



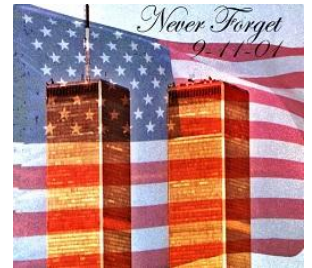
Bits and Bytes

a newsletter for
September 2016

Bell Memorial Public Library
Mentone, Indiana

Remembering 9/11

It's been 15 years since the attack on our towers of the World Trade Center in New York City and the Pentagon in Washington, DC. We won't forget. Make sure our kids learn about this bit of our history as well.



OS 973.931 LEV A nation challenged: a visual history of 9/11 and its aftermath

DVD 9/11

Contractor Needed – Remodeling the Bell-X Room

We need some help with a small remodeling project. Local contractors are invited to submit proposals for the work that needs to be done.

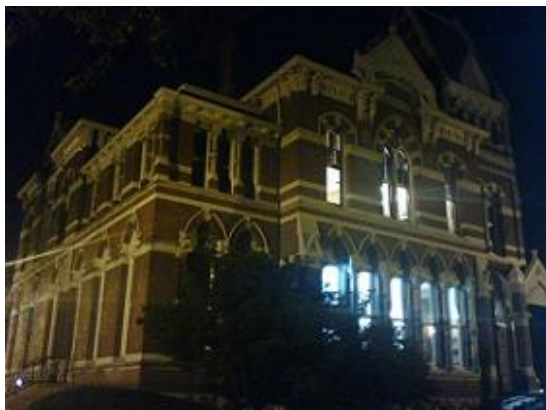
The overall goal of the project is to update the current community room, called the Bell-X room, into a more usable space for use as a Young Adult library area. The project will include, but is not necessarily limited to, the following:

- Rework the existing fire suppression system (sprinkler heads) from facing up toward the current ceiling to pointing down and locating the heads into a new suspended ceiling.
- Install a new suspended ceiling.
- Install new light fixtures into the suspended ceiling
- Rework the existing HVAC in the area. Room has no thermostat. Current rooftop unit serves approximately seven (7) areas and excess air is currently discharged into this area. Return air is direct to the rooftop unit. Return air ductwork will be required to be installed. Alternatives to this section of the plan is welcome.
- Some painting/re-painting will be required.



More information, photos of the room and contractor qualifications will be forthcoming. For information regarding this project, please contact Stephen Boggs, Library Director at (574) 353-7234 or by e-mail at sboggs@bell.lib.in.us

Library Hauntings



Willard Library – Evansville, Indiana



Yummy Tomato Sauce from Scratch

Step 1: Score --Big-flavored tomatoes translate to a robust and rich sauce. We like the plum variety because they taste great year round. During tomato season you can easily substitute other varieties -- just be sure they're ripe.

To get started, bring a pot of water to a boil in preparation for step 3 (blanching). While you're waiting for the water to boil, cut a 1-inch X in the bottom of the tomatoes. This will make their skins easier to remove.

Step 2: Blanch --After boiling tomatoes for 30 seconds to one minute, quickly remove each with a slotted spoon. Plunge tomatoes in a bowl of ice water for one minute to stop the cooking process.

“The story of the gray lady began in 1937 when a janitor reported seeing a floating apparition of a woman in the boiler room...Over 1000 sightings have been recorded since 1937; mostly visual in nature. However, according to Maer MacKay of The Willard Library Ghost Chatters, they have also uncovered the existence of the spirit of a male child in the basement children’s reading room. The manifestations in this area range from levitating books, to orbs of light, to being touched and having one’s hair stroked.”

https://www.buzzfeed.com/harpercollins/the-10-most-haunted-libraries-in-america-9npd?utm_term=.wsWM7KJZy#.fgL5KwYPV

Step 3: Peel and Chop --Remove the tomatoes from the water, and peel back the flaps from the X; the skin will be easy to remove. You can also use this method for peeling stone fruits like peaches and plums. Finely chop the tomatoes reserving all the juices.

Step 4: Sauté Garlic --Heat extra-virgin olive oil in a large skillet over medium heat. Add garlic, and cook just until it begins to brown lightly, taking care not to burn it.

