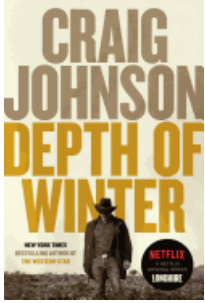
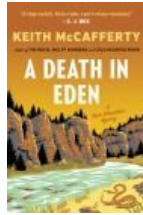




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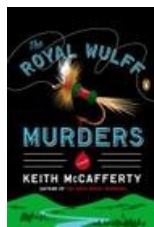


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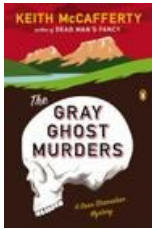


Saturday July 7 at 5:00 PM Keith McCafferty returns for ***A Death in Eden***. His Montana mysteries feature Sheriff Martha Ettinger, Sean Stranahan, and Harold Little Feather among a cast of other characters. They are all great to spend time with, but Harold Little Feather is a particularly appealing character and he has the lead in this edge of your seat story. Harold recently left his post as one of Martha's deputies to accept a position as a detective with the Montana Division of Criminal Investigation. He just came off of an undercover investigation involving some reprehensible men poaching bear to sell their gallbladders. It was not an assignment he enjoyed, the men were dangerous and Harold does not take kindly to hurting animals. So his new assignment is odd but welcome.

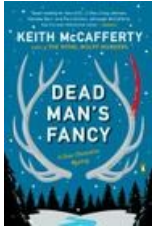
Montana's Smith River is gorgeous and remote; it is a 7 year wait to receive a permit to float the river. Lately someone has been putting up scarecrows above the river, with signs saying "NOT ON MY WATCH" and "NO SMITH RIVER MINE", sentiments Harold might agree with but the powers that be want the perpetrator caught. A documentary filmmaker, Lillian Cartwright, has permission to float the river with Clint McCaine (a wealthy man and manager of the mine project) and Bart Trueblood (president of Save the Smith dedicated to stopping the mine). Lillian figures the fur will fly with the two opponents trapped together on the river, giving her good filming opportunity. She hired Sam Meslik's outfit to handle the float, Sean Stranahan is along helping Sam. As tensions rise and things grow sinister, Sheriff Martha Ettinger will enter the fray. I couldn't put this book down! Had to know what was happening with Harold Little Feather. There are also surprises about the characters. Series fans will love this entry! If you are reading Keith McCafferty for the first time, this will make you want to read all of his books.



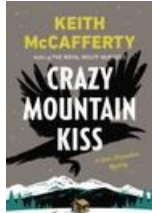
The Royal Wulff Murders starts the series. It could have been an accidental drowning but the man fished out of Montana's Madison River had a Royal Wulff lure hooked in his mouth. Sheriff Martha Ettinger intends to find out who hooked him; she is not a woman to cross. Sean Stranahan moved recently to Montana where he opened an art studio combined with a private detective agency. Sean's passions are art and fly fishing, the investigating is to help pay the bills. An attractive Southern singer hires Sean, his investigation and Sheriff Ettingers' cross paths.



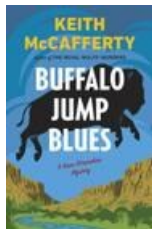
The Gray Ghost Murders has Deputy Harold Little Feather going a round with a Grizzly Bear, not advisable. He was on Sphynx Mountain where Lothar, Katie Sparrow's Search and Rescue German Shepard, found two buried bodies. Sheriff Martha Ettinger suspects murder; the wilds of Montana adding an extra challenge to collecting evidence (remember the aforementioned Grizzly Bear). Sean Stranahan is hired by the Madison River Liars and Fly Tiers Club when a rare Gray Ghost fly is stolen. The investigations come together as the body count mounts.



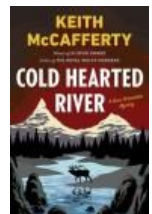
Dead Man's Fancy has Sheriff Martha Ettinger searching for Nanika Martinelli, known as the Fly Fishing Venus, and easily recognizable from her flaming red hair. A rider-less horse returned to the Culpepper Dude Ranch prompting the search. Following the horse's hoof prints in the snow, Martha discovers one of the search team impaled on the antlers of an elk. Sean helps look for Nanika, leading to more trouble. The missing woman is known for her affinity for wolves, this plays into the story.



