

**William Annin Middle School Library Media Center**  
**Summer Reading Suggestions 2005**

**2006 GARDEN STATE BOOK AWARD NOMINEES**

Why not try out some of the books nominated for our own state award? You can vote for all your favorites in the Fall. Pick up a ballot in your school or public library next September.

**Fiction Nominees: Grades 6-8**

Allen, Will. ***Swords for Hire.***

In the ancient kingdom of Parmall, sixteen-year-old farm boy Sam Hatcher sets out with Rigby Skeet, an unconventional Royal Guard to rescue the rightful monarch, whose wicked brother is holding him captive in a faraway dungeon.

Asai, Carrie. ***The Book of the Sword.***

After learning that her entire life is based on falsehoods and the people she has always trusted are bent on her destruction, nineteen-year-old Heaven Kogo becomes Samurai Girl, determined to avenge her brother's cruel death.

Brennan, Herbie. ***Faerie Wars.***

Distraught over his parent's pending separation, Henry Atherton rescues Prince Pyrgus Malvae from the faerie realm and then works with him in an attempt to overcome the treacherous Faeries of the Night.

DuPrau, Jeanne. ***City of Ember.***

In the year 241, twelve-year-old Lina and her friend Doon Harrow trade jobs on Assignment Day in an attempt to decode a secret message and save the post-holocaust city of Ember from its accelerating decay.

Hale, Shannon. ***The Goose Girl.***

Seventeen-year-old Crown Princess Anidori of Kildenree is betrayed by her entourage en route to her wedding and becomes a goose girl until she can reveal her true identity and reclaim her crown.

Henkes, Kevin. ***Olive's Ocean.***

After receiving a page of her shy, and recently deceased, classmate Olive's diary, twelve-year-old Martha struggles to understand Olive's written admiration for her while coming to grips with her relationship with her aging grandmother and feelings of romance for an older boy.

Horowitz, Anthony. ***Skeleton Key.***

Fourteen-year-old Alex Rider, reluctant teenage-spy, is sent to check out suspicious events at the Wimbledon tennis championships and finds himself ensnared in Chinese gangs, a uranium-yielding Russian general and a ticking nuclear bomb.

Horvath, Polly. ***The Canning Season.***

When thirteen-year-old Ratchet is sent by her hardhearted mother to spend the summer in Maine with her eccentric and elderly great-aunts Tilly and Penpen, she finds herself hearing animated and grotesque stories from the past and finds Glen Rosa an unexpected, and welcome, haven.

Juby, Susan. ***Alice, I Think.***

Through journal entries, fifteen-year-old self-proclaimed misfit Alice deals with re-entry into public school after years of homeschooling, the embarrassments of ex-hippie parents, a budding romance, and her life goals.

Koja, Kathe. ***Buddha Boy.***

Sophomore Justin befriends Michael (or Jinsen, his spiritual name), the unusual and artistic new student whom the school bullies torment and call Buddha Boy, and ends up making choices that impact Jinsen, himself, and the entire school.

Orlev, Uri. ***Run, Boy, Run: A Novel.***

The true survival story of orphaned eight-year-old Jewish Sruik Frydman who escapes the Warsaw Ghetto and survives the Holocaust in Nazi-occupied Polish countryside.

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Osa, Nancy. ***Cuba 15.***

Just turned fifteen, Violet Paz reluctantly prepares to observe her quinceañera, a Spanish nickname for the celebration of an Hispanic girl's fifteenth birthday, in order to satisfy her Cuban grandmother's wishes.

Pratchett, Terry. ***The Wee Free Men.***

Tiffany enters Fairyland and teams up with the Wee Free Men, a clan of six-inch-high blue pixies, to rescue her kidnapped baby brother and to ward off a sinister invasion from the Queen of the Elves.

Schreiber, Ellen. ***Vampire Kisses.***

When misfit sixteen-year-old Raven, a Goth girl with aspirations of becoming a vampire, meets the mysterious new boy who has moved into the town's abandoned mansion, she is sure he is the answer to her dreams.

Shusterman, Neal. ***Full Tilt: A Novel.***

Sixteen-year-old, responsible Blake is invited to a mysterious carnival by the older, beautiful Cassandra; however, his reckless younger brother Quinn steals the invitation. When Quinn is later discovered in a coma, it is up to Blake to save his brother and battle Cassandra to the defeat of her surreal game for her victims' souls.

