

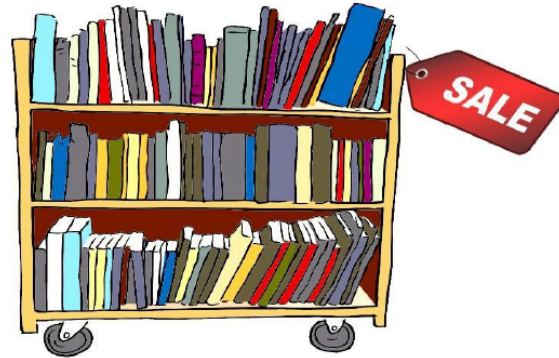


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Countdown to the Summer Book Sale! Donations have been rolling in with many wonderful books, puzzles and games for the upcoming sale. Be sure to stop by this Saturday to take advantage of our great selection!



Spring Into Summer!

at the McClatchy Friends

Book Sale

Saturday, June 6
11 am - 3 pm

Ella K. McClatchy Library

Books, Books, Lotsa Books!

Puzzles, CDs, DVDs, Games, and more!

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(Between U & V Streets)



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SUNROOM SELECTIONS

By Alex Ives

Here's the deal:

The Friends will highlight a small number of books we think are interesting, and they will be on a special shelf in the **Sunroom Bookstore** at the **McClatchy Library**. We won't put them out until the day the newsletter (which you are reading now) has been sent. When they're gone, they're gone. Here are the selections:

RELIGION: [The Tibetan Book of Living and Dying](#) by Sogyal Rinpoche

So, you wanted to know about everything? This pretty much covers it. *The Tibetan Book of Living and Dying*, written by Sogyal Rinpoche, is the ultimate introduction to Tibetan Buddhist wisdom. An enlightening, inspiring, and comforting manual for life and death that the *New York Times* calls, "The Tibetan equivalent of [Dante's] *The Divine Comedy*," this is the essential work that moved Huston Smith, author of *The World's Religions*, to proclaim, "I have encountered no book on the interplay of life and death that is more comprehensive, practical, and wise."

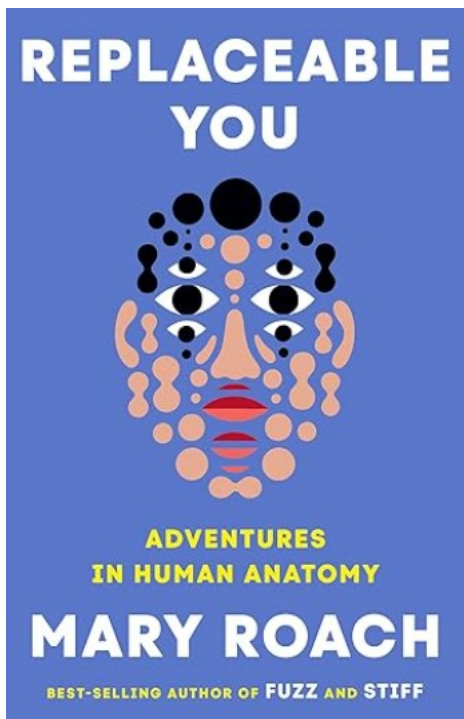
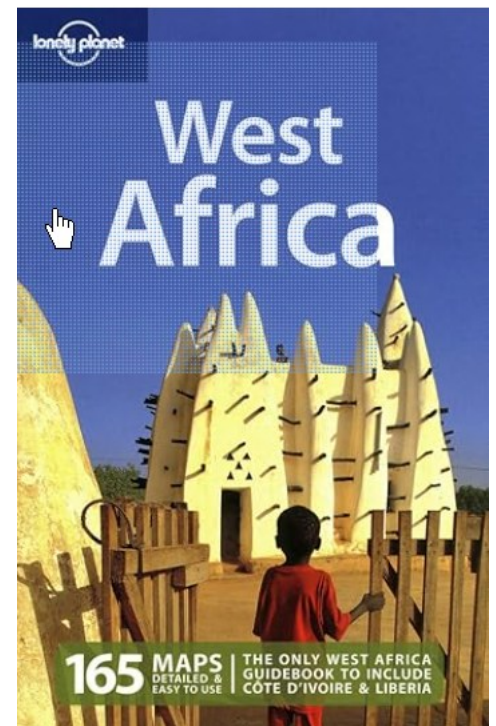
TRAVEL: [West Africa](#), from Lonely Planet.

