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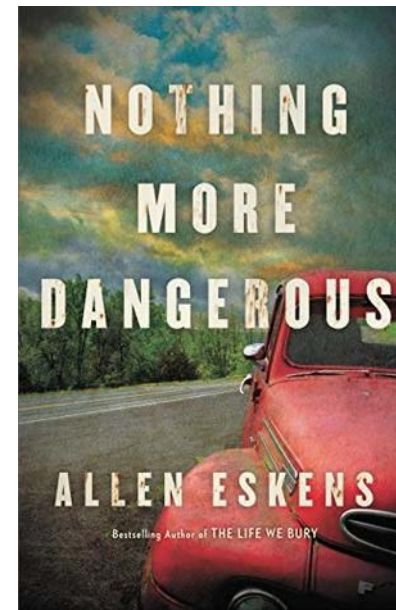

Past Programs

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A COMMUNITY ONE BOOK PROGRAM

Richmond Memorial Library

2020 Program Information

2020 Selection:

Nothing More Dangerous

by Allen Eskens

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About Richmond Reads:

Richmond Reads is a community one-book program designed specifically for the Richmond Memorial Library community. The goal of the program is for the community to join together in reading the chosen title, and then to participate in subsequent discussions and programs.

How to participate:

Read the book:
Nothing More Dangerous by Allen Eskins
Copies in various formats are available to check out at the library. The eBook and audiobook are available online via OverDrive.
Nothing More Dangerous is available for sale at your favorite bookseller and limited copies will be for sale at the library.

Join the discussion:
Discussions will be announced as we get closer to the event!

Attend the Author Visit:
Allen Eskens will visit on
Thursday, October 22 at 7:00 pm
for a reading and book signing.
Books will be available for purchase.

Due to circumstances surrounding the COVID19 pandemic, programs may be virtual or in-person. More details will be available as the event date gets closer! If the author visit is in-person, location details will be announced.
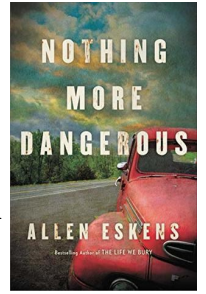
Support the program:

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We welcome all support of the program! If you wish to contribute financially, forms are available at the front desk or at the reference desk.

About the title:

Described by *Library Journal* as a "powerful, unforgettable crime novel" and "a coming-of-age book to rival some of the best," *Nothing More Dangerous* by Allen Eskens presents a timely story filled with mystery, intrigue and personal discovery. Fifteen year old Boady Sanden wants nothing more than to escape the small town of Jessup, Missouri, where he lives with his widowed mother. His life changes in unexpected ways when the Elgins– a black family– move in across the street and cause Boady to reexamine his understanding of the world as he knows it. The town has also been unsettled by the sudden and ominous disappearance of Lida Poe, a black woman who kept the books at the local plastics factory. As Boady delves into this mystery and navigates the racial tensions around him, he uncovers more than he expected about his family, his neighbors and himself.

About the author:

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Allen Eskens is the bestselling author of *The Life We Bury, The Guise of Another, The Heavens May Fall, The Deep Dark Descending, The Shadows We Hide*, and *Nothing More Dangerous*. He is the recipient of the Barry Award, Minnesota Book Award, Rosebud Award (Left Coast Crime), and Silver Falchion Award and has been a finalist for the Edgar® Award, Thriller Award, and Anthony Award. His books have been translated into 26 languages.

Allen has a journalism degree from the University of Minnesota and a law degree from Hamline University. After law school, he studied creative writing in the M.F.A. program at Minnesota State University-Mankato, as well as the Loft Literary Center and the Iowa Summer Writer's Festival. Allen grew up on the hills of central Missouri. He now lives with his wife, Joely, in greater Minnesota where he recently retired after practicing criminal law for 25 years.

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