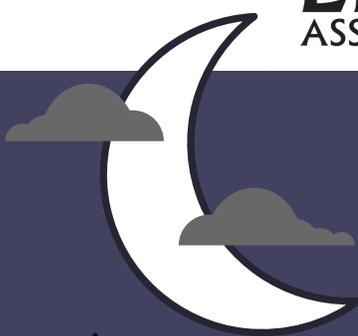




the ORLA newsletter.

OCTOBER 2020



IT CAME FROM THE LIBRARY



Celebrating the Horror Genre with Classics, Favorites & Hidden Gems



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Employee Retirement and Other Staff Updates

Coming Soon: Support Your Library during our Annual Appeal!

It's that time of year again! ORLA is once again gearing up to ask for your support in this year's annual fund drive. In 2019, we raised **over \$15,000** during our appeal. Many thanks to our amazing patrons and community members like you for making that possible!

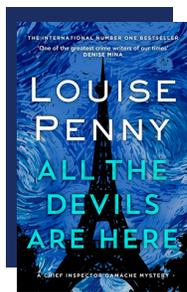
Your Oil Region Libraries continue to build a vibrant partnership that is focused on providing quality services and spaces for everyone to enjoy. We rely on your help and guidance as we look for more ways to increase access, break down barriers and deliver the important services that you value.

As we prepare for our upcoming campaign, we welcome your continued support and encouragement so that we will be able to meet our **\$20,000 goal!**

Your generosity, large or small, will truly make a difference in our community and the lives of so many. We understand with the ongoing circumstances that this may not currently be possible for everyone. However, we are grateful during these trying times that so many are still thinking of our libraries and we thank you for that.

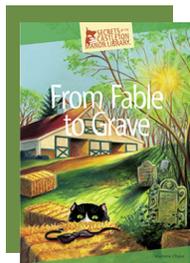
Every amount helps our libraries continue to operate and make a difference in our communities! Stay tuned to future editions, social media and our website for updates on when you can show your support!

ADULT



ALL THE DEVILS ARE HERE LOUISE PENNY

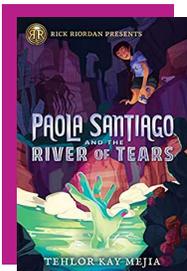
Louise Penny's newest book is a story combining family dynamics with an intriguing mystery. Gamache is in Paris, visiting both of his children and awaiting the birth of a granddaughter. His mentor and godfather involves him in a mystery that has repercussions for the whole family. Penny writes an insightful book about misunderstandings, how truth can be twisted, and the complexities that result. As always, Penny delivers a book hard to put down and leaves you waiting anxiously for her next offering. -- *Cheri Pearce, Oil City Library*



FROM FABLE TO GRAVE MARLENE CHASE

Curl up with the latest cozy mystery at Castleton Manor. During a book retreat honoring American literature from the 19th century, one of the speakers drops dead in the middle of his session. Was it a heart attack... or was it murder? Follow librarian Faith and her faithful cat side kick Watson as they work on their own investigation, uncovering bitter rivalries and surprising secrets. -- *Zoe Oakes, Franklin Public Library*

JUVENILE



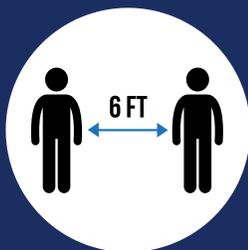
PAOLA SANTIAGO AND THE RIVER OF TEARS TEHLOR KAY MEJIA

Paola Santiago's entire life has been filled with superstitions that her logical mind refuses to believe. In particular, her mother is constantly warning her about La Llorona, a ghostly mother who wanders the banks of the Gila River, keening for her lost children and trying to drag living children into the depths of the river. The rule is simple: stay away from the river. But when Paola and her friends Dante and Emma make a plan to meet up at the river, Emma never shows up...although a silhouette in the reeds does. Paola and Dante vow to find Emma, and embark on an adventure full of mythical creatures, snarky spirits, and a power that defies reason and logic. This series opener is full of excitement, suspense, and spooky folklore. Readers who enjoy fantasy, Percy Jackson, or the Kiranmala and the Kingdom Beyond series are sure to delight in this book. -- *Annie Welsh, Oil Region Library Association*

All Locations Return to In-Person Programming

We are excited to announce a return to in-person programming with some of our favorites! Oil City kicks off our in-house programs with Storytime on October 9th, followed by Storytime at Cooperstown on October 10th. Franklin begins on October 13th with Wiggly Worms & Busy Bees. LOFT returns to Oil City on a NEW day on Wednesday, October 14th. **Due to COVID-19 guidelines, all programs currently require registration. Space is limited, so make sure to call your local library to reserve your spot!** All participants over the age of 2 are asked to wear a mask, & programs are limited to 30 minutes. We are looking forward to seeing you at the library!

