

Brighton Memorial Library Book Discussion Group
Meets each month on the third Wednesday @ 7 pm
and the Tuesday the day before @ 1:30 pm, with the exception of holidays
Books selected are available through the Monroe County Library System.
This program is sponsored by Friends of BML.

2019

Jan	THE INVENTION OF WINGS a novel by Sue Monk Kidd
Feb	KITCHENS OF THE GREAT MIDWEST a novel by J. Ryan Stradal
Mar	AMERICAN WAR a novel by Omar el Akkad

2018

Jan	LAROSE a novel by Louise Erdrich
Feb	LAB GIRL a memoir by Hope Jahren
Mar	THE DISTANCE BETWEEN US, a memoir by Reyna Grande Writers & Books' If All of Rochester Read the Same Book selection for 2018
Apr	LAST BUS TO WISDOM a novel by Ivan Doig
May	ELEANOR OLIPHANT IS COMPLETELY FINE a novel by Gail Honeyman
June	AND AFTER THE FIRE a novel by Lauren Belfer
July	STILL LIFE a mystery by Louise Penny
Aug	MANHATTAN BEACH a novel by Jennifer Egan
Sept	AN AMERICAN MARRIAGE a novel by Tayari Jones
Oct	WARLIGHT a novel by Michael Ondaatje
Nov	A PIECE OF THE WORLD a novel by Christina Kline Baker
Dec	ANYTHING IS POSSIBLE stories by Elizabeth Strout

2017

Jan	SEABISCUIT: AN AMERICAN LEGEND nonfiction by Laura Hillenbrand
Feb	THE TURNER HOUSE a novel by Angela Flournoy
Mar	THE ENCHANTED a novel by Rene Denfeld Writers & Books' If All of Rochester Read the Same Book selection for 2017
Apr	SWING TIME a novel by Zadie Smith
May	MARY COIN a novel by Marisa Silver
June	BEHOLD THE DREAMERS a novel by Imbolo Mbue
July	EVERYBODY'S FOOL a novel by Richard Russo
Aug	ALL THE LIGHT WE CANNOT SEE a novel by Anthony Doerr
Sept	NEWS OF THE WORLD a novel by Paulette Jiles
Oct	THE DRY a novel by Jane Harper
Nov	STATION ELEVEN a novel by Emily St. John Mandel
Dec	THE TWELVE LIVES OF SAMUEL HAWLEY a novel by Hannah Tinti

2016

Jan	THE LITTLE PARIS BOOKSHOP a novel by Nina George
Feb	QUEEN OF THE FALL: A Memoir of Girls and Goddesses by Sonja Livingston Writers & Books' If All of Rochester Read the Same Book selection for 2016
Mar	THE GIRL ON THE TRAIN a novel by Paula Hawkins
Apr	THE LIGHT BETWEEN OCEANS a novel by ML Stedman
May	HOUSE OF THIEVES a novel by Charles Belfoure
June	library was closed for redesign project

July	ONE SUMMER: AMERICA, 1927, non-fiction by Bill Bryson
Aug	CANADA, a novel by Richard Ford
Sept	RAGTIME, a novel by E.L. Doctorow
Oct	MY BRILLIANT FRIEND a novel by Elena Ferrante
Nov	THE CHILDREN ACT a novel by Ian McEwan
Dec	A TREE GROWS IN BROOKLYN a novel by Betty Smith

2015

Jan	THE MALTESE FALCON a novel by Dashiell Hammett
Feb	THE AGE OF MIRACLES a novel by Karen Thompson Walker If All of Roch. Read the Same Book
Mar	ME BEFORE YOU a novel by JoJo Moyes
Apr	THE PARIS ARCHITECT a novel by Charles Belfoure
May	THE STORIED LIFE OF A.J. FIKRY a novel by Gabrielle Zevin
June	A REPLACEMENT LIFE a novel by Boris Fishman F
July	THE LIFEBOAT a novel by Charlotte Rogan
Aug	THE UNLIKELY PILGRIMAGE OF HAROLD FRY a novel by Rachel Joyce
Sept	STILL ALICE a novel by Lisa Genova
Oct	FEVER a novel by Mary Beth Keane
Nov	SWEET TOOTH a novel by Ian McEwan
Dec	DEFENDING JACOB a novel by William Landay