Crazy Mountain Kiss begins with the discovery of the body of a teenage girl wedged into the chimney of a cabin in the mountains. Sheriff Martha Ettinger realizes the dead girl, is Cinderella Huntington who has been missing for months. She hails from a family of gifted equestrians. Cindy was a rising rodeo star, a role her mother, Etta, filled in her youth, and her dad is a Hollywood stunt rider and consultant on western films. Cindy and her mother share a deep connection to horses. Etta, wanting questions answered, hires Sean.



In **Buffalo Jump Blues** Deputy Sheriff Harold Little Feather has a grim task in the aftermath of 4th of July. A herd of buffalo went over a buffalo jump, either panicked by the celebratory fireworks or stampeded in a reenactment of earlier native hunting practices. The animals lay at the base of the cliff moaning in pain, Harold Little Feather's task is to stop their suffering as humanely and quickly as possible. It is not easy, but it is the kindest thing he can do for the animals. Amid the dying Harold discovers a calf, miraculously uninjured. The law requires the animal's death; they have strayed off of park land. Harold doesn't care; he is intent on saving this little animal, one lone survivor out of all the killing. Although there have been no cases of transmission of brucellosis from Bison to cattle in Montana, the law is clear, those buffalo were under a death sentence when they left the park. The instant Francis Lucien Drake of the Montana Department of Livestock gets wind of the buffalo calf, he shows up with his trigger-man, Calvin Barr, to kill the little animal. An action Harold will not abide. Sheriff Martha Ettinger begins an investigation on what made the buffalo jump (firework fright or people), then discovers the body of an Indian. Murder seems likely, upping the ante. Meanwhile Sean Stranahan is hired by a mermaid to find her childhood friend, John Running Boy.



Cold Hearted River breaks your heart as a couple encounters one of those sudden snowstorms where the temperature drops so cold it is painful to breathe. Of course things do not go well. Sherriff Martha Ettinger is left with haunted memories and an injured hand from her part in the tragedy. Unable to drive easily, and unwilling to take a few days off at home recuperating, she enlists Sean Stranahan's help in going back to the scene where they find a fly wallet with the initials EH, coincidentally the same initials shared by one of the greatest American authors of all time. Patrick Willoughby, the president of the Madison River Liars and Fly Tiers Club was approached a few days earlier by a man purporting to sell fishing gear from Earnest Hemingway. With this connection, the story is off and running and it is a grand ride indeed! Patrick hires Sean to investigate, Hemingway's

fishing gear did go missing, perhaps the offer might be genuine. The fishing gear would be valuable, if parts of an unpublished story were included, the value would be beyond measure. More bodies pile up, memorable characters are introduced, and the action goes from Montana to Michigan, Wyoming, and ultimately Cuba. If you enjoyed *The Paris Wife*, you will find additional stories of Hemingway in this remarkable, literary mystery that I found terrific fun to read.

It is not necessary to be a fisherman to enjoy Keith McCafferty's novels, they are first and foremost great stories. Montana is like a character in each of the books, his evident love of the wilderness and experience with nature enhance each of his novels.

Keith is pictured with friend Rhett.



Wednesday August 1, 2018 at 5:00 PM Thor Hanson presents his latest book, **Buzz**. Thor Hanson is a scientist and author who pens books that bring the natural world into sharp focus in a way that is both interesting and informative.

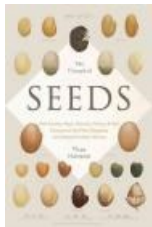
Honeybees have been disappearing in great numbers; the die off of bees has dire implications beyond its effect on the honey for coffee in the morning (the lack thereof would be dire in my home!). Bees pollinate hundreds of crops, flowers, and trees. If you enjoy milk in your morning coffee, the cow dines on alfalfa, a plant pollinated by bees. No alfalfa would be a problem for dairy farmers and beef cattle. Enjoy blueberries? They need bees for pollination too. Thor has such an abundant enthusiasm and sense of wonder for the natural world. Thor explains the crisis, talks about the research into why the bees are perishing, and focuses on what beekeepers are doing to keep their bees.