When attending a program, please:



SOCIAL DISTANCE FROM OTHERS



WEAR A MASK

Thanks for your understanding & cooperation!

Storytime

All Ages Welcome

All Locations

Join us at all locations as we read stories, sing songs, and craft!

Oil CityFridays @ 10am, beginning Oct. 9th

CooperstownSaturdays @11am, beginning Oct. 10th

FranklinTuesdays @ 10:30am (Ages 0-3) and
Tuesdays @ 11:15am (Ages 4-7) beginning Oct. 13th

LOFT

Ages 13-19

Oil City Library

LOFT (or Literacy and Opportunity for Teens) is an extensive program designed for teens. Activities include: board games, video games, art projects, competitions, giveaways, team-building, movie nights & more! **Wednesdays @ 5:30pm, beginning October 14th**

Still want virtual?

 Look for tutorials on our YouTube channel or website!

These programs are staying virtual for the time being, so make sure to check them out! You can also access all past virtual programs on our website, www.oilregionlibraries.org.



Jane Beach Retiring After 40 Years at Cooperstown

We are saying goodbye to a familiar face at Cooperstown Public Library. Jane Beach is retiring after nearly 40 years of service to the Cooperstown Public Library & the surrounding community. During that timeframe, Jane has been instrumental in solidifying the library presence and building support for the library. Thank you for your years of service & happy retirement, Jane! To wish Jane a happy retirement, fill out a card at the Cooperstown Public Library (or bring your own!) by October 6th. We'll make sure they get to her.

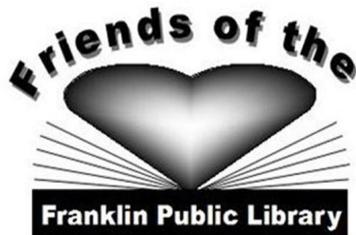
ORLA Staff Nominated for FLEX Young Professional of the Year

FLEX Presents is an annual event that celebrates the achievements of local young professionals who contribute to their community through civic engagement, entrepreneurship, and leadership. FLEX is a division of the Venango Area Chamber of Commerce. **Dan Flaherty**, *Executive Director*, and **Natalie Cubbon**, *Projects Coordinator*, were among the 13 young professionals nominated this year.



Franklin Branch Manager Enrolled in Leadership Venango

Leadership Venango is a 9-month program offered through the Venango Area Chamber of Commerce. It is designed to identify, educate, involve and motivate individuals who desire to become more effective leaders. The program engages citizens from a broad range of geographical, institutional and economic backgrounds, with the goal to ensure that new leadership will continuously be added to the community. During the 9 months, the class will seek to better understand the problems and opportunities we face in creating the best future for Venango County. **Zoe Oakes**, *Branch Manager* of Franklin Public Library, is among the 11 participants in the Class of 2021.



BOOK SALE

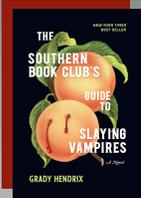
The Friends of the Franklin Public Library are launching their NEW book sale room on October 2nd. The book sale room is open every Tuesday, Friday, and the first and last Saturdays during the month of October from 10:00am-4:30pm.



Interested in volunteering? Please email the Friends at: fol.franklin@gmail.com

IT CAME FROM THE LIBRARY

Celebrate the horror genre this month by borrowing one of these classics, favorites & hidden gems from your local branch. If someone asks? Tell them it came from the library.

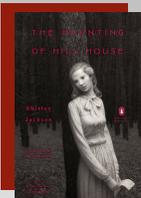


THE SOUTHERN BOOK CLUB'S GUIDE TO SLAYING VAMPIRES

GRADY HENDRIX

Fried Green Tomatoes and Steel Magnolias meet Dracula in this Southern-flavored supernatural thriller set in the '90s about a women's book club that must protect its suburban community

from a mysterious and handsome stranger who turns out to be a blood-sucking fiend.

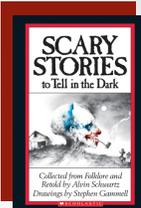


THE HAUNTING OF HILL HOUSE

SHIRLEY JACKSON

This is the story of 4 seekers who arrive at a notoriously unfriendly pile called Hill House: Dr. Montague, an occult scholar looking for solid evidence of a "haunting"; Theodora, the lighthearted assistant; Eleanor, a friendless, fragile young woman well acquainted with poltergeists; & Luke, the future heir of Hill House.

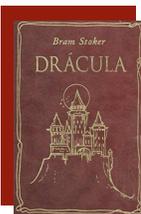
At first, their stay seems destined to be merely a spooky encounter with inexplicable phenomena. But Hill House is gathering its powers—and soon it will choose one of them to make its own.



