



# ARNOLD LIBRARY NEWS

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Greetings from the Arnold *FRIENDS* of the Library!

**There's lots to do at the Library!**

**August 1st Adult Crafts**

**August 3rd Summer Reading Celebration**

**AND...**

*We will have BIKE HELMETS TO GIVE AWAY!  
HHS will provide helmets for kids who need them.*

**August 8th ADULT Book Club**

**August 9th Smokey Bear's Birthday Bash**

## IN THE NEWS.....

**Summer Reading** - Overwhelmingly successful! We had 151 kids sign up in Arnold (verses last year's 94) and had 122 participate. We are still handing out prizes and will finish with our End of Summer Reading Party next week on Thursday August 3rd

**Get Caught Reading** - We had 2 winners for our display. A young lady named Mia won for our branch display and a young man named Artyom won for the whole county. They both received prizes of three brand new books..

Stop in to see the pictures entered. They are hanging on the front of the librarian's desk

**Lunch @ the Library** - Super popular. We ended up handing out 148 lunches over the 6 weeks.

**The Library will be closed on September 2nd for the Labor Day Book Sale.**

*Please read on for details  
and check our website for information*

<https://www.friendsofclibrary.org/arnold-library>

# AUGUST ACTIVITIES

**WEDNESDAYS- 10:30** Story Time with Miss Debbie

\*\*\*Crafts for older kids will be out until school starts

**AUGUST 1, TUESDAY ADULT & TEEN CRAFT DAY 3:00 – 4:00**

*(this will be the last one until the holidays)*

**AUGUST 3, THURSDAY – END OF SUMMER READING PARTY**

**3:00–4:00** Kids of all ages welcome

*Big Party Fun with Mark Dyken & Grandmother Drum, Science activities, cookie decorating, Tri-County Wildlife Education presentation, temporary tattoos....*

*and goodie bags for those who picked up 4 weeks of books and activities...*

*AND, WE WILL BE GIVING OUT BIKE HELMETS , compliments of Health & Human Services*

**AUGUST 8, TUESDAY – **ARNOLD READS!** ADULT BOOK CLUB**

**4:00–5:00** at the library (yes, after hours!)

First book: *Cutting for Stone*, by Abraham Verghese

Second book: *The Book Woman of Troublesome Creek*, by Kim Michele Richardson

We will discuss both books and choose the next book.

**AUGUST 9, WEDNESDAY –10:30 SMOKEY BEAR'S BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION**

Meet Smokey and celebrate with him and a Forest Ranger.

They have a Birthday story to tell.

**WISHING EVERYONE A FABULOUS START TO THE NEW SCHOOL YEAR!**

**THE LIBRARY STAFF IS ALWAYS AVAILABLE TO HELP OUT WITH BOOKS OR TOPICS FOR PROJECTS AND RESEARCH**

**Always available at the library–**

Park Passes– get into the State Parks for free!

Recipe exchange– share your recipe & pick up a new one

Internet, 2 NEW computers (replacing the old ones), and printers are available at the library for personal use.

Ask the librarians how to join online programs and movies with your library card–

cards available at the library

**LIBRARY HOURS**

**TUESDAY – SATURDAY**

**10:00 AM – 4:00 PM**

The Library will be CLOSED on September 2nd for the Labor Day Book



## The Next Big Events

Library Landscape Clean up - TBD August/September

Cheese & Wine Social - TBD

Scarecrow Social - end of October.



## End of Summer Reading Celebration

**August 3rd 3:00 - 4:00**

Great entertainment and activities for kids of all ages!

**Everyone is Welcome**

- Mark Dyken & "Grandmother Drum"
- Temporary Tattoo art
- Science & Explorer activities
- Cookie Decorating
- Tri County Wildlife Animal Presentation



## SUMMER ACTIVITIES

RANDI from Health and Human Services came for Story Time and brought her team who gave out toothbrushes, toothpaste and supplies for everyone!

Miss Connie leads the activity

[Text Link](#)





## CHECK OUT OUR SUMMER READING SECTION.

Pick a book to read in the comfort of the air conditioned library, at the lake or home. We have a great selection of summer reads.



## DONATIONS

We want to thank the community and volunteers for a very successful book sale! Proceeds have funded the summer activities, purchase of 2 new community computer desks, a storytime white board, markers and books, the summer reading celebration and prizes and more. Coming soon: a color printer & scanner.