Step 5: Combine --Add the tomatoes and reserved juices, and cook until almost all the liquid evaporates. Finish cooking the pasta with the sauce in a skillet large enough to combine the two and allow for tossing. Add enough of the pasta cooking water to the sauce to give the dish a creamy texture and marry the sauce to the pasta.

<http://www.cookinglight.com/cooking-101/techniques/ten-classic-cooking-techniques/print?print>

A very small selection of our newest DVD titles



Two titans of justice Batman/Bruce Wayne and Superman/Clark Kent, meet in the most anticipated showdown of our time. Fearing a godlike superhero unchecked, Gotham City's formidable vigilante takes on Metropolis' revered savior while the world wrestles with what sort of hero it really needs. But as Batman and Superman go to war, a separate danger arises, one that may threaten all of humanity.



The love story between a father and daughter living in New York City 25 years apart. The story moves back and forth between the 1980s where Jake Davis, a Pulitzer-winning novelist and widower, struggles with mental illness as he tries to raise his 5-year-old daughter, Katie, and 30-year-old Katie's life in present-day Manhattan where she battles the demons that stem from her troubled childhood.

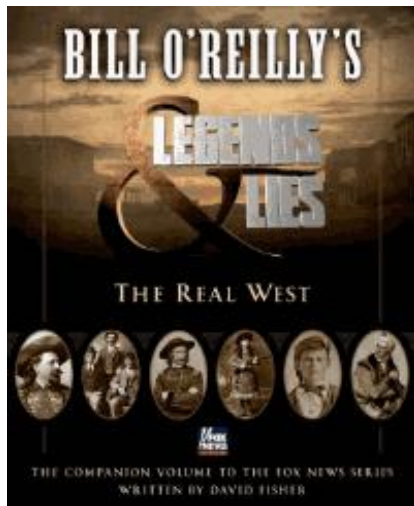


Michelle Darnell, an industry titan is sent to prison for insider trading. After doing her time, Michelle emerges, ready to rebrand herself as America's latest sweetheart, but not everyone she steamrolled is so quick to forgive and forget. With nowhere to go and no one to scam, Michelle is forced to move in with former assistant Claire and her young daughter, Rachel. Now at her lowest point, Michelle wastes no time in devising a winner-take-all plan to rebuild her empire. Can she regain her status as the No. 1 screw, or will the love of one family screw her for good?

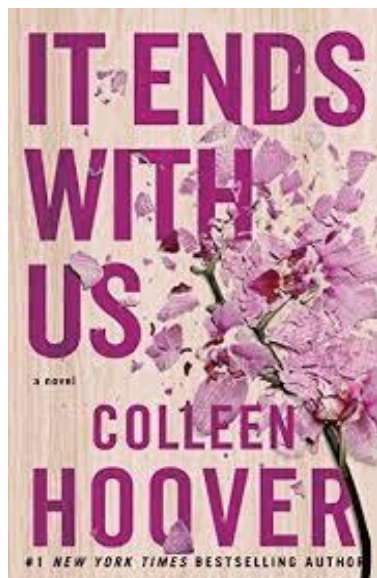
A Small Selection of our Newest Books



A science-fiction thriller, in which an ordinary man is kidnapped, knocked unconscious--and awakens in a world inexplicably different from the reality he thought he knew.

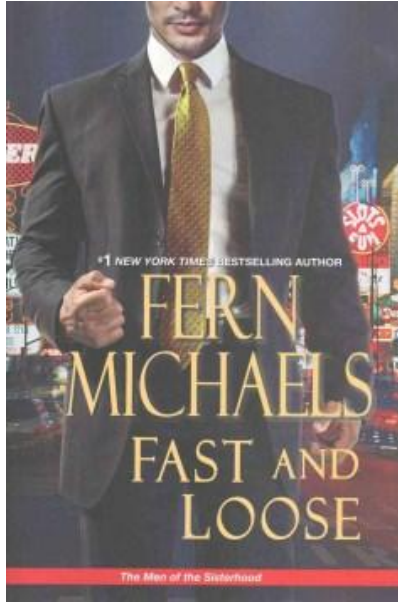


Examines several western legends, discussing what really happened at the time, including Davy Crockett, who the Lone Ranger television character was based on, Butch Cassidy and the Sundance Kid's death and more.