2014

Jan	HOW IT ALL BEGAN a novel by Penelope Lively
Feb	THE SNOW CHILD a novel by Eowyn Ivey Writers & Books "If All of Rochester Read the Same Book..." selection for 2014
Mar	O PIONEERS! a novel Willa Cather
Apr	IN THE NEIGHBORHOOD: THE SEARCH FOR COMMUNITY ON AN AMERICAN STREET, ONE SLEEPOVER AT A TIME (NF) written by Brighton resident Peter Lovenheim.
May	THE MASTER BUTCHERS SINGING CLUB Louise Erdrich
June	THE MURDER OF ROGER AKROYD by Agatha Christie
July	I KNOW WHY THE CAGED BIRD SINGS memoir by Maya Angelou
Aug	WINESBURG, OHIO a novel by Sherwood Anderson
Sept	WHITE TIGER a novel by Aravind Adiga
Oct	THE ART FORGER a novel by B.A. Shapiro
Nov	TRANSATLANTIC a novel by Colum McCann
Dec	WE ARE ALL COMPLETELY BESIDE OURSELVES a novel by Karen Joy Fowler

2013

Jan	THE GIRL WHO FELL FROM THE SKY a novel by Heidi Pitlor
Feb	STATE OF WONDER a novel by Ann Patchett
Mar	INTO THE BEAUTIFUL NORTH a novel by Luis Alberto Urrea F (Writers & Books' If All of Rochester Read the Same Book
Apr	CALEB'S CROSSING a novel by Geraldine Brooks
May	ROOM a novel by Emma Donoghue
June	THE IMMORTAL LIFE OF HENRIETTA LACKS non-fiction by Rebecca Skloot
July	THE VANISHING ACT OF ESME LENNOX a novel by Maggie O'Farrell
Aug	WHEN THE KILLING'S DONE a novel by T.C. Boyle
Sept	NAME ALL THE ANIMALS a memoir by Alison Smith
Oct	TOO MUCH HAPPINESS short stories by Alice Munro
Nov	THE WOMEN a novel by T.C. Boyle
Dec	THE CHEMISTRY OF TEARS a novel by Peter Carey

2012

Jan	TENDER IS THE NIGHT a novel by F. Scott Fitzgerald
Feb	TINKERS a novel by Paul Harding
Mar	THE MADONNAS OF LENINGRAD a novel by Debra Dean F If All of Rochester Read the Same Book
Apr	THE THIRTEENTH TALE a novel by Diane Setterfield
May	MAJOR PETTIGREW'S LAST STAND a novel by Helen Simonson
June	THE CAT'S TABLE a novel by Michael Ondaatje
July	BLAME a novel by Michelle Huneven
Aug	SILVER SPARROW a novel by Tayari Jones
Sept	WHEN THE EMPEROR WAS DIVINE a novel by Julie Otsuka
Oct	THE GUERNSEY LITERARY AND POTATO PEEL PIE SOCIETY a novel by Mary Ann Shaffer & Annie Barrows
Nov	THE SUBMISSION a novel by Amy Waldman
Dec	THE WHISTLING SEASON a novel by Ivan Doig

2011

Jan	AMERICAN RUST a novel by Philipp Meyer
Feb	THE GOOD THIEF a novel by Hannah Tinti F If All of Rochester Read the Same Book
Mar	THE GATE AT THE STAIRS a novel by Lorrie Moore
Apr	TORTILLA CURTAIN a novel by T. C. Boyle
May	OLIVE KITTEREDGE a novel by Elizabeth Strout
June	THE HOUSEKEEPER AND THE PROFESSOR a novel by Yoko Ogawa
July	LET THE GREAT WORLD SPIN a novel by Colum McCann
Aug	HOUSEKEEPING a novel by Marilynne Robinson
Sept	THE ELEGANCE OF THE HEDGEHOG a novel by Muriel Barbery
Oct	LORD OF MISRULE a novel by Jaimy Gordon
Nov	LITTLE BEE a novel by Chris Cleave
Dec	GREAT HOUSE a novel by Nicole Kraus