**PLEASE CONTINUE THE DONATIONS FOR THE LABOR DAY WEEKEND BOOK SALE!**

The last day to accept book donations for the Labor Day Sale will be Saturday, August 26th. We will not accept donations the following week to allow the volunteers to get set up for the sale.

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# LABOR DAY WEEKEND BOOK SALE! September 2 & 3 9:00 – 4:00

*All proceeds fund the Arnold Library, activities and events!*

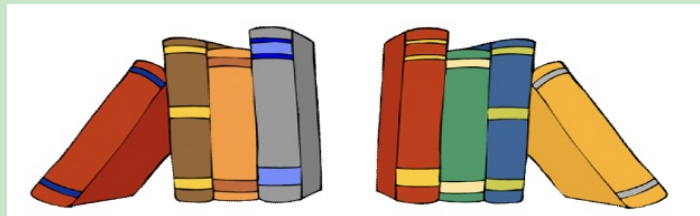
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Please donate your gently used books, puzzles, DVDs, and CDs to the library so we can get ready!

*We'd love to have you volunteer before and during the sale. Sign up at the library or email [arnoldlibraryfriends@gmail.com](mailto:arnoldlibraryfriends@gmail.com)*

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## Library BOOKSHOP!



The Friends of the Arnold Library Bookshop, located inside the library, continues its book sales with books, puzzles, CDs, and DVDs all year. We add new books into the library shop every couple of days, so the selection will be new every time you come in.

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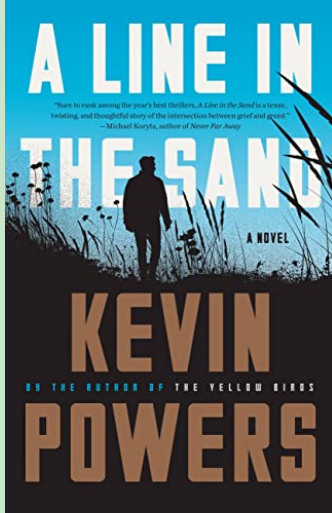
**NEW RELEASES ARE IN and READY FOR CHECK OUT!**

(most reviews are taken from Goodreads)

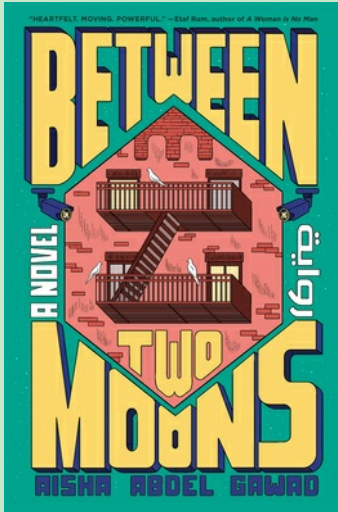
*A line in the Sand* - Kevin Powers

In this "spellbinding and totally original thriller" (Philipp Meyer, author of *The Son*) a lonely veteran's gruesome discovery throws





him right into the face of danger as a twisted investigation unravels the secrets of his dark past. One early morning on a Norfolk beach in Virginia, a dead body is discovered by a man taking his daily swim —Arman Bajalan, formerly an interpreter in Iraq. After narrowly surviving an assassination attempt that killed his wife and child, Arman has been given lonely sanctuary in the US as a maintenance worker at the Sea Breeze Motel. Now, convinced that the body is connected to his past, he knows he is still not safe.



### *Between Two Moons* - Aisha Abdel Gawad

A deeply moving family story about identity, faith, and belonging set in the Muslim immigrant enclave of Bay Ridge, Brooklyn following three siblings coming of age over the course of one Ramadan

It's the holy month of Ramadan, and twin sisters Amira and Lina are about to graduate from high school in Bay Ridge, Brooklyn. On the precipice of adulthood, they plan to embark on a summer of teenage revelry, trying on new identities and testing the limits of what they can get away with while still under their parents' roof. But the twins' expectations of a summer of freedom collide with their older brother's return from prison, and his mysterious behavior threatens to undo the delicate family balance.



