

Morning Book Club Meeting Minutes September 25, 2024

Location: Library

Community Updates:

- Expressions of Gratitude Opening Reception
Saturday, September 28th, 2024 2:00pm – 4:00pm
Callander Bay Heritage Museum and Alex Dufresne Gallery
Display until November 2nd, 2024
- Cranberry Day
Saturday, October 5th, 2024 10:00am – 3:00pm
Cranberry Trail, Callander
Busses available from Centennial Park

Upcoming Library Events:

- Costume Exchange
Tuesday, October 1st, 2024 4:00pm
Open to everyone, no costume necessary, donations accepted until 4:00pm on Oct. 1, 2024
- Coffee Club
Wednesday, October 2nd, 2024 1:30pm
Archaeological History of the Nipissing Region

Upcoming Books:

Oct. 30th, 2024: Any book by Alice Munro, if you would like a particular book, let the Library know! (CW)

Nov. 27th, 2024: *Lady Tan's Circle of Women* by Lisa See (PC)

Dec (TBD): *Shrines of Gaiety* by Kate Atkinson

Jan. 29th, 2024: *Tom Lake* by Ann Patchett (LC)

Feb. Lessons in Chemistry (DL)

Mar. (AM)

Apr. (MB)

May (JB)

Book Suggestions:

Bittlemores by Jann Arden – Can't pick this book until December 2024
The Marriage Portrait by Maggie O'Farrell

June: *Covenant of Water* by Abraham Verghese

Discussion:

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • I read it and I loved it, I love getting into a book like this • There wasn't anything that I felt should have been cut out • I thought it was beautifully written • I don't want to rate it because I read it so long ago
9.5	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • An effortless read, I got so caught up in the stories • It covered so much, I particularly liked Dr. Digby
6	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • He writes very well, but I found it too detailed with all of the threads to the story

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • It would have been more manageable as a series • Very medically oriented, but there wasn't as much detail about leprosy
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • I didn't finish it
10	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • I really liked the book, it was a good story, I learned a lot, the characters were interesting. • I listened to this book, it was narrated by the author and it was very well done. • Opera has a six part podcast on this book, highly rated on Goodreads
9.5	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • I devoured the book, and then I went and got <i>Cutting for Stone</i>, and then I went back and read it again because I couldn't remember all everything that had happened and to read it for metaphor and theme • I found it very sympathetic to women • I enjoyed the serenity of the beginning and I liked that the book started that way when it could have been much more difficult • If you have time you can go very deep with this book • It was a companion for a while
7	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • I found it very informative and interesting • I like the language and vocabulary, it evoked a lot of images • I liked how all of the threads of the story came together at the end • I found it too long
8	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • I found the water condition interesting and I liked the story of Mariamma • I did find it hard to keep track of everyone
9.5	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • I loved the book and I didn't find it long • I found the writing easy to read, I'm so glad I read it • The character development was amazing • I liked the image of the water and the theme of reconciliation of people • I enjoyed reading it immensely
8	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • I did enjoy the book, like others have mentioned I did find it longer in the middle

Other Books Discussed:

Lincoln in the Bardo by George Saunders