2010

Jan	THE CALL OF THE WILD a novel by Jack London MCLS The Big Read Selection
Feb	PEOPLE OF THE BOOK a novel by Geraldine Brooks
Mar	BEL CANTO a novel by Ann Patchett If All of Rochester Read the Same Book
Apr	OUT STEALING HORSES a novel by Per Petterson
May	A PERSON OF INTEREST a novel by Susan Choi
June	THE BEAUTIFUL THINGS THAT HEAVEN BEARS a novel by Dinaw Mingestu
July	MY ANTONIA a novel by Willa Cather
Aug	BROOKLYN a novel by Colm Toibin
Sept	MUDBOUND a novel by Hillary Jordan
Oct	THE THINGS THEY CARRIED a novel by Tim O'Brien The Big Read
Nov	THE PIANO TEACHER a novel by Janice Y. K. Lee
Dec	SOLAR a novel by Ian McEwan

2009

Jan	SKINNER'S DRIFT a novel by Lisa Fugard
Feb	AMERICA AMERICA a novel by Ethan Canin
Mar	JIM THE BOY a novel by Tony Early (Writers & Books' The Big Read)
Apr	THEFT a novel by Peter Carey
May	LAST NIGHT AT THE LOBSTER a novel by Stewart O'Nan
June	THE OUTCAST a novel by Sadie Jones
July	UNACUSTOMED EARTH short stories by Jhumpa Lahiri
Aug	THE PLAGUE OF DOVES a novel by Louise Erdrich
Sept	THE EMPEROR'S CHILDREN a novel by Claire Messud
Oct	PROSE AND POETRY OF EDGAR ALLAN POE (THE BIG READ program)
Nov	THE POE SHADOW a novel by Matthew Pearl
Dec	CROW LAKE a novel by Mary Lawson

2008

Jan	THE DIVE FROM CLAUSEN'S PIER a novel by Ann Packer F
Feb	SUITE FRANCAISE a novel by Irene Nemirovsky F
Mar	HOPE AND OTHER DANGEROUS PURSUITS stories by Laila Lalami (If All of Rochester Read the Same Book.)
Apr	FAHRENHEIT 451 a novel by Ray Bradbury F (Monroe County Library System: The Big Read)
May	FAHRENHEIT 451 movie and discussion
June	THE SEA a novel by John Banville F
July	THE MEMORY KEEPER'S DAUGHTER a novel by Kim Edwards F
Aug	DIVISADERO a novel by Michael Ondaatje F
Sept	THE INHERITANCE OF LOSS a novel by Kiran Desai F
Oct	THE SHAWL a novel by Cynthia Ozick F (Writers & Books' The Big Read)
Nov	WATER FOR ELEPHANTS a novel by Sara Gruen F
Dec	MY SISTER'S KEEPER a novel by Jodi Picoult F

2007

Jan	DIGGING TO AMERICA a novel by Anne Tyler F
Feb	RUNAWAY a novel by Ann Munro F/Short Stories
Mar	ARTHUR AND GEORGE a novel by Julian Barnes F
Apr	TERRORIST a novel by John Updike F
May	BLACK SWAN GREEN a novel by David Mitchell F
June	THE PHOTOGRAPH a novel by Penelope Lively F
July	TALK TALK a novel by T. C. Boyle F
Aug	MONTANA 1948 a novel by Larry Watson F
Sept	RISE AND SHINE a novel by Anna Quindlen F
Oct	AMSTERDAM a novel by Ian McEwan F
Nov	ETHAN FROME a novel by Edith Wharton F
Dec	THE ACCIDENTAL a novel by Ali Smith

2006

Jan	READING LOLITA IN TEHRAN a novel by Azar Nafisi NF
Feb	CURIOUS INCIDENT OF THE DOG IN THE NIGHT-TIME a novel by Mark Haddon F
Mar	NEVER LET ME GO a novel by Kazuo Ishiguro

Apr	THE DEVIL IN THE WHITE CITY NON-FICTION by Erik Larson
May	THE KITE RUNNER a novel by Khaled Hosseini F
June	SATURDAY a novel by Ian McEwan
July	EXTREMELY LOUD AND INCREDIBLY CLOSE a novel by Jonathan Safran Foer
Aug	THE PLOT AGAINST AMERICA a novel by Philip Roth
Sept	THE SCREWTAPE LETTERS non-fiction by C. S. Lewis
Oct	INTUITION a novel by Allegra Goodman
Nov	ANNIE JOHN a novel by Jamaica Kincaid
Dec	ON BEAUTY a novel by Zadie Smith

