

Silver Falls Library Book Club

Books Read Between 1999 and 2016

1776

By David McCullough

1984: A Novel

By George Orwell

*Abraham: A Journey to the Heart of Three
Faiths*

By Bruce S. Feiler

*Against All Enemies: Inside America's
War on Terror*

By Richard Clarke

Ahab's Wife or the Star Gazer

By Sena Jeter Naslund

The Alienist

By Caleb Carr

All He Ever Wanted

By Anita Shreve

All Over but the Shoutin'

By Rick Bragg

All the Light We Cannot See

By Anthony Doerr

And the Mountains Echoed

By Khaled Hosseini

The Art of Racing in the Rain

By Garth Stein

Ask Me: 100 Essential Poems

By William Stafford

Back When We Were Grown-Ups

By Anne Taylor

Beautiful Ruins

By Jess Walter

Behind the Beautiful Forevers

By Katherine Boo

The Big Picture

By Douglas Kennedy

Big Stone Gap

By Adriana Trigiani

Blue Diary

By Alice Hoffman

Blue Highways: A Journey into America

By William Least Heat Moon

*Born to Run: A Hidden Tribe,
Superathletes, and the Greatest Race the
World Has Ever Seen*

By Christopher McDougall

The Boston Girl

By Anita Diamant

Boys in the Boat

By Daniel Brown

The Brief Wondrous Life of Oscar Wao

By Junot Diaz

Broken for You

By Stephanie Kallos

The Buddha in the Attic

By Julie Otsuka

Catfish and Mandala

By Andrew X. Pham

The Country Boy

By Homer Davenport

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Courting Greta

By Ramsey Hootman

Crossing to Safety

By Wallace Stegner

Cry the Beloved Country

By Alan Paton

The Curious Incident of the Dog in the Night-Time

By Mark Haddan

Cutting for Stone

By Abraham Verghese

Daughter in Persia

By Sattareh Farman-Farmaian

Death Comes for the Archbishop

By Willa Cather

Devil in the White City

By Erik Larson

Dive from Clausen's Pier

By Ann Packer

Don't Let's Go to the Dogs Tonight

By Alexandra Fuller

Dreams from My Father: A Story of Race and Inheritance

By Barack Obama

The Elegance of the Hedgehog

By Muriel Barbery

Empire Falls

By Richard Russo

Ex Libris: Confessions of a Common Reader

By Anne Fadiman

Extremely Loud and Incredibly Close

By Jonathan Safran Foer

Fast Food Nation

By Eric Schlosser

Five Quarters of the Orange

By Joanne Harris

For One More Day

By Mitch Albom

Freakonomics: A Rogue Economist Explores the Hidden Side of Everything

By Steven Levitt

Fried Green Tomatoes at the Whistle Stop Café

By Fannie Flagg

Gilead

By Marilynne Robinson

Girl in Hyacinth Blue

By Susan Vreeland

The Girls

By Lori Lansens

Girl with a Pearl Earring

By Tracy Chevalier

The Giver

By Lois Lowry

The Glass Castle: A Memoir

By Jeanette Walls

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Gone Girl

By Gillian Flynn

The Good earth

By Pearl S. Buck

The Great Divide

By T. Davis Bunn

Growing Up

By Russell Baker

The Guernsey Literary and Potato Peel Pie Society

By Marry Ann Shaffer

Half Broke Horses

By Jeannette Walls

Headlong

By Michael Frayn

The Help

By Kathryn Stockett

Hotel on the Corner of Bitter and Sweet

By Jamie Ford

The House of the Seven Gables

By Nathaniel Hawthorne

The House on Mango Street

By Sandra Cisneros

I Captured the Castle

By Dodie Smith

In Sunlight in a Beautiful Garden

By Kathleen Cambor

I'm a Stranger Here Myself

By Bill Bryson

The Immortal Life of Henrietta Lacks

By Rebecca Skloot

Isaac's Storm

By Erik Larson

King Lear

By William Shakespeare

The Kitchen House

By Kathleen Grissom

The Kite Runner

By Khaled Hosseini

The Lacuna

By Barbara Kingsolver

Ladder of Years

By Anne Tyler

The Lake Dreams the Sky

By Swain Wolfe

The Last Child

By John Hart

The Last Lecture

By Randy Pausch

The Last Time I Was Me

By Cathy Lamb

The Leaves of Grass

By Walt Whitman

A Lesson Before Dying

By Ernest J. Gaines

Let the Great World Spin

By Colum McCann

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Life is so Good

By George Dawson

Life of Pi

By Yann Martel

The Light Between Oceans

By M. L. Stedman

*Look Me in the Eye: My Life With
Asperger's*

By John Elder Robison

Maisie Dobbs

By Jacqueline Winspear

Maggie Now

By Betty Smith

The Magic of Ordinary Days

By Ann Howard Creel

Major Pettigrew's Last Stand

By Helen Simonson

The Man in the Gray Flannel Suit

By Sloan Wilson

*Manhunt: The Twelve-Day Chase of
Lincoln's Killer*

By James L. Swanson

*Marley and Me: Life and Love with the
World's Worst Dog*

By John Grogan

Master Butchers' Singing Club

By Louise Erdrich

The Measure of a Man

By Sydney Poitier

The Memory Keepers Daughter

By Kim Edwards

Michelangelo & the Pope's Ceiling

By Ross King

Midnight in the Garden of Good and Evil

By John Berendt

Mink River

By Brian Doyle

Mister Pip

By Lloyd Jones

The Moonflower Vine

By Jetta Carleton

Mr. Penumbra's 24-Hour Bookstore

By Robin Sloan

My Invented Country

By Isabel Allende

My Name is Mary Sutter