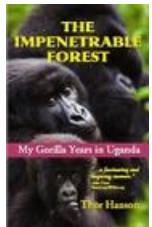
Buzz opens with Thor in pursuit of a particular type of butterfly only to be distracted by wasps behaving in an interesting way. Starting way back, millennia ago, he describes the way it was ecologically advantageous for wasps to become bees, switching from a carnivorous insect to a vegetarian lifestyle. A hungry wasp goes in search of a plump spider for dinner, but the spider might turn the table eating the wasp instead. Even if the wasp manages to sting the spider thus procuring dinner, it may be injured in the struggle, possibly the injury would be curtains for the wasp. Flitting from flower to flower for sweet stuff is much safer, although the flowers may be few and far between. Enthralled by the wonders of evolution, Thor orders Baltic amber from the Latvia to examine for possible fossils with his young son, Noah. Thor shares his delight in all aspects of the bee, from the type of home it constructs, some prefer seaside cliffs (perhaps they like the view?), to the societies across time and distance who have gathered honey, and on to the social norms for bees. **Buzz** is an engrossing story, when Thor is talking about the bees and flowers, it feels like summer!

The Triumph of Seeds opens with Thor being menaced by a deadly and obstreperous (bad combination in a snake, deadly and bad tempered) fer-de lance. Who knew the role of a scientist could be so dangerous!? The story of seeds is intertwined with the story of life. They are immensely important in how civilizations developed, animal life, and the very survival of the rain forest. Whole eco systems begin with and depend on seeds. Thor takes the reader through this process from the intimate scene of the author planting avocado seeds in his home study, to a space age seed bank in Ft. Collins Colorado where seeds are protected for centuries, on to the dispersal method of the almendro seeds. In addition to the seed banks, seed is being preserved in the gardens of plant enthusiasts who use

heirloom seed, a movement that is growing and vibrant. I found the almendro seed's method of travel fascinating. The seed needs to be dispersed away from the parent tree in order to have sufficient light and nutrients to prosper. It needs a ride. Fruit Bats (rather large members of the bat family) find the outside of the seed tasty. While they enjoy munching on this favored treat, they cannot relax to eat on the parent tree for fear of becoming a meal themselves. Pythons, birds of prey and other creatures who would not mind dining on a fruit bat perch on the parent tree. So the fruit bat must make its way to the tree, snatch the seeds, and flee to the safety of a palm tree. Thus by harboring the fruit bats mortal enemies while offering a delicacy, the tree arranges a ride to just the right environment. The fruit bat enjoys the fleshy outside, dropping the seed unharmed to sprout in just the right spot. Now that is a cooperative environmental solution! Of course it is a lot more fun to read and interesting in Thor's book!



Feathers is fascinating. I was totally involved in the story of a fossilized wing being used in a debate on evolution. And Thor doesn't stop with the original owners of the feathers using them; he takes the book on to show how man has benefited from fly fishing to downy pillows. Just think of the abuse a feather must endure, subzero temperatures and ferocious winds for the Penguin in Antarctica. Or the way a Pelican's feathers must let it dive into the frigid waters of the Pacific then erupt from the waves to rise into the sky. Feathers are pretty remarkable. And hearing about feathers from Thor is like sitting down for a lively chat with a particularly bright friend.



At Thor's event for **The Impenetrable Forest**, he filled the room and delivered a fascinating and exciting presentation. Most of us want to do good, but few of us drastically uproot our lives. Thor Hanson made a significant contribution; he put his career on hold and joined the Peace Corps. Thor was sent to Uganda where he landed the plum assignment of working with the Mountain Gorillas. What a grand adventure! Uganda needs to balance between its desperately poor people and preserving animals. Part of that balance is finding a way to keep some of the land wild while benefiting the people too. Tourism is the golden hope of the environmental movement. Thor was charged with teaching the Mountain Gorillas to accept the presence of camera toting humans; his students didn't know they had enrolled in school. The stories about the Mountain Gorillas are very entertaining! He made you feel like you were meeting these magnificent animals and getting to know them personally. Reading Thor's account of their adventures, I became quite fond of them and wish them well.

Thor Hanson is a marvelous writer, he makes his passion for the natural world quite compelling.

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Upcoming Author Appearances

Saturday August 4, at 5:30 PM **Quilts Make a Family** by Arlene Sachitano

Saturday September 1, 2018 at 5:00 PM **Everything She Didn't Say** by Jane Kirkpatrick

Sunday September 9 Depth of Winter by Craig Johnson

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The Walt Longmire Saga continues.

Craig Johnson returns September 9th for *Depth of Winter*.

Sign up early to attend!

It started with the "Outlaw Tour". In the early days Craig Johnson would tour the west on his motorcycle, talking with readers in Independent Bookstores. The series garnered awards, became New York Times Bestsellers and International Best Sellers. Hollywood filmed the Longmire series and Craig Johnson's tour was full of airplane rides to distant places, big cities, and prestigious bookstores. Craig is a loyal man, he never forgot those stores and communities that eagerly welcomed Walt Longmire to their affections. He continues to visit Sunriver for great events. We are grateful for his loyalty and friendship. Reading the Walt Longmire series is like visiting friends, finding out what they have been up to (in Vic's case usually quite a lot) and reveling in their adventures.