2005

Jan	THE SECRET LIFE OF BEES a novel by Sue Monk Kidd
Feb	THE PIANO TURNER a novel by Daniel Mason
Mar	THE OPTIMIST'S DAUGHTER a novel by Eudora Welty
Apr	THE FIVE PEOPLE YOU MEET IN HEAVEN a novel by Mitch Albom
May	A MAP OF THE WORLD a novel by Jane Hamilton
June	THE ORCHID THIEF a novel by Susan Orlean
July	BLINDNESS a novel by Jose Saramago
Aug	THE NAMESAKE a novel by Jhumpa Lahiri
Sept	THE COLOR OF WATER a memoir by James McBride
Oct	TRAVELS WITH CHARLEY a memoir by John Steinbeck
Nov	BEE SEASON a novel by Myla Goldberg
Dec	PIGS IN HEAVEN a novel by Barbara Kingsolver

2004

Jan	EMPIRE FALLS a novel by Richard Russo
Feb	THE HONK AND HOLLER OPENING SOON a novel by Billie Letts
Mar	BEL CANTO a novel by Ann Patchett
Apr	JAZZ a novel by Toni Morrison
May	THE FIG EATER a novel by Jody Shields
June	PATCHWORK PLANET a novel by Anne Tyler
July	TO KILL A MOCKINGBIRD a novel by Harper Lee
Aug	THREE JUNES a novel by Julia Glass
Sept	BALZAC AND THE LITTLE CHINESE SEAMSTRESS a novel by Dai Sijie
Oct	THE LOVELY BONES a novel by Alice Sebold
Nov	LIFE OF PI a novel by Yann Martel
Dec	LARRY'S PARTY a novel by Carol Shields

2003

Jan	THEOPHILUS NORTH a novel by Thornton Wilder
Feb	THE CATCHER IN THE RYE a novel by J. D. Salinger
Mar	ON THE ROAD a novel by Jack Kerouac
Apr	1984 a novel by George Orwell
May	THE UNDERPAINTER a novel by Jane Urquhart
June	A BRIEF HISTORY OF TIME non-fiction by Stephen Hawking
July	GIRL WITH THE PEARL EARRING a novel by Tracy Chevalier
Aug	CHARMING BILLY a novel by Alice McDermott
Sept	UNLESS a novel by Carol Shields
Oct	ATONEMENT a novel by Ian McEwan
Nov	PLAINSONG a novel by Kent Haruf

Dec	WAITING a novel by Ha Jin
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2002

Jan	MR. PHILLIPS a novel by John Lancaster
Feb	A CONSPIRACY OF PAPER a novel by David Liss
Mar	ANIL'S GHOST a novel by Michael Ondaatje
Apr	HOUSE OF MIRTH a novel by Edith Wharton
May	MADAME BOVARY a novel by Gustave Flaubert
June	SNOW FALLING ON CEDARS a novel by David Guterson
July	LYING AWAKE a novel by Mark Salzman
Aug	THE OLD MAN AND THE SEA a novel by Ernest Hemingway
Sept	THE HUMAN STAIN, a novel by Philip Roth
Oct	WHITE TEETH a novel by Zadie Smith
Nov	MAKE BELIEVE a novel by Joanna Scott F
Dec	AMERICAN APPETITES a novel by Joyce Carol Oates

2001

Jan	TO THE LIGHTHOUSE a novel by Virginia Woolf
Feb	THE OLD GRINGO a novel by Carlos Fuentes
Mar	BREATH, EYES, MEMORY a novel by Edwidge Danticat
Apr	CONSIDER THIS, SENORA a novel by Harriet Doerr
May	MAMA DAY a novel by Gloria Naylor
June	LIVES OF GIRLS AND WOMEN short stories by Alice Munro
July	MIDDLE KINGDOM a novel by Andrea Barrett
Aug	THE PULL OF THE MOON a novel by Elizabeth Berg
Sept	AN EQUAL MUSIC a novel by Vikram Seth
Oct	WHILE I WAS GONE a novel by Sue Miller
Nov	WHITE OLEANDER a novel by Janet Fitch
Dec	LONGITUDE non-fiction by Dava Sobel

