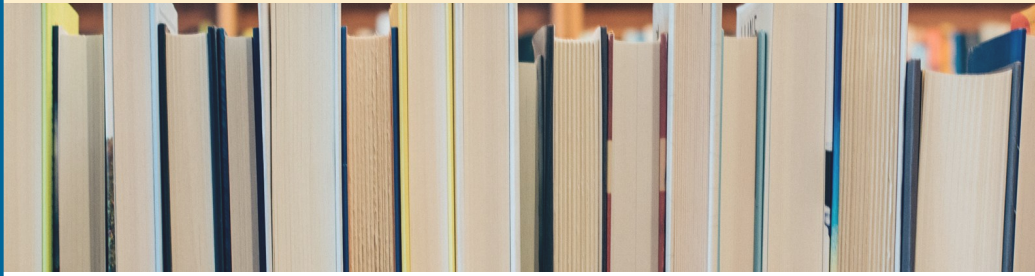


OUTREACH NEWSLETTER

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READ THE BOOK - JOIN THE DISCUSSION!

NOLS currently offers four monthly Book Discussion Groups. Attend as often as you wish. Drop-ins are always welcome!

SEQUIM BRANCH LIBRARY

2nd Saturday Group

October 13 at 3pm:
Everything I Never Told You by Celeste Ng

November 10 at 3pm:
Short Nights of the Shadow Catcher
by Timothy Egan

December 8 at 3pm:
A Constellation of Vital Phenomena
by Anthony Marra

Novel Conversations Group

September 26 at 4pm:
The Bonesetter's Daughter by Amy Tan

October 24 at 4pm:
The Curious Charms of Arthur Pepper
by Phaedra Patrick

November 28:
Anything is Possible by Elizabeth Strout

PORT ANGELES MAIN LIBRARY

2nd Tuesday Group

October 9 at 11am:
Angle of Repose by Wallace Stegner

November 13 at 11am:
Eleanor and Hick by Susan Quinn

December 11 at 11am:
LaRose by Louise Erdrich

PALS Group

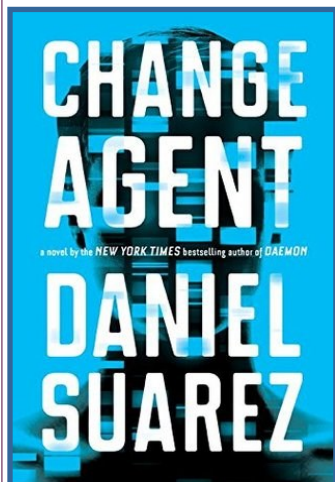
September 26 at 6:30pm:
Hunger by Roxane Gay

October 24 at 6:30pm:
The Turner House by Angela Flournoy

November 28 at 6:30pm:
The Queen of Katwe by Tim Crothers

SCIENCE FICTION AND FANTASY

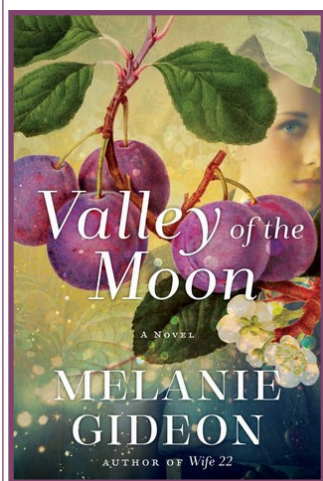
***The Philosopher's Flight* by Tom Miller** When America enters World War I, 18-year-old Robert Weekes, the son of an empirical philosopher, wants to enlist in the U.S. Sigilry Corps' flying Rescue and Evacuation Service, the elite of the elite. There's just one problem, though—the unit doesn't accept men. This is an epic historical fantasy set in a World-War-I-era America where magic and science have blended into a single extraordinary art.