By Robin Oliveira

My Sister's Keeper

By Jodi Picoult

The Namesake

By Jhumpa Lahiri

Nickel and Dime

By Barbara Ehrenrich

The No. 1 Ladies' Detective Agency

By Alexander McCall Smith

*One Thousand White Women: The
Journals of Mary Dodd*

By Jim Fergus

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One True Thing

By Anna Quindlen

The Optimist's Daughter

By Eudora Welty

Orphan Train

By Christina Baker Kline

Peace Like a River

By Leif Enger

People of the Book

By Geraldine Brooks

Plainsong

By Kent Haruf

Plain Truth

By Jodi Picoult

The Postmistress

By Sarah Blake

A Prayer for Owen Meany

By John Irving

Prayers for Sale

By Sandra Dallas

Princess: A True Story of Life Behind the Veil

By Jean P. Sasson

The Prize Winner of Defiance Ohio

By Terry Ryan

Prodigal Summer

By Barbara Kingsolver

The Professor & the Madman

By Simon Winchester

Quite a Year for Plums

By Bailey White

A Redbird Christmas

By Fannie Flagg

Remains of the Day

By Kazuo Ishiguro

The Road to Wellville

By T. Coraghessan Boyle

Room

By Emma Donoghue

The Rosie Project

By Graeme C. Simsion

The Samurai's Garden

By Gail Tsukiyama

The Scapegoat

By Daphne Du Maurier

Secret Life of Bees

By Sue Monk Kidd

The Shack

By William Young

Shadow Divers

By Robert Kurson

Skinny Dip

By Carl Hiassen

She's Come Undone

By Wally Lamb

Short Nights of the Shadow Catcher: The Epic Life and Immortal Photographs of Edward Curtis

By Timothy Egan

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Snow Falling on Cedars
By David Guterson

Snow in August
By Pete Hamill

Sometimes a Great Notion
By Ken Kesey

A Star for Mrs. Blake
By April Smith

Step-Ball-Change
By Jeanne Ray

The Storied Life of A.J. Fikry
By Gabrielle Zevin

A Sudden Light
By Garth Stein

Tender at the Bone
By Ruth Reichl

Thirteen Moons
By Charles Frazier

A Thousand Splendid Suns
By Khaled Hosseini

Three Cups of Tea: One Man's Mission to Promote Peace – One School at a Time
By Greg Mortenson

Three Weeks with My Brother
By Nicholas Sparks

Tisha: The Story of a Young Teacher in the Alaska Wilderness
By Robert Specht

Tough Cookie
By Diane Matt Davidson

Travels with Charley
By John Steinbeck

A Tree Grows in Brooklyn
By Betty Smith

Unbroken: A WWII Story of Survival, Resilience, and Redemption
By Laura Hillenbrand

An Unfinished Life
By Mark Spragg

The Unlikely Pilgrimage of Harold Fry
By Rachel Joyce

Vanishing Acts
By Jodi Picoult

Waiting
By Ha Jin

A Walk in the Woods
By Bill Bryson

Water for Elephants
By Sarah Gruen

Where River Turns to Sky
By Gregg Kleiner

The Whistling Season
By Ivan Doig

Wild
By Cheryl Strayed

Winter Wheat
By Mildred Walker

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Woman of the Silk

By Gail Tsukiyama

*The Worst Hard Time: The Untold Story of
Those Who Survived the Great American
Dust Bowl*

By Timothy Egan

The Zookeeper's Wife: A War Story

By Diane Ackerman

*Zoya's Story: An Afghan Woman's
Struggle for Freedom*

By Zoya

Abraham: A journey to the heart of three faiths, Bruce Feiler, pub: William Morrow and Company (2002). The Pentateuch - A story of beginnings, Paula Gooder, pub: Continuum International Publishing (2000). The Oxford Guide to People and Places of the Bible, Bruce Metzger; George L Collard; Michael Coogan (Eds), pub: Oxford University Press (2001). Both immediate and timeless, Abraham is a powerful, universal story, the first-ever interfaith portrait of the man God chose to be his partner. Thoughtful and inspiring, it offers a rare vision of hope that will redefine what we think about our neighbors, our future, and ourselves.Â In this timely, provocative, and uplifting journey, the bestselling author of Walking the Bible searches for the man at the heart of the world's three monotheistic religions -- and today's deadliest conflicts. At a moment when the world is asking, "Can the religions get along?" one figure stands out as the shared ancestor of Jews, Christians, and Muslims. One man holds the key to our deepest fears -- and our possible reconciliation. Abraham. All three faiths claim Abraham as their own, and they all assert to be the correct modern day representative of the Abrahamic religious tradition. The book's first half addresses what the Bible and Koran say about Abraham, his call to monotheism, and his sons Isaac and Ishmael. Particularly fascinating are Feiler's discussions of how the three religious traditions invented This book portrays the role of Abraham in the history, theology and contemporary thought in Judaism, Christianity and Islam.Â Feiler writes, "Considering that I set out in search of what I thought was one Abraham at the heart of all three faiths, I was amazed by how much time I spent trying to figure out when one religion's Abraham ended and another began. The Jewish religion appears to have seniority.