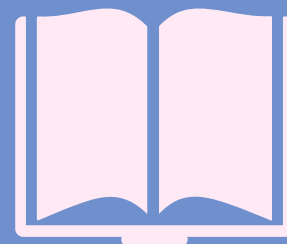


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GET TO KNOW MISS JESS

Position: Youth Services Librarian

How Long Have you worked here?: Since 2015

Hometown: Arlington, Vermont

Favourite Library Book: Just one?! My favorite book to read aloud is *Dragons Love Tacos* by Adam Rubin and Daniel Salmieri. One of my very favorite middle grade novels is *Wishtree* by Katherine Applegate.

Favourite Author: There are so many...Jacqueline Woodson, Kate DiCamillo, Mo Willems, Lynda Mullaly Hunt, Sharon Creech...I could go on all day!

Favourite Genre: Middle Grade Fiction

Favourite Colour: Children ask me this all the time, but I truly don't have a favorite color. Right now, I am a fan of green because it reminds me that spring is just around the corner!

What do you want the Patrons to know about you?: The library is my second home, and it makes me so happy to be able to share books and activities with the children in our community. When I'm not at the library, I love spending time with my family. I'm married to my best friend and have four kids, two golden retrievers, and way too many cats!

Favourite Story from working at the Library: I'm not sure if this is newsletter appropriate, but...I will never forget the year that enormous snake hibernated in the conference room behind the green screen. The fact that I didn't resign on the spot is a testament to how much I love my job!

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LIBRARY QUIZ

NOTE FROM THE
DIRECTOR



Why you think libraries are important: I have loved libraries since I was just a little girl visiting the Martha Canfield Library in Arlington, Vermont. Libraries have changed a lot since then, but I still get excited about being surrounded by so many books! Today's libraries are community centers that offer diverse collections and dynamic programming that extends beyond the walls of the library. I love bringing our library programs and materials to children in preschools, daycares, and after school programs as well as at our library story times and events. Connecting children with books and reading is definitely the most exciting part of my job!



ADULT BOOK REVIEWS!

WRITTEN BY BECKY WILLIAMS

On Hitler's Mountain

by Irmgard Hunt

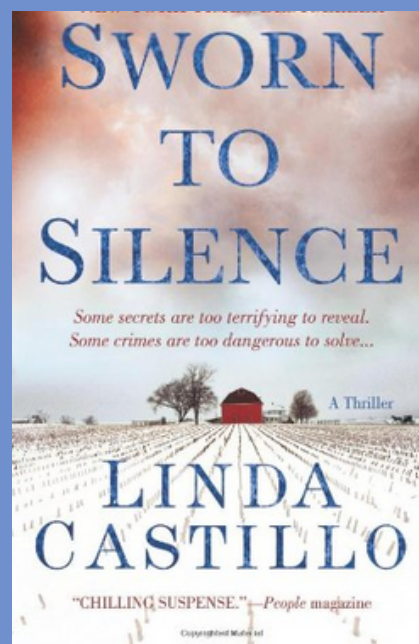
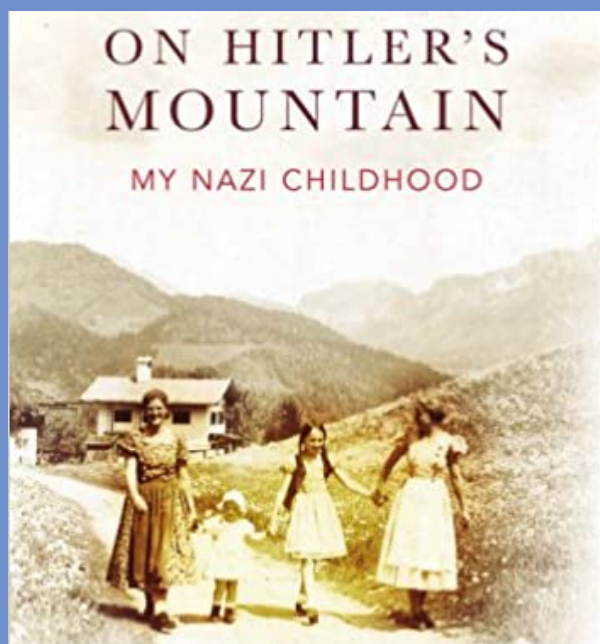
Writing of her life as an 11 year old living in the shadow of Hitler. Irmgard shares chilling moments of her childhood. Lives changed, lives lost, families destroyed. Hitler brought evil and hatred to a beautiful mountain region in Bavaria where he and many top-ranking Nazi's built their retreats. An interesting perspective, and insight, into what was.

