

Between the Covers at Covered Treasures Bookstore

Exciting new fiction in paperback

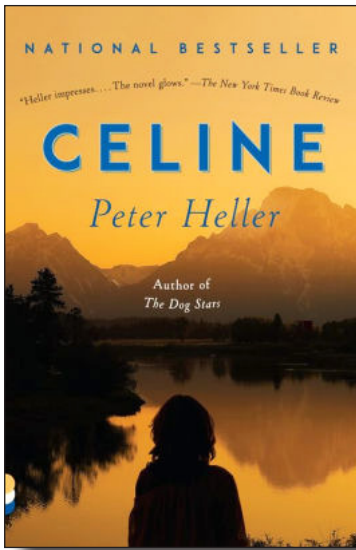
By the staff at Covered Treasures
"Reading is to the mind what exercise is to the body."—Joseph Addison

Exercise your mind with exciting new fiction recently out in paperback.

Celine

By Peter Heller
 (Vintage) \$16

Local best-selling author Peter Heller has written a book based on his mother, her husband, and their real adventures in tracking down missing persons nobody else can find. Celine is not your typical private eye. Her background and her methods are unconventional but extremely successful. When a young woman employs her expertise, what was meant to be Celine's last case becomes a scavenger hunt through her own memories, the secrets there, and the surprising redemptions. Celine and her partner follow a 20-year trail gone cold but soon realize that somebody desperately wants to keep this case closed.

**Beneath the Mountain**

By Luca D'Andrea (Harper Paperbacks) \$16.99

New York City native Jeremiah Salinger was once one-half of a hotshot documentary-making team. But now Salinger's left that all behind to move with his wife

and young daughter to the small mountain community in the majestic Italian Dolomites where his wife grew up, a close-knit community that does not take kindly to out-of-towners. As Salinger works to solve a 30-year-old crime, he unearths the long-kept secrets of this small town and the terrifying truth eventually revealed about the crime that marked an entire village.

The Perfect Nanny

By Leila Slimani (Penguin Books) \$16

When Myriam, a French-Moroccan lawyer, decides to return to work after having children, she and her husband look for the perfect nanny. They never dreamed they would find Louise: a quiet, polite, devoted woman who sings to the children, cleans their chic Paris apartment, stays late without complaint, and hosts enviable kiddie parties. But as the couple and the nanny become more dependent on one another, jealousy, resentment, and suspicions mount, shattering the idyllic tableau.

Midnight at the Bright Ideas Bookstore

By Matthew Sullivan (Scribner Book Co.) \$17

When bookshop patron Joey Molina kills himself, his favorite store clerk, Lydia, must unravel the puzzle he left behind. Lydia has been bequeathed his worldly possessions. But when she flips through his books, they seem to contain a hidden message. As Lydia untangles the mystery, she unearths a long-buried memory. Those details begin to circle back. Her distant father returns along with a local cop and a murderer who came into Lydia's life long ago and never completely left.

Find Me

By J.S. Monroe (Park Row) \$15.99

Five years ago, brilliant Cambridge student Rosa jumped off a pier in the dead of night. Her death was

ruled a suicide. Rosa's boyfriend is obsessed with proving that she is still alive. And then he gets an email. "Find me, Jar. Find me, before they do..." As Jar digs into the past, he is thrust into the heart of a larger intrigue that may finally shed some light on Rosa's death, even as it dangerously threatens his own life.

The Girl in Green

By Derek Miller (Mariner Books), \$14.99

One hundred miles from the Kuwaiti border, British journalist Thomas Benton meets American Private Arwood Hobbes. The two become embroiled in a horrific attack in which a young local girl in a green dress is killed as they are trying to protect her. Twenty-two years later, in another place, in another war, they meet again as changed men. Time, politics, or maybe fate is now offering an unlikely opportunity to redeem themselves when that same girl in green is found alive and in need of salvation. Or is she?

Where the Line Bleeds

By Jesmyn Ward (Scribner Book Co.) \$15

Written by the author of the bestseller *Sing, Unburied, Sing*, the story centers around twins Joshua and Christophe and the different paths they take as they wrestle with adulthood in a small Southern town, raised by a blind grandmother and a large extended family. It is a closely observed portrait of fraternal love and strife, the relentless grind of poverty, the toll of addiction on a family, and the bonds that can sustain or torment us.

"A book is a dream you hold in your hands."

—Neil Gaiman

Enjoy some great new fiction, and, until next month, happy reading.

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February Library Events

Learn about the health benefits of chocolate and about Chinese New Year customs

By Harriet Halbig

The library will offer a variety of opportunities to try something new in February. Teens are invited to learn about Chinese New Year foods and customs, and adults are invited to take a drawing class from members of the Palmer Lake Art Group or create spa items for gifts or personal use.