Slade, Arthur G. ***Dust.***

It is a bone-dry summer in his Saskatchewan farm town home and eleven-year-old Robert is the only one who can help when a mysterious stranger arrives, performing tricks and promising to bring rain, while the town's children begin to disappear.

Spinelli, Jerry. ***Milkweed: A Novel.***

A young orphan boy with no name or background struggles to survive and remain hopeful during the Nazi occupation in Warsaw.

Stroud, Jonathan. ***The Amulet of Samarkand.***

Set in modern-day London, Nathaniel, a young magician's apprentice stirs up a tumult of magical espionage, murder, and revenge by summoning up the magical djinni Bartimaeus and instructing him to steal the Amulet of Samarkand from the powerful magician Simon Lovelace.

Vande Velde, Vivian. ***Heir Apparent.***

While playing a total immersion virtual reality game of kings and intrigue, fourteen-year-old Giannine learns that demonstrators have damaged the equipment to which she is connected, and she must win the game quickly or be damaged herself.

Woodson, Jacqueline. ***Locomotion.***

In a series of poems, eleven-year-old Lonnie C. Motion writes about his life and the pain of the death of his parents in a house fire, his separation from his beloved younger sister who is a foster home, being poor and bullied, and finding his poetic voice through the aid of an insightful and caring teacher.

**GARDEN STATE BOOK AWARD Nonfiction Nominees: Grades 6-12**

Capuzzo, Michael. ***Close to shore: The terrifying shark attacks of 1916.***

Details the first documented cases in American history of sharks attacking swimmers, which occurred along the coast of New Jersey in 1916.

Crowe, Chris. ***Getting away with murder: The true story of the Emmett Till case.***

The brutal killing of a 14-year-old boy in Mississippi and the court's failure to convict the white murderers was a powerful national catalyst for the civil rights movement.

Freedman, Russell. ***In defense of liberty: The story of America's Bill of Rights.***

Focusing on examples of ordinary citizens who have had the courage to challenge their government and raise their voices at injustice, Russell Freedman's compelling text is essential reading for every American.

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Greenberg, Jan. ***Runaway girl: The artist Louise Bourgeois.***

Louise Bourgeois is one of the most important - and controversial - artists of the twentieth century. Known for her graphic, highly personal, and sometimes disturbing sculpture, Bourgeois broke down barriers in the male-dominated art world as she struggled to make sense of her troubled past.

Murphy, Jim. ***An American plague: The true and terrifying story of the yellow fever epidemic of 1793.***

It's 1793, and there's an invisible killer roaming the streets of Philadelphia. This killer has a name -- yellow fever -- but everything else about it is a mystery.

Paulsen, Gary. ***How Angel Peterson got his name and other outrageous tales of extreme sports.***

Author Gary Paulsen relates tales from his youth in a small town in northwestern Minnesota in the late 1940's and early 1950's, such as skiing behind a souped-up car and imitating daredevil Evil Knievel.

**OTHER RECOMMENDED BOOKS FOR SUMMER READING**

**FOCUS ON AMERICAN HISTORY!**

Have you been watching the new television series "Into the West?" The following fiction and nonfiction titles will provide adventure and information about the westward movement and pioneer life. This section also includes books about colonial times, the American Revolution, and the Jamestown colony.

**Fiction**

Blackwood, Gary. ***The Year of the Hangman.***

In 1777, having been kidnapped and taken forcibly from England to the American colonies, fifteen-year-old Creighton becomes part of developments in the political unrest there that may spell defeat for the patriots and change the course of history. This is an intriguing alternate history that asks the question, "What if the Patriots lost the war?"

Bruchac, Joseph. ***Sacajawea : the story of Bird Woman and the Lewis and Clark Expedition.***

Sacajawea, a Shoshoni Indian interpreter and guide, and William Clark alternate in describing their experiences on the Lewis and Clark Expedition to the Northwest.

McCaughrean, Geraldine. ***Stop the Train!***

Despite the opposition of the owner of the Red Rock Runner Railroad in 1893, the new settlers of Florence, Oklahoma, are determined to build a real town.

O'Dell, Scott. ***The serpent never sleeps: a novel of Jamestown and Pocahontas.***

In the early 17th century, Serena Lynn, determined to be with the man she has loved since childhood, travels to the New World where she meets John Smith.

