

# The Bandera PROPHEET

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Book some more time with the Bandera Library

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The Bandera Library is looking for new volunteers to serve on the Board of Directors. Being a board member gives you the opportunity to contribute to the community and help in the direction of the library. If you are interested in applying to be a board member contact the library at 830-796-4213 to get more information and to get an application..

National Voter Registration Day is almost here. The library has voter registration cards available in English and Spanish. Come by the library on Sept. 22 and get a lollipop if you fill out a voter registration card.

Ian MacGuire's book "The Abstainer" is out this week tells the story of the underground war for Irish independence. The novel is set just after the American Civil War. An Irish American veteran named Stephen Doyle arrives in Manchester, England and becomes involved with a secret society called the Fenians. The Fenians have sworn to end British rule in Ireland by any means necessary. Head Constable James O'Connor has been in Manchester after leaving Dublin for a fresh, sober start. However, when a long-lost relative arrives unannounced on O'Connor's doorstep needing help, his and Doyle's lives will become inextricably intertwined. Both men are haunted by their pasts and must make the choices they do based on their sense of duty and honor.

Also out this week is the long awaited prequel to Ken Follet's most popular novel, "The Pillars of the Earth." "The Evening and the Morning" is set the year 997 CE – the very end of the Dark Ages. England is facing attacks from the Welsh in the west and from the Vikings in the east. With no clear regard for law and justice, those in

power do whatever they deem necessary to keep that power. Oftentimes this is direct conflict with the king and chaos ensues. Follet tells the story of three characters whose lives are intertwined. Each faces the upheaval in their world head on and each comes into conflict with a conniving, power-hungry bishop who will stop at nothing to get what he wants.

Vince Flynn has a new thriller out this week called “Total Power.” Mitch Rapp has captured the top technology expert for ISIS and has learned of a plot that could shut down the power grid for the entire country.

Determined to prevent this, Rapp sets and trap to capture the mastermind of the plot, but the trap fails. Now, with the country plunged into darkness, Rapp must search for the man responsible without computers and without communication networks. It is a worst-case scenario for America: no fuel, no water and a quickly dwindling food supply. The clock is running out for Rapp and his team as the country careens towards chaos.

The Bandera Library is open by appointment only and masks are required. Appointments are available Monday to Friday from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Curbside service is still available for checking out books, copying, faxing and printing service. Happy tales, y’all.