

Check It Out Column for week of April 11-19

Secrets Kept and Lies Told

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I have a “confession” to make. My idea of a near perfect evening is being curled up on a sofa with a good mystery. I don’t mean the kind that you can figure half way through. I mean the kind that keeps you guessing until the very end and beyond that. Recently, I found one that kept me guessing, kept me up until the wee hours, and kept me hooked with a surprise ending.

My guess is that there are more readers like me out there, just looking for a good mystery. One you can’t put down. A mystery that keeps you turning the pages even if it means staying up until the morning hours. On that note, here are some of WCPL’s newest mysteries guaranteed to make you think.

Separate From the World by P.L. Gaus. An Ohio Amish mystery interwoven throughout a murder investigation. Be taken inside the Amish culture and observe the complex relationship of the Amish and the “English”. Definitely worth reading.

Ring in Murder by Kate Kingsbury. More murder and mayhem at the Pennyfoot Hotel. An English cozy mystery, also known as a English country house or manor house mystery that is generally a bloodless and neat murder almost always involving solving some form of puzzle, and invariably, observation, a keen understanding of human nature.

Against All Odds by Irene Hannon. This kept me guessing...the sign of a real mystery. FBI Hostage Rescue Team member Evan Cooper provides protection for an unwilling Monica Callahan, estranged daughter of a Middle East diplomat, from a terrorist threat in the United States.

Blood Lines by Mel Odom. Like NCIS? You’ll love this NCIS-themed book, the third in a series. A young marine is wounded in a heinous carjacking with evidence pointing to a notorious criminal and suspected international drug smuggler who team up to kill the NCIS commander.

Farraday Road by Ace Collins. Small town lawyer starts investigating his wife's murder, attempting to find the truth. A "hard to put down" mystery with lots of twists and turns with a surprising ending. This book is so good it keeps flying off the shelf! I have already put in a request for the sequel!

Thrillers, whodunits, mysteries, crime fiction, detective fiction: all of these, and more, can be found at the Warsaw Library. Mystery buffs, make plans now to drop into the Library and get your mystery “fix”.