





NEWS FROM THE SENIOR IRC

IRC Crossword – Term 2 Competition

Across: 2 Author of Young Sherlock Holmes Series

7 Home of Bilbo and Frodo Baggins

Down: 3 Name of the Hogwarts gamekeeper

4 Title of the book found at 623.88 ADA

Test your library and literary knowledge by attempting to complete the IRC Crossword! How many squares can you fill in? How many answers will you uncover?

Entry forms can be found on the Library front desk. A book prize will be awarded to all students who successfully complete the crossword!

Book Bites

Take a book bite to see if it is to your taste

'Tiffany Girl' - Deeanne Gist

'From the bestselling author of It Happened at the Fair and Fair Play comes a compelling historical novel about a progressive "New Woman"—the girl behind Tiffany's chapel—and the love that threatens it all. As preparations for the 1893 World's Fair set Chicago and the nation on fire, Louis Tiffany—heir to the exclusive Fifth Avenue jewelry empire—seizes the opportunity to unveil his state-of-the-art, stained glass, mosaic chapel, the likes of which the world has never seen. But when Louis's dream is threatened by a glassworkers' strike months before the Fair opens, he turns to an unforeseen source for help: the female students at the Art Students League of New York. Eager for adventure, the young women pick up their skirts, move to boarding houses, take up steel cutters, and assume new identities as the "Tiffany Girls."

Heart-warming story about a young woman trying to find her place in a world dictated by social and gender conventions. Filled with colourful characters, a fascinating 19th Century American setting, and a sweet romantic subplot, this is a wonderful book.

'The Light Keeper's ball' - Colleen Coble

"It is the dawn of a new century and Olivia Stewart is heiress to an empire. Her family numbers among the Four Hundred—those considered the wealthiest and most distinguished in America. Unfortunately their wealth has nearly disappeared, and now their security rests upon the Stewart daughters marrying well. Olivia's sister, Eleanor, was engaged to Harrison Bennett, one of the nation's wealthiest men, but has since died. Now the pressure is on Olivia to take her place, despite her suspicions about Eleanor's fiancé. Olivia travels to Mercy Falls, California, as Lady Devonworth, hoping to learn more before committing to marriage. There she finds that Eleanor's death was no accident. And Harrison is not the man she thought he would be. When Mercy Falls holds a charity masquerade ball to raise funds for the new lighthouse, secrets—and truths long hidden—will be revealed. But can Harrison really love Olivia when he finds her true identity? Can she live with the repercussions of failing her family, or will she finally realize that nothing—not money, family, or romance—will ever compare to God's unconditional love?"

Much more than your average romance book. Featuring love, mystery and excitement as well as intrigue and suspense, this is a novel that will keep you guessing right up to its epic finale.

'It's all a game: a short history of board games' - Tristan Donovan

"Board games have been with us longer than even the written word. But what is it about this pastime that continues to captivate us well into the age of smartphones and instant gratification? British journalist and renowned games expert Tristan Donovan opens the box on the incredible and often surprising history and psychology of board games. He traces the evolution of the game across cultures, time periods, and continents, from the paranoid Chicago toy genius behind classics like Operation and Mouse Trap, to the role of Monopoly in helping prisoners of war escape the Nazis, and even the scientific use of board games today to teach artificial intelligence how to

reason and how to win. With these compelling stories and characters, Donovan ultimately reveals why board games have captured hearts and minds all over the world for generations."

A wonderfully entertaining trip through board game history, easy to read, fun and engaging. Providing information not only on each games past but also on the reasons why they continue to be popular up to the present day. A must read for tabletop gamers.

Overdue notices

Overdue notices have been sent out. If any students require a printed list of their loans please speak to Mrs Comiskey or Mr Smith.

Students who do not return their books after receiving their third notice as well as an email will be invoiced for a replacement copy.

All invoices will still stand if books are returned after this final date.

If you have any problems or questions regarding overdue books please speak to Mrs Comiskey or Mr Smith who will be happy to help.

Mrs Annette Comiskey & Mr Michael Smith

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