

### **American Baby**

By Gabrielle Glaser      362.734 GLA      Pat G's Pick  
*American Baby* lays out how a lucrative and exploitative industry removed children from their birth mothers, fabricated stories about infants' origins and closed the door between the parties forever.

### **Filthy Rich**

By James Patterson      364.123 PAT      Annie's Pick  
Jeffrey Epstein rose from humble origins into the New York and Palm Beach elite. Included here are police interviews with his victims, details of the investigation and trials, and Epstein's death by suicide.

### **To Tell You the Truth**

By Gilly Macmillan      FIC MAC      Pat R's Pick  
Bestselling author Lucy Harper's needy, jealous husband Dan vanishes. This isn't the first time someone has disappeared from Lucy's life. Three decades ago, her little brother Teddy went missing and was never found. Could she have hurt Teddy? Did she kill Dan?

### **Black Widows**

By Cate Quinn      FIC QUI      Dot's Pick  
Polygamist Blake Nelson lives on a hidden stretch of land in Utah with his wives: Rachel, Tina and Emily. The only thing they have in common is Blake. Until all three are accused of his murder.

### **The Dirty South**

By John Connolly      FIC CON      Alison's Pick  
Someone is slaughtering women in Burdon County, Arkansas. In a jail cell former NYPD detective, is mourning the death of his wife and child, and searching in vain for their killer. Obsessed with avenging his lost family, his life is about to take a shocking turn.

### **The Memory Keeper's Daughter**

By Kim Edwards      FIC EDW      Loretta's Pick  
A 1964 blizzard forces Dr. David Henry to deliver his own twins. His son, is perfectly healthy, his daughter has Down syndrome. He makes a split second decision and asks his nurse to take the baby to an institution. Can she keep the secret and give up the baby?

### **Kitchen Front**

By Jennifer Ryan      FIC RYA      Susan's Pick  
During WWII, a BBC radio program, The Kitchen Front is holds a cooking contest for the job as the program's co-host. A young widow, a kitchen maid, a lady of the manor and a trained chef, vie for the chance to change their lives forever.



## **Waldwick Public Library**

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### **Before the Coffee Gets Cold**

By Toshikazu Kawaguchi      FIC KAW      Kristen's Pick  
A Tokyo café has been serving carefully brewed coffee for more than 100 years. Legend says this shop offers something else—the chance to travel back in time. One summer, four customers hope to make that journey. But there are rules however. Most importantly, the trip can last only until the last bit of coffee gets cold.

### **The Secrets of Love Story Bridge**

Phaedra Patrick      FIC PAT      Annie's Pick  
Mitchell has said goodbye to romance. He relishes his job cutting off the padlocks couples fasten to the famous "love story" bridge. Only his daughter, Poppy, knows Mitchell is lonely and grieves the loss of Poppy's mother. One day, everything changes when Mitchell bravely rescues a woman who falls into the river.

### **Everything Is Under Control**

By Emily Adrian      FIC ADR      Pat R's Pick  
Amanda puts the baby in the car and drives from Queens to her hometown in rural Ohio, where she shows up unannounced on the doorstep of her estranged childhood best friend. Amanda thought that she had left Carrie firmly in the past. After their friendship ended and their lives diverged radically.

### **Good Neighbors**

By Sarah Langan      FIC LAN      Dot's Pick  
Welcome to Maple Street, an exclusive enclave in suburban Long Island where menace skulks beneath the surface making its residents prone to outrage. When the Wilde family moves in, they trigger their neighbors' worst fears. Dad Arlo's a gruff has-been rock star, Mom Gertie's got a thick Brooklyn accent, and their weird kids cuss like sailors. They don't fit with the way Maple Street sees itself. Something will have to be done!

### **Such a Fun Age**

By Kiley Reid

Annette's Pick

Alix is shocked when her babysitter, Emira, a rudderless college graduate is confronted when walking the aisles of their local high-end supermarket while watching the Chamberlains' toddler. The store's security guard, seeing a young black woman out late with a white child, accuses Emira of kidnapping two-year-old Briar.