***Change Agent* by Daniel Suarez** In this futuristic thriller, Interpol agent Kenneth Durand battles black market labs that genetically alter human embryos for a price-offering so-called vanity edits tested on human-trafficking victims. Then a single needle prick turns Durand into Marcus Demang Wyckes, the very villain he's pursuing.

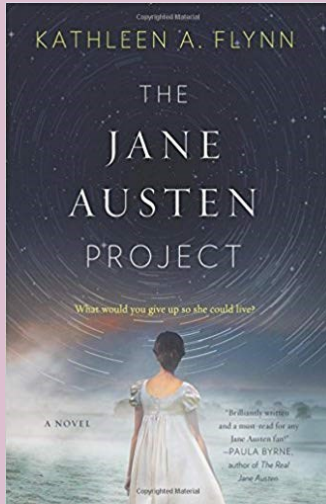
***Shine Shine Shine* by Lydia Netzer** Once, they were two outcasts who found unlikely love in each other: a wondrous, strange relationship formed from urgent desire for connection. But now they're parents to an autistic son. And Sunny is pregnant again. And her mother is dying in the hospital. Maxon, a genius engineer, is on a NASA mission to the moon, programming robots for a new colony. Their marriage is on the brink of imploding, and they're at each other's throats with blame and fear. What exactly has gone wrong? When an accident in space puts the mission in peril, everything Sunny and Maxon have built hangs in the balance. Dark secrets, long-forgotten murders, and a blonde wig, all come tumbling to the light, and nothing will ever be the same.

***The Water Knife* by Paolo Bacigalupi** The American Southwest is in a skirmish for dwindling shares of the Colorado River. As a Las Vegas water knife, Angel “cuts” water for his boss, Catherine Case, ensuring that her lush, luxurious developments can bloom in the desert so the rich can stay wet, while the poor get nothing but dust. When rumors of a game-changing water source surface in drought-ravaged Phoenix, Angel is sent to investigate. There, he encounters Lucy Monroe, a hardened journalist with every reason to hate Angel, and Maria Villarosa, a young Texas refugee who survives by her wits and street smarts in a city that despises everything that she represents.



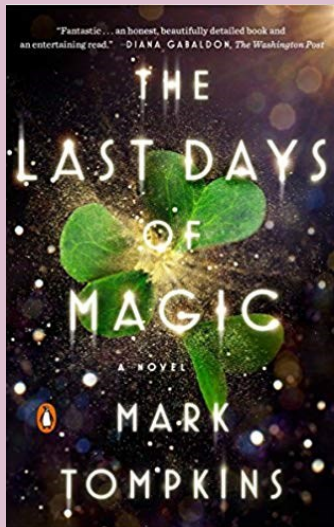
***Valley of the Moon* by Melanie Gideon** San Francisco, 1975. A single mother, Lux Lysander is overwhelmed, underpaid, and living on the edge of an emotional precipice. When her adored five-year-old son goes away to visit his grandparents, Lux takes a solo trip to Sonoma Valley—a chance to both lose herself and find herself again. Awakened at midnight, Lux steps outside to see a fog settled over the Sonoma landscape. Wandering toward a point of light in the distance, she emerges into a meadow on a sunny day. There she meets a group of people whose clothing, speech, and manners almost make them seem as if they are from another time.

SCIENCE FICTION AND FANTASY



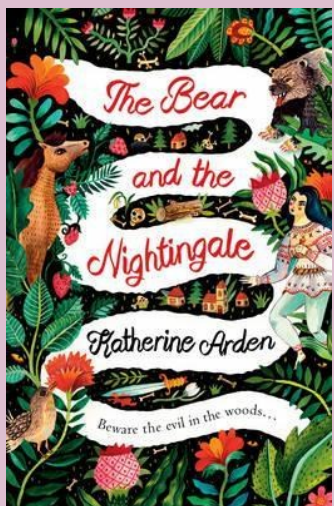
***The Jane Austen Project* by Kathleen A. Flynn** London, 1815: Two travelers arrive in a field in rural England, disheveled and weighed down with hidden money. Turned away at a nearby inn, they're forced to travel by coach all night to London. They are colleagues who have come back in time from a technologically advanced future, posing as wealthy West Indies planters. Their mission is to meet, befriend, and steal from Jane Austen herself.

