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BEST LOVED BOOKS



The numbers are in and it looks like many of our patrons are hopeless romantics. Here is a list of this years most read books, with author Janette Oke topping the list with three of the top seven titles.

- # 1 **RC 42049** *That Camden Summer* by LaVyrle Spencer circulated 106 times
- # 2 **RC 39972** *Mojave Crossing* by Louis L'Amour circulated 102 times
- # 3 **RC 40840** *Coming Home* by Rosemunde Pilcher circulated 100 times
- # 4 **RC 41497** *Passion's Promise* by Danielle Steel circulated 87 times
- # 5 **RC 36714** *They Called Her Mrs. Doc* by Janette Oke circulated 85 times
- # 6 **RC 39347** *Too Long a Stranger* by Janette Oke circulated 83 times
- # 7 **RC 38463** *Crimson Roses* by Janette Oke circulated 82 times

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Summer Readers Recognized

Participants in the Governor's Summer Reading Program were honored at the North Dakota State Library recently. The program kicked off in May and ran until the second week in July. Lieutenant Governor Rosemarie Myrdal and Dr. Wayne Sanstead, Superintendent of Public Instruction, presented awards to the top readers in three age groups.

Top readers in the 6-8 age group were: Devon Friesz of Bismarck, first place; Bryce Olson of Underwood, second place; Steve Mattern of Rugby, third place; and Candace Rivinius of Bismarck, honorable mention. Ages 9-11: Zachary Hofman of Medina took first place honors. Ages 12-14: Jenna Coldsnow of McHenry took first place and Natalie Beck of Rugby was second.

The first place winners received a gift certificate to Space Aliens restaurant in Bismarck, a "Thrills and Chills" canvas book bag, iron on, and a framed certificate. Second place winners received a canvas book bag, iron on, and framed certificate. An iron on and a framed certificate were awarded to the third place winners, and a framed certificate was awarded for honorable mention.

We are already making plans for next year's program so stay tuned for more information. The Governor's Summer Reading Program was co-sponsored by the Governor's Office and the North Dakota State Library.

Zachary Hofman accepts his award from Lt. Governor Rosemarie Myrdal and Dr. Wayne Sanstead, Superintendent of Public Instruction



On the Shelf
Adult Science Fiction



RC 40524

Vurt

Author: Jeff Noon

Length: 2 cassettes

A computer coded feather can send people into other worlds, just by tickling their throats.

Language-Sex-Violence

RC 25524

The Moon is a Harsh Mistress

Author: Robert Heinlein

Length: 3 cassettes

After being sent to the penal colony Luna, the inhabitants get help from a computer with a personality.

RC 37776

Harvest of the Stars

Author: Poul Anderson

Length: 4 cassettes

A human-like computer teams up with a beautiful space pilot to show humans the way to the stars.

Prequel to RC 40383

RC 42876

Regulators

Author: Richard Bachman (A.K.A.)

Stephen King

Length: 3 cassettes

After Seth's family is murdered, an alien inhabits his body and attacks the neighborhood with violent force.

Prequel to 43098

Violence-Language

RC 27994

Crazy Time

Author: Kate Wilhelm

Length: 2 cassettes

A blend of science fiction, romance, and sheer zaniness.

Sex-Language

RC 40623

Star Trek Generations: A Novel

Author: J.M. Dillard

Length: 2 cassettes

Captain Kirk is trapped in a timeless nexus and is rescued many years later by Captain Louis Picard. (Bestseller)

RC 29708

Restoree

Author: Anne McCaffrey

Length: 2 cassettes

Sara is kidnaped from earth and awakens on an alien planet.

RC 42163

Alien Plot

Author: Piers Anthony

Length: 2 cassettes

A collection of 17 short science fiction and fantasy stories.

RC 35808

Mars

Author: Ben Bova

Length: 4 cassettes

A crew of astronauts from 11 countries are heading for Mars.

