

The Bandera PROPHEET

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The Latest at the Bandera Library

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Tuesday, March 16, at 10:30 a.m. is the Monthly Craft Making Party for Kids. Kiddos will have a St. Patrick's Day craft and a small treat. Don't forget to wear green! We only have a couple of spots left so call the library to register or you can go through our Engaged Patrons link on the library's website.

New titles this week include the latest by Joel C. Rosenberg called *The Beirut Protocol*. Protecting others has been a lifelong commitment for Special Agent Marcus Ryker. He began his career as a Marine, then worked for the Secret Service and now is working as a covert operative for the CIA. This go round, it's Marcus' life that is in danger. Ahead of a game-changing peace treaty, Ryker and a team of special agents have been sent to scope out where the Secretary of State will sign the treaty on the Israeli-Lebanon border. Then the worst-case scenario unfolds. Hezbollah ambushes the team and threaten them with torture and death on live television. If this happens, the US could be forced into another war that cannot be won. Ryker is torn between attempting a near impossible escape or waiting for an increasingly unlikely rescue. All he knows is that he will do whatever he can to save his compatriots.

Phillip Margolin's latest courtroom thriller, *A Matter of Life and Death*, also comes out this week. Attorney Robin Lockwood's client faces the death penalty. His name is Joe Lattimore and in a last-ditch effort to keep his young, homeless family from starving, Joe agrees to fight in an illegal, no-holds-barred fight. Joe's difficult situation goes from bad to as bad as it can get when his opponent dies. The fight's organizers coerce Joe into burglarizing a home, but when he breaks in, he finds a murdered

woman. The police received an anonymous tip conveniently while Joe is in the process of breaking in. Considering the victim's husband has an alibi and just so happens to be a judge, Joe doesn't seem to have a chance. For Robin Lockwood, herself a former MMA fighter, there are too many coincidences for this case to be open-and-shut. If she fails to prove someone framed Joe, yet another innocent person will die. The Bandera Library is open Monday to Friday, 9 a.m. to 6 p.m., and Saturdays, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Curbside service is still available for checkouts and business services. Free Wi-Fi is available 24/7. Check out our website www.banderacountylibrary.org for all up-to-date information. Masks are required while you are in the building. Happy tales, y'all.