***The Hunt for Atlantis* by Andy McDermott** It's one of history's most enduring and controversial legends—the lost city of Atlantis. Archaeologist Nina Wilde is certain she's solved the riddle of its whereabouts, but not everyone wants her to succeed— a powerful and mysterious organization will stop at nothing to ensure that a secret submerged for 11,000 years never resurfaces.



***The Last Days of Magic* by Mark Tompkins** Aisling, a goddess in human form, was born to rule both domains and—with her twin, Anya—unite the Celts with the powerful faeries of the Middle Kingdom. But greater forces are mustering. Both England and Rome have a stake in driving magic from the Emerald Isle. Jordan, the Vatican commander tasked with vanquishing the remnants of otherworldly creatures from Europe, has built a career on such plots. But increasingly he finds himself torn between duty and his desire to understand the magic that has been forbidden.

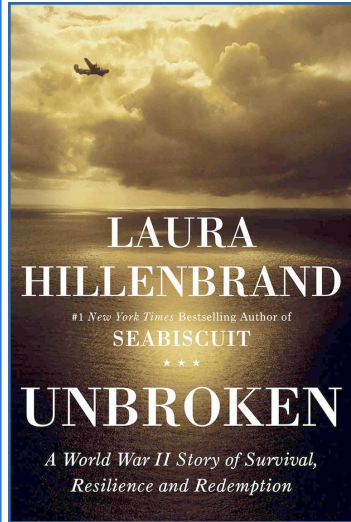
***The Luster of Lost Things* by Sophie Chen Keller** Walter Lavender Jr. is a master of finding. Silenced by his motor speech disorder, he gets lonely. Fortunately, he has The Lavenders—his mother's enchanted dessert shop, where marzipan dragons breathe actual fire. He also has a knack for tracking down any missing thing—except for his lost father. So when the book at the root of the bakery's magic vanishes, Walter, accompanied by his overweight golden retriever, journeys through New York City to find it and along the way encounters an unforgettable cast of lost souls.



***The Bear and the Nightingale* by Katherine Arden** In a village at the edge of the wilderness of northern Russia, a stranger presents a new father with a precious jewel on a delicate chain, intended for his young daughter. Uncertain of its meaning, Pytor hides the gift away and Vasya grows up a wild, willful girl, to the chagrin of her family. But when mysterious forces threaten their village, Vasya discovers that, armed only with the necklace, she may be the only one who can keep the darkness at bay.

HISTORICAL BIOGRAPHIES

***Prairie Fires* by Caroline Fraser** The true saga of Laura Ingalls comes to light. Drawing upon unpublished manuscripts, letters, diaries, and land and financial records, Caroline Fraser fills in the gaps in Wilder's biography.

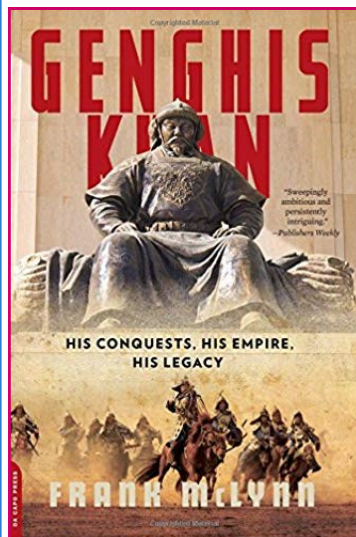


***Unbroken* by Laura Hillenbrand**

Louis Zamperini, a distance runner in the Berlin Olympics, became an airman when World War II began. In 1943 Zamperini's Army Air Forces bomber crashed into the Pacific Ocean. Against all odds, he survived, adrift on a foundering life raft. Driven to the limits of endurance Zamperini would answer desperation with ingenuity; suffering with hope, resolve and humor; brutality with rebellion.

