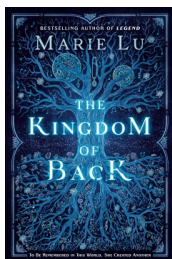


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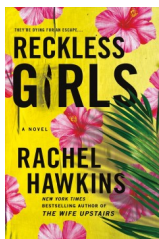


### The Kingdom of Back

by Marie Lu

Forbidden by 18th-century restrictions to pursue her dream of becoming a composer, the musically gifted older sister of Wolfgang Mozart risks everything she cares about by accepting an irresistible offer from a mysterious stranger.

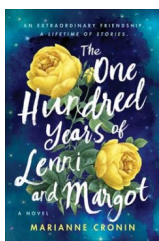
## Staff Picks!



### Reckless girls

by Rachel Hawkins

When they arrive at Meroe Island, a remote island paradise in the South Pacific despite a mysterious history of shipwrecks, cannibalism and murder, six people find their dream vacation turning into a nightmare when history starts repeating itself.



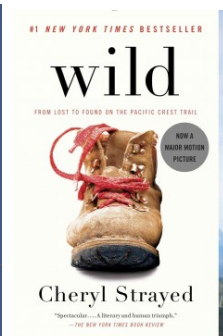
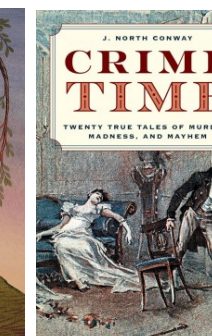
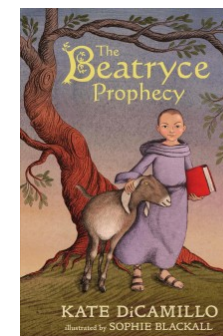
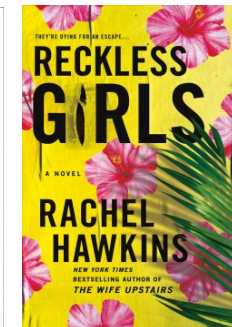
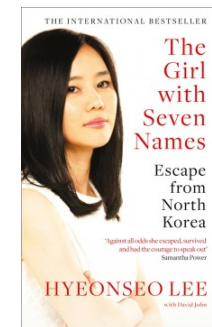
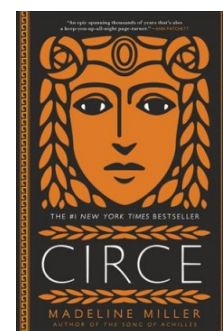
### The one hundred years of Lenni and Margot

by Marianne Cronin

Determined to leave a mark on the world even though they are in the hospital and their days are dwindling, unlikely friends, 17-year-old Lenni and 83-year-old Margot, devise a plan to create 100 paintings showcasing the stories of the century they have lived.



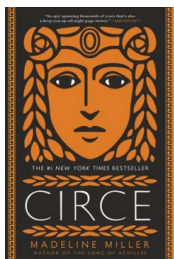
## January 2022 Book Club Picks



### Newton Public Library

100 N 3rd Ave W.  
Newton, Iowa 50208  
641-792-4108  
[www.newtongov.org/90/Library](http://www.newtongov.org/90/Library)

## Join a Library Book Club!

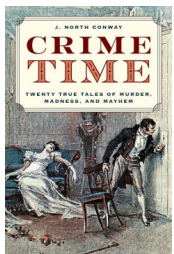


**Readers Rendezvous, January 19 | 1:00 p.m.**

### **Circe : a novel**

by Madeline Miller

The daughter of Titans clashes with one of the most vengeful Olympians, forcing her to choose between the worlds of the gods and mortals.



**Gory Stories, February 7 | 12:00 p.m.**

Do you love true crime? Bring your lunch and join other true crime addicts to share our favorite podcasts, documentaries, books, and more!

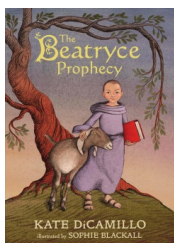
## From the Youth Librarian's Desk



### **Show me a sign**

by Ann Clare LeZotte

The Deaf librarian and author of T4 draws on the true history of a thriving 19th-century Deaf community on Martha's Vineyard in the story of a girl whose proud lineage is threatened by land disputes with the Wampanoag and a ruthlessly ambitious scientist.



### **The Beatryce prophecy**

by Kate DiCamillo

Beatryce, the key to a prophecy, ventures into a dark wood in search of the castle of the one who wants her dead, knowing that if she loses her way, those who love her will never stop searching for her.

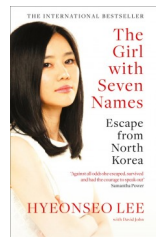
## What Book Clubs are Reading Now...



### **Stars over Clear Lake**

by Loretta Ellsworth

Returning for the first time in decades to a big band ballroom where World War II soldiers and their loved ones shared final hours of romance before deployment, Lorraine reflects on a fateful encounter in her past that forced her to choose between her heart and duty.



### **The girl with seven names : a North Korean defector's story**

by Hyeonseo Lee

The author details her escape from North Korea in 1997 at the age of seventeen, her return twelve years later in an effort to bring her mother and brother to South Korea, and her efforts as an activist on the international stage.



### **The light we lost**

by Jill Santopolo

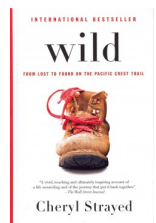
A New York career woman faces a life-altering choice a year after agreeing with a fellow Columbia graduate that they will pursue meaningful lives through each other before he is assigned to do photojournalism in the Middle East, launching a 13-year journey of dreams, betrayals and love.



### **The room on Rue Amélie**

by Kristin Harmel

An American newlywed whose romantic dreams are shattered by the realities of war, an 11-year-old Jewish girl witnessing the horrors of mass deportations and a British Royal Air Force soldier who wonders if he is making a difference are brought together by fate and loss in Nazi-occupied Paris, where together they find the courage to survive.



### **Wild : from lost to found on the Pacific Crest Trail**

by Cheryl Strayed

Traces the personal crisis the author endured after the death of her mother and a painful divorce, which prompted her ambition to undertake a dangerous thousand-mile solo hike that both drove her to rock bottom and helped her to heal.