



Library by Mail

After months of preparation and planning, the new *Library by Mail* program is up and going! Our staff have been working hard to reach out to Erie County residents to ensure that everyone has access to the library, even those who cannot leave their house. We would like to welcome everyone participating to our latest Buffalo & Erie County Public Library Mobile Services newsletter.

The Mobile Services newsletter contains information about upcoming Library events, services, and programs, as well as reading and watching recommendations. We also strive to make the newsletter interactive, so there are always word puzzles and a space to share your own art, poetry, or book recommendations. Feel free to submit them to

Mobile Services at any time through email, the post, or with your returns.

In this issue, we'll focus on the beginning of Spring. Do you have any gardening or organizing plans in the warming months? Check out the section on Spring book recommendations for ideas and tips! April is Love Your Library Month, with National Library Week from April 4-10 and National Library Outreach Day on April 7. Many events will be virtual so check out what the library will be offering by calling or checking the library website at www.BuffaloLib.org.

As always, please call or email us if you have any questions or if you would like to request material. We look forward to talking to you soon!



*A newsletter from the
Mobile Services
Department
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On the Bookmobile, you can:

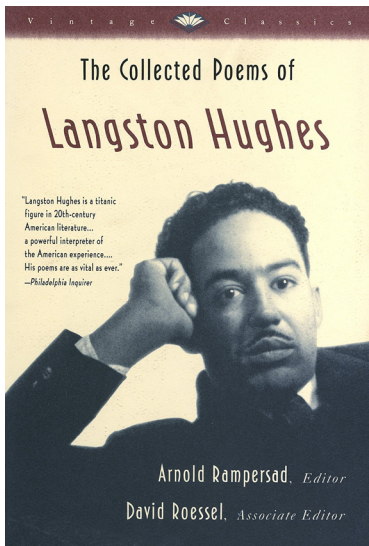
- check out books, movies, music, audiobooks.
- use free WiFi.
- use our laptops.
- get a library card or update your account.
- pickup holds and return items – just like at any library!
- have questions answered and be helped with a variety of needs.

Bookmobile March Events

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
	1 3 pm Stonegate Drop-Off/ Pick-Up	2 10 - 11:30 am Fox Run 1:30 - 2 pm Bethel Estates Drop-Off/Pick-Up	3	4 10-11:30 Brant Town Hall	5	6
7	8 8:30 am Asbury Point Drop Off/Pick-Up 8:30 am Garden House Drop Off/Pick-Up	9	10 1:30 pm Elderwood Cheektowaga Drop Off/Pick-Up	11	12 10 am - 12 pm Rural Outreach Center 1-3 pm Boys and Girls Club of Holland	13
14	15 9 am Blessed Mary Angela Drop-Off/Pick-Up	16 10 - 11:30 am Union Square Senior Apts. 1-2:30 pm Seneca Pointe Senior Apts.	17 10 - 11:30 am Hope Refugee Drop-In Center 1 - 2:30 pm Jericho Road - Broadway	18	19	20
21	22 9 am Orchard Place Senior Apts. Drop-Off/Pick-Up	23	24	25	26	27
28	29	30	31			

Note: Schedules are subject to change.
Please check the library website for an up-to-date calendar.

National Poetry Month



April is National Poetry Month and celebrates poets throughout time and the various forms of poetry. Many people are fans of traditional forms of poetry such as sonnets and blank verse while others are more drawn to contemporary styles like free verse and verse novels. Whatever you choose, April is a great time to explore the diverse world of poetry and maybe even try some out yourself!



Bookmobile April Events

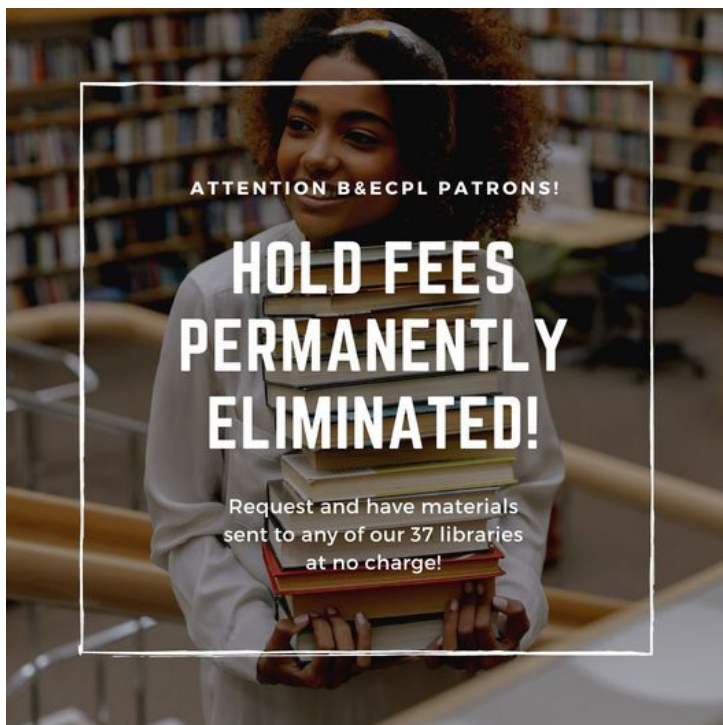
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Library Services