***Barracoon* by Zora Neale Hurston**

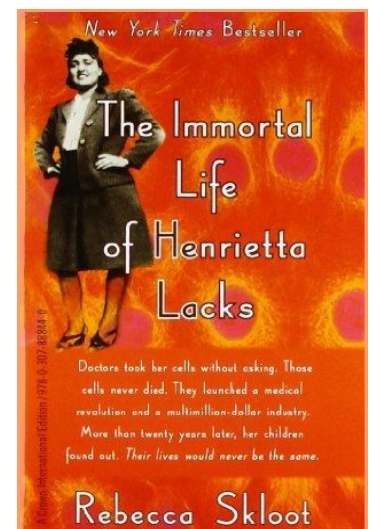
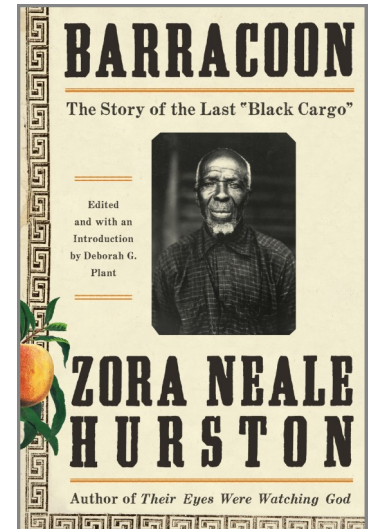
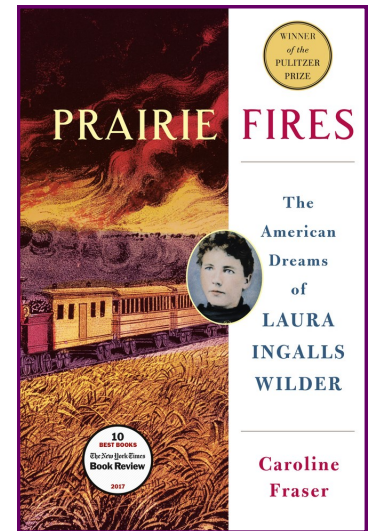
In 1927, Zora Neal Hurston went to Plateau, Alabama, just outside Mobile, to interview 86-year-old Cudjo Lewis. Of the millions of men, women and children transported from Africa to America as slaves, Cudjo was then the only person alive to tell the story of this integral part of the nation's history. Hurston was there to record Cudjo's firsthand account of the raid that led to his capture and bondage for 50 years after the Atlantic slave trade was outlawed in the United States.



***Genghis Khan: His Conquests, His Empire, His Legacy* by Frank McLynn**

Combining fast-paced accounts of battles with rich cultural background and the latest scholarship, Frank McLynn brings vividly to life the world of the Mongols, describes Temujin's rise from boyhood outcast to becoming Genghis Khan.

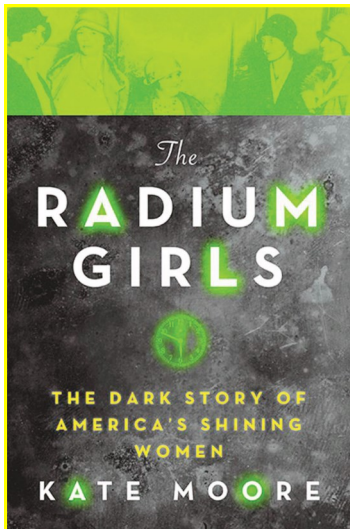
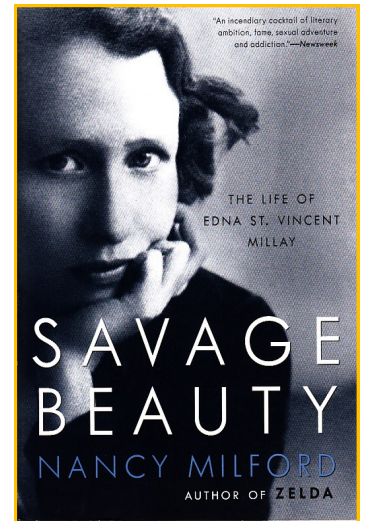
***The Immortal Life of Henrietta Lacks* by Rebecca Skloot** Her name was Henrietta Lacks, but scientists know her as HeLa. She was a poor black tobacco farmer whose cells – taken without her knowledge in 1951 – became one of the most important tools in medicine, vital for developing the polio vaccine, cloning, gene mapping, and more.



