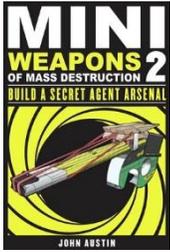
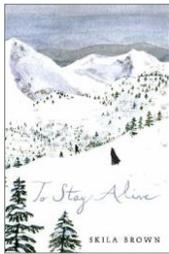


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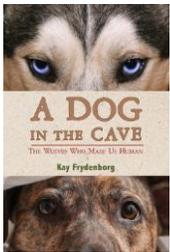
***Mini Weapons of Mass Destruction* series by John Austin (nonfiction)**

This humorous MacGyver-inspired tactical guide illustrates the full potential of everyday items and their potential to be transformed into a mini arsenal. Learn to build Shoelace Darts, a Clothespin Catapult, Penny Bombs, Airsoft Pen Poppers, Ping Pong Zookas, and more inexpensive Mini Weapons of Mass Destruction.



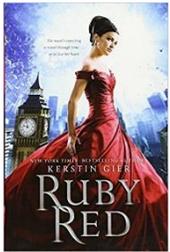
***To Stay Alive* by Skila Brown (historical fiction, verse)**

A young survivor of the infamous and tragic Donner Party of 1846 describes how her family and others became victims of freezing temperatures and starvation.



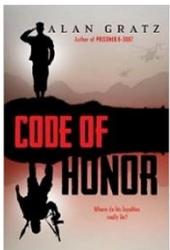
***A Dog in the Cave: The Wolves Who Made Us Human* by Kay Frydenborg (nonfiction, science)**

Explores the connection between dogs and humans from hunter-gatherer partners to modern-day pets, focusing on how humans have influenced dogs' evolution and raising new questions about the species' shared future.



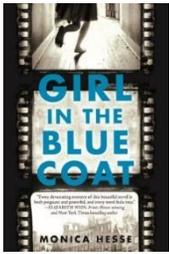
***Ruby Red* by Kerstin Gier (science fiction, time travel)**

Sixteen-year-old Gwyneth discovers that she, rather than her well-prepared cousin, carries a time-travel gene, and soon she is journeying with Gideon, who shares the gift, through historical London trying to discover whom they can trust.



***Code of Honor* by Alan Gratz (action/thriller, realistic)**

When Iranian-American Kamran Smith learns that his big brother, Darius, has been labeled a terrorist, he sets out to piece together the codes and clues that will save his brother's life and his country from a deadly terrorist attack.



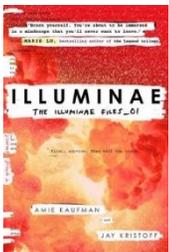
***The Girl in the Blue Coat* by Monica Hesse (historical fiction, WWII)**

In 1943 Nazi-occupied Amsterdam, teenage Hanneke--a 'finder' of black market goods--is tasked with finding a Jewish girl a customer had been hiding, who has seemingly vanished into thin air, and is pulled into a web of resistance activities and secrets as she attempts to solve the mystery and save the missing girl.



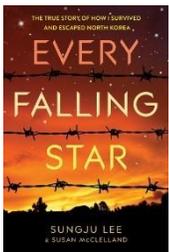
***Being Jazz: My Life as a (Transgender) Teen* by Jazz Jennings (memoir)**

Teen activist and trailblazer Jazz Jennings--named one of "The 25 most influential teens" of the year by Time--shares her very public transgender journey, as she inspires people to accept the differences in others while they embrace their own truths.



***Illuminae* by Amie Kaufman and Jay Kristoff (science fiction, action)**

The planet Kerenza is attacked, and Kady and Ezra find themselves on a space fleet fleeing the enemy, while their ship's artificial intelligence system and a deadly plague may be the end of them all.



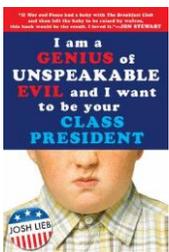
***Every Falling Star* by Sungju Lee (nonfiction, memoir)**

The intense memoir of a North Korean boy named Sungju who is forced at age twelve to live on the streets and fend for himself. To survive, Sungju creates a gang and lives by thieving, fighting, begging, and stealing rides on cargo trains. Sungju richly re-creates his story about life in a country where freedoms Americans take for granted do not exist.



***March* by John Lewis (graphic novel, nonfiction, memoir)**

Congressman John Lewis (GA-5) is an American icon, one of the key figures of the civil rights movement. *March* tells the story of Lewis' youth in rural Alabama, his life-changing meeting with Martin Luther King, Jr., the birth of the Nashville Student Movement, and their battle to tear down segregation through nonviolent lunch counter sit-ins, building to a stunning climax on the steps of City Hall.



