

# BETWEEN THE COVERS

## Coming Soon

Lee Child

### **61 Hours**

While stranded in a South Dakota town, Jack Reacher is asked by a local cop to protect the only witness who can help put away a brutal crime ring.

Lincoln Child

### **Fever Dream**

Special Agent Pendergast is sorting the possessions of his late wife, when he makes a stunning and dreadful discovery that leaves him wondering who really was the woman he married.

Max Allan Collins & Mickey Spillane

### **The Big Bang**

Classic hard-boiled PI Mike Hammer is back—this time to protect his own life and reap vengeance on the New York drug world.

Jeffrey Deaver

### **The Burning Wire:**

#### **A Lincoln Rhyme Novel**

Someone is intent on destroying New York City. Their weapon of choice is Manhattan's electricity grid, with its extremely high temperatures that melt steel. Can Lincoln Rhyme and his team stop whoever is harnessing this power before it's too late?

Nelson DeMille

### **The Lion**

John Corey, special agent for the Anti-Terrorist Task Force, is back, but unfortunately, a notorious Libyan terrorist known as the "Lion," has also returned, and is loose in America on a mission of revenge. Coincidentally, John Corey, too, wants revenge—to find and kill the "Lion."

Robert Dugoni

### **Bodily Harm**

Attorney David Sloane is back seeking vengeance for the death of a young boy.

Janet Evanovich

### **Sizzling Sixteen:**

#### **A Stephanie Plum Novel**

Bounty hunter Stephanie Plum is chasing a particularly dangerous criminal. Meanwhile, Lula finds herself involved in a Madoff-like scam.

Dorothea Benton Frank

### **Lowcountry Summer:**

#### **A Plantation Novel**

Caroline Wimbley Levine returns home to Tall Pines Plantation in South Carolina, where she learns some surprising truths about her family.

Tana French

### **Faithful Place**

Rosie never showed up on the night that she and Frankie were planning to flee Dublin for London, so Frankie went alone. Years later, Frankie returns—with the suspicion that perhaps Rosie didn't dump him after all.

Alan Furst

### **Spies of the Balkans**

In Salonika, Macedonia, as World War II is erupting, senior Police official Costa Zannis must help organize an escape route from Berlin through the Balkans into neutral Turkey.

Emily Giffin

### **Heart of the Matter**

Charlie, the son of single-mom attorney Valerie Anderson, ends up in the care of Dr. Rick Russo, who is married to stay-at-home mom Tessa, and everyone's lives are upended.

Allegra Goodman

### **The Cookbook Collector**

Silicon startup CEO Emily clashes with her activist and philosophy grad student sister, Jessamine, who is helping to catalog a bunch of rare cookbooks.

Jane Green

### **The Love Verb**

Callie loves her home and her job. Her younger sister loves partying. Her best friend is ready to marry. And her parents have been angrily divorced for 30 years. Suddenly, they all wind up in Maine for a life-changing summer, where the parent-child relationship gets a role reversal.

Michael Gruber

### **The Good Son**

When members of a peace symposium are held captive in Pakistan, Sonia Laghari emerges as their leader. Sonia's son, an ex-soldier, plans their rescue, even as the terrorists begin to kill off the prisoners one by one.

Beth Harbison

***Thin, Rich, Pretty***

At summer camp, plump Holly and plain Nicola finally get revenge on their spoiled bunkmate Lexi. What they don't expect is that they'll have hurt Lexi more than they ever could have imagined, and that this one act will have repercussions that will reach them twenty years later.

Ann Hood

***The Red Thread***

Maya Lange establishes Red Thread Adoption Agency, an agency that places girls from China with American families. Driven by a desire to make amends, and by helping her clients, Maya takes steps to let go of her own tragic past.

Gregg Hurwitz

***They're Watching***

Patrick Davis thinks that his life is a mess—and that's before DVDs start arriving that clearly show that he and his wife are being stalked in their own home. Just who is watching and why?

Iris Johansen & Roy Johansen

***Shadow Zone***

Hannah Bryson believes that she has discovered why the ancient city of Marimuth collapsed and now resides on the floor of the Atlantic Ocean. It's a shocking enough reason that she is being targeted by a killer.

Steig Larsson

***The Girl Who Kicked the Hornet's Nest***

Lisbeth Salander is fighting for her life in the intensive care unit of a Swedish hospital, but upon release, she plans on being very busy. First, Lisbeth has to stand trial for three murders and prove her innocence. Afterwards, she plans to seek revenge against the man who tried to kill her.

Sharyn McCrumb

***The Devil Amongst the Lawyers***

In 1934, lovely mountain girl Erma Morton stands accused of murdering her tyrannical father, and reporters descend on her small Virginia town in search of a sensational story. Only fledgling journalist Carl Jennings tells it like it is.

James Patterson

***Miracle on the 17th Green***

On Christmas Day, Travis McKinley is golfing when he acquires perfect vision for the putt. He plays brilliant golf and misses his family's Christmas dinner at home, where things are already rocky. When he's fired from the advertising job he has hated for the last 30 years, Travis seeks acceptance on the PGA Senior Tour, a move that changes his life forever.

James Patterson & Maxine Paetro

***Private***

Having just inherited his father's detective business, former CIA agent Jackson Morgan is tracking the killer of his best friend's wife. Meanwhile, he is engaging in an interoffice affair that could wreck everything.

Thomas Perry

***Strip***

Strip club owner Manco Kapak has been robbed and his minions are fingering the wrong guy. Meanwhile, the thief and his girlfriend, both too dumb to know not to rob a gangster, are starting to think that the crime life is fun.