Depth of Winter takes the action to the rugged, desperate parts of Mexico to a land controlled by sadistic Drug Lords where Walt will face a deadly foe in an attempt to save all he holds dear. The stakes are high and will test the Wyoming Sheriff's commitment to the code of honor he lives by. ***Depth of Winter*** releases September 4th. We are happy to preorder for you. Above photos by Brooke Snavely and Dan Feer.



Craig Johnson always puts on a good show and writes a good story. The man is a born raconteur. Sign up to attend his event for

Depth of Winter.

This summer marks my seventh year at Sunriver Books & Music and the last (for a while) as I head off on a new adventure. I will be taking my son, Foster with me abroad as I begin my first year of teaching at Albanian College in the coastal town of Durrës. If, like me, you were not familiar with Durrës' location on a world map: you can find me tucked into the relatively small city (about the size of Bend) on the Adriatic Sea, just above Greece and across the bay from Italy! I will be teaching Kindergarten (ages 5-6) at a private Albanian school, where Foster will attend their early years program.

I wanted to extend a sincere thank you to everyone here in the Sunriver community that has helped me feel at home here and made my time something I will truly treasure forever. I have formed many an unlikely friendship, bonding over a shared love of literature and commitment to our small community here in Central Oregon. I will miss home dearly, and plan to return over Winter break for Christmas. I also plan to be here for a portion of next Summer! Should you see fit to stop by Sunriver Books & Music during these periods, I would love the chance to say hello and hear the happenings at home in my absence.

I have a relatively limited social media presence, and as such decided to create a travel blog where I will post pictures, videos, and bits of writing related to our adventures abroad: kelleyfamilyabroad.wordpress.com

Thank you, all, for such a lovely and fulfilling experience at my favorite little bookshop. It was a dream come true to work at this store and I have loved every minute of it.





Rachel Kelley has long been a part of Sunriver Books & Music. She will be missed as she embarks on a life adventure to distant lands, a good thing for a young woman but a sad parting for our staff. Rachel is a blast to work with, funny, always thinking, a voracious reader, exceptionally intelligent, and a whiz on the computer. She loves talking about books, we will miss discussing the new books as they come out and revisiting old favorites together. Rachel is also a gifted poet and aspiring novelist, she has talent, I expect to see bestseller with a by Rachel Kelley title someday.

Rachel's last day with us for a while is August 9th. Stop in to see her. She will be back with us briefly over the Holiday Season and next summer.

As you can guess, Rachel is a hard act to follow. We are still looking for that special person to be a part of the staff at Sunriver Books & Music. If you are interested, stop by and talk with Deon.

The photos of Rachel were taken by Dr. Sue Dougherty

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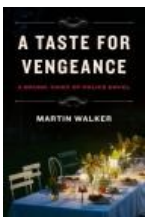
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Staff Recommendations. New Releases.

Nancy Nelson Recommends.

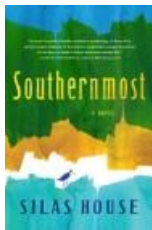


A Taste For Vengeance, Martin Walker. There is a lot going on in the otherwise quiet and charming town of St Denis, located in the Dordogne Valley. In this latest book of the series, Bruno, is serving as a rugby coach for the female students of the local high school. Paulette, the team's star player is in line for a scholarship. She seemed to have a promising future, possibly playing on a women's youth team to represent France. That, however is complicated by Paulette's secret pregnancy. Meanwhile, Bruno's friend, Pamela is expecting her friend from England, Monika Fielder, to attend a dinner, then the cooking class as a beginning to a luxurious cooking vacation. She has yet to show up. Bruno finds Monika, unfortunately, murdered. Her male companion is dead of an apparent suicide. The investigation leads to more questions regarding the background of Monika's husband as well as that of her companion. It is surprising to me where all of this eventually leads. The seriousness is so well offset by the social gatherings that include wine, warm friendships, good food, and time to savor them all.