***I Am a Genius of Unspeakable Evil and I Want to Be Your Class President* by Josh Lieb (humor)**

Omaha, Nebraska twelve-year-old Oliver Watson has everyone convinced that he is extremely stupid and lazy, but he is actually a very wealthy, evil genius, and when he decides to run for seventh-grade class president, nothing will stand in his way.



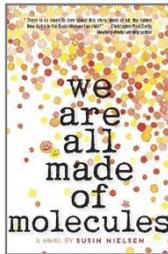
***Heaven Looks a Lot Like the Mall* by Wendy Mass (realistic fantasy, verse)**

When high school junior Tessa Reynolds falls into a coma after getting hit in the head during gym class, she experiences heaven as the mall where her parents work, and she revisits key events from her life, causing her to reevaluate herself and how she wants to live.



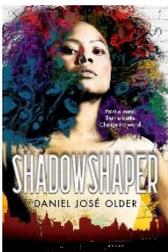
***The Haunting of Sunshine Girl* by Paige McKenzie (horror)**

From the moment Sunshine Griffith and her mother Kat arrive at their new home in Ridgemont, Washington, she feels her world darken with an eeriness she cannot place. When the ghost of a little girl appears in her house and her mother begins acting strange, Sunshine teams up with classmate Nolan to stop the haunting.



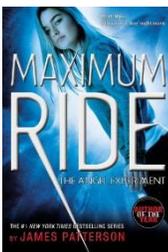
***We Are All Made of Molecules* by Susin Nielsen (realistic)**

Thirteen-year-old brilliant but socially-challenged Stewart and mean-girl Ashley must find common ground when, two years after Stewart's mother died, his father moves in with his new girlfriend--Ashley's mother, whose gay ex-husband lives in their guest house.



***Shadowshaper* by Daniel José Older (urban fantasy)**

When the murals painted on the walls of her Brooklyn neighborhood start to change and fade in front of her, Sierra Santiago realizes that something strange is going on. Then she discovers her Puerto Rican family are shadowshapers and finds herself in a battle with an evil anthropologist for the lives of her family and friends.



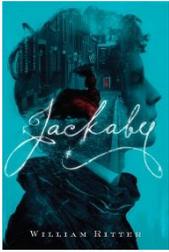
***Maximum Ride: The Angel Experiment* by James Patterson (science fiction, action)**

After the mutant Erasers abduct the youngest member of their group, the "birdkids," who are the result of genetic experimentation, take off in pursuit and find themselves struggling to understand their own origins and purpose.



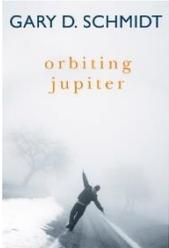
***I Am Princess X* by Cheri Priest (mystery)**

Years after writing stories about a superheroine character she created with a best friend who died in a tragic car accident, sixteen-year-old May is shocked to see stickers, patches, and graffiti images of the superheroine appearing around Seattle.



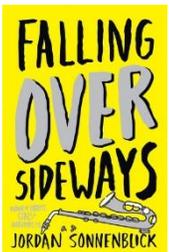
***Jackaby* by William Ritter (mystery, supernatural)**

Newly arrived in 1892 New England, Abigail Rook becomes assistant to R.F. Jackaby, an investigator of the unexplained with the ability to see supernatural beings, and she helps him delve into a case of serial murder which, Jackaby is convinced, is due to a nonhuman creature.



***Orbiting Jupiter* by Gary D. Schmidt (realistic)**

Jack, 12, tells the gripping story of Joseph, 14, who joins his family as a foster child. Damaged in prison, Joseph wants nothing more than to find his baby daughter, Jupiter, whom he has never seen. But just as Joseph begins to believe in the future, he is confronted by demons from his past.



***Falling Over Sideways* by Jordan Sonnenblick (realistic)**

Life is tough for eighth-grader Claire. Her dance friends have moved up a level without her, nobody listens to her at home, the mean girls at school are living up to their mean name, and there's a boy, Ryder, who's just as bad. Then, suddenly, while her dad is talking to her at the kitchen table, he falls over with a stroke. All Claire's old problems seem small as she must learn to cope with her dad's helpless and often embarrassing condition.

Geneva Public Library Summer Reading Program 2017

ADVENTURE by DESIGN

May 24-August 2

Reach your reading goals to earn prizes!

Incoming 7th and 8th graders: Sign up downstairs in the Youth Services department.

Incoming freshmen: Sign up upstairs in the Information and Reader Services department.

Middle and high school Summer Reading participants are invited to attend the Color Tag party on August 2 at the Library's property located at 210 S. Sixth Street. Students entering grades 6-8 will play at 2 p.m., and students entering grades 9-12 will play at 3 p.m.