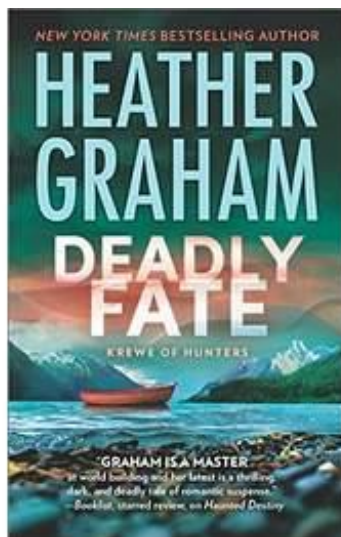


"The newest, highly anticipated novel from beloved #1 New York Times bestselling author, Colleen Hoover. Sometimes it is the one who loves you who hurts you the most. Lily hasn't always had it easy, but that's never stopped her from working hard for the life she wants. She's come a long way from the small town in Maine where she grew up--she graduated from college, moved to Boston, and started her own business. So when she feels a spark with a gorgeous neurosurgeon named Ryle Kincaid, everything in Lily's life suddenly seems almost too good to be true.

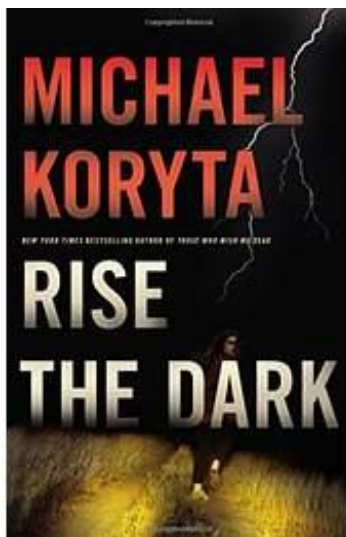
A Small Selection of our Newest Books Continued



The Sisterhood: a group of women bound by friendship and a quest for justice. Now their male allies, the Men of the Sisterhood, have formed a top-secret organization of their own, with the same goal of helping the helpless and righting the wrongs of the world...

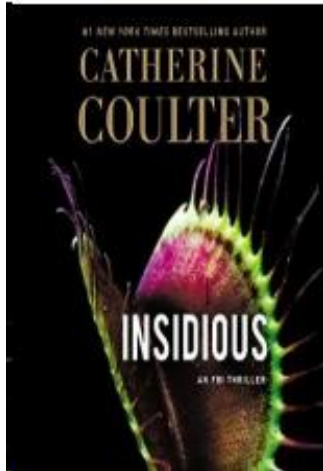


When Clara Avery, an entertainer working on the Fate, an Alaskan cruise ship, goes to nearby Bear Island, she comes across a scene of bloody mayhem. She also comes across Thor Erikson, who will soon be a member of the FBI's elite paranormal unit, the Krewe of Hunters.



Rise the dark. These were the last words written in Lauren Novak's notebook before she was murdered in a strange Florida village. They've never meant anything to the police or to her husband, investigator Markus Novak. Now the man he believes killed her is out of prison, and draws Markus to the place he's avoided for so long: the lonely road where his wife was shot to death beneath the cypress trees and Spanish moss in a town called Cassadaga.

Enjoy Our Newest Books On CD...though we have more than these!



Insidious is the twentieth thriller in #1 New York Times bestselling author Catherine Coulter's FBI series. FBI agents Savich and Sherlock must discover who is trying to murder Venus Rasmussen, a powerful, wealthy society icon. They soon find out that the danger may be closer than expected.

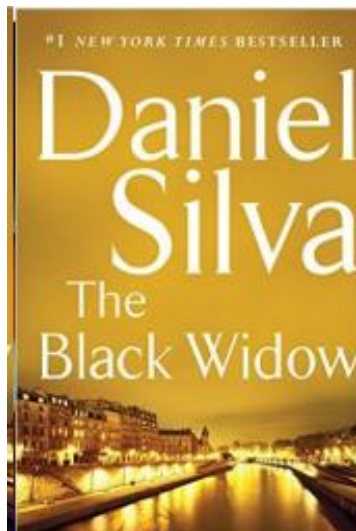


St. Peter's Square, Rome.