Language

On the Shelf
Juvenile Science Fiction



RC 22588

Barney and the UFO

Author: Margaret Goff Clark

Length: 1 cassette

Barney is afraid to tell his foster parents that he has seen a UFO.

Grades 4-7

RC 42096

The Greatest Show off Earth

Author: Margaret Mahy

Length: 1 cassette

A Vulnik girl launches herself into hyperspace to celebrate her tenth birthday.

Grades 3-6

RC 40831

Aliens Ate My Homework

Author: Bruce Coville

Length: 1 cassette

Tiny spacemen invade a boy's life when they come to earth to catch a criminal.

Grades 3-6

Prequal to RC 40831

RC 37689

The Giver

Author: Lois Lowry

Length: 1 cassette

Jonas learns about life in the real world while living in Utopia.

Grades 6-9

Newbery Medal

RC 41065

Hexwood

Author: Diana Wynne Jones

Length: 2 cassettes

A boy wanders into the woods and finds himself on another planet with a robot and a dragon.

Young Adult

RC 36690

Experiment in Terror

Author: Bernal Payne

Length: 1 cassette

Seven 16 year old boys born on the same day become friends. Then one of them disappears.

Grades 6-9

RC 22563

Planet Out of the Past

Author: James Lincoln Collier

Length: 1 cassette

Planet Pleisto resembles pre-historic earth.

Grades 6-9 and older

RC 32121

Commander Toad in Space

Author: Jane Yolen

Length: 1 cassette

Commander Toad is the captain of the spaceship Star Warts.

Grades K-3

New Magazines Available Soon

The Library of Congress has announced that 25 new magazines will soon be available to patrons through the national magazine reading program. Eleven new braille magazines and 14 new audio magazines will be available to patrons beginning in January of 1998 from the National Library Service for the Blind and Physically Handicapped (NLS).

Among the new braille magazines are *Muse*, *Spider*, and *Stone Soup*, all children's magazines; *Harpers*, *Health Newsletter* (*Berkeley Wellness Letter*, *Mayo Clinic Health Letter* and *Harvard Health Letter*), *Kiplinger's Personal Finance*, *Martha Stewart Living*, *PC World*, and *Rolling Stones*, all adult magazines; and *Conundrum* and *Short Stories*, both British magazines.

For the first time, NLS will offer some of its recorded magazines on cassette. New cassette magazines include *Cricket* (on one cassette with *National Geographic World*), *Seventeen*, *Spider*, *Sports Illustrated for Kids*, and *Young Adult Magazine of the Month*, all children's and young adult magazines.

New flexible disc magazines include *Asimov's Science Fiction*, *Computer Life*, *Diabetes Forecast*, *Discover*, *Eating Well*, *Health and Nutrition Newsletters* (*The Johns Hopkins Medical Letter-Health After Fifty*, *Nutrition Action Healthletter*, *Dr. Andrew Weil's Self Healing*, and *Healthline*), *The New York Times Books Review*, *People*, and *Working Woman*.

These new magazines are either additions or substitutions to the Library of Congress magazines reading program. *Talking Book Topics* and *Braille Book Review* will include a complete listing of magazine offerings, beginning with the July-August issues, as well as information on subscribing to new magazines. The transition from old to new magazines has been carefully planned to minimize disruption of magazine service. If you are not certain about your magazine subscriptions or wish to order new magazines, please call 1-800-843-9948 for assistance.

The new titles listed above represent the first modification of the magazine program since 1978. They are the result of a year of work by two national advisory committees and a public opinion research firm.

Reminder

Please return your magazines on tape as soon as you finish reading them. This will ensure that you get the next issue as soon as it is available.

Magazines are sent out on a turn around basis. In order to get the next issue you need to return the old issue. This does not include Readers Digest, Newsweek, or other magazines that you receive in envelopes. All magazines from the State Library are in plastic boxes and must be returned.



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