John Sandford

***Storm Prey***

Investigator Lucas Davenport's surgeon wife was witness to a robbery gone wrong at the hospital pharmacy and is now targeted for murder.

Scott Turow

***Innocent***

In a sequel to ***Presumed Innocent***, Rusty Sabich's wife has met with a questionable death, putting Rusty up against prosecutor Tommy Molto one more time.

Lauren Weisberger

***Last Night at Chateau Marmont***

Girl meets boy; girl supports boy as he struggles to make it as a rock star, and then girl gets dumped for a supermodel.

Madeleine Wickham

***A Desirable Residence***

While renovating their dream house, Liz and Jonathan should be happy that they've found tenants for their former residence. Problems arise when their daughter becomes obsessed with the tenants, and Liz finds herself attracted to their realtor.



# Rocky River Public Library

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## ROMANCE/WOMEN'S FICTION

### **Rainwater**

Sandra Brown

Ella Barron runs a boardinghouse to support herself and her son. The arrival of a new boarder brings changes to Ella's life that she could not have foreseen.

*This small book contains a big story and is a bit of a departure for author Sandra Brown. With excellent characterizations, this is truly a heartfelt story.*

## TEEN FICTION

### **Rosie and Skate**

Beth Ann Bauman

Teen sisters Rosie and Skate are growing up at the Jersey shore with one parent, an alcoholic father who is in prison for theft. Rosie, the younger sister, goes to Al-Anon meetings and dreams of her first kiss. World wise older sister Skate is coping by pretending she just doesn't care.

*A tender coming of age story for both sisters which realistically deals with teen relationships, sexuality and family trauma. The dialogue is spot-on; the message somewhat optimistic.*

## SCIENCE FICTION

### **Veracity**

Laura Bynum

In 2045, in a world where uttering a "red-listed" word could result in your death, Harper Adams is a monitor for the government. When her daughter Veracity's name becomes red-listed, Harper chooses to work with an underground resistance to fight for freedom.

*A blend of Orwell's 1984 and Margaret Atwood's **The Handmaid's Tale**. One of the best books I've read in a long time. This is one that will stay with you.*

## HISTORICAL FICTION

### **The Postmistress**

Sarah Blake

American radio reporter Frankie Bard is broadcasting news out of London alongside Edward R. Murrow in 1940. Desperate for her countrymen to understand the grim reality of the war in Europe, Frankie embarks on a dangerous train ride across Europe, meeting Jews who are trying to escape and recording their voices, while they are still alive. Meanwhile, in coastal Franklin, Massachusetts, resides Iris James, the town's postmistress. Iris secretly possesses a letter written to Emma Fitch from her husband Will, the local young doctor who has taken himself off to London to offer his medical skills despite Emma's protests.

*This debut novel is nearly impossible to put down. Filled with powerful descriptions of wartime Europe, this page-turner will stay with you long after you close its cover.*

## MYSTERY

### **Thereby Hangs a Tail: A Chet and Bernie Mystery**

Spencer Quinn

The Little Detective Agency, namely Bernie and canine friend Chet, is hired by Countess Adelina di Borghese to safeguard herself and show-dog Princess because their lives have been threatened. Both the Countess and dog are kidnapped, and Susie Sanchez, the reporter covering the abduction, also disappears. Bernie and Chet save the day, sort of.

*Chet narrates the book and the reader will get the dog's perspective on food, various smells, riding shotgun, danger, and adventure. Additionally this is also an outstanding mystery with humor and heart.*



# READING ROOM

## THRILLER/SUSPENSE

### **The Lock Artist**

Steve Hamilton

As an 8-year-old, Mike, aka Miracle Boy, witnessed a traumatic event that caused him to stop speaking. Now, as he serves his last year in prison, he narrates his journey from promising young artist to expert lock picker, eventually revealing the event that started it all.

*This psychological thriller is a perfect mix of character, suspense and story. Hamilton writes with empathy and page turning gusto.*

### **Watchlist: A Serial Novel**

Jeffrey Deaver, editor

War crimes investigator Harold Middleton is featured in two serial novellas. In **The Chopin Manuscript**, Harold learns of an unknown Chopin study that includes a secret code that has world-wide implications. In **The Copper Bracelet**, Harold becomes involved in a plot that could send India and Pakistan to the brink of nuclear war.

*Jeffrey Deaver sets the plot in motion and guest authors each write a chapter. These two entertaining, fast-paced stories take on a life of their own.*

### **So Cold the River**

Michael Koryta

Eric Shaw is a promising young filmmaker whose been kicked to the curb by Hollywood and now making life-story films for funerals. When he's asked to do a documentary of 95-year-old Campbell Bradford, by Bradford's daughter-in-law, it's an offer he can't refuse. She gives him a mysterious old, green bottle of "Pluto Water" from a mineral spring in Bradford's home town in Southern Indiana where grand hotels hosted the wealthy and famous in the roaring 20s. But, when he gets there, the only Campbell Bradford he can find record of would have to be over 120-years-old!

*This novel is a great blend of horror and thriller that will have you believing in ghosts, visions, retribution, and pure evil and may remind readers of **The Shining** by Stephen King.*



## OUR FAVORITE BEACH READS

**Summer Sisters**  
by Judy Blume

**Last Summer  
(of You and Me)**  
by Ann Brashares

**Summer Blowout**  
by Claire Cook

**The Summer of  
My Southern Discomfort**  
by Stephanie Gayle

**Summer Island**  
by Kristin Hannah

**Summer on Blossom Street**  
by Debbie Macomber

**Still Summer**  
by Jacquelyn Mitchard

**Summer Light**  
by Luanne Rice

**The Summer Hideaway**  
by Susan Wiggs