SALUTE TO NATIONAL LIBRARY WEEK
Reviewed on "Across the Fence" on WCAX
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A widowed landlady in Brooklyn rents apartments to a diverse, unlikely group of people, who find that they must rely on one another when faced with a great challenge.


Princess Pinecone knows exactly what she wants for her birthday: a horse worthy of a warrior. To her dismay, she gets a small, chubby pony. Laugh out loud story of friendship and teamwork.


Elmore Green is an only child who has everything he could ever want: his own room, his own toys, and every ounce of his parents’ love. When a new small person moves into his house, everything changes.


A letter, father to son, on the perils of growing up black in today’s America. Coates bears witness to his life as he warns his son and other boys of color about the world.


When Trent is involved in a horrible accident that results in another boy’s death, he must find a way to overcome his guilt and rage. A touching story of acceptance and forgiveness.


Sophia moves from LA to an old farm where she finds a mysterious hen. Letters to her dead grandmother and Great Uncle Jim help the story unfold, one unusual chicken at a time.

Sherlock Holmes and Mary Russell, an old married couple, travel as Japanese pilgrims do, learning Japan from the inside out. Newfound knowledge helps when they return to Oxford.


Cutuk is a white boy, growing up in the Inupiak culture of remote northern Alaska. He lives in a sod hut and hunts caribou and bear. Glowing first novel of conflict between cultures.


Three anthropologists cross paths in New Guinea in the thirties, as anthropology is just emerging. A compelling novel based on the lives of Margaret Mead and Gregory Bateson.


In 2014 a Canadian vet headed for the battlefields of Europe, bought a baby bear. Winnie lived at the London Zoo, where A. A. Milne’s son Christopher met her and made her famous.


Stewart and Ashley are complete opposites. When Stewart’s dad and Ashley’s mom fall in love, the two teenagers are displeased to find themselves living under the same roof.


Two stand-alone stories— one in pictures, one in word – come together to create a mysterious adventure that spans several centuries. An imaginative work of art that is worthy of its title.


Three kids with chalk create an amazing adventure in the playground. A wordless picture book makes it easy for the youngest children to tell a story of magic, adventure, and wit.