From the Desk of the Director

On December 14, 2017, the Federal Communications Commission voted 3-2 to repeal net neutrality. The measure, if not appealed, stands to end the internet as we know it. Internet providers will be able to not only control what we see and do online, but they can institute new fees.

The Parker Library offers public use computers that are constantly in use. We offer free WiFi as well as 8 hotspots for check-out, giving patrons broadband access at home and away from home. In today's world, you need access to the internet for everything from doing homework, finding jobs, applying for jobs, to filing your taxes.

The repeal of net neutrality stands to reduce access to the internet, which may limit access to information. We are not yet sure what Internet Service Providers (ISPs) may do with this new power. Access to databases may be slowed, not to mention access to things like streaming audio and video. ISPs will have the option to implement paid prioritization, tiering services and forcing the library to pay for faster service with resources that are already stretched.

Theoretically, ISPs could block or downgrade publishers or content providers that they don't agree with. In a December 14, 2017 interview with THE VERGE, Anthony Marx, CEO and President of the New York Public Library said, "if you curtail people's access to information, not only will they not be able to do their homework or look for a job or use our collections, they will not be able to inform themselves as citizens. And in this day and age, when accusations of false news are flying every day, the citizens need to be able to check facts and gather facts and argue about facts. And they do that online, from the library. If we don't continue to ensure that, our democracy is at risk. Not just the First Amendment."

As always, I am available to meet and talk with you. This is your library and we want to hear what you think!

Nanci Milone Hill, Library Director
Meet the Trustees... Eric Jackson

Eric Jackson is the current Chair of the Parker Library Board of Trustees. He has also served the community as a high school Science teacher for the last 15 years.

Eric bought his house for its close proximity to the library (it promptly moved to the middle school shortly after he moved in). The Library provided him with the resources and a place to study for his Master's Degree in Science. He even took his comprehensive exams, via the library internet, in one of our quiet study rooms.

Weekly, Eric mentors the next generation of imaginative young adults through our YA Tabletop Gaming Society (which plays cooperative role-playing games like Dungeons and Dragons). He borrows books, DVDs, music and comic books from the library constantly and he loves bragging about the library, it’s many resources, it’s beautiful spaces and it’s marvelous staff.

New Acquisitions - January 2017

NEW FICTION

Christian

- Fabry, Chris. Under a Cloudless Sky
- Gohlke, Cathy. Until We Find Home
- Peterson, Tracie. Out of the Ashes

Fantasy

- Bancroft, Josiah. Senslin Ascends
- Goodkind, Terry. Shroud of Eternity: Sister of Darkness
- Horn, J.D. The King of Bones and Ashes
- Parker, K.J. The Father of Lies

General

- Benjamin, Chloe. The Immortalists
- Halpern, Sue. Summer Hours at the Robbers Library
- Joyce, Rachel. The Music Shop
- MacArthur, Robin. Heart Spring Mountain
- Montefiore, Simon Sebag. Red Sky at Noon
- Quinn, Anna. The Night Child
- Saadawi, Ahmed. Frankenstein in Baghdad
- Self, Will. Phone
- Vaughan, Sarah. Anatomy of a Scandal

Historical

- Benedict, Marie. Carnegie’s Maid
- Cornwell, Bernard. Fools and Mortals
- Riley, Lucinda. The Pearl Sister
- Willig, Lauren. The English Wife

Mystery

- Ashley, Jennifer. Death Below Stairs
- Bradley, Alan. The Grave’s a Fine and Private Place
- Brett, Simon. The Liar in the Library
- Cleeves, Ann. Hidden Depths
- Dorsey, Tim. The Pope of Palm Beach
- Ellis, Karen. A Map of the Dark
- Fellowes, Jessica. The Mitford Murders
- Hart, Ellen. A Whisper of Bones
- Housewright, David. Darkness, Sing Me a Song
- Luna, Louise. Two Girls Down
- MacRae, Molly. Scones and Scoundrels

Romance

- Feehan, Christine. Power Game
- Grant, Donna. The Protector
- Krentz, Jayne Ann. Promise Not to Tell
- Mallery, Susan. Sisters Like Us
- Moyes, Jojo. Still Me
- Robb, J.D. Dark in Death
- Steel, Danielle. Fall from Grace
- Ward, J.R. Blood Fury

- Massey, Sujata. The Widows of Malabar Hill
- Mosley, Walter. Down the River Unto the Sea
- Raybourn, Deanna. A Treacherous Curse
- Rowland, Laura John. Mortal Likeness
Short Stories | Essays
- Johnson, Denis. The Largesse of the Sea Maiden: Stories
- Russo, Richard. It Occurs to Me that I am American