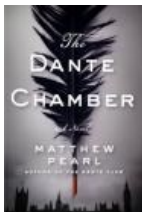


The Lido, by Libby Page.. Rosemary has lived in Brixton all of her life. She met her husband, George there as a teenager after WWII. She and George used to swim daily at the lido, a community pool. Now George is gone, and Rosemary continues the daily swim without him. The library where she worked for most of her life has been closed. The town is changing and Rosemary's life is getting smaller. Kate Matthews is a young journalist working for the local newspaper in Brixton, where she has recently moved. She has no friends, very little confidence and suffers from panic attacks. The town council is about to sell the lido to a developer called Paradise Living. Their plan is to create upscale housing, pave over the pool and replace it with tennis courts available only to residents. Kate and Rosemary meet when Kate is assigned the task of writing about the proposed closure. When Kate begins swimming again, as a condition for having an interview, her world begins to expand. She experiences first hand the charm and the magic of the lido. Rosemary and Kate become friends with the common goal of working together to save the lido from the developers. This delightful book left this reader thinking about the devastation of loss, the power of friendship, love, family and community.

Deon Recommends.



Southernmost by Silas House. It wasn't the first time the Cumberland flooded the Tennessee Valley, but it was fast and deadly. Asher, the local pastor, barely made it to Zelda's home in time to save his mother-in-law from the swiftly rising water. Many would not escape. As the flood rampaged, houses were swept away, two men, Jimmy and Stephen, appeared to help Asher save a man and his daughter from dangerous frothing water. It wouldn't matter to people in Asher's congregation that Jimmy and Stephen had been brave, had risked their lives to save another, all that would matter was that they were gay. Worse yet, Asher's wife Layla would not even allow Jimmy and Stephen shelter in their home the night of the flood. A decade earlier Asher had turned against his only brother, Luke, over being gay. Asher has reflected and found the maturity to realize that hate is wrong, that judging others is wrong. His outspoken belief in tolerance ends both his career and his marriage. Layla is Holy Roller, fire and brimstone, to the bone. No live and let live in that woman. An acrimonious divorce concludes with a judge who shares Layla's belief granting her custody of their son, Asher will only have a few visitation days with Justin. For all the right reasons (a fierce love for his son, a feeling that he cannot let him be raised by a woman with so much hate and judgement) he takes the wrong action, kidnapping his child. They flee to the ***Southernmost*** part of the USA, Key West, where Asher believes he may find his estranged brother and set things right.



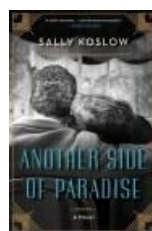
The Dante Chamber by Matthew Pearl. In 1870 a man stumbles into the night, a crushing stone cruelly attached in a device to his neck, on the stone is a verse from Dante's ***Divine Comedy***. Dr. Oliver Wendell Holmes is attempting to escape the nightmares from five years earlier when he helped the poet Longfellow solve a series of murders in Boston inspired by Dante's ***Inferno***. He journeys to Europe with his daughter in hopes of finding peace. In London peace is not to be found, instead another murder inspired by Dante's ***Divine Comedy***. The Rossetti children were raised by a Dante scholar, Christina Rossetti quickly realizes the death of the man crushed by the stone has dangerous implications for her brother, Dante Gabriel Rossetti. She joins with Robert Browning, Alfred Tennyson, and Oliver Wendell Holmes in searching for her brother before he too is a victim. Inspector Aldolphus Williamson, celebrated and feared for his fierce intellect and uncanny success in catching the bad guys, is eager to find Dante Gabriel Rossetti too; he suspects the famous painter and poet may be more killer than victim. As the bodies mount, with more verses from Dante's ***Divine Comedy*** portrayed in cruel detail, both groups search for the missing man. Is he to be another victim or killer? Book lovers will find much to relish in this literary mystery using real characters from history.



A Place For Us by Fatima Farheen Mirza. The night of Haidia's wedding to Tariq will mark the first time the family has seen her brother, Amar, since the night he fled three years ago. As Rafiq and Layla celebrate the marriage of their eldest child, they also confront their actions that lead to the estrangement from their son. Both parents fiercely loved their children, both were devout in their religious beliefs and loyalty to their community's customs. They tried to raise their three children within the embrace of that culture, to instill respect, security and belonging. However even the best intentioned most loving family can be a toxic place. It was so for Amar. Sometimes the actions taken from a belief that you know best can cause unanticipated damage and sibling rivalry can inflict deep scars. The story presents the perspectives of the family members showing those pivotal moments where the future was altered by the choices made. This remarkable novel portrays a middle class American Moslem family with their concern for one another, their desire to do well, and their respect for both their country and culture. It also explores what it means to be both Moslem and American, showing the hatred they can be exposed to. All of the characters are interesting and have good intentions.