Rinaldi, Ann. ***Or give me death : a novel of Patrick Henry's family.***

With their father away most of the time advocating independence for the American colonies, the children of Patrick Henry try to raise themselves, manage the family plantation, and care for their mentally ill mother.

Wolf, Allan. ***New found land : a novel.***

The letters and thoughts of Thomas Jefferson, members of the Corps of Discovery, their guide Sacagawea, and Captain Lewis's Newfoundland dog, all tell of the historic exploratory expedition to seek a water route to the Pacific Ocean.

Zelazny, Roger and Hausman, Gerald. ***Wilderness.***

Life and death in the American Wilderness where trapper John Colter ran and climbed 150 miles to escape Blackfoot warriors and hunter Hugh Glass crawled 100 miles after a bear attack.

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**American History - Non-Fiction**

Allen, Thomas B. ***George Washington, Spymaster : How the Americans Outspied the British and Won the Revolutionary War***

A biography of Revolutionary War general and first President of the United States, George Washington, focusing on his use of spies to gather intelligence that helped the colonies win the war.

Greenberg, Judith E and Post, Lydia Minturn. ***Journal of a revolutionary war woman.***

Entries from the journal of Mary Titus Post written during the American Revolution are presented with background information to help explain their historical context.

Kallen, Stuart A. ***Life on the American frontier.***

Discusses how people on the American frontier lived, including trailblazers, fur trappers, mountain men, Native Americans, miners, cowboys, and pioneers.

Macy, Sue. ***Bull's-eye : a photobiography of Annie Oakley.***

A photographic biography of Annie Oakley, discussing her early life, her prowess with a gun, her stint with Buffalo Bill's Wild West show, and her enduring image in movies, books, television shows, and plays.

Lawlor, Laurie. ***Window on the West: the frontier photography of William Henry Jackson.***

Presents the photographs taken by William Henry Jackson from 1869 to 1893, discussing his life and how his work captured and introduced the American West to the public.

Powell, John Wesley and Kubinyi, Laszlo. ***In my own words : the diary of John Wesley Powell, conquering the Grand Canyon.***

Presents the diary of the Civil War veteran who led an expedition down the Colorado River to explore the depths of the Grand Canyon.

Rau, Margaret. ***The Wells Fargo book of the gold rush.***

Chronicles the California gold rush, from its beginning in 1848, through its peak, to the 1849 recession that brought about its end.

Sandler, Martin W. ***Pioneers : a Library of Congress book.***

An overview, in text and illustrations, of the pioneer experience in the American West, from the first settlers through the development of towns.

Schouweiler, Tom. ***The lost colony of Roanoke : opposing viewpoints.***

Presents opposing viewpoints about the mysterious disappearance of the English colony on Roanoke Island.

**MORE GREAT BOOKS TO READ!**

**Classics**

Asimov, Isaac. ***Fantastic Voyage.***

Five people are miniaturized and sent on a rescue mission through a man's body where they have sixty minutes to reach and break up a blood clot in his brain.

Bradbury, Ray. ***The Martian Chronicles.***

The first Earth people to attempt the colonization of Mars try to build their new world in the image of the civilization they left behind.

Doyle, Arthur Conan. ***Sherlock Holmes: selected stories.***

These stories, featuring the famous detective, entice the reader into discovering "who-dunnit."

Grahame, Kenneth. ***Wind in the Willows.***

The escapades of four animal friends who live along a river in the English countryside--Toad, Mole, Rat, and Badger.

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London, Jack. ***Call of the Wild.***

The story of Buck, a part St. Bernard, part Scotch shepherd dog, that is forcibly taken to the Klondike gold fields where he eventually becomes the leader of a wolf pack.

Swift, Jonathan. ***Gulliver's Travels.***

The voyages of an Englishman carry him to a land of people six inches high, a land of giants, an island of sorcerers, and a land where horses are masters of human-like creatures.

Wells, H.G. ***The War of the Worlds.*** (If you plan to see the movie, why not read the book first?)

An intellectually-superior race from Mars invades the Earth with plans to enslave human beings.