White smoke signals that a new Pope has been chosen.

Is it possible that the new Pope...is a woman?

The world is watching as massive crowds gather in Rome, waiting for news of a new pope, one who promises to be unlike any other in history. It's a turning point that may change the Church forever. Some followers are ecstatic that the movement reinvigorating the Church is about to reach the Vatican, but the leading candidate has made a legion of powerful enemies who aren't afraid to kill for their cause.



Gabriel Allon, the art restorer, spy, and assassin described as the most compelling fictional creation "since Ian Fleming put down his martini and invented James Bond" (Rocky Mountain News), is poised to become the chief of Israel's secret intelligence service. But on the eve of his promotion, events conspire to lure him into the field for one final operation. ISIS has detonated a massive bomb in the Marais district of Paris, and a desperate French government wants Gabriel to eliminate the man responsible before he can strike again.

Pesky, Poky Old Computers

You know the frustration of a computer that keeps getting slower and slower every year. There are ways you can keep the speed up on an old computer, but eventually the hardware is going to get too outdated to run the latest software you need.

In the past, that's the point where you'd just go buy a new computer; I've talked before about how to know you've reached that point. However, it's now become easier to give your old computer a second lease on life, or turn it into a usable computer for a friend or relative. All you need is one simple thing.

I'm talking about the operating system. And, I don't just mean that you should upgrade to Windows 10. While Windows 10 does run a lot better than past versions of Windows on low-powered hardware, it doesn't play nicely with your old hardware. To avoid this problem, you'll need to update to an operating system that isn't Windows.



Many people like using Linux for this purpose. Linux is a free, secure operating system that comes in a lot of versions, from full Windows replacements.

<https://www.komando.com/columns/352106/one-free-step-to-make-an-aging-computer-run-like-new?auth=checked>

Resume tips to win the system's love

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When you search Google for information, your success in finding what you want depends on typing in the most appropriate words. So it goes when employers search for job candidates.

Most large and midsize employers use applicant tracking systems — software applications that cull applications for a posted position. The systems make cuts by matching words in resumes to the same keywords posted in the job descriptions.

Industry experts estimate that automated cuts often dump three-fourths of applications before human hirers know they're there. That's a huge reason you must tailor your resume to each job for which you apply.

Job hunters understandably get frustrated when they believe they're perfect for a job but fall into a cyberspace black hole. It's absolutely true that terrific matches are missed by computer scans, so read these tips to improve your odds.

If a job description says “work experience” is required, use those exact words in your resume. Don't expect the tracking system to know that “career experience” or “work history” means the same thing.

Research multiple job postings by the organization to find the keywords used most often. Look for the LinkedIn profiles of people who hold the position you want or of people who work in that organization. What words do they use?

Most tracking systems weigh keywords. If you have more “high quality” keywords, the system will award you a higher score and your resume is likelier to reach human eyes. Weights vary by organization. Some online services, such as Jobscan, market themselves as a way to win over the “resume robot” by analyzing your

resume compared to the job description.

Make sure your social media profiles include keywords that might help your job search. Some employers also use social media recruiting software that trolls the internet for candidates.

Don't use abbreviations that the tracking system might not be programmed to recognize. Spell out words. And spell correctly.

Don't submit resumes as PDFs. Don't use tables or graphics. Don't use unusual typefaces. Any of those can cause your resume to be ignored or misread.

Unlike human readers, applicant tracking systems won't dump your resume because it's "too long." If you feel that you can't squeeze your relevant experience on the usually recommended one or two pages, go longer.

An aside: Most newer tracking systems aren't fooled by a trick that used to work. In earlier versions, applicants could aim for a higher ranking by hiding multiple keywords in their documents, using white text that human eyes couldn't see but that the software could read. Not likely anymore.

<http://www.kansascity.com/news/business/workplace/article92335577.html>