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***Savage Beauty: The Life of Edna St. Vincent Millay* by Nancy Milford**

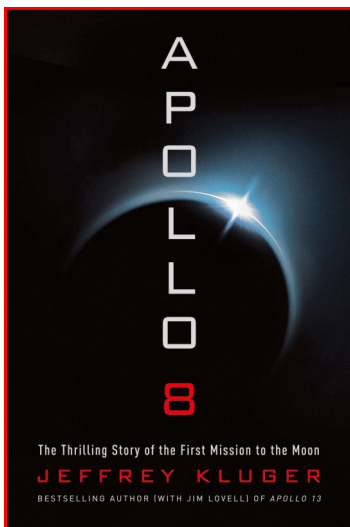
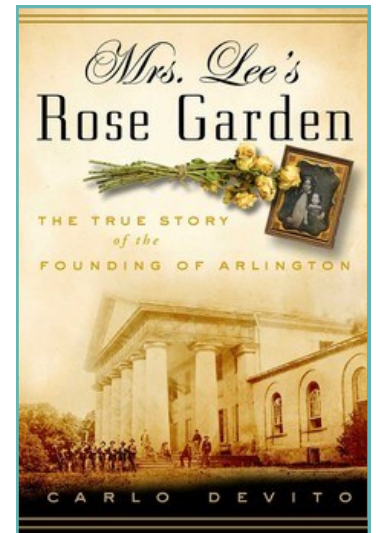
The first woman ever to win the Pulitzer Prize, Millay was dazzling in the performance of herself. Her voice was likened to an instrument of seduction and her impact on crowds, and on men, was legendary. Nancy Milford was given exclusive access to Millay's papers, and what she found was an extraordinary treasure.



***The Radium Girls: The Dark Story of America's Shining Women* by Kate Moore** Traces the lives of the hundreds of young women who toiled and suffered amid the radium-dial factories. What follows is a true story of awe inspiring strength in the face of scandal and gruesome corruption.

***Mrs. Lee's Rose Garden: The True Story of the Founding of Arlington* by Carlo DeVito**

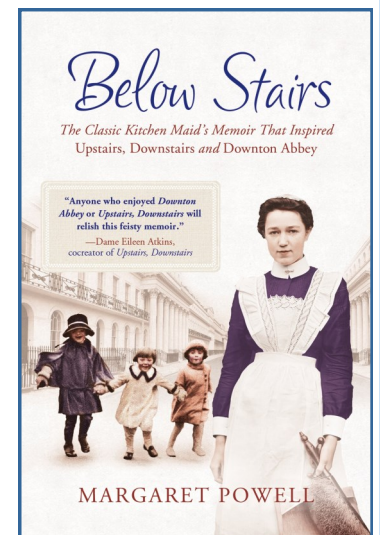
The poignant, personal, and unbelievably true story of Mrs. Robert E. Lee and General Montgomery Meigs, and the founding of the Arlington National Cemetery, in the midst of America's greatest struggle, the Civil War.



***Apollo 8: The Thrilling Story of the First Mission to the Moon* by Jeffrey Kluger** In August 1968, one year after three astronauts had burned to death in their spacecraft, NASA decided that it would launch humankind's first flight to the moon. Sixteen weeks later, Frank Borman, Jim Lovell, and Bill Anders were aboard the first manned spacecraft to depart Earth's orbit, reach the moon, and return safely to Earth.