Suspense | Thrillers
- Andrews, V.C. House of Secrets
- Black, Lisa. Perish
- Brown, Dale. Act of Revenge
- Burke, Alafair. The Wife
- Burke, James Lee. Robicheaux
- Cleveland, Karen. Need to Know
- Cross, Mason. Don’t Look for Me
- DeBoard, Paula Treick. Here We Lie
- Eisler, Barry. The Night Trade
- French, Nicci. Sunday Silence
- Gardiner, Meg. Into the Black Nowhere
- Grant, Andrew. False Witness
- Harris, Robert. Munich
- Hurwitz, Gregg. Hellbent
- Lippman, Laura. Sunburn
- Moore, Jonathan. The Night Market
- Perry, Thomas. The Bomb Maker
- Preston, Douglas. City of Endless Night
- Reich, Christopher. The Take
- Taylor, Brad. Operator Down
- Woods, Stuart. Unbound
- Yates, Christopher J. Grist Mill Road

NEW LARGE PRINT
L.P. Fiction
- Brown, Carolyn. Strawberry Hearts Diner
- Burke, James Lee. Robicheaux
- Clipston, Amy. A Place at Our Table
- Cornwell, Bernard. Fools and Mortals
- French, Nicci. Sunday Silence
- Harris, Robert. Munich
- Hayes-McCoy, Felicity. The Library at the Edge of the World
- Hoffman, Alice. The Rules of Magic
- Kingsbury, Karen. Love Story
- Koonz, Dean. The Whispering Room
- Krentz, Jayne Ann. Promise Not to Tell
- Lee, Ashton. Book Club Baries
- Peterson, Tracie. Out of the Ashes
- Preston, Douglas. City of Endless Night
- Woods, Stuart. Unbound

L.P. Nonfiction
- Kerrison, Catherine. Jefferson’s Daughters
- Moore, Thomas. Ageless Soul: the Lifelong Journey Toward Meaning and Joy
- Nolte, Nick. Rebel
- Patterson, James. The Patriot

NEW AUDIOBOOKS
Playaways - Fiction
- Cornwell, Bernard. Fools and Mortals
- Willig, Lauren. The English Wife
- Woods, Stuart. Unbound

Books on CD - Fiction
- Black, Lisa. Unpunished
- Dorsey, Tim. The Pope of Palm Beach
- Feehan, Christine. Power Game
- Gardiner, Meg. Into the Black Nowhere
- Harris, Robert. Munich
- Krentz, Jayne Ann. Promise Not to Tell
- Mallery, Susan. Sisters Like Me
- Preston, Douglas. City of Endless Night
- Quinn, Anna. The Night Child
- Robb, J.D. Dark in Death
- Taylor, Brad. Operator Down
- Willig, Lauren. The English Wife
- Woods, Stuart. Unbound

NEW NONFICTION
Autobiography & Biography
- Bartolo, Pietro. Tears of Salt: a Doctor’s Story
- Eggers, Dave. The Monk of Mokha
- Cerrison, Katherine. Jefferson’s Daughters: Three Sisters, White and Black, in a Young America
- Khan-Cullors, Patrisse. When They Call You a Terrorist: Black Lives Matter Memoir

Business & Economics
- Fleming, Carol. The Serious Business of Small Talk: Becoming Fluently, Comfortably, and Charming
- Pink, Daniel H. When: the Scientific Secrets of Perfect Timing
- Sitrick, Micheal S. The Fixer: Secrets for Saving Your Reputation in the Age of Viral Media

Gardening
Health & Fitness

- Agronin, M.D., Marc E. The End of Old Age: Living a Longer, More Purposeful Life
- Chopra, Deepak. The Healing Self: a Revolutionary New Plan to Supercharge Your Immune System and Stay Well for Life
- Freston, Kathy. Clean Protein: the Revolution that will Reshape Your Body. Boost Your Energy -- and Save Our Planet
- Hari, Johann. Lost Connections: Uncovering the Real Causes of Depression and the Unexpected Solutions
- Kahn, Joel K. The Plant-Based Solution: America's Healthy Heart Doc's Plan to Power Your Health
- Verburgh, Kris. The Longevity Code: the New Science of Aging

Law

- Bergman, Paul. The Criminal Law Handbook: Know Your Rights, Survive the System

Life Sciences

- Barnes, Simon. The Meaning of Birds

Political Science

- Frum, David. Trumpocracy: the Corruption of the American Republic
- Johnston, David Cay. It's Even Worse than You Think: What the Trump Administration Is Doing to America
- Walker, Shaun. The Long Hangover: Putin’s New Russia and the Ghosts of the Past
- Wides-Munos, Laura. The Making of a Dream: How a Group of Young Undocumented Immigrants Helped Change What It Means to Be American

History

- Bergman, Ronan. Rise and Kill First: the Secret History of Israel’s Targeted Assassinations
- Boot, Max. The Road Not Taken: Edward Lansdale and the American Tragedy in Vietnam
- Ortiz, Paul. An African American and Latinx History of the United States

Religion

- Barr, Deborah. Grace for the Unexpected Journey: a 60-Day Devotional for Alzheimer’s and other Dementia Caregivers

Self-Help


True Crime

- Patterson, James. The Patriot: the Stunning True Story of Aaron Hernandez: His Rise and Fall as a Football Superstar, His Two Explosive Trials for Murder, His Shocking Death
- Patterson, James. Home Sweet Murder
- Patterson, James. Murder Beyond the Grave
- Patterson, James. Murder, Interrupted