The Shadow Killer by Arnaldur Indridason. Detective Flovent is currently the only detective in Reykjavik's Criminal Investigation department, so he is in charge of the murder investigation when a dead man is discovered in an apartment, shot with a Colt 45, an American weapon. It is 1941, until recently Iceland was a quiet country with a low crime rate, murder an unusual occurrence. But the war brought the Brits and now the Americans. The country is crawling with servicemen, young women are being seduced, gin joints are flourishing, change is happening rapidly. Because the weapon is connected to the servicemen, Flovent involves his counterpart from the base, Canadian Officer Thorson. With little to go on, uncooperative people to interview, and a possible war connection, they find the case becoming more sinister. Flovent and Thorson are great characters! They are dedicated, professional, and even more important, kind. Indridason has a winning team in a setting he portrays so well it feels like you are there.



Another Side of Paradise by Sally Koslow. F. Scott Fitzgerald was brilliant and tragically flawed. ***The Great Gatsby*** and ***Tender is the Night*** proves his genius, but it was not enough to overcome his demons. Overly impressed with the upper class's wealth and privilege he became the bad boy of the era. Drinking to fuel his escapades, his wife Zelda with him drink for drink as they partied during the jazz age in Paris. That such a talent could be so wasted is a shame. By the time F. Scott Fitzgerald met the self-invented Sheila Graham in 1937, his star was no longer on the rise, it was over. Zelda was institutionalized for mental illness and Scott was working as a Hollywood hack for the studios in order to try to pay his outrageous debts and meet the bills for Zelda's sanatorium. Everyone was reading Hemingway, Fitzgerald almost forgotten. Sheila, a tall, beautiful blond, wrote a gossip column featuring Hollywood stars. Fitzgerald was captivated, the attraction mutual. Sheila met Scott during a period of sobriety, Scott was charming, eloquent, and possessed a sense of humor. By the time Sheila met the mean drunk he turned into when he fell off the wagon, it was too late, she was smitten. Their affair would last until his untimely death in 1940. The novel is full of the authors and actors of the Golden Age of Hollywood. Graham was born in poverty, she learned to speak with a plummy British accent, and reinvented herself. Many secrets this woman had to hide from her readers and employers. Koslow used diaries and letters to round out the characters of these two fascinating people.

Deon Recommends.



The Storm by Arif Anwar. From WWII to current day, from Burma to Bangladesh to India to the US, this rich story weaves a tapestry of history told through the perspectives of a variety of interesting characters. In 2004 Shahryar, despite his PhD, is unable to find a job, his visa will expire without employment and he will be forced to leave the USA and his daughter Anna. In 1970 Honufa sends her son to safety while she prepares her home as a storm of biblical proportions descends on Bangladesh. She is worried about her husband, Jamir, a fisherman out on the Bay of Bengal. Bangladesh is a relatively flat country, with 360 miles of coastline and many rivers. Between 300,000 and 500,000 perish in the storm. In 1946 Rahim and Zahira debate leaving Calcutta, India. Rahim has a good job, his British boss, Theodore Drake, made it clear the company would like to keep him. But Partition is on the horizon, Zahira would prefer to leave, believing as Moslems they would not be safe despite their wealth and social position. In 1942 Dr. Claire Drake flees Burma with her husband Theodore as the Japanese invade. Ichiro, a Japanese soldier will have his commitment to his country and culture tested by a chance encounter. These events and characters are blended by a common thread, bringing a story rich in history, bound by secrets, populated by characters with differing perspectives and backgrounds.



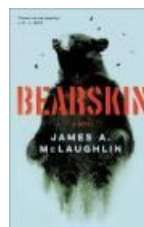
Fall of Angels by Barbara Cleverly. Fans of Cleverly's popular Joe Sandilands series will find much to like in her new series featuring Detective Inspector John Redfyre. Aunt Henrietta, a formidable woman, has tickets she cannot use for the St. Barnabas Christmas Concert; John is to go in her stead. A generation of men died in WWI, the role of women is changing, but not fast enough to embrace a woman playing the trumpet. John settles into his seat expecting an enjoyable evening relaxing with beautiful music when he receives two jolts. The first is the identity of the person using the second of Henrietta's tickets; the second is Juno Proudfoot, the drop dead gorgeous trumpeter. Her solo is so moving she has the crowd spellbound. When the program concludes, Proudfoot either suffers a dangerous fall down poorly lit stairs or someone is trying to kill her and came close to achieving the goal. Thankfully John is right on hand to begin investigating; posh and educated, he is accepted by the college in ways the rest of Cambridge's cops are not. Was Proudfoot attacked because someone did not relish a woman playing trumpet or was there a more personal reason? An appealing setting, interesting characters, and a lead detective who is easy to like will make this a new series to enjoy. Strong women abound in the story too.



