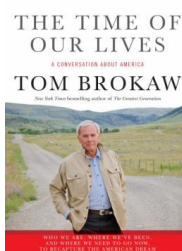


Assassination Vacation

Sarah Vowell

Presents a humorous exploration of the historical events surrounding the assassinations of three United States presidents--McKinley, Garfield, Lincoln--and travels to various sites, monuments, and museums, examining the role of death and violence in popular culture.



The Time of our Lives : Past, Present, Promise

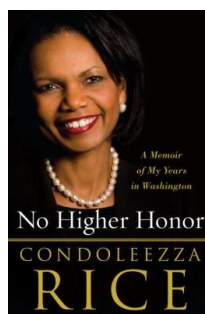
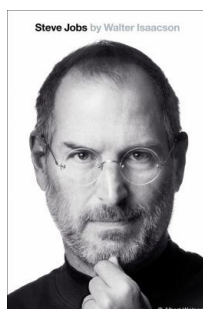
Tom Brokaw

Brokaw weaves together stories from his life and the lives of others to present ways to revitalize the American Dream and to confront the challenges facing American society.

Steve Jobs

Walter Isaacson

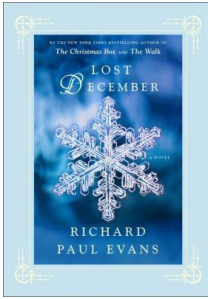
"FROM THE AUTHOR OF THE BESTSELLING BIOGRAPHIES OF BENJAMIN FRANKLIN AND ALBERT EINSTEIN, THIS IS THE EXCLUSIVE BIOGRAPHY OF STEVE JOBS. Based on more than forty interviews with Jobs conducted over two years--as well as interviews with more than a hundred family members, friends, adversaries, competitors, and colleagues--Walter Isaacson has written a riveting story of the roller-coaster life and searingly intense personality of a creative entrepreneur whose passion for perfection and ferocious drive revolutionized six industries: personal computers, animated movies, music, phones, tablet computing, and digital publishing. At a time when America is seeking ways to sustain its innovative edge, and when societies around the world are trying to build digital-age economies, Jobs stands as the ultimate icon of inventiveness and applied imagination. He knew that the best way to create value in the twenty-first century was to connect creativity with technology. He built a company where leaps of the imagination were combined with remarkable feats of engineering. Although Jobs cooperated with this book, he asked for no control over what was written nor even the right to read it before it was published. He put nothing off-limits. He encouraged the people he knew to speak honestly. And Jobs speaks candidly, sometimes brutally so, about the people he worked with and competed against. His friends, foes, and colleagues provide an unvarnished view of the passions, perfectionism, obsessions, artistry, devilry, and compulsion for control that shaped his approach to business and the innovative products that resulted. Driven by demons, Jobs could drive those around him to fury and despair. But his personality and products were interrelated, just as Apple's hardware and software tended to be, as if part of an integrated system. His tale is instructive and cautionary, filled with lessons about innovation, character, leadership, and values"--



No higher Honor : a Memoir of my Years in Washington

Condoleezza Rice

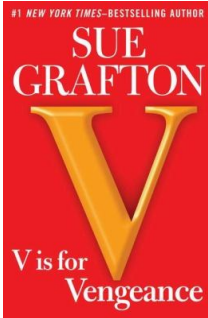
Condoleezza Rice recounts the eight years she spent in Washington, D.C. as National Security Advisor and Secretary of State under George W. Bush, discussing September 11, 2001 terrorist attacks, causes of the wars with Iraq and Afghanistan, and her role in shaping U.S. foreign policy.



Lost December

Richard Paul Evans

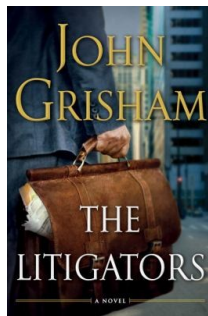
After Luke Crisp graduates from business school, he refuses to take over his father's business and takes his trust fund to live a life of reckless indulgence, but when his funds and friends dwindle he secretly takes a lowly job at one of his father's copy centers where after falling in love with a struggling single mother he finally learns what is really important in life.



V is for Vengeance

Sue Grafton

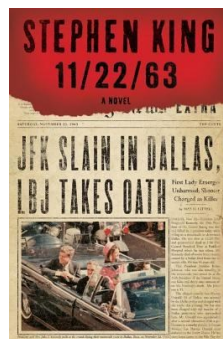
California PI Kinsey Millhone investigates the death of Audrey Vance, a woman she helped arrest for shoplifting, and antagonizes just about everyone, including Audrey's fiancé, several loan sharks, a stone-cold killer, and a hapless burglar who knows more than is healthy for him.



The Litigators

John Grisham

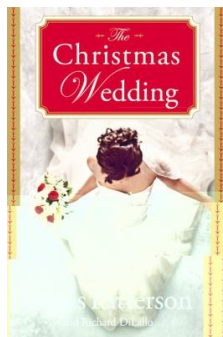
When David Zinc, a young but already burned-out attorney, joins Oscar Finley and Wally Figg at their law firm in a seedy bungalow office in southwest Chicago they all become involved with a class action suit against the drug manufacturer Varrick Labs.



11/22/63 : a Novel

Stephen King

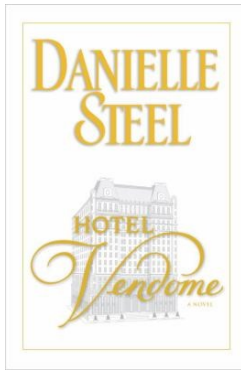
When English teacher Jake Epping discovers a portal to the past he decides to use it to prevent the John F. Kennedy assassination.



The Christmas Wedding

James Patterson and Richard DiLallo

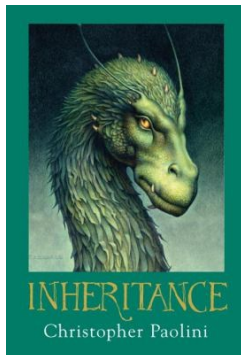
Widow Gaby Summerhill tries to reunite her four children for Christmas when she announces her wedding to her secret fiancé.



Hotel Vendôme : a Novel

Danielle Steel

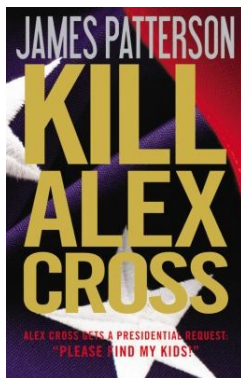
Hugues Martin owns and manages one of the most up-scale hotels in Manhattan and is a divorced father to Heloise, who dreams of growing up and running the hotel herself one day.



Inheritance

Christopher Paolini

The young Dragon Rider Eragon must finally confront the evil king Galbatorix to free Alagaesia from his rule once and for all.



Kill Alex Cross

James Patterson

The President's son and daughter are abducted, and Detective Alex Cross is one of the first on the scene, but someone very high-up is using the FBI, Secret Service, and CIA to keep him off the case and in the dark and meanwhile, a deadly contagion in the water supply cripples half of the capital, and Alex discovers that someone may be about to unleash the most devastating attack the United States has ever experienced.