Kate Burkholder Series

By Linda Castillo

No longer Amish, Chief of Police Kate Burkholder investigates terror and brutality in the sleepy rural town of Painters Mill, Ohio. Each book is a crime thriller delves into this secret society of the Amish, each book offers twists and turns at an amazing pace. You will be happy you were born English.

Sworn to Silence is the first book in this series. The Library has 2 copies of the newest book #12 in the series, entitled Outsider



A Note from the Director!

This year's Pandemic and its associated emergency closures have created much stress and confusion for our community. The Spalding Memorial Library has been reopened for services since May 25th. The library has adopted a number of policy and procedure changes to ensure the well-being and safety of its patrons and staff. While we have endeavored to notify patrons of any outstanding materials they may have, a number of materials remain overdue at this time.

The Library has recently decided to offer fine forgiveness for any materials that remain outstanding following the emergency closure. If you have overdue items from us, please return them by August 17th to take advantage of this forgiveness offer. All late fines on materials that have become overdue since the Pandemic closure will be forgiven. However, costs for materials that have been lost or destroyed will not be eligible for forgiveness, and patrons will be asked to pay for or replace those items.

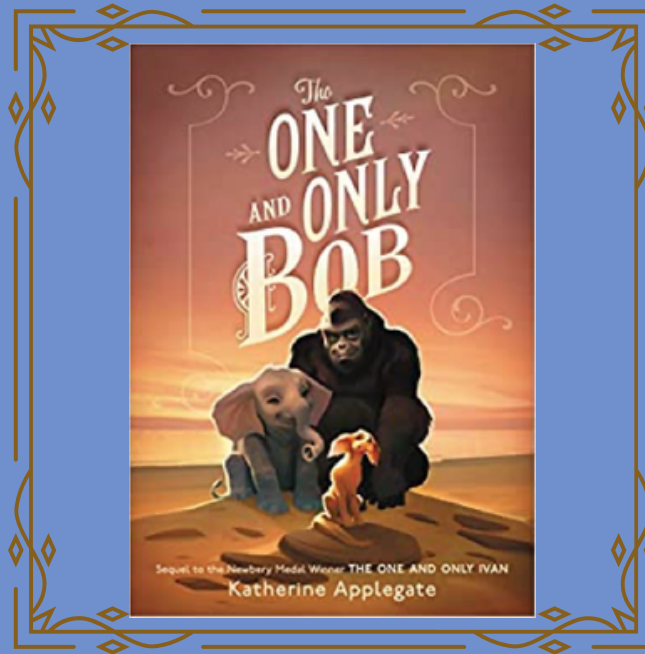
The library is hopeful that our patron families will take advantage of this offer. We have striven to adapt to the many changes brought on by this year's Pandemic. In addition to fine forgiveness, we have lowered the overdue fees for our DVDs from \$1.00/day to \$.25/day for the remainder of this year.

Among the recent changes at the library is the need to now "quarantine" items that patrons have returned to us. All items are subject to a 72-hour quarantine period. This means that items will remain on patrons' accounts for up to four days after they are returned to us. To accommodate this, we have built in a ten-day "grace period," during which no late fines will be accrued.

The Spalding Library is adapting our policies and services to best serve our community during this difficult time. We appreciate your support as we work to serve your library needs. Please contact the library at 570.888.7117 with any questions. The library is open by appointment and for curbside service, Monday – Thursday 12-3 pm & 4-7 pm, Friday & Saturday 12-3 pm.

Junior Fiction Book Review

Written By Jessica Wright White



The One and Only Bob

By Katherine Applegate

Don't miss this long-awaited sequel to the Newbery Award-winning *The One and Only Ivan*, which was inspired by the true story of the silverback gorilla who lived in a cage at a shopping mall. Ivan's best friend Bob, the wisecracking street dog, takes center stage in this new tale for middle grade readers. Bob is visiting his old friend Ivan at the zoo when a storm strikes and launches Bob on a dangerous journey full of adventure, humor, and heroism. This heartwarming story of friendship and family is a must-read!

Library Quiz!

1. When was the library built?
2. Who is the Director of the Library?
3. When is storytime?



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Library Hours

**Mon-Thurs 12-3pm
and 4-7 pm**

Fri 12pm-3pm

Saturday 12pm-3pm



Grab & Go Activity Bags

Each bag contains craft kits and coloring pages that relate to our virtual story time themes. Call the library at (570)888-7117 to reserve a bag for your child!

*If you need crayons and a gluestick, just let us know!