The Word is Murder by Anthony Horowitz. In a daring move, Horowitz becomes a character in his novel, a sidekick to a brilliant but curmudgeonly PI, Daniel Hawthorne. Diana Cowper enters a funeral parlor to arrange for a funeral, her own. Six hours later she is murdered in her home. Daniel Hawthorne was a top police detective, until his disgrace. Still the man knows how to solve crimes, uncanny smart he is. When a murder is out of the ordinary, the cops call in Hawthorne to solve the case, sort of a PI consultant. The strange timing of Cowper's murder, her upper class connections, and her famous son (an actor in America) all add to up to the kind of case they hand off to Hawthorne. He is a bit short of funds, and thinks a way to solve this might be to have a writer pen a book about his cases. Like Sherlock Holmes and Watson. Hawthorne worked as a technical consultant on murder matters for a TV show recently, Horowitz was the writer. He puts the proposition to Horowitz, to be his Watson. Hawthorne feels this murder should attract readers, with the famous son, upper-class victim, and weird timing. From this beginning springs a rollicking good mystery.



The Bookshop of Yesterdays by Amy Meyerson. Uncle Billy and Miranda were close; he took her on expeditions to the sea, made science interesting, devised elaborate scavenger hunts, and spent time with her at his LA bookstore, Prospero Books, where she was allowed to pick a book on each visit. After her first earthquake, when she was 4, Billy used an orange and Play-Doh to show little Miranda how the earth's crust moved, how earthquakes were formed. This was a subject Billy knew well, in addition to the bookstore, he was a scientist involved in researching earthquakes and responding when they occurred. On Miranda's 12th birthday it all went wrong. Billy gave Miranda the best birthday gift ever, a Golden Retriever puppy. Her mother, Susan, would not let her keep the puppy, took it away immediately. Susan had a fight with Billy the night before, their relationship would end and Billy would disappear from their lives. Fifteen years later Miranda is a school teacher in Philadelphia when she has another contact from Billy. A package arrives with a paperback copy of Shakespeare's *The Tempest* along with a card containing a clue. Later in the day, she receives a phone call from her mother telling her Billy has died. It seems the package is one last puzzle from Uncle Billy, calling her home to LA where he left her his bookstore and a literary scavenger hunt with clues in books that reveal the secrets of the past telling why their family fell apart on Miranda's 12th birthday. Readers will enjoy all the literary references and be delighted with this charmer that reads like a love letter to bookstores.

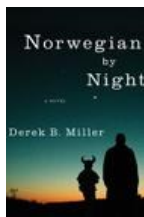


Bearskin by James McLaughlin. Rice Moore grew up in the desert, was attuned to the landscape. Doing biological field work he developed an attraction to the team leader, discovered her sideline, and joined her as their attraction turned into a relationship of importance to him. He paid his debt to society with time in an Arizona jail, but a violent act left a hefty balance on the ledger with some very dangerous men from the Mexican Cartel. He goes by a new name, Rick Morton, and works as a caretaker for a vast private estate in pristine Appalachian wilderness in Virginia. Alone among thousands of acres, he is beginning to feel he is hiding in the perfect place, beyond notice. The locals resent the private nature preserve, but that is okay with Rice, they should be easier to handle than an angry drug cartel from Mexico. If he can just stay off the radar, keep out of trouble, and not attract any official notice he might be okay. His job as caretaker is to do the routine maintenance and protect the preserve.

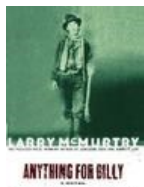
When he learns bears are being poached, he takes it very personally, determined to catch the poachers and stop the bear killings, it may be difficult not to attract any notice.

July 2018 Book Clubs. A Month of Oregon.

Book Clubs are a great way to meet other passionate readers! Enjoy a good book, and then discuss it with friendly people. Book Clubs are Monday at 6PM, everyone is welcome.