Hold Fees are now a thing of the past:

There is no longer a charge to request an item or place an item on hold. This means you can reserve materials that are on a waiting list or order material from any library in the System and have the item/items sent to your local library at no cost. You will be notified when the item/items are available for pick-up and will have eight days to collect the item/items. In the event materials are not picked up, a per-item fee will apply. Please call 716-858-8900 with questions



Meet the Team!

Meet the Mobile Services team! If you have any questions or requests for the Bookmobile or *Library by Mail*, please call or email us any time.

Meet Samantha



Samantha is the Mobile Services and Buffalo Branches Manager. She is busy managing the *Library on Wheels* Bookmobile, *Library by Mail*, and 8 Buffalo branch libraries located throughout

the City of Buffalo. She is so fortunate to manage departments that reach Buffalo & Erie County Public Library patrons far beyond the walls of a traditional library. When she is not at work she is busy spending time with her husband Steve, four children (Steven 17, Julia 15, Francesca 11, and Alexandra 4), and their dog Pearl Bailey.

Meet Julia



Julia is the Bookmobile librarian and has worked at the library for three years. During any given day, she can be seen driving the Bookmobile, taking pictures for social media, answering phone calls, and working on book displays. She loves to talk to patrons about the books they like and the movies they're watching. When she isn't at work, Julia likes to read, play video games, and hang out with her dogs, Kyleigh and Hecate.

Meet Tracy



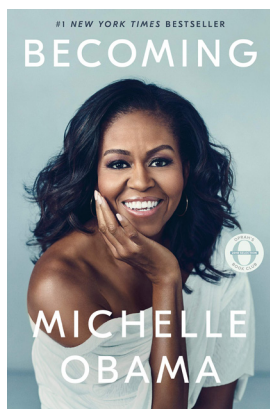
Tracy is a Library Associate working in the new *Library by Mail* program. She also assists and fills in for Julia on the Bookmobile. The *Library By Mail* program is very exciting because Tracy's favorite thing to do is put books in the hands of enthusiastic readers. When she's not working at the library, she spends her time with her giant, needy dog, George Washington.

Meet Heather

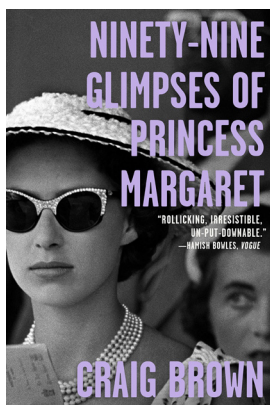
Heather is a Senior Page for Mobile Services. You can find her in the Central Library fulfilling requests for *Library by Mail* patrons or on the Bookmobile checking out books to seniors, students, and rural patrons. In her spare time, she loves spending time with her husband and two sons, reading, cooking, and baking. She also spends time organizing around racial and economic justice issues with Showing Up for Racial Justice-Buffalo.

Women's History Month

March is Women's History Month so be sure to check out these books and movies written by and about women historymakers.



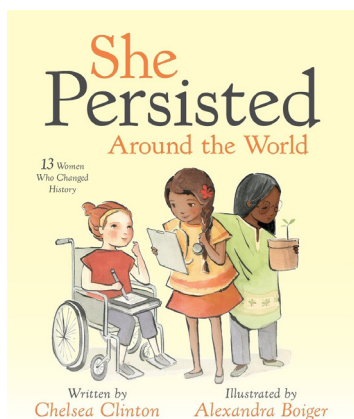
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by Michelle Obama



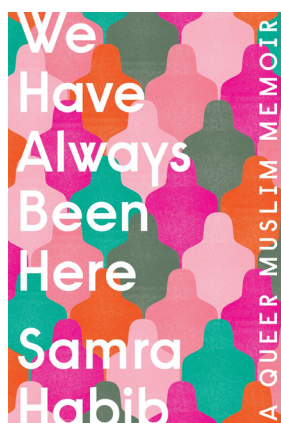
Ninety-Nine Glimpses of Princess Margaret
by Craig Brown