***Below Stairs: The Classic Kitchen Maid's Memoir That Inspired Upstairs, Downstairs and Downton Abbey* by Margaret Powell**

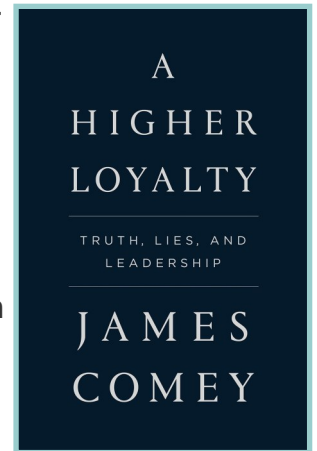
Chronicles the experiences of a 1920s maid working in the great houses of England, detailing the disparate lives of the upper class and their servants, the class struggles inherent in the relationship, and daily life as a servant.



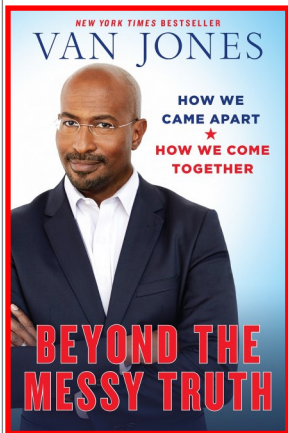
POLITICS

***Fascism: A Warning* by Madeleine Korbel Albright** Former U.S. Secretary of State presents a timely, considered, and personal look at the history and current resurgence of fascism and the virulent threat it poses to international freedom, prosperity, and peace.

***A Higher Loyalty: Truth, Lies, and Leadership* by James Comey** From high stakes situations to ethical leadership, he writes about the journey he was put on with such power appointed to by President Barack Obama from 2013 to 2017.



***Understanding Trump* by Newt Gingrich** Newt Gingrich explores the movement that put Trump into office. A phenomenon at the least, Donald Trump is certainly unlike any president America has ever seen.



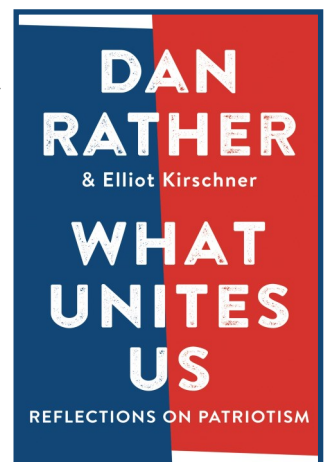
***Beyond the Messy Truth: How We Came Apart, How We Come Together* by Van Jones** A passionate manifesto that exposes hypocrisy on both sides of the political divide and points a way out of the tribalism that is tearing America apart.

***Fire and Fury: Inside the Trump White House* by Michael Wolff** Revealing the behind the scenes action of the first nine months of Trump's presidency, the book provides a new world of access to the West Wing.

***Dear Madam President: An Open Letter to the Women Who Will Run the World* by Jennifer Palmieri** Former White House Director of Communications and Director of Communications for the Hillary Clinton 2016 presidential campaign writes a letter to the first woman president. Inspirational, practical, and motivating, her book is empowering to any woman in the world, especially those in politics.

***By the People: Rebuilding Liberty Without Permission* by Charles Murray** Social Scientist Charles Murray show us why we can no longer hope to roll back the power of the federal government through the normal political process.

***What Unites Us* by Dan Rather** In a collection of original essays, Dan Rather celebrates shared values and what matters most in this great country, and shows what patriotism looks like.



***The Woman's Hour: The Great Fight to Win the Vote* by Elaine Weiss** Thirty-five states had ratified the Nineteenth Amendment, twelve had rejected or refused to vote and one last state was needed. Following the remarkable women who led their forces into battle, this is the inspiring story of activists winning one of the last campaigns forged in the shadow of the Civil War.