White, T.H. ***The once and future king.***

The novel starts out with the education of a young Arthur, the very same boy who will rise to become the most powerful king in England. It includes the main points of the legend, including the sword in the stone, Merlin and the formation of the Round Table. Other books by the same author include ***The sword in the stone*** and ***The book of Merlyn,***

## **Contemporary**

Creech, Sharon. ***Heartbeat***

Twelve-year-old Annie ponders the many rhythms of life the year that her mother becomes pregnant, her grandfather begins faltering, and her best friend (and running partner) becomes distant.

Martin, Ann M. ***A Corner of the Universe.***

A 12-year-old girl had been anticipating a summer as comfortably uneventful as all the others-until her uncle with "mental problems" makes a surprise entrance, turning everything upside-down. (Newbery Honor book)

Philbrick, Rodman. ***Freak the Mighty***

At the beginning of eighth grade, learning disabled Max and his new friend Freak, whose birth defect has affected his body but not his brilliant mind, find that when they combine forces they make a powerful team.

Susanna Vance. ***Deep***

Somewhere in the Caribbean, seventeen-year-old Morgan and thirteen-year-old Birdie, two girls whose lives are worlds apart, are brought together by the maniacal Nicholas.

Wolff, Virginia Euwer . ***Bat 6***

In small town, post-World War Oregon, twenty-one 6th grade girls recount the story of an annual softball game, during which one girl's bigotry comes to the surface.

## **Fantasy/Science Fiction**

Allende, Isabel. ***City of the Beasts*** and its sequel ***Kingdom of the Golden Dragon***

When fifteen-year-old Alexander Cold accompanies his individualistic grandmother on an expedition to find a humanoid Beast in the Amazon, he experiences ancient wonders and a supernatural world as he tries to avert disaster for the Indians. In the sequel, Alex, now 16, journeys to the remote Himalayas to help locate a sacred statue.

Billingsley, Franny. ***Folk Keeper***

Orphan Corinna disguises herself as a boy to poses as a Folk Keeper, one who keeps the Evil Folk at bay. She discovers her heritage as a seal maiden when she is taken to live with a wealthy family in their manor by the sea.

DuPrau, Jeanne. ***The City of Ember*** and its sequel ***The People of Sparks***

In the city of Ember, twelve-year-old Lina trades jobs on Assignment Day to be a Messenger to run to new places in her decaying but beloved city, perhaps even to glimpse Unknown Regions. Lina and Doon are thrilled to see their people join them in the vibrant village of Sparks, but suspicion and prejudice soon turn the villagers and newcomers against each other.

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Farmer, Nancy. ***The Sea of Trolls***

After Jack becomes apprenticed to a Druid bard, he and his little sister Lucy are captured by Viking Berserkers and taken to the home of King Ivar the Boneless and his half-troll queen, leading Jack to undertake a vital quest to Jotunheim, home of the trolls.

Funke, Cornelia Caroline. ***Dragon Rider***

After learning that humans are headed toward his hidden home, Firedrake, a silver dragon, is joined by a brownie and an orphan boy in a quest to find the legendary valley known as the Rim of Heaven, encountering friendly and unfriendly creatures along the way, and struggling to evade the relentless pursuit of an old enemy. Also, try ***Inkheart***, about twelve-year-old Meggie who learns that her father Mo, a bookbinder, can "read" fictional characters to life when an evil ruler named Capricorn, freed from the novel "Inkheart" years earlier, tries to force Mo to release an immortal monster from the story. ***The Thief Lord***, by Funke, presents orphaned brothers Prosper and Bo, having run away from their cruel aunt and uncle, decide to hide out in Venice where they fall in with the Thief Lord, a thirteen-year-old boy who leads a crime ring of street children.

Lowry, Lois. ***Messenger*** (YA)

In this novel that unites characters from "The Giver" and "Gathering Blue," Matty, a young member of a utopian community that values honesty, conceals an emerging healing power that he cannot explain or understand.

Stahler, David. ***Truesight***

In a distant frontier world, thirteen-year-old Jacob is uncertain of his future in a community that considers blindness a virtue and "Seers" as aberrations.

Stroud, Jonathan. ***The Golem's Eye***

In their continuing adventures, Nathaniel, now fourteen years old, and the djinni travel to Prague to locate the source of a golem's power before it destroys London. Sequel to ***The Amulet of Samarkand***.