This is a pretty old edition, so prices are way out of date, but if you want to get the flavor of an area, this is the book. With fascinating issues about why you shouldn't dry your clothes in fresh air, but bake them in a dryer, (worm larvae) visiting a place where gonna cloth is woven and dyed (take kola nuts to show your appreciation) traveling by pickup truck, bush taxi with eight people in a Peugeot 504, unless you buy an extra seat. Lots more fun information.

MENTAL HEALTH: [Jung on Mythology](#) by CJ Jung and Robert A Segal (ed.).

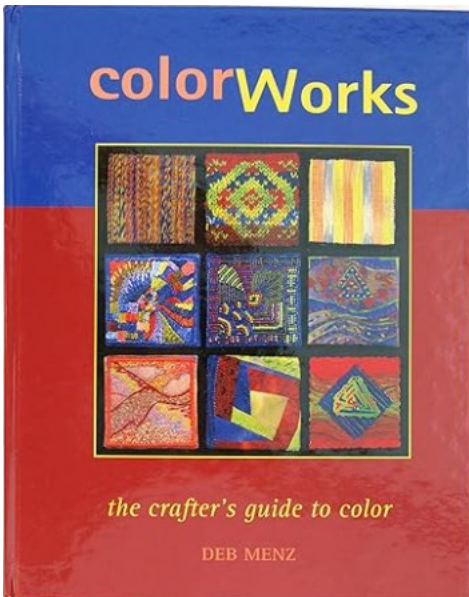
Jung has an enormous body of work. This rather slim book goes into his theories of mythology. At least three major questions can be asked of myth: what is its subject matter? what is its origin? and what is its function? Theories of myth may differ on the answers they give to any of these questions, but more basically they may also differ on which of the questions they ask. C. G. Jung's theory is one of the few that purports to answer fully all three questions. This volume collects and organizes the key passages on myth by Jung himself and by some of the most prominent Jungian writers after him: Erich Neumann, Marie-Louise von Franz, and James Hillman. The book synthesizes the discovery of myth as a way of thinking, where it becomes a therapeutic tool providing an entrance to the unconscious.

HEALTH: [Replaceable You: Adventures in Human Anatomy](#) by Mary Roach. Things like finger transplants, elective amputations, fascinating stories of iron lungs, and other procedures and ideas. Probably not for the medically squeamish.



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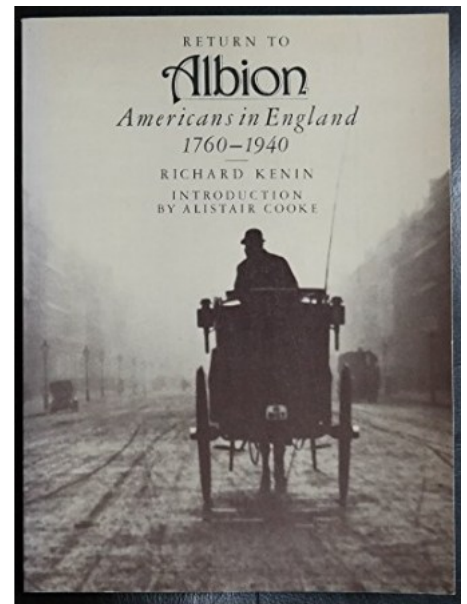
NONFICTION/SCIENCE: [The Disappearing Spoon, and other true tales of madness, love and the history of the world from the periodic table of the elements](#), by Sam Kean. What could be more fun than finding out that Marie Curie was considered by the wives of other scientists as a femme fatale, poisonings of ex KGB spies, and a man who thought his landlady was serving leftovers. Talk about radioactive stories!

FOR ARTISTS AND OTHER CREATIVES: [Color Works](#) by Deb Menz, a guide to color values, hues, combinations for people who create with paint, cloth, beads, yarn, and anything else that comes in colors. Brighten your day.