All patrons ages 18 and up are also encouraged to register in the Winter Adult Reading Program. The program runs until March 14. After reading four books, patrons receive a Rocky Mountain Chocolate Factory chocolate bar and a bag of cheese popcorn. If you read eight books by March 14, you will also receive a handsome coffee mug. There will also be drawings for gift baskets and the grand prize of a Samsung Galaxy Tablet.

Family programs

The Fun for the Family program from 2:30 to 3:30 on Saturday, Feb. 10 will be Prince and Princess Day. All subjects are welcome to dress up as princes, princesses, or any other creature of the realm to partake of marshmallow castle building.

The Lego Build Club will meet from 10 to 11:30 on Saturday, Feb. 17. Build to your heart's content with other enthusiasts.

Teen programs

The Monument Teen Creative Writing Group will meet in the study room from 6 to 7:30 on Tuesday, Feb. 6. This group for grades 6 to 12 offers the opportunity to meet fellow writers, share ideas, do writing exercises, and enjoy tasty snacks.

Teens are welcome to participate in an intergenerational knitting group, which will meet from 3 to 4:30 on Wednesday, Feb. 7 and 14. Practice materials are provided, but attendees are encouraged to bring their own projects. Some instruction provided to those new to the craft.

Free math tutoring is offered every Monday from 3:30 to 7 in the Monument meeting and study rooms. The Aftermath program pairs students with experienced adult tutors. The program is offered throughout the school year, following the D-38 calendar and

is open to students at all levels. There will be no Aftermath on Feb. 19 as the library will be closed for Presidents Day.

There will be a program for teens from 4 to 5 on Friday, Feb. 9 to celebrate the upcoming Chinese New Year. It's the Year of the Dog! Join us to make Chinese paper lanterns, try your hand at calligraphy, eat Chinese snacks, and learn about the holiday. Reservations are recommended.

The Monument Library Anime Club will meet from 5 to 6:30 on Thursday, Feb. 22. Share your enthusiasm for anime with others, enjoy snacks, and help shape the anime club for future months. You can help decide what to watch—nothing rated above TV-14. This program is recommended for those 13-14 and up.

The Teen Arts and Crafts Studio for February is Mug Meals and Sharpie Mugs. The program from 4 to 5:30 on Wednesday, Feb. 28 will demonstrate cooking delicious mug meals in the microwave and decorating your own mug with Sharpies (to be baked in the oven to seal the design when you get home).

Adult programs

See above section for description of intergenerational knitting

Come to the library from 6:30 to 7:30 on Wednesday, Feb. 7 to hear Nutritional Health Coach Ginnie Stowe tell how you can use chocolate to enhance your health. Chocolate-dipped strawberries will be served! Registration is required at 488-2370.

The Second Thursday Craft for February is Self-Care. Come to the library from 2 to 4 on Thursday, Feb. 8 to make bath bombs, body scrubs, and more to pamper yourself or someone else. Registration is required and opens a week before the craft.

The Monumental Bookworms book club will meet from 7 to 8:30 on Tuesday, Feb. 13 to discuss *The Zookeeper's Wife* by Diane Ackerman. This book group, sponsored by the Tri-Lakes Friends of the Library, is open to all. No registration necessary.

Have you wanted to try your hand at drawing? Members of the Palmer Lake Art Group will teach be-

ginning and intermediate drawing classes beginning on Thursday, Feb. 15 from 1 to 3. Some supplies will be provided, but please bring paper, pencil, and erasers if you have them. Space is limited and registration is required. Open to ages 18 and up.

The Monumental Readers will meet from 10 to noon on Friday, Feb. 16 to discuss *Extraordinary Women of the Rocky Mountain West* by the Pikes Peak Library District (PPLD). All patrons are welcome to attend this monthly book group.

Do you love photography? Maker-in-Residence Charlie Mussi will offer a fun, free class perfect for anyone seeking to find or share tips and techniques and engage in digital photography discussions. We will also learn more about the photography resources at PPLD. All adults are welcome, including beginners. Bring any camera or phone camera that you choose, but a camera is not necessary. All other supplies will be provided. The program will be from 2 to 4:30 on Friday, Feb. 16. Registration is required.

Art work on the walls and in the display case during February will be provided by students of Lewis-Palmer High School.

Palmer Lake Library events

The Palmer Lake Book Group meets at 9 a.m. on the first Friday of each month. The selection for March 2 is *Commonwealth* by Ann Patchett. All patrons are welcome to attend.

February's Family Fun program on Saturday, Feb. 17 at 10:30 is The Party People: Imagination Magic. Enjoy this action-packed trip to a place where all secrets are kept—the place where you are limited only by your imagination—the library!

Palmer Lake Story Times are at 10:30 on Wednesdays, and Toddler Time is at 10:30 on Saturdays.

Please note that all PPLD facilities will be closed on Feb. 19 for Presidents Day.

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