Turner, Megan Whalen. ***The Thief***

Gen flaunts his ingenuity as a thief and relishes the adventure that takes him to a remote temple of the gods where he will attempt to steal a precious stone.

**Award-winners**

Choldenko, Gennifer. ***Al Capone Does My Shirts*** (\*2005 Newbery Honor Book)

A twelve-year-old boy named Moose moves to Alcatraz Island in 1935 when guards' families were housed there, and has to contend with his extraordinary new environment in addition to life with his autistic sister.

Freedman, Russell. ***The Voice That Challenged a Nation: Marian Anderson and the Struggle for Equal Rights***. (\*2005 Newbery Honor Book)

Tells the life story of singer Marian Anderson, describing her famous 1939 Lincoln Memorial performance and explaining how she helped end segregation in the American arts after being refused the right to perform at Washington's Constitution Hall because of the color of her skin.

Kadohata, Cynthia. ***Kira-Kira*** (\*2005 Newbery Award Winner)

Chronicles the close friendship between two Japanese-American sisters growing up in rural Georgia during the late 1950s and early 1960s, and the despair when one sister becomes terminally ill.

Schmidt, Gary. ***Lizzie Bright and the Buckminster Boy*** (\*2005 Newbery Honor Book)

In 1911, Turner Buckminster hates his new home of Phippsburg, Maine, but things improve when he meets Lizzie Bright Griffin, a girl from a poor, nearby island community founded by former slaves that the town fathers--and Turner's--want to change into a tourist spot.

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### **Humor**

Gantos, Jack. ***Jack's Black Book***.

Comic misadventures ensue when seventh-grader Jack tries to write the great American novel. This is the third in Gantos' series of semi-autobiographical novels, including ***Heads or Tails*** and ***Jack's New Power***.

Korman, Gordon. ***No more dead dogs***.

Eighth-grade football hero Wallace Wallace is sentenced to detention attending rehearsals of the school play where, in spite of himself, he becomes wrapped up in the production and begins to suggest changes that improve not only the play but his life as well.

Mercado, Nancy E. ***Tripping over the lunch lady and other school stories***.

An anthology of humorous short stories about life in school, written by well-known authors of children's books.

Peck, Robert Newton. ***Soup*** (or any of the *Soup* books)

The adventures and misadventures of two boys growing up in a small Vermont town.

### **Multicultural**

Divakaruni, Chitra Banerjee. ***The Conch Bearer: a novel***.

In modern-day India, a twelve-year-old boy named Anand perseveres in difficult circumstances. He is entrusted with a conch shell that possesses mystical powers and sets out on a journey to return the shell to its rightful home many hundreds of miles away.

Ellis, Deborah. ***Parvana's journey***.

With Kabul in ruins from the Taliban's control, Parvana dresses as a boy and sets out to leave Afghanistan in search of her family. This is a sequel to ***The Breadwinner***. Also try ***Mud City***, about fourteen-year-old Shauzia, who escaped from Kabul, Afghanistan and who is unhappy with her life as a refugee in a camp in Pakistan.

McCaughrean, Geraldine. ***The Kite Rider***

In thirteenth-century China, after trying to save his widowed mother from a horrendous second marriage, twelve-year-old Haoyou has life-changing adventures when he takes to the sky as a circus kite rider and ends up meeting the great Mongol ruler Kublai Khan.

Napoli, Donna Jo. ***Bound***

In a novel based on Chinese Cinderella tales, fourteen-year-old stepchild Xing-Xing endures a life of neglect and servitude, as her stepmother cruelly mutilates her own child's feet so that she alone might marry well. Also, try ***Ties that bind, ties that break***, by Lensey Namioka, about Ailin defying the traditions of upper class Chinese society by refusing to have her feet bound.

### **Mystery and Detective Stories**

Hoeye, Michael. ***Time stops for no mouse : a Hermux Tantamoq adventure***.

When Linka Perflinger, a jaunty mouse, brings a watch into his shop to be repaired and then disappears, Hermux Tantamoq is caught up in a dangerous search for eternal youth as he tries to find out what happened to her.

Ibbotson, Eva. ***The Star of Kazan***.

Annika, a twelve-year-old foundling in late nineteenth-century Vienna, inherits a trunk of costume jewelry, and soon afterwards a woman claiming to be her aristocratic mother arrives and takes her to live in a strangely decrepit mansion in Germany.