Planting Stories: The Life of Librarian and Storyteller Pura Belpré by Anika A. Denise, illustrated by Paola Escobar



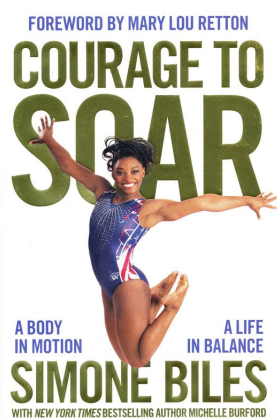
She Persisted Around the World
by Chelsea Clinton, illustrated by Alexandra Boiger



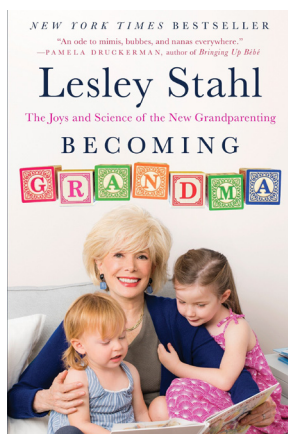
We Have Always Been Here
by Samra Habib



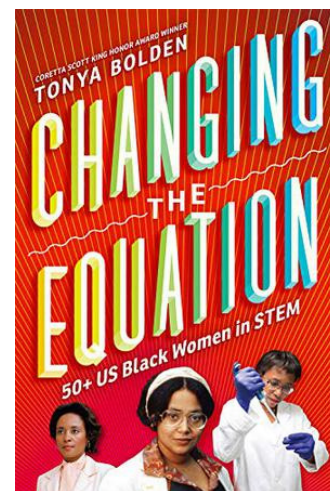
Dear Girls by Ali Wong



Courage to Soar
by Simone Biles



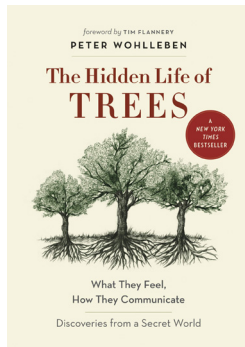
Becoming Grandma
by Lesley Stahl



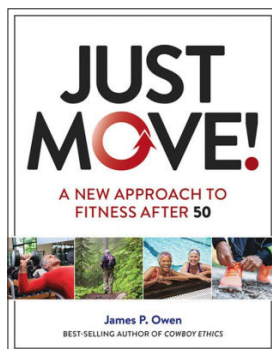
Changing the Equation: 50+ US Black Women in STEM
by Tonya Bolden

Spring Into a Good Book

Days are starting to get longer, young leaves will start popping up on trees, and soon, warming days of spring will be here! This is often the time when people start to put all of their renewed energy toward activities like home improvement, gardening, and nature appreciation. So whether you're looking to start a vegetable garden or learn something new, the library has a book for you!



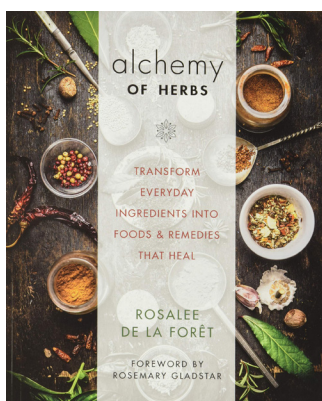
The Hidden Life of Trees
by Peter Wohlleben



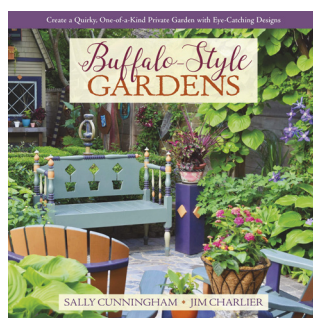
Just Move! A New Approach to Fitness After 50
by James P. Owen



DIY Home Repairs: 100 Fix-It-Yourself Projects
by Sarah Beeny



Alchemy of Herbs: Transform Everyday Ingredients Into Foods and Remedies That Heal
by Rosalee de la Forêt



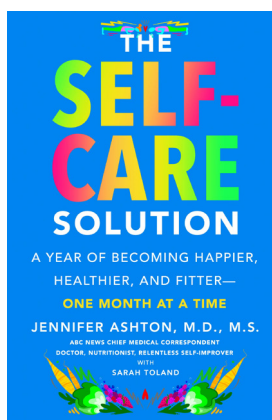
Buffalo-Style Gardens
by Jim Charlier and Sally Cunningham