July 9 the Mystery Book Club discusses **Norwegian by Night** by Derek Miller. Sheldon Horowitz is in his 80's, bereft over the death of his wife, burdened by guilt over his son's death in Vietnam, and weighed down by the memories of his service during the Korean War. Hope of some sort of future comes with the news his adored granddaughter Rhea is pregnant, a new generation to carry on the family. Rhea suspects Sheldon is in the beginning stages of dementia. Reluctant to leave her grandfather alone in New York City, she persuades him to move to Norway to live with her. Lars, Rhea's husband, is kind, solicitous, and willing to share their flat with the curmudgeonly old widower. Norway is a whole new world for Sheldon; he does not find any common community, there are only about a thousand Jews in the whole country. The placid, easy going Norwegians are a puzzle. Any hope of a relaxed entry into Norwegian life is shattered when Sheldon gives refuge to their Balkan neighbor and her young son, hiding from a violent man. Norway is relatively crime free, in general, but in this specific flat things are going to get way out of control leaving behind a dead woman and an octogenarian New York Jew on the lam with a traumatized, silent young child. Segrid, the police officer in charge, finds herself matching wits with the surprisingly resourceful Sheldon and the Serbian thug who will surely do him harm in a mad dash across Norway. I liked these characters, Sheldon and Sigrid, as they each used all of their wiles.



July 16 the Fiction Book Club discusses **Anything for Billy** by Larry McMurtry, an entertaining blend of story and history. Billy the Kid is famous as a stone cold killer. Mr. Sippy meets him on a cold mountaintop, alone but for his mule. Billy is entertained by the easterner who fell in love with the romance of the west through reading and eventually writing dime western novels. It is cold, Mr. Sippy is alone, and there are hostile Indians about, after his first fright in meeting Billy, his next thought is to tag along and not be left alone. Things have not gone as planned for Mr. Sippy since he left behind his prosperous life in Pennsylvania with his wife and nine daughters. The west has proved to be challenging to his skills. Billy's friend Joe Lovelady soon showed up with their mounts, as Billy predicted he would, and the three men head down the mountain toward Greasy Corner and destiny. Billy is just a kid when he meets Mr. Sippy, his reputation far exceeding any real exploits. But he is on his way to fame and Mr. Sippy is along for the ride, there to set the record straight as Billy's violence escalates in an attempt to keep up with his reputation. McMurtry liberally spices the story with humor.



July 30 the Non-Fiction Book Club discusses **Killers of the Flower Moon: The Osage Murders and the Birth of the FBI** by David Grann. The Osage Nation had been driven onto a reservation in Oklahoma because the land was worthless; rocky, dry, unfit for cultivation. In the late 1800's the tables turned, while the land on top might not fit the description of desirable farmland, there was black gold underground. By the early 1920's the Osage Nation's Native Americans were the richest people in the world. Of course they were swindled, by guardians appointed to handle all that luscious cash because the government couldn't fathom letting the Indians be in charge of their own financial wellbeing. Even with this graft in place, whites were seething at the wealth of the Osage Nation. Murder was the solution, not just one murder but conspiracies of murders, large numbers of murders. A fledgling bureaucracy was just beginning, it would be called the FBI, its director, a young chap named J. Edgar Hoover sent his agent, Tom White, down to Oklahoma to put a stop to the killing. But it took the ingenuity of the Osage Nation to investigate the crimes. Texas Rangers, crooked ranchers, Native Americans, FBI, and a slew of interesting people make this an engrossing story of just how far corruption and greed can go left unchecked.



Upcoming Book Club Dates for Monday Evenings at 6:00 PM

Everyone is welcome, light refreshments are served.

August

August 13, 2018 **The Heist** by Daniel Silva [Mystery Book Club](#)

August 20, 2018 **Everybody's Son** by Thrity Umrigar [Fiction Book Club](#)

September

Since We Fell by Dennis Lehane [Mystery Book Club](#)

Fahrenheit 451 by Ray Bradbury [Classic Book Club](#) [Banned Book Selection](#)

October, A Month of Australia

The Dry by Jane Harper [Mystery Book Club](#)

The Lieutenant by Kate Grenville [Fiction Book Club](#)

True History of the Kelly Gang by Pete Carey [Classic Book Club](#)

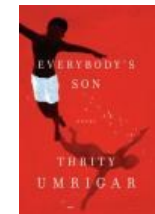
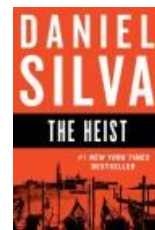
November

Bruno Chief of Police by Martin Walker [Mystery Book Club](#)

The Widow Nash by Jamie Harrison [Fiction Book Club](#)

The Lost City or the Monkey God by Douglas Preston [Non-Fiction Book Club](#)

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