Reiss, Kathryn. ***Paint by Magic***.

After his mom suddenly starts acting old-fashioned, eleven-year-old Conner is transported back to 1926, where he must discover and break the mysterious hold an obsessed artist has on his mom that is trapping her between times.

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Udall, Eleanor. ***Montmorency: Thief, Liar, Gentleman?***

In Victorian London, after his life is saved by a young physician, a thief utilizes the knowledge he gains in prison and from the scientific lectures he attends as the physician's case study exhibit to create a new, highly successful, double life for himself. This first-time novel took the silver in the UK's famous Smarties Book Prize.

### **Sports**

Carter, Alden. ***Bull Catcher.***

Pete and Jeff continue their friendship and love of baseball as they progress from ninth grade through high school in their small Wisconsin town.

Draper, Sharon M. ***Double Dutch.***

Three eighth-grade friends, preparing for the International Double Dutch Championship jump rope competition in their home town of Cincinnati, Ohio, cope with Randy's missing father, Delia's inability to read, and Yo Yo's encounter with the class bullies.

Gutman, Dan. ***The Million Dollar Strike.***

Best friends Ouchie and Squishy, who love bowling and horror movies respectively, meet the eccentric owner of a local bowling alley and try to help him save Bowl-A-Rama from the wrecking ball and a destructive psychotic lunatic.

Lupica, Mike. ***Travel Team.***

After he is cut from his travel basketball team--the very same team that his father once led to national prominence--twelve-year-old Danny Walker forms his own team of cast-offs that might have a shot at victory.

### **Non-Fiction**

Aaseng, Nathan. ***Navajo code talkers.***

Describes how the American military in World War II used a group of Navajo Indians to create an indecipherable code based on their native language.

Bausum, Ann. ***Dragon bones and dinosaur eggs: a photobiography of explorer Roy Chapman Andrews.***

A biography of the great explorer-adventurer, who discovered huge finds of dinosaur bones in Mongolia, pioneered modern paleontology field research, and became the director of the American Museum of Natural History.

Denenberg, Barry. ***All shook up: the life and death of Elvis Presley.***

A biography of Elvis Presley, discussing his childhood, his entry into the music business, the early years of his career, the impact of success on his life, his drug use, and his death.

Owen, David. ***Police lab: how forensic science tracks down and convicts criminals.***

An overview of forensic science and historical crime review, this book blends fascinating and manageable detail with case studies of actual crimes.

Skurzynski, Gloria. ***Are we alone? Scientists search for life in space.***

Presents a study of space and the possibility of extraterrestrial civilizations and discusses UFO sightings throughout the twentieth century, crop circles, and other paranormal occurrences.

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**WHY READ IN THE SUMMER?  
(We know the answer! Those who read...SUCCEED!)**

**“Reading Can Make You Smarter!”** In an article by Anne Cunningham and Keith Stanovich ( *Principal* November/December 2003: 34-39) the authors report that the more children read, the greater their vocabulary and the better their cognitive skills.

In *Summer Learning and the Effects of Schooling* (Academic Press, 1978), Barbara Heyns followed sixth and seventh graders in the Atlanta public schools through two school years and one summer. Among the findings of her research:

- The number of books read during the summer is consistently related to academic gains.
- Children in every income group who read six or more books over the summer gained more in reading achievement than children who did not.
- The use of the public library during the summer is more predictive of vocabulary gains than attending summer school is.”

In Stephen Krashen’s book, *The Power of Reading*, (Libraries Unlimited, 1993) the value of **free voluntary reading** in the development of reading, writing and spelling skills is demonstrated. Studies are reviewed that illustrate how free voluntary reading benefits student achievement, including these highlights:

- People who read more, write better.
- Reading as a leisure activity is the best predictor of comprehension, vocabulary and reading speed.
- Outstanding high school writers reported extensive summer reading.

**We hope that you choose to READ this summer!**

These book suggestions were compiled by Kathleen Hedden, Media Specialist at William Annin Middle School and Kate Warhaftig, Young Adult Services Librarian at Bernards Township Library.

Copies of these and other great books are available at the township library.

This list, and many other lists of books to read, can be found online at:  
<http://www.bernardsboe.com/wams/cybrary/ReadingList/ReadingHomePage.htm>