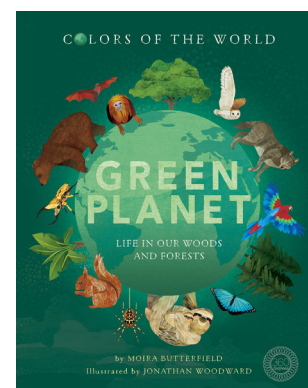
Master of the Grill
by America's Test Kitchen



Blue Ribbon Vegetable Gardening
by Jodi Torpey



The Self-Care Solution
by Jennifer Ashton



Green Planet: Life in Our Woods and Forests
by Moira Butterfield, illustrated by Jonathan Woodward

National Library Week

National Library Week is April 4-10 and celebrates the importance of libraries in their communities. This year, the theme is “Welcome to Your Library” which explores the ways that libraries extend beyond their four walls to serve everyone, wherever they are. Be sure to check online (www.BuffaloLib.org) and at your local library for programs & activities all week long!



National Library Outreach Day



As part of National Library Week, National Library Outreach Day is April 7 and we are excited to celebrate! Our staff will be sharing Bookmobile history and facts on social media throughout the week and we would love for you to be a part of it! Do you have any fond memories of the Bookmobile coming to your school or neighborhood? If you would like to share, please fill out the insert included with this newsletter and return it to us. You'll also be entered to win a library-themed giveaway! In the next newsletter issue, we will share some photos and stories.

Community Art Show



We would love to be able to show your own original work! Have you been painting or writing in quarantine? Sharpening your photography skills? However you've been expressing yourself creatively, we'd love to see it. Send a scan or photos of your work to bookmobile@buffalolib.org or mail at:

Buffalo & Erie County Public Library
Bookmobile Department
1 Lafayette Square
Buffalo, NY 14203



ERIE COUNTY LEGISLATURE CHAIRWOMAN
APRIL N.M. BASKIN
presents
**THE BLACK DOLL
EXHIBIT**

Celebrating Black History through Fashion Dolls

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 25TH -
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*Featuring a Special Doll Showcase Tribute to
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Sudoku

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Spring Word Search



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NEST
MAY
BEES
MARCH
CHICK
FLOWERS

SEASON
SUNSHINE
GREEN
PICNIC
WARM
TULIP

BUNNY
BLOSSOM
RAINBOW
SEEDS
GARDEN
APRIL

KITES
BUTTERFLY
EGGS
EASTER
BIRDS
SPRING

Crossword Puzzle

SPRING

ACROSS

- 1 Third month of the year
- 6 Replace a striker
- 10 Abdominal muscles (abbr.)
- 13 Musical productions
- 15 Canal
- 16 Vase
- 17 Politeness
- 18 Part of a semester
- 19 Thirst quencher
- 20 Baby bed
- 22 Conditions of the sky and air
- 24 So we see
- 26 Due
- 28 Slime
- 29 Mined metals
- 30 Absent without leave
- 31 Hooked up
- 32 Evergreen tree
- 33 Blintz
- 34 MI
- 35 Renounce
- 37 Carnal
- 41 Attempt
- 42 Crimp
- 43 Nervous system
- 44 Peaks
- 47 Skein of cloth
- 48 Sleigh
- 49 Oxford
- 50 Jellystone's bear
- 51 Unfreeze
- 52 Top quality steak
- 54 Challenge
- 56 Wing
- 57 Stacked mattresses
- 59 Went boating
- 63 Peaked
- 64 Tub spread
- 65 Probably
- 66 Caustic substance
- 67 Swirl
- 68 Subject

SPRING

DOWN

- 1 Modern
- 2 Copy
- 3 Reverend (abbr.)
- 4 Herb with spring flowers
- 5 Head growth
- 6 Adjust
- 7 Embroidery yarn
- 8 Uttered
- 9 Torah table
- 10 Penman
- 11 Move rapidly
- 12 Trapped
- 14 ___ Lanka
- 21 Kind of knife
- 23 Grinds
- 24 Triad
- 25 Frau's husband
- 27 Aced
- 29 Disconnected
- 30 Alcoholic
- 31 Natural movement of air outdoors
- 33 Rods
- 34 Liquefy
- 36 Brace oneself
- 37 Compact
- 38 Ca. University
- 39 Afresh
- 40 Drug
- 42 Driving hazard
- 44 Attack violently
- 45 Frigid
- 46 Team spirit
- 47 Bound
- 48 Ruler
- 50 Output
- 51 Attribute
- 53 Double-reed instrument
- 55 American sign language
- 58 Legume
- 60 Downwind
- 61 Tree
- 62 Change color

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Crossword answers

SPRING

Solution:

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