### *Symphony of Secrets* - Brendan Slocumb

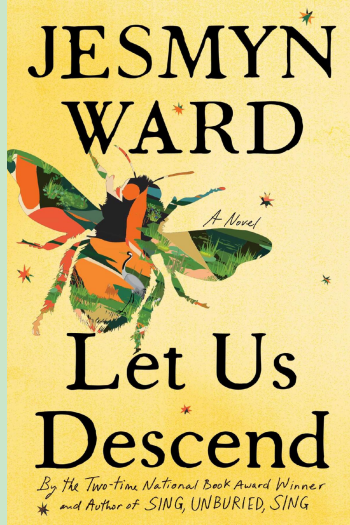
A gripping page-turner about a professor who uncovers a shocking secret about the most famous American composer of all time—that his music was stolen from a young Black composer named Josephine Reed. Determined to uncover the truth and right history's wrongs, Bern Hendricks will stop at nothing to finally give Josephine the recognition she deserves.

With the help of his tech-savvy acquaintance Eboni, Bern soon discovers that the truth is far more complicated than history would have them believe.

In the present day, Bern and Eboni begin to uncover more clues that indicate Delaney may have had help in composing his most successful work.

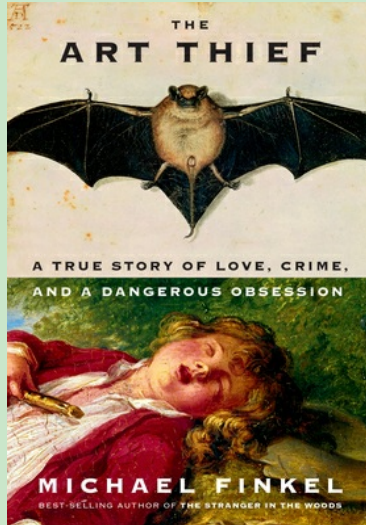
### *Let Us Descend* - Jessmyn Ward

From Jessmyn Ward—the two-time National Book Award winner, youngest winner of the Library of Congress Prize for Fiction, and MacArthur Fellow—comes a haunting masterpiece, sure to be an instant classic, about an enslaved girl in the years before the Civil



War.

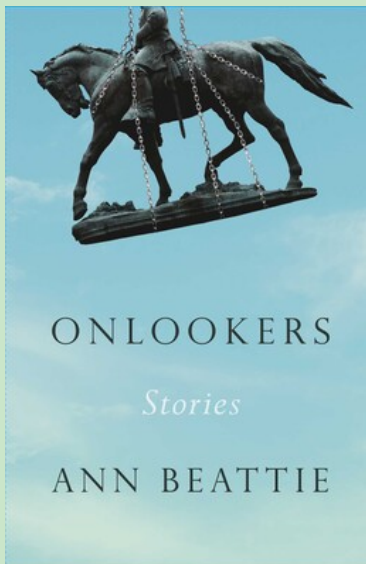
*Let Us Descend* is a reimagining of American slavery, as beautifully rendered as it is heart-wrenching. Searching, harrowing, replete with transcendent love, the novel is a journey from the rice fields of the Carolinas to the slave markets of New Orleans and into the fearsome heart of a Louisiana sugar plantation.



### *The Art Thief* - Michael Finkel

**The true story of the world's most prolific art thief--a spellbinding portrait of obsession and flawed genius, from the bestselling author of *The Stranger in the Woods***

For centuries, works of art have been stolen in countless ways from all over the world, but no one has been quite as successful at it as the master thief Stéphane Breitwieser. Carrying out more than two hundred heists over nearly ten years--in museums and cathedrals all over Europe--Breitwieser, along with his girlfriend who worked as his lookout, stole more than three hundred objects, until it all fell apart in spectacular fashion.



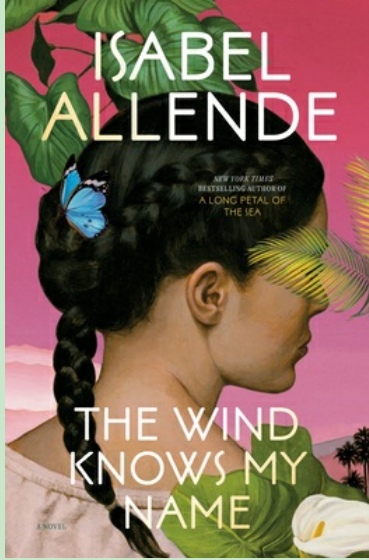
### *The Onlookers* - Ann Beattie -

**Award-winning short story writer Ann Beattie returns with a brilliant collection of linked stories set in Charlottesville, Virginia, in a moment of unrest.**

*Onlookers* is an astute new story collection about people living in the same Southern town whose lives intersect in surprising ways. Peaceful Charlottesville, Virginia, drew national attention when white nationalists held a rally there in 2017, a horrific event whose repercussions are still felt today. Confederate monuments such as General Robert E. Lee atop his horse were then still standing. The statues are a constant presence and a metaphoric refrain throughout this collection, though they represent different things to different characters. Some landmarks may have faded from consciousness but provoke fresh outrage when viewed through newly opened eyes.

