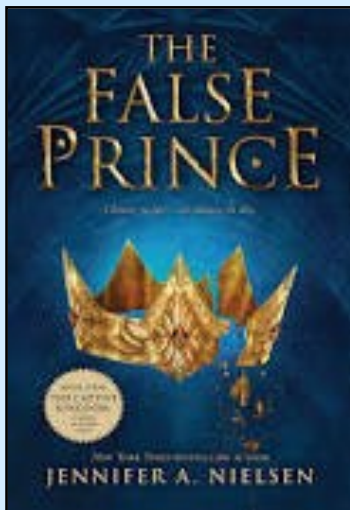
BOOK REVIEWS

Hello fellow readers! I am Louise and I love to read. In this section, there will be monthly reviews from book lovers in your community. There are three sections of reviews: middle school, high school, and adult. If you would like to submit a review, please write your information on the Book Review sign

MIDDLE SCHOOL THE FALSE PRINCE

By: Jennifer A. Nielsen

While reading, *The False Prince*, I enjoyed the attention to detail and each sharp turn of the plot. A young orphan boy, Sage, fights for his survival in the battle to impersonate the king's lost son. Sage must prove himself to be worthier than three other orphans, now owned by Conner, a nobleman of the king. It's difficult to say anything without spoiling the amazing plot twists in this story, but what I can say is that I loved it. I'm grateful there are three more books in the series, because I can't wait for the story to continue!



HIGH SCHOOL RED QUEEN

By: Victoria Aveyard

In the book *The Red Queen*, the main character, Mare, is suddenly thrust into a new life, engaged to a prince, and forced to live a lie. With new enemies, she learns the truth about her identity and the even darker truths hidden in the royal family. Secret allies, hidden agendas, and shocking plot twists, all apart of much larger plan.

I loved this this book from start to finish! It enticed me in so many ways and left me impatient for the sequel. while the book is a classic monarchy romance it showed some deeper, darker elements that you do not always see in most books of its kind. The twists and turns left me shocked and amazed, and as an avid reader it becomes difficult to surprise me with plot twists. I would recommend this book to just about anyone.

-Katie



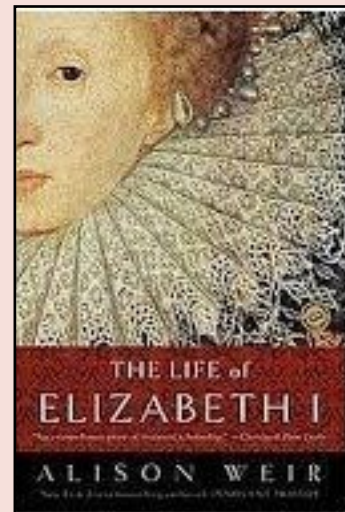
ADULT

THE LIFE OF ELIZABETH I

By: Alison Weir

This was a wonderful biography of Elizabeth's life. I know much about her now after reading, because of the author's deep searching of the lives who knew her. She covered Elizabeth's affairs and relationships with vivid detail. I recommend this book to anyone who enjoys knowing more about Elizabeth I.

-Mary



ZOOM CLASSES—CALL 254-694-4639 TO REGISTER

Windows 10 Intro

Learn basic functions and how to navigate Windows 10 with John on April 23, 3:00 PM.

SimplyE

Discover a new eReader for your iOS or Android device. John will demonstrate how to install the app and download ebooks. May 21, 3:00 PM.

Computer Coding for Kids

Learn the basics of computer coding as John takes you through various coding projects. June 18, 3:00 PM.

Craft Classes for Kids - Every 2nd Tuesday at 3:00

YOGA CLASSES

Aimee Boswell will host Yoga classes on the 2nd Friday of April, May, and June at 10:30 at the library Activity Room. Aimee recently moved to Whitney from Ruidoso, NM where she led yoga classes, even throughout her 9 months of pregnancy.

SUMMER READING

In June, we will begin registration for our Summer Reading program. The theme this year is “Tales for Tails”. This will be a “distant” Zoom activity, and the activities and challenges will keep our youth reading.

MINISTRY OF OUR LADY READING CLUB

On April 10, Katherine Bentley Jeffrey, author of *First Chaplain of the Confederacy*, will present and discuss the book. Breakfast is scheduled for 9:30 AM, and discussion at 10:00 at Our Lady of the Lake Anglican Church, Highway 22 at Elm Drive, Laguna Park, TX.

HANDY HOW-TO TIP

How to reserve a book online:

1. Go to www.whitneylibrary.org; click on “Your Account” below the carousel.
2. Sign in with your library card and phone number (top right corner).
3. Enter search criteria in the “Find” field (top left corner); press enter.
4. Click on the book you wish to reserve; click on “Reserve this item”.
5. Click “Place Reserve” in the pop-up dialog box.
6. You will be notified by text or email when the book is available for pickup.

CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

The Lake Whitney Chamber of commerce is the place to go for information about what to do and where to go in Whitney and the surrounding area. Their website is www.lakewhitneychamber.com

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2021-2022 Bluebonnet Award Books

1. Act by Kayla Miller. (Houghton Mifflin Harcourt Books for Young Readers, 2020).
2. The Best of Iggy by Annie Barrows, illustrated by Sam Ricks. (G. P. Putnam & Sons Books for Young Readers, an Imprint of Penguin Random House, 2019).
3. Black Brother, Black Brother by Jewell Parker Rhodes. (Little Brown & Company Books for Young Readers, 2020).
4. The Canyon's Edge by Dusti Bowling. (Little Brown & Company Books for Young Readers, 2020).
5. Follow Those Zebras: Solving a Migration Mystery by Sandra Markle. (Millwood, an Imprint of Lerner Publications, 2020).
6. The Incredibly Dead Pets of Rex Dexter by Aaron Reynolds. (Little Brown & Company Books for Young Readers, 2020).
7. The Oldest Student: How Mary Walker Learned to Read by Rita Lorraine Hubbard, illustrated by Oge Mora. (Schwartz & Wade, an imprint of Random House Children's Books, 2020).
8. Our Friend Hedgehog: The Story of Us by Lauren Castillo. (Alfred A. Knopf BFYR, an imprint of Random House Children's Books, 2020).
9. Scary Stories for Young Foxes by Christian McKay Heidicker, illustrated by Junyi Wu. (Henry Holt, an Imprint of Macmillan Books, 2019).
10. The Secret Garden of George Washington Carver by Gene Barretta, illustrated by Frank Morrison. (Katherine Tegan, an imprint of HarperCollins Publishers, 2020).
11. Someplace to Call Home by Sandra Dallas. (Sleeping Bear Press, 2019).
12. Tristan Strong Punches a Hole in the Sky by Kwame Mbalia. (Rick Riordan Presents, an imprint of Disney Hyperion, 2019).
13. Ways to Make Sunshine by Reneè Watson, illustrated by Nina Mata. (Bloomsbury Children's Book, 2020).
14. Words on Fire by Jennifer A. Nielsen. (Scholastic Press, an Imprint of Scholastic Books, 2019).

INDEPENDENT SENIOR LIVING



Whitney Library welcomes Turner Place Senior Living to Whitney, a new independent living community offering seniors aged 55+ comfortable apartment homes in the town of Whitney, Texas. Turner Place is located at 200 S. Bosque St (Hwy 22) and offers 1 and 2 bedroom apartments loaded with amenities. Give them a call at: 254-640-0850.

TEXAS WORKFORCE COMMISSION

Looking for work? Get a leg up by using the Texas Workforce Commission website where you will be able to create a resume, search available jobs, learn interviewing techniques, and much more. View the 20-minute overview by click on the Texas Workforce Commission link at the library's website, www.whitneylibrary.org.



CRISIS ASSISTANCE

Texas Crisis Counselors will be coming to the library soon to provide assistance for coping with Covid-19 and the winter storm impact. Date will be posted on the library website www.whitneylibrary.org. Help is also available by calling 866-576-1101 or by going to www.trthotccp.org.

TEXSHARE DATABASES—A TREASURE TROVE!

Hidden treasures! That's what you'll find when exploring the TexShare Databases. Click on the TexShare logo on the library website and log in with your library card and phone number. Here is just a small fraction of what you'll find:

1. **GED assistance.** Click on "Most Popular" then scroll to "Learning Express Library", the select "High School Equivalency Center". You will find many other skill-building courses here too.
2. **Legal Forms.** Fillable, downloadable forms for Divorce, Real Estate, Will and Estates, Bankruptcy, Landlord/Tenant, Power of Attorney, and more.
3. **Chilton Library.** ChiltonLibrary.com represents the most authoritative automotive repair information available to car owners. There are thousands of year, make and model combinations covering the most popular vehicles of the past 30 years, plus additional coverage of specialty models.
4. **Heritage Quest.** HeritageQuest® Online combines digital, searchable images of U.S. federal census records with the digitized version of the popular ProQuest Genealogy & Local History collection and other valuable content. Powered by Ancestry® with more than 4.4 billion records and coverage dating back to the 1700s.
5. **Consumer Health Complete.** A patient education support tool with consumer-oriented content covering mainstream, holistic and integrated medicine.
6. **Referencia Latina.** A full-text Spanish-language database covering a broad array of subjects, which offers reference books, general interest magazines, newspapers, newswires and health reports.



The Book Club meets every 4th Tuesday at 1:30 in the library activity room. The exceptions are November and December when they meet on the 3rd Tuesday.



LIBRARY CALENDAR—LIBRARY SPONSORED ACTIVITIES IN RED

April 2021

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1	2	3
4 Easter	5	6	7	8	9 Yoga Class 10:30	10 Ministry of Our Lady Reading Club. See Page 5.
11	12 D.E.A.R. Day, p.1	13 Kids Zoom Craft Class 3:00	14 Gardening Day	15	16	17 National Walking Day
18	19	20	21 San Jacinto Day	22 Earth Day	23 Intro to Windows 10:30 (Zoom)	24
25	26	27	28	29	30	

May 2021

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
Get your "Blind Date" Book this month!						1 Blind Date with a Book Begins
2	3	4	5	6	7	8
9 Mother's Day	10	11 Kids Zoom Craft Class 3:00	12	13 Nat'l Apple Pie Day	14 Yoga Class 10:30	15 Peace Officer's Memorial Day
16	17	18 Nat'l No Dirty	19	20	21 SimplyE 10:30 (Zoom)	22
23	24 Nat'l Scaven-	25	26	27	28 Nat'l Burger	29 Learn About
30 Memorial Day	31 Memorial Day					

June 2021

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1 Summer Reading Signup!	2 Global Running Day	3	4	5
6 D Day Cancer Survivor's Day	7	8 Nat'l Best Friend's Day Kids Zoom Craft Class 3:00	9	10 Nat'l Iced Tea Day	11 Yoga Class 10:30	12
13	14 Flag Day	15	16	17	18 Computer Coding for Kids 10:30	19 Juneteenth
20 Father's Day	21 Summer Solstice	22	23 Nat'l Pink Day	24	25	26
27	28	29 Hug Holiday	30			

