**Allie's Pick**

The Merciless

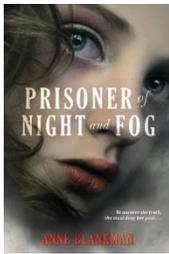
By Danielle Vega Genre: YA Horror

Formats available: Hardback

Location: See Information Desk to order

I was initially drawn to *The Merciless* by the cover. There it was, this hot pink book with nothing but a golden pentagram on the cover. The horror lover in me had to investigate! What I found was a terrifying story about Sofia Flores who just moved to a new school and is trying to make friends. She gets accepted into the very religious group of popular girls, but they may not be as innocent as they seem.

I don't want to say much more than that for fear of giving away too much, but it is quite the rollercoaster ride that leaves you questioning everything. Who is good and who is evil? What is really going on?

**Sharina's Pick**

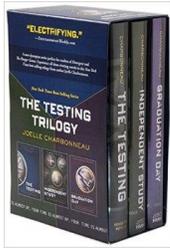
Prisoner of Night and Fog

By Anne Blankman

Genre: YA Historical Fiction Formats available: Hardback; eBook

Location: ADML/Overdrive; Axis 360; See Information Desk to order print copy

Historical fiction, mystery, espionage, and romance all wrapped up in a YA book. Gretchen's family is close to her Uncle Dolf (Adolf Hitler). When she meets a Jewish journalist everything she knows about her father's sacrifice of his life to Hitler and her own beliefs about her remaining family changes



Heidi's Pick

The Testing Trilogy: The Testing; Independent Study; Graduation Day

By Joelle Charbonneau

Genre: YA Dystopia

Formats available: Print; CD Book; Playaway; eBook

Location: F CHARBONNEAU YA; Axis 360; ADML/Overdrive

If you enjoyed *The Hunger Games*, then this series is for you! I particularly enjoy how the author builds and delivers the strong female lead. Cia is smart, and her ability to reason through problems is where she really shines. In this utopian story, Cia graduates at the top of her class and is selected to be tested for the University. She quickly learns that this test is a life or death struggle and along the way, discovers the leader within herself. Recommended for all readers, but especially young ladies.



Cheryl's Pick

The Missing Kennedy

By Elizabeth Koehler-Pentacoff

Genre: History; Memoir

Formats available: Hardback

Location: B KENNEDY

Rosemary Kennedy was the oldest daughter born to Joseph and Rose Kennedy. In the 1940's, doctors didn't know how to treat schizophrenic behaviors. Unfortunately a procedure performed on Rosemary changed her life forever. This book tells the story of Rosemary's life and the women who cared for her where she lived in Wisconsin. It also outlines how the family became advocates for people with disabilities and how the Special Olympics organization was born. Great photos!