

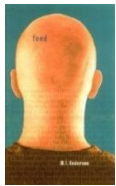
LIBRARY NOTES Vol. 2

Light Reading for the Summer Hammock or Beach Chair

Pleasurable, exciting, provocative, light, sweet, or unusual gems from our collection in the MS and Main Libraries. Come check out a title to read over the summer.

Science Fiction/Fantasy Titles

Anderson, M. T. *Feed*



In a future where most people have computer implants in their heads to control their environment, a boy meets an unusual girl who is in serious trouble.

Westerfeld, Scott *The Uglies trilogy*



Fifteen-year-old Tally's eerily harmonious, postapocalyptic society gives extreme makeovers to teens on their 16th birthdays, supposedly conferring equivalent evolutionary advantages to all. . . . teens will sink

their teeth into the provocative questions about invasive technology, image-obsessed society, and the ethical quandaries of a mole-turned-ally. Booklist

LeGuin, Ursula *Gifts, Voices or Power*



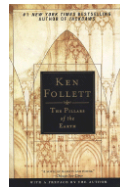
The year Memer was born, a foreign army overthrew her city's elected government, declared the written word demonic, and destroyed every book it could find. Seventeen years later, possession of books is still punishable by death, and Memer and her mentor, the Waylord, are the protectors of a hidden library and the intermediaries of an oracle within it. Le Guin's superior narrative voice and storytelling power make even small moments ring with truth, and often with beauty.—Beth Wright, Fletcher Free Library, Burlington, VT Copyright © Reed Business Information, a division of Reed Elsevier Inc. All rights reserved.

More Science Fiction/Fantasy Titles

Bradley, Marian Z.	The Mists of Avalon
DuPrau, Jeanne	The City of Ember
Eddings, David	The Belgariad trilogy
Rushdie, Salman	Haroun and the Sea of Stories
Stewart, Mary	The Crystal Cave trilogy

Historical Fiction

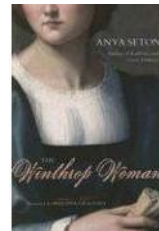
Follett, Ken



Pillars of the Earth

The ambitious prior of Kingsbridge, England, dreams of building the greatest Gothic cathedral in the world, and the struggle to construct it leads to a battle between good and evil in twelfth century England.

Seton, Anya



The Winthrop Woman: A Novel

Set in the early 17th century, this bestselling novel follows Elizabeth Winthrop, a courageous Puritan woman who finds herself at odds with her heritage and surroundings. A real historical figure, Elizabeth married into the family of Governor John Winthrop of the Massachusetts Bay Colony. In those times of hardship, famine, and Indian attacks, many believed that the only way to prosper was through the strong, bigoted, and theocratic government that John Winthrop favored. Defying the government and her family, Elizabeth befriends famous heretic Anne Hutchinson, challenges an army captain, and dares to love as her heart commanded. A powerful tale of fortitude, humiliation, and ultimate triumph.

More Historical Fiction Titles

Helprin, Mark	A Soldier of the Great War
Kalish, Mildred A.	Little Heathens: Hard Times and High Spirits on an Iowa Farm during the Great Depression
Kipling, Rudyard	Kim



Other

Bosse, Malcolm

Deep Dream of the Rain Forest



While on an expedition with his uncle in the jungles of Borneo in 1920, fifteen-year-old Harry Windsor is captured by Bayang, a young Iban tribesman, who believes that Harry has some power to help him and an outcast Iban girl on their dream quest.

Clements, Andrew ***Things Not Seen***



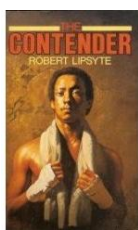
When fifteen-year-old Bobby wakes up and finds himself invisible, he and his parents and his new blind friend Alicia try to find out what caused his condition and how to reverse it.

Downing, Michael ***Breakfast with Scott***



An enlightened modern couple faces sudden parenthood--and the embarrassing truth about their own definitions of "normal"--in this hilarious and heartening novel chronicling a joy ride into the unknown.

Lipsyte, Robert ***The Contender***



Alfred's life is going nowhere fast. He's a high-school dropout working at a grocery store. His best friend is drifting behind a haze of drugs and violence, and now some street punks are harassing him for something he didn't do. Feeling powerless and afraid, Alfred gathers up the courage

to visit Donatelli's Gym, the neighborhood's boxing club. He wants to be a champion--on the streets and in his own life. Alfred doesn't quite understand when Mr. Donatelli tells him, "It's the climbing that makes the man. Getting to the top is an extra reward." In the end, he learns that a winner isn't necessarily the one standing when the fight is over. Teens and adults alike will be knocked out by this powerful story of how a frightened boy becomes a man.

More Books to Consider

Anderson, Laurie H. *Speak*

Bryson, Bill *A Short History of Nearly Everything*

Hearn, Lian ***Tales of the Otori trilogy***



The debut novel of Lian Hearn's Tales of the Otori series, *Across the Nightingale Floor*, is set in a feudal Japan on the edge of the imagination. The tale begins with young Takeo, a member of a subversive and persecuted religious

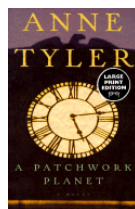
group, who returns home to find his village in flames. He is saved, not by coincidence, by the swords of Lord Otori Shigeru and thrust into a world of warlords, feuding clans, and political scheming. As Lord Otori's ward, he discovers he is a member by birth of the shadowy "Tribe," a mysterious group of assassins with supernatural abilities.

Other Books in series:

Grass for his Pillow
Brilliance of the moon: Scars of victory
The harsh cry of the heron

Tyler, Ann ***A Patchwork Planet***

Barnaby Gaitlin has been in trouble ever since adolescence. He had this habit of breaking into other people's houses. It wasn't the big loot he was after, like his teenage cohorts. It was just



that he liked to read other people's mail, pore over their family photo albums, and appropriate a few of their precious mementos. But for eleven years now, he's been working steadily for Rent-a-Back, renting his back to old folks and shut-ins who can't move their own porch furniture or bring the Christmas tree down from the attic. At last, his life seems to be on an even keel.

More Books . . .

Paul, Jim *Elsewhere in the Land of Parrots*

Cather, Willa *Death Comes to the Archbishop*

Green, John *Looking for Alaska*

Konigsburg, E. L. *Outcasts of 19 Schuyler Place*

Oates, Joyce Carol *Big Mouth and Ugly Girl*

Voltaire *Candide*

