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The Library is located  
directly across from  
Town Hall.

### Winter Hours

Open for Browsing

Mon: 10 AM - 7 PM

Wed: 10 AM - 7 PM

Fri: 10 AM - 5 PM

Curbside Pickup

Tues: 10 AM - 7 PM

Thurs: 10 AM - 7 PM

The Library will be  
closed  
Monday, January 18th  
for Martin Luther  
King Jr. Day



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# Library Connections

## The Newsletter of Thayer Public Library

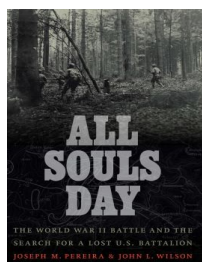
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## World War II Facts and Fiction

Join other history buffs and readers on **Tuesday January, 26th at 7:00 PM on Zoom** for WWII Facts & Fiction, a virtual evening of World War II history, trivia, and reading recommendations.

Featured author Joe Pereira will discuss the research for his new book, *All Souls Day: The World War II Battle and the Search for a Lost U.S. Battalion*; Trivia MC Christopher Griffin will challenge us with WWII trivia; and we will offer reading recommendations of WWII fiction and nonfiction.

Advance registration is required through the library's event calendar or by calling 781-848-0405 x4417. The Zoom webinar link will be sent to registered attendees the day before the event.



The book *All Souls Day: The World War II Battle and the Search for a Lost U.S. Battalion* is the story of a U.S. Army attack on three villages near the German-Belgium border, surprising the Germans who surrendered with little resistance. The German army regrouped and counterattacked. A brief but horrific battle ensued, and as the enemy pressed forward, the Americans retreated in haste, leaving behind their wounded and their dead. Discussion of this week-long conflict that began on All Souls Day, November 2, 1944, has been confined to officer training school, in part due to its heavy losses and ignominy.

After the war the U.S. Army returned to the battlefield to bring home its fallen. To its dismay it found that many of these men had vanished. The disappearances were puzzling and for decades the U.S. government searched unsuccessfully for clues. After poring over now-declassified battlefield reports and interviewing family members, the authors reconstruct a spellbinding story of love and sacrifice, honor and bravery, as well as a portrait of the gnawing pain of families not knowing what became of their loved ones.

## Peterson's Career Prep

Job hunting? Looking for a new career? Or do you want to brush up your resume "just in case?"

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CAREER PREP

With Peterson's Career Prep, a new resource now available at TPL, you'll find all the resources you need in one place! Find advice on resumes, cover letters, interviewing, and networking as well as personalized career assessments that focus on your interests, values, personality, and more.

This valuable resource includes comprehensive career information, including videos, articles, best practices, and downloadable worksheets. It also includes resume editing software with resume templates and cover letter samples.

Just click on the link on the Business and Career page of our website. And don't forget to check out all the other career resources while you are there!

# Quick Picks for Kids and Teens



Quick Picks are for kids and teens up to age 18 who don't have time to come in to the library and browse for books to read. Let us choose some books for you with our new Quick Picks Service!

This service is easy to use. Call or complete the Quick Pick form for your age group. Printed copies of the form are available at the library or you can fill out the online form. Library staff will choose books based on your choice of interests. When your books are ready for pick-up (curbside or in-person) you will be notified by email.

Kids can request Picture Books, Easy Readers, Chapter Books, and more! The staff will put together a selection of three to six books. The online Quick Picks form for Children's Books is on the Children's page of the website.

Teens can choose from Adventure, Dystopian/SciFi, Surprise Me!, Audiobooks, Graphic Novel/Manga, and more. The Teen Librarian will select two to four books for you based on your choices. The online Quick Picks form for Teens is on the Teen page of our website.

## Our Book Clubs Have Gone Virtual

### Join one of our Book Groups and meet other readers!

New readers are always welcome! Readers are invited to join any discussion that is of interest to them and participants are encouraged to suggest titles for future discussions. Print copies of book club selections are available at the Circulation Desk about one month before the meeting.

Book clubs will meet on Zoom and advance registration is required in order to receive the Zoom invitation, which will be sent out the day before the meeting. Please note that starting times and days may have changed due to the library's changing hours.

**Brown Bag Book Club** — This month's selection is *The Alice Network* by Kate Quinn. The meeting will be held via **Zoom, 12:00 to 1:00 PM on Wednesday, January 13th**. This title is available in print and on Hoopla.

**Second Tuesday Book Group** — This month's discussion is on *The Library at the Edge of the World* by Felicity Hayes McCoy on **Thursday, January 14th from 6:30 PM to 7:45 PM on Zoom**. Available in print and on Hoopla

**Virtual Cookbook Club** — Meets this month on **Tuesday, January 19th from 6:30 to 7:30 PM on Zoom**. Try out a recipe in advance of the meeting and take pictures; make a dish to share virtually at the meeting, or just browse through the recipes and tell us which ones you might try in the future. It's up to you! The Main Selection is *Myers + Chang At Home* by Joanne Chang, available in print and on Hoopla. The Alternate Selection is *Baking with Less Sugar* by Joanne Chang, also available in print and on Hoopla.

**Nonfiction Book Club** — This month's selection is *Lincoln's Lie: A True Civil War Capers Through Fake News, Wall Street, and the White House* by Elizabeth Mitchell. The meeting will be on **Monday, January 25th at 6:30 PM on Zoom**.

**The Reader's Group** — This month's book is *Unorthodox: The Scandalous Rejection of My Hasidic Roots* by Deborah Feldman. The Reader's Group will meet on **Thursday, January 28th at 6:30 PM on Zoom**. This title is available in print and on Overdrive.