SCARY STORIES TO TELL IN THE DARK

ALVIN SCHWARTZ & STEPHEN GAMMELL

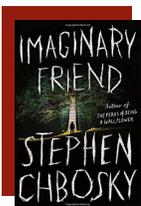
There is a story here for everyone—skeletons with torn and tangled flesh who roam the earth; a ghost who takes revenge on her murderer; and a haunted house where every night a bloody head falls down the chimney. Stephen Gammell's splendidly creepy drawings perfectly capture the mood of more than two dozen scary stories—and even scary songs—all just right for reading alone or for telling aloud in the dark.



DRACULA

BRAM STOKER

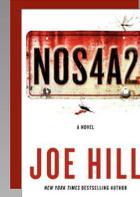
Dracula is an 1897 Gothic horror novel by Irish author Bram Stoker. Famous for introducing the character of the vampire Count Dracula, the novel tells the story of Dracula's attempt to move from Transylvania to England so he may find new blood and spread the undead curse, and the battle between Dracula and a small group of men and women led by Professor Abraham Van Helsing.



IMAGINARY FRIEND

STEPHEN CHBOSKY

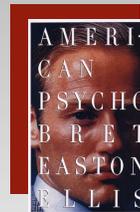
Imagine... Leaving your house in the middle of the night. Knowing your mother is doing her best, but she's just as scared as you. Starting a new school, making friends. Seeing how happy it makes your mother. Hearing a voice, calling out to you. Following the signs, into the woods. Going missing for six days. Remembering nothing about what happened. Something that will change everything... And having to save everyone you love.



NOS4A2

JOE HILL

Charles Talent Manx has a way with children. He likes to take them for rides in his 1938 Rolls-Royce Wraith with the NOS4A2 vanity plate. With his old car, he can slip right out of the everyday world, & onto the hidden roads that transport them to an astonishing – and terrifying – playground of amusements he calls "Christmasland."



AMERICAN PSYCHO

BRET EASTON ELLIS

Patrick Bateman is twenty-six and he works on Wall Street, he is handsome, sophisticated, charming and intelligent. He is also a psychopath. Taking us to head-on collision with America's greatest dream—and its worst nightmare—American Psycho is bleak, bitter, black comedy about a world we all recognize but do not wish to confront.



THE SHINING

STEPHEN KING

Jack Torrance's new job at the Overlook Hotel is the perfect chance for a fresh start. As the off-season caretaker at the atmospheric old hotel, he'll have plenty of time to spend reconnecting with his family

& working on his writing. But as the harsh winter weather sets in, the idyllic location feels more remote...& more sinister. And the only one to notice the strange & terrible forces gathering around the Overlook is Danny Torrance, a gifted 5-year-old.



THE HUNGER

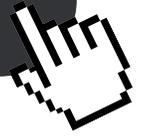
ALMA KATSU

Tamsen Donner must be a witch. That's the only way to explain the series of misfortunes that have plagued the wagon train known as the Donner Party. Depleted rations, bitter quarrels, & the mysterious death of a little

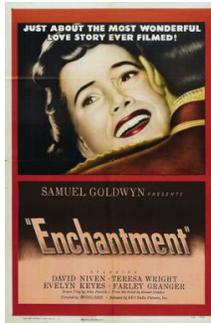
boy have driven the pioneers to the brink of madness. They cannot escape the feeling that someone--or something--is stalking them. Whether it was a curse from the beautiful Tamsen, the choice to follow a disastrous experimental route West, or just plain bad luck--the 90 men, women, & children of the Donner Party are at the brink of one of the deadliest and most disastrous western adventures in American history.

FEATURED DIGITAL RESOURCES

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'Classic Hollywood Cinema' available on **kanopy**



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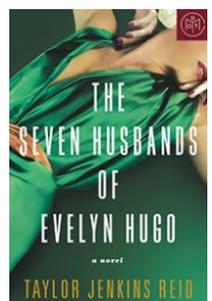
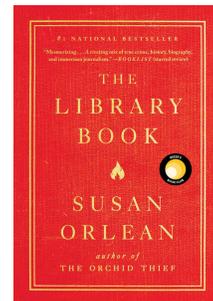
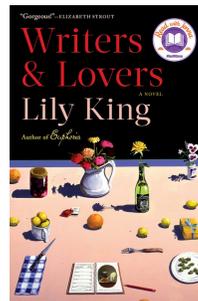
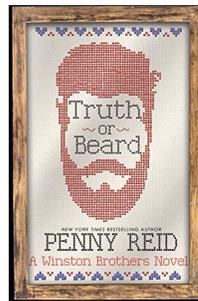
History at Your Fingertips

Newspaper Archive is a great resource for historical & genealogical information. A compilation of Pennsylvania newspapers include access to articles from as early as the 1600's up to modern times. Local historic newspapers include "The Blizzard", "The Venango Spectator", "The Derrick", "The News Herald" & "Oil City Register".



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