### **The Invisible Life of Addy LaRue**

By V. E. Schwab

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Alison's Pick

France, 1714: in a moment of desperation, a young woman makes a Faustian bargain to live forever and is cursed to be forgotten by everyone she meets until, after nearly 300 years, Addie stumbles across a man in a hidden bookstore and he remembers her name.

### **Turn of the Key**

By Ruth Ware

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Pat G's Pick

Rowan stumbles across a great opportunity as a live-in with a staggeringly generous salary. When she arrives at Heatherbrae House, she is smitten by the Scottish Highlands, and by this picture-perfect family. What she doesn't know is that she's stepping into a nightmare—one that will end with a child dead and herself in prison.

### **All Boys Aren't Blue**

By George M. Johnson

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Kristen's Pick

Journalist M. Johnson explores his childhood, adolescence, and college years. From memories of getting his teeth kicked out by bullies at age five, to flea marketing with his grandmother, to his first sexual relationships, this memoir weaves together the trials and triumphs faced by Black queer boys.

### **The Department of Sensitive Crime: a Det. Varg Novel**

By Alexander McCall-Smith

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Loretta's Pick

The first case: the small matter of a man stabbed in the back of the knee. Next: a young woman's imaginary boyfriend goes missing. And finally, eerie secrets that are revealed under a full moon may not seem so supernatural in the light of day. No case is too unusual, complicated, or *insignificant* for this squad to solve.

### **Last Garden in England**

By Julia Kelly

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Susan's Pick

Emma, dedicated to breathing new life into neglected gardens, has just been given the opportunity of a lifetime: to restore the gardens of the famed Highbury House estate, designed in 1907 by her hero Venetia Smith. But as Emma dives deeper into the gardens' past, she begins to uncover long hidden secrets.

### **Eliza Starts a Rumor**

By Jane Rozen

Annette's Pick

When Eliza Hunt created The Hudson Valley Ladies' Bulletin Board she was entrenched in her picture-perfect suburban life with her husband and twins. Now, with an empty nest and crippling agoraphobia, the board has become her lifeline. So when a rival parenting forum threatens the site's existence, she fabricates a salacious rumor to spark things up a bit.

### **Drawing Home**

By Jamie Brenner

Lori's Pick

Summer has started in idyllic Sag Harbor, and for Emma Mapson that means greeting guests at the front desk of The American Hotel. But when one of the town's most famous residents dies suddenly, Emma learns he has left his waterfront home to her teenage daughter, Penny. Back in Manhattan, art patron Bea Winstead's grief at her lifelong friend and former business partner Henry's passing turns to outrage at the news of his bequest.

### **Eternal**

By Lisa Scottoline

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Patron Pick

Elisabetta, Marco, and Sandro grow up as the best of friends. Elisabetta is a feisty beauty, Marco brash and athletic and Sandro kind-hearted and thoughtful. Both Sandro and Marco hope to win Elisabetta's heart. But in the autumn of 1937, all of that begins to change as Mussolini asserts his power, aligning Italy's Fascists with Hitler's Nazis.

### **Win**

By Harlan Coben

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Patron Pick

Heiress Patricia Lockwood was abducted during a robbery then locked inside an isolated cabin for months. Patricia escaped, but so did her captors. Until now. On the Upper West Side, a recluse is found murdered in his penthouse apartment, alongside two objects of note: a stolen Vermeer painting and a leather suitcase bearing the initials WHL3.

### **Born A Crime**

By Trevor Noah

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Lori's Pick

Trevor Noah's unlikely path from apartheid South Africa to the desk of *The Daily Show* began with a criminal act: his birth. Born to a white Swiss father and a black Xhosa mother and living proof of his parents' indiscretion, Trevor was kept mostly indoors for the earliest years of his life. Finally liberated by the end of apartheid, Trevor and his mother set forth on a grand adventure, living openly and freely and embracing the opportunities won by a centuries-long struggle.