These are stories of unexpected relationships and affiliations that affirm the value of friendship, even when it requires difficult compromises or unexpected risks. Beattie involves the reader in questions about the nature of community, as the characters grapple with complicated inheritances that are both historical and personal and the realities of their lives interact uneasily with the past.





## *The Wind Knows My Name* - Isabel Allende

This powerful and moving novel from the New York Times bestselling author of *A Long Petal of the Sea* weaves together past and present, tracing the ripple effects of war and immigration on one child in Europe in 1938 and another in the United States in 2019.

Vienna, 1938. Samuel Adler was six years old when his father disappeared during Kristallnacht—the night their family lost everything. Samuel’s mother secured a spot for him on the last Kindertransport train out of Nazi-occupied Austria to the United Kingdom, which he boarded alone, carrying nothing but a change of clothes and his violin.

Arizona, 2019. Eight decades later, Anita Diaz, a blind seven-year-old girl, and her mother board another train, fleeing looming danger in El Salvador and seeking refuge in the United States. However, their arrival coincides with the new family separation policy, and Anita finds herself alone at a camp in Nogales. She escapes through her trips to Azabahar, a magical world of the imagination she created with her sister back home.

Spanning time and place, *The Wind Knows My Name* is both a testament to the sacrifices that parents make and a love letter to the children who survive the most unfathomable dangers—and never stop dreaming.



## *Everything's Fine* - Cecilia Rabess

A stunning debut that introduces Cecilia Rabess as a blazing new talent, *Everything's Fine* is a painfully funny, poignant, heartfelt novel that doesn't just ask *will they*, but...*should they*?

When Jess lands a job as an analyst at Goldman Sachs, she's less than thrilled to learn she'll be on the same team as Josh, her preppy, white, conservative sparring partner from college. Josh loves playing the devil's advocate and is just...the worst. But when Jess finds herself the sole Black woman on the floor, overlooked and underestimated, it's Josh who shows up for her in surprising—if imperfect—ways.

## *My Friend Anne Frank* - Hannah Pick-Goslar

THE LONG-AWAITED, MOVING MEMOIR OF HOLOCAUST SURVIVOR HANNAH PICK-GOSLAR.

When five-year-old Hannah Pick-Goslar and her family fled Nazi Germany to live in Amsterdam, she soon struck up a friendship with a precocious, outspoken and fun-loving girl named Anne Frank. For several blissful years, the girls were inseparable, enjoying carefree childhood games and sleepovers in their neighbourhood of Rivierenbuurt.

**Then, one day in 1942, two best friends' lives were about to change for ever.** As the Nazi occupation intensified, Anne and the

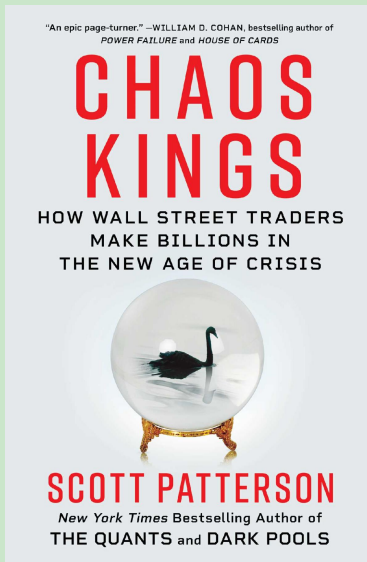


Hannah Pick-Goslar

## My Friend Anne Frank



Frank family vanished. As Hannah puzzled over the fate of her friend, hoping she was safe, her own family's fate began to unfold: they were captured and taken to Westerbork transit camp, before being transported to Bergen-Belsen.