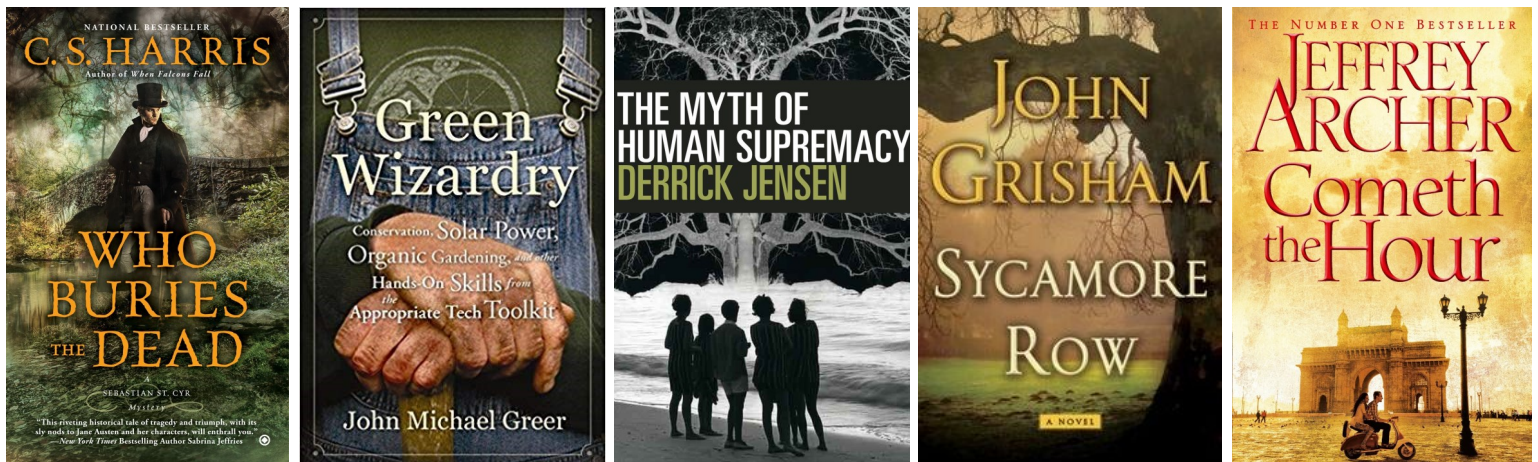
AROUND OUTREACH

Carol recommends ***Who Buries the Dead* by C. S. Harris** - “I appreciate her writing and look forward to more”

Ann recommends ***Green Wizardry* by John Michael Greer** - “A very affirmative take on how the ideas, skills, and attitudes of some of us seniors will be crucial to any sort of civilized future beyond the 21st century. This man is a fascinating writer and thinker, who lives his beliefs...inspiring.” She also suggests ***The Myth of Human Supremacy* by Derrick Jensen**, saying “If you can get past the anger and grief shown in sometimes uncouth language, etc. author makes a powerful argument for his unsettling view of creation...challenging.”

Wanda recommends ***Sycamore Row* by John Grisham** - “I’ve read it 3 times. It’s about 2 brothers...how they lived after their father was hung from a sycamore tree by the Ku Klux Klan.”

Wanda also recommends the series, ***The Clifton Chronicles* by Jeffrey Archer** - “It is about this man who gets sealed up in the bottom of a ship when he is working there and what happens to his wife and son and about the Barrington Shipping Line.”

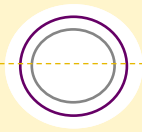


PICKS & REVIEWS

Have an all-time favorite book? Recently read a title you really enjoyed?

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Library staff and volunteers are available to deliver library materials to individuals who are unable to come to the library due to age, illness, or disability. This free service is available on a long or short-term basis. Deliveries are made once or twice per month to people living at long-term care facilities, retirement apartments, or personal homes. Specific titles may be requested, or items can be selected for you based on your interests.

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