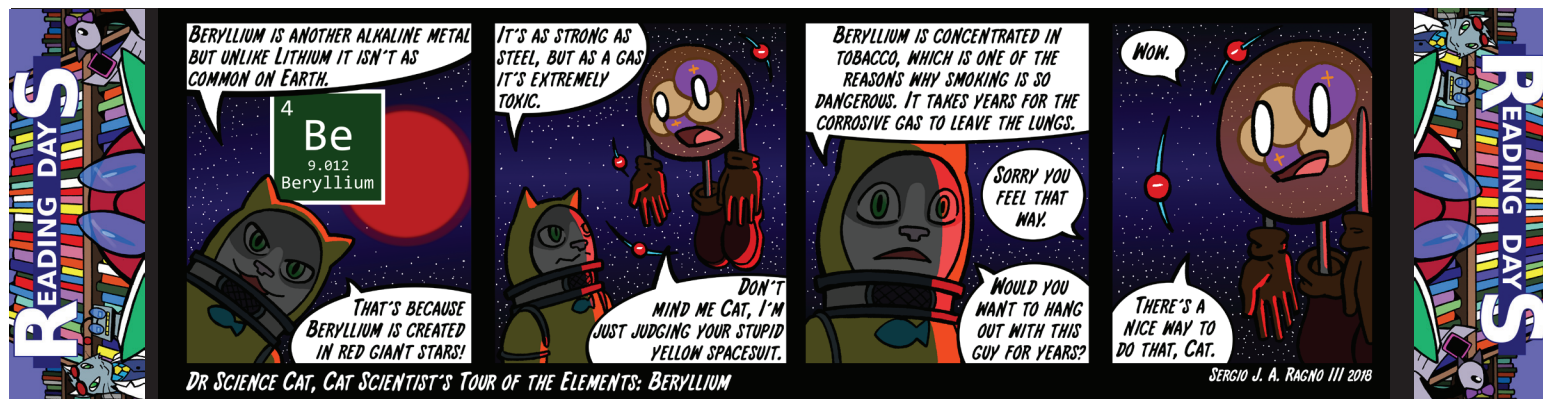


HEGGAN HAPPENINGS

FOR TEENS AND TWEENS



NEW



CHAPTER CHAT Teen Book Discussion Group

June 28

Space Case by Stuart Gibbs

July 19

The True Meaning of Smekday
by Adam Rex

August 9

Cinder by Melissa Meyer

August 23

Off Planet by Aileen Erin

This group meets at 2:00 p.m. to discuss popular YA fiction.

These discussions are open to Heggan Library cardholder Teens only. Advance registration is required. Please go to www.hegganlibrary.org to register online.

Join us for
**A UNIVERSE
OF STORIES**
this summer

We're planning a variety of activities for Teen and Tweens this summer.

Visit our online calendar for information about everything that we have planned.



TEEN & TWEEN CUISINE

Wednesday, June 19
5:00 - 6:00 p.m.

Learn to make delicious dishes and scrumptious snacks during this hands-on cooking experience!

Teen & Tween Cuisine is open to Heggan Library cardholder Teens & Tweens only. Advance registration is required. Please go to www.hegganlibrary.org to register.



THE TEEN ADVISORY BOARD

@ Margaret E. Heggan Free
Public Library presents:

TAB GAME TIME

Saturday, June 22
2:00 - 4:00 p.m.

Come play Jackbox Party Pack 4!

TAB Game Time is open to Heggan Library cardholder Teens only. Advance registration is required. Please go to www.hegganlibrary.org to register.

Do you have a book you think we should add to our collection?

Send your suggestions to
bpilling@hegganlibrary.org

Video Game Night @ the Library

Monday, June 24 • 6:30 p.m.

The 4th Annual
**Super Smash Brothers
Summer Tournament!**



Face off with your favorite video game characters in an epic battle royale!

Super Smash Brothers Ultimate is rated by the ESRB as E10+ for Everyone age 10 and up for cartoon violence, comic mischief, and suggestive themes.

Video Game Night is open to adults and children. Children under 10 must be accompanied by an adult. Open to Heggan Library cardholders only. Advance registration is required. Please call the library or go to Programs and Events at www.hegganlibrary.org to register.

Minecraft Night

June 17 • 6:30 p.m.

Let's Build a Space Station!

For all ages. Children under 10 must be accompanied by an adult. Open to Heggan Library cardholders only. Advance registration required.