HISTORY: [Return to Albion, Americans in England, 1760-1940](#), by Richard Kenin. This book is a reminder that “Don’t judge a book by its cover” is good advice. It has one of the duller covers you can imagine. But, inside are the stories of American expats who went to England

and did their most memorable work there, including Washington Irving, James McNeill Whistler, Henry James, John James Audubon, Robert Fulton. And then there were the American heiresses married off to English nobility to improve the Americans standing at home.

FICTION: Getting too serious? Okay, here’s your after-spring-break-before-summer-vacation escape. [The Love Haters](#), by Katherine Center. A rom-com of a book set in Key West.



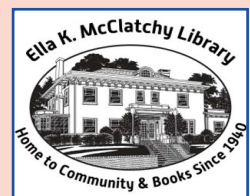
DON'T FORGET TO VOTE

If you’re reading this and haven’t voted yet, you have until **8 p.m. on June 2nd** to cast your ballot, and the Library can help!

Sacramento County voters can cast their ballots for the **Statewide Primary Election** at participating library locations.

- **Vote by mail ballot drop boxes** will be available starting through June 2 at most branches (not McClatchy!), Tuesdays through Saturdays during [regular hours of operation](#).
- **Vote centers** will be open from through June 2 at 13 branches.
- **Drive-through vote by mail ballot drop off** will be available on Election Day at Carmichael, Fair Oaks, South Natomas, and Sylvan Oaks Libraries.

You can get more information [here](#).



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PRESIDENT'S CORNER

By Alice Schnaidt

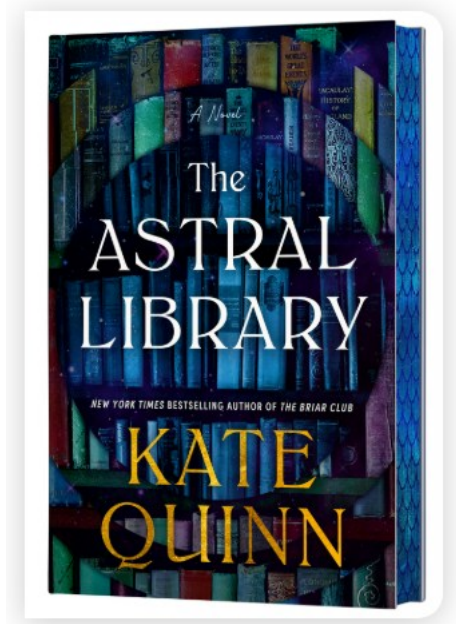
What is a library? Why do **you** come to the library? Do you know all that your library offers? The answer to some of these questions can be found in Kate Quinn's latest book [The Astral Library](#).

The protagonist, Alix, explains what a library means to her on pages 262-264. Some key take-aways for me from that passage are that "a library... is a sanctuary. It's one of the only places left where you can walk through the doors and draw a breath and *stay*, without needing to buy something, without having to justify your presence." (p.263) Alix goes on to say that a library is where people can educate themselves, to read books that are banned and learn why they are banned, a place to feel safe from outside world. "Libraries are sanctuaries for everyone, no matter how different." (p. 263)

When I retired in 2010, after a while I realized that I need something more to do outside of the house. I went to McClatchy Library and asked if they needed volunteers. I began helping arrange books in the children's section, which led me to meeting the manager of the Sunroom, the Friends of McClatchy bookstore. I worked there for a while, then joined the Friend's board, became manager of the Sunroom and now am humbly president of the McClatchy board.

I have the privilege to work with quite a diverse group of people who are on the board and the McClatchy staff. When working at the library I greet the "regulars," patrons whom I've gotten to know over the years, and meet new patrons, young and old, to thank them for visiting our branch.

Take yourself on a literary adventure by checking out **The Astral Library** and I believe you will view libraries in an expanded and touching way.



Take the Summer Reading Challenge!

It's not just for kids now. You can earn prizes for reading what you love, from books, audiobooks, graphic novels, and magazines—it all counts! Please sign up [here](#) to get started, or use the QR code below.