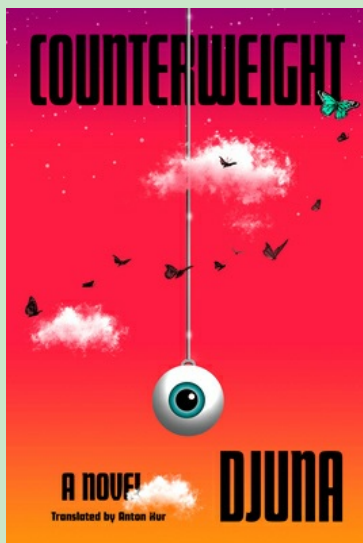
## Chaos Kings - How Wall Street Traders Make Billions in the New Age of Crisis

**Scott Patterson**

*A Wall Street Journal* bestseller

Written by a veteran *Wall Street Journal* reporter, this is a fascinating deep dive into the world of billion-dollar traders and high-stakes crisis predictors who strive to turn extreme events into financial windfalls.

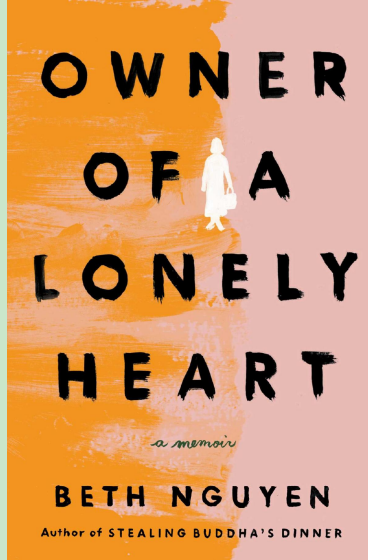
There's no doubt that our world has gotten more extreme. Pandemics, climate change, superpower rivalries, cyberattacks, political radicalization—virtually, everywhere we look there is mayhem bearing down on us, putting trillions of assets at risk. And at least two factions have formed around how to respond.



## **Counterweight** - Djuna (Anton Hur -Translator)

From one of South Korea's most revered science fiction writers, an absorbing tale of corporate intrigue, political unrest, unsolved mysteries, and the havoc wreaked by one company's monomaniacal endeavor to build the world's first space elevator.

On the fictional island of Patusan—and much to the ire of the Patusan natives—the Korean conglomerate LK is constructing an elevator into Earth's orbit, gradually turning this one-time tropical resort town into a teeming travel hub: a gateway to and from our planet. Up in space, holding the elevator's "spider cable" taut, is a mass of space junk known as the Counterweight. And it's here that lies the key—a trove of personal data left by LK's former CEO, of dire consequence to the company's, and humanity's, future.



## ***Owner of a Lonely Heart*** - Beth Nguyen

From the award-winning author of *Stealing Buddha's Dinner*, a powerful memoir of a mother-daughter relationship fragmented by war and resettlement.

At the end of the Vietnam War, when Beth Nguyen was eight months old, she and her father, sister, grandmother, and uncles fled Saigon for America. Beth's mother stayed—or was left—behind, and they did not meet again until Beth was nineteen. Over the course of her adult life, she and her mother have spent less than twenty-four hours together.

*Over the course of my life I have spent less than twenty-four hours with my mother, writes Nguyen. Here is how those hours came to be, and what happened in them.*

*Owner of a Lonely Heart* is a memoir about parenthood, absence, and the condition of being a refugee: the story of Beth's relationship with her mother. Framed by a handful of visits over the course of many years—sometimes brief, sometimes interrupted, sometimes with her mother alone and sometimes with her sister—Beth tells a coming-of-age story that spans her own Midwestern childhood, her first meeting with her mother, and becoming a parent herself. Vivid and illuminating, *Owner of a Lonely Heart* is a deeply personal story of family, connection, and belonging: as a daughter, a mother, and as a Vietnamese refugee in America.

## LAST WORD

### JOIN THE ARNOLD FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY and YOUR FRIENDS BOARD

Join the Arnold Branch of Friends of the Calaveras County Library at <https://www.friendsofcclibrary.org/membership-form> indicating Arnold as your branch. If you wish to make a direct donation to the Arnold Branch, checks may be made out to: "Friends of the Arnold Library" and sent to the address below.

#### **The ARNOLD FRIENDS support:**

Story Time, various After School Activities and Celebrations, Subscription for NEWLY PUBLISHED BOOKS, Noncounty operating expenses, and "community" events.

Proceeds from Donations, Book Sales, and Fundraisers fund activities.

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