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BOOK REVIEW

The Mysterious Affair at Styles

by Agatha Christie

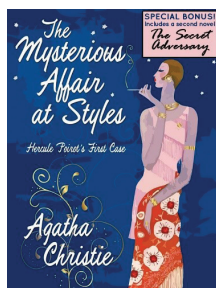
Review by H.H.

It is very likely that during some time in your life, you've heard the name Hercule Poirot. If not, then Agatha Christie or *Murder on the Orient Express* may sound familiar instead. Hercule Poirot is the classic detective, created by Agatha Christie, who has solved many, many mysteries – over 80. In this novel, *The Mysterious Affair at Styles*, Hercule is hired by his friend, Arthur Hastings, to come and investigate the murder of John Cavendish's step-mother.

Agatha Christie fans will be interested to hear that this book is the fantastic start to Christie's career as a writer. In this book, she sets traps for her readers and has them think the murderer is one person. In the end, Poirot reveals a plot so intricate and complicated, yet so obvious if you just look at the clues at the right angle. Only the deepest of thinkers could ever solve a mystery like this one before the end of the story. From his introduction in this book, Hercule Poirot goes on to play a key role in over 80 more Christie works.

Poirot is an endearing character, because unlike many other fictional detectives, he is prone to error. Every time Poirot learns of a mistake, he confesses to it instead of simply brushing it off. This jovial detective also provides comic relief for the readers, doing many funny things that annoy the other characters. Many will agree that Poirot is not a detective soon forgotten.

In summary, *The Mysterious Affair at Styles* is a quality mystery good for teens and adults that will make readers want to come and revisit the series! 5 Stars all the way!



My Time at Portia

During summer 2018, I was hopelessly obsessed with a little game called *Stardew Valley*. It is a farming simulator a friend introduced me to, and, despite how boring the concept of a “farming simulator” sounded upon first hearing about it, I've ended up enjoying the game far more than expected. So, when the same friend introduced me to a similar game called *My Time at Portia*, I immediately knew I needed to play it!



Unlike *Stardew Valley*, *My Time at Portia* is not a farming simulator, but a building simulator. The way the two games work are fairly similar though with each in-game “year” being represented by a total of four months. In addition, you have to clear tasks for the people in the nearby town to gain money and “friendship points” to gain their trust. Unlike *Stardew*, *My Time at Portia* is a game with 3D models rather than *Stardew Valley's* 2D pixel art style. I don't want to give too much away about the game's plot, but I am pretty impressed with the game as a whole, as there's a lot to do even when straying from the main story. This is a game you don't want to miss!

My Time at Portia is available on PC, Xbox One, PS4, and Nintendo Switch.

First Impressions – Monster Prom 2: Holiday Season

Monster Prom is absolutely one of my favorite games to play with friends. The humor is excellent, the characters are enjoyable, and the experience as a whole is always super entertaining. Once I heard a sequel was coming, I was super excited to see what it has in store; but, nothing could prepare me for its biggest surprise: three games in one!

At its core, *Monster Prom* is a party game. Sure, it advertises itself as a dating sim, but it plays out more like a competitive board game, with players having to strategize their choices to try to get a prom date, as well as occasionally sabotaging fellow players' dates as well. This is why the whole idea of three games in one sounds extremely fitting to me. Similar to most Jackbox games, *Monster Prom 2: Holiday Season* will be one game with three smaller games packed in it, so you and your friends can decide exactly what



you want to play at any moment.

Sometimes when I bring the idea of playing *Monster Prom* up, people get a little thrown off by the idea of a dating sim and, as a result, don't really want to play. Since only one of the three games in this sequel is going to be a dating sim, however, I feel that more types of players will get interested in this new series, being able to find a game out of the group that fits their mood or preferred gameplay style. I'm extremely excited to see what else this game has in store once it releases.

Monster Prom 2: Holiday Season has been fully funded on Kickstarter, though there's no date as of yet when it's expected to be released. Stay tuned!

June Quotes

from YA author Rick Riordan

“If my life is going to mean anything, I have to live it myself.”

— *The Lightning Thief*

“That's the nice thing about being human. We only have one life, but we can choose what kind of story it's going to be.”

— *The Hidden Oracle*

“Being a hero doesn't mean you're invincible. It just means that you're brave enough to stand up and do what's needed.”

— *The Mark of Athena*