

## WAIT...WHAT? A LIBRARY NEWSLETTER?

This summer I was inspired by group of reservation educators to promote the library and its resources so the idea of the newsletter was born. Each month the newsletter will have articles on the following topics: Reading Advocacy, Technology, and Indian Education for All. Hope you enjoy and I'm always open to suggestions.

~Mrs. Smith

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### NOVEMBER CONTEST

Pin a tail feather on the turkey with a book recommendation and be entered in a drawing!

Yorkshire, offers her accommodation at the town hotel, where she befriends Annamae, a slave housekeeper. After Samantha kills Ty during a rape attempt, she and Annamae create disguises and join a caravan traveling to California in search of gold. While Annamae's dialogue is written in a colloquial dialect, it doesn't distract from the story. Samantha's voice will sound contemporary to modern ears, yet not inaccurate to the mid-19th-century time period. The ever-present fear of being caught, whether by police or fellow travelers becoming wise to their disguises, is effectively created, as is the primitive life on the trail. As the girls learn cowboy techniques such as using dried buffalo scat to make a campfire and roping horses, readers are introduced to authentic cowboy life. Complications arise for Samantha when she develops a crush on a fellow cowboy; while Annamae falls for a vaquero (Mexican cowboy). This offers a much needed multicultural look at the Oregon Trail, with resourceful, smart, and brave Chinese American and African American girls as main characters. High drama, tension, romantic longings, and touches of humor will entice historical fiction fans.

Recommended by Haeley M. (7th grade)

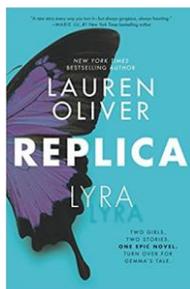
# ARLEE JH/HS LIBRARY NEWSLETTER

November 2017 Sq'wllú Spqni? The Storytelling Month

## CHECK IT OUT

Book recommendations from students and staff

### REPLICA by Lauren Oliver

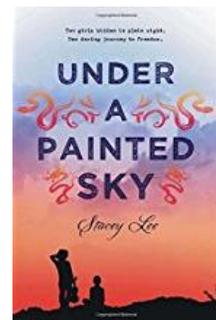


From School Library Journal—Written as a "flip book," the volume has two novels in one. Readers will experience the story from two different characters' perspectives. Sixteen-year-old Gemma has always been sickly and alone most of her life. Her existence changes in a hurry when she is followed and questioned about what she knows about Haven, a secret research facility to which her father seems to have a connection. Eventually, she starts to investigate and travels to Florida, where she finds two replicas who are actually clones who have escaped from the facility. Turning the book over, readers get the story from the viewpoint of Lyra, who is one of the clones. Each point of view can be read in its entirety one at a time or in alternating chapters. Oliver has managed to create different tempos and moods in each tale, which allows readers to better understand the characters.

Recommended by Ashley P. (10<sup>th</sup> grade)

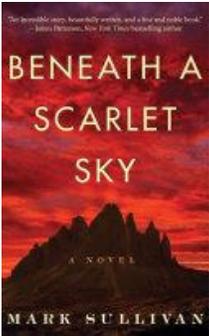
### UNDER THE PAINTED SKY by Stacey Lee

From School Library Journal—Although Samantha and her father have a successful dry goods store in Saint Joseph, Missouri, they long to escape: Samantha yearns to return to New York in hopes of a music career, while her father dreams of moving west to California. After her father dies in a fire, the teen is left grief-stricken and vulnerable. Their landlord, Ty



Recommended by Haeley M. (7th grade)

## BENEATH A SCARLET SKY by Mark Sullivan



Back Cover - Based on the true story of a forgotten hero, Beneath a Scarlet Sky is the triumphant, epic tale of one young man's incredible courage and resilience during one of history's darkest hours.

Pino Lella wants nothing to do with the war or the Nazis. He's a normal Italian teenager--obsessed with music, food, and girls--but his days of innocence are numbered. When his family home in Milan is destroyed by Allied bombs, Pino joins an underground railroad helping Jews escape over the Alps, and falls for Anna, a beautiful widow six years his senior.

In an attempt to protect him, Pino's parents force him to enlist as a German soldier--a move they think will keep him out of combat. But after Pino is injured, he is recruited at the tender age of eighteen to become the personal driver for Adolf Hitler's left hand in Italy, General Hans Leyers, one of the Third Reich's most mysterious and powerful commanders.

Now, with the opportunity to spy for the Allies inside the German High Command, Pino endures the horrors of the war and the Nazi occupation by fighting in secret, his courage bolstered by his love for Anna and for the life he dreams they will one day share.

Recommended by Mrs. Smith

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## NOVEMBER

### *Sq'Ilú Spq̓ni?* (STORY TELLING)

Story telling begins after the first snowfall. This is a time of year when the Salish people relax from the summer and early fall harvesting seasons. Stories are told by parents and grandparents to the younger generations. The children are encouraged to sit quietly and listen with thoughts of their own about being part of the stories. The stories teach and tell of values and morals. From these stories we can still today see landmarks that tell us of the creation of mankind. From these stories, we learn how mankind came to be. In early spring the stories are put away and are not to be told until snowfall again in the winter season.

This information was retrieved from the [Salish-Pend d'Oreille Culture Committee website](#) which is full of great resources.



### In Our Library

This picture shows a few of the titles related to Salish and Kootenai stories in our collection.

Remember the library is available for classroom and community presentations. Wouldn't it be fun to bring in a local storyteller? If this interests you, let's talk!

# READY TO PLAY AND LEARN?

## NEW COOL SCIENCE STUFF IN THE LIBRARY!

Thanks to GEAR UP, our library is joining the Makerspace movement. This will allow students and teachers to learn and create. Recently two STEM bundles arrived and in the next month a 3D printer is coming! There will be an introduction to these new toys for teachers on December 12<sup>th</sup>.

### WHAT WE HAVE NOW

#### FOLLET HIGH SCHOOL MAKERSPACE STARTER BUNDLE



#### FOLLET JUNIOR HIGH MAKERSPACE STARTER BUNDLE

