



# Hartford City Public Library

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**WINTER HOURS: M-F 9-5:30; Sa 9-2**

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A bid has been accepted, designs tweaked, and cosmetic decisions are being made: it's just about time for construction to begin! We appreciate your patience as work crews start moving in to take us to the next level. In the meantime, limited access to the library will continue, and as always, the entire collection will be available via your online Evergreen, OverDrive/Libby app, and Hoopla accounts. As a reminder, you can send prints from home, your laptop, and your mobile devices to be paid and picked up at the front desk. Check our Facebook page for progress updates.

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**PARK IS CLOSED**  
until further notice  
due to construction.



## TOP 10 BOOKS OF 2020

*according to Goodreads,  
and all available on Evergreen.*  
**Check out a book today!**

1. *The Vanishing Half*, Brit Bennett
2. *The Invisible Life of Addie LaRue*, V.E. Schwab
3. *American Dirt*, Jeanine Cummins
4. *The Ballad of Songbirds and Snakes*  
(*The Hunger Games*, #0),  
Suzanne Collins
5. *Untamed*, Glennon Doyle
6. *The Guest List*, Lucy Foley
7. *House of Earth and Blood*  
(*Crescent City*, #1),  
Sarah J Maas
8. *Mexican Gothic*, Silvia Moreno-Garcia
9. *In Five Years*, Rebecca Serle
10. *Beach Read*, Emily Henry

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PUBLIC LIBRARY  
CHILDREN'S DEPARTMENT  
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**VIRTUAL STORYTIMES**

Join Miss Amy on Wednesdays for story time!  
A Visit with Ms. Amy Wednesdays 8:00 a.m.  
A Bedtime Story with Ms. Amy Wednesdays 7:00 p.m.  
See our Facebook page to follow along.

**THE AWESOME LIT SOCIETY**

For 4th—8th graders

***The Misadventures of Maude March*** by Audrey Coulombis



ELEVEN-YEAR-OLD SALLIE MARCH is a whip-smart tomboy and voracious reader of Western adventure novels. When she and her ladylike older sister Maude are orphaned for the second time, they decide to take matters into their own hands and escape their self-serving guardians for the wilds of the frontier and an adventure the likes of which Sallie has only read about. This time, however, the “wanted woman” isn’t a dime-novel villain, it’s Sallie’s very own sister! And while life on the run has its perks—not having to wear a dress, for starters—pretty soon the horse thieving and bank robbing and bandits are more than even Sallie bargained for.

Narrated by the irrepressible Sallie, what follows is the rollicking, edge-of-your-seat story of what *really* happened out there on the range. Not the lies the paper printed, but the honest-to-goodness truth of how things went from bad to worse and how two very different sisters went from being orphans to being outlaws and lived to tell the tale! Packed with memorable characters, rip-roaringly fast-paced action, and laugh-out-loud moments, this is a story we will have a rootin-tootin time reading!

**VIRTUAL VARMINTS:** Thursday Evenings, 6:30-7:30pm

Private Link to ZOOM is pinned in the Facebook Group: “**The Awesome LIT Society FB Group.**” Parents can enroll 4<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> graders in this free book club by going to our Facebook group and answering the questions to gain access. Active library card (in good standing) required to order the book each month. *Come on to book club and see what in tarnation is going on!*

**WINTER READING PROGRAM WINNERS!**

Congratulations to the winners of our Winter Reading Program, and thanks so much to all the parents who make time to bring their children to the library!



This handsome and happy guy, Brenton Montgomery, is one of our Winter Reading grand prize winners! Congratulations, Brenton!

Congratulations to our two other Winter Reading winners, Zayven Jarvis and Timmy Kotyuk!



**MILESTONES for 1,000 BOOK BEFORE KINDERGARTEN**

Two young patrons have reached 500 books in their quest to read 1,000 books before Kindergarten! We love seeing parents invest time in their children and explore the world together through books. Be sure to ask Miss Amy how to join if you’re interested too!



Congratulations to Christine and Jacqueline Geise! They are participating in the library's 1,000 Books before Kindergarten program and have reached 500 books read. Jacqueline visits the library often with her mom and her dad, Jonathan. She loves books and was very excited to receive her prize today. She chose a brand-new book to keep. Thanks to Christine and Jonathan for encouraging Jacqueline's love of reading!



Congratulations to Lucy Patrick! She and her mother Sarah have read 500 books together for the 1,000 Books Before Kindergarten program! Lucy chose the book "Go Away, Big Green Monster!" by Ed Emberly as her prize. Sarah and Lucy visit the library often and attend library programs as well. Thanks to Sarah for encouraging Lucy to love reading!