2000

Jan	DEATH IN SUMMER a novel by William Trevor
Feb	HOUSE OF SPLENDID ISOLATION a novel by Edna O'Brien
Mar	THE GOD OF SMALL THINGS a novel by Arundhati Roy
Apr	THE READER a novel by Bernhard Schlink
May	HOUSE OF SAND AND FOG a novel by Andre Dubus III
June	THE SHIPPING NEWS a novel by Annie Proulx
July	THE WINTER OF OUR DISCONTENT a novel by John Steinbeck
Aug	DISGRACE a novel by J. M. Coetzee
Sept	THE GREAT GATSBY a novel by F. Scott Fitzgerald
Oct	MY SON'S STORY a novel by Nadine Gordimer
Nov	THE HOURS a novel by Michael Cunningham
Dec	THE GIFT OF STONES a novel by Jim Crace

1999

Jan	A VIRTUOUS WOMAN a novel by Kaye Gibbons
Feb	THE BOOKSHOP a novel by Penelope Fitzgerald
Mar	THE EDUCATION OF HARRIET HATFIELD a novel by May Sarton

Apr	THE LIARS' CLUB a memoir by Mary Karr
May	NICE WORK and SMALL WORLD novels by David Lodge F
June	BESSIE'S VIOLIN a short story by Irene Flum Galvin; BUD a play by Tom Galvin (<i>authors attended</i>)
July	A LESSON BEFORE DYING a novel by Ernest J. Gaines
Aug	no mtg.; library closed for renovation
Sept	no mtg.; library closed for renovation
Oct	THE AWAKENING a novel by Kate Chopin????
Nov	no mtg.; no room available; library renovations cont'd
Dec	THE MANIKIN a novel by Joanna Scott

1998

Jan	NOBODY'S FOOL a novel by Richard Russo
Feb	THE OLD PATAGONIAN EXPRESS non-fiction by Paul Theroux
Mar	ORIGINAL SIN a novel by P. D. James
Apr	SNAKE'S DAUGHTER a biography by Gail Hosking Gilberg (<i>author attended</i>)
May	TEMPORARY SHELTER short stories by Mary Gordon
June	ALIAS GRACE a novel by Margaret Atwood
July	OH! WHAT A PARADISE IT SEEMS a novel by John Cheever
Aug	Celebration of 150 Years of Women's Rights/Women Writers
Sept	BLOOD AND VOLTS non-fiction by Thom Metzger (<i>author attended</i>)
Oct	THE AWAKENING a novel by Kate Chopin ????
Nov	THE EMBRACE short stories by Steve Street (<i>author attended</i>)
Dec	THE LOVE LETTER a novel by Cathleen Schine

1997

Jan	THE STONE DIARIES a novel by Carol Shields
Feb	THE ROAD FROM COORAIN a memoir by Jill Ker Conway
Mar	COLD SASSY TREE a novel by Olive Burns
Apr	CROSSING TO SAFETY a novel by Wallace Stegner
May	TYPICAL AMERICAN a novel by Gish Jen
June	IN THE TIME OF THE BUTTERFLIES a novel by Julia Alvarez
July	CIVILWARLAND IN BAD DECLINE short stories by George Saunders (<i>author attended</i>)
Aug	LIES OF SILENCE a novel by Brian Moore
Sept	THE GIANT'S HOUSE a novel by Elizabeth McCracken
Oct	THE TENTH MAN a novel by Graham Greene
Nov	ANGLE OF REPOSE a novel by Wallace Stegner
Dec	CANTICLE FOR LEIBOWITZ a novel by Walter Miller, Jr.

1995

Jan	POSSESSION a novel by A.S. Byatt
Feb	YELLOW RAFT IN BLUE WATER a novel by Michael Dorris
Mar	THE ENGLISH PATIENT a novel by Michael Ondaatje
Apr	WINTERDANCE: THE FINE MADNESS OF RUNNING THE IDITAROD non-fiction by Gary Paulsen (<i>2 sled dogs & 2 trainers attended</i>)
May	BELOVED a novel by Toni Morrison
June	MORNINGS ON HORSEBACK a novel by David McCullough
July	A THOUSAND ACRES a novel by Jane Smiley
Aug	THEIR EYES WERE WATCHING GOD an autobiography by Zora Neale Hurston
Sept	LOVE MEDICINE a novel by Louise Erdrich
Oct	A COOLER CLIMATE a novel by Zena Collier (<i>author attended</i>)
Nov	BREATHING WATER a novel by Thomas Gavin (<i>author attended</i>)

Dec | ALL THE PRETTY HORSES a novel by Cormac McCarthy

Commented [JR1]: