AAUW Book Club Archives June 2020-Aug. 2021

### **Tues., June 2, 2020 9:00 a.m.**

Book: **Musicophilia by Oliver Sacks;** Discussant: Caroline Engelbrecht

### **Tues., June 16, 2020 9:00 a.m.**

Book: **Where the Crawdads Sing by Delia Owens**

Discussant: Kim Folkers

<https://www.deliaowens.com/>

<https://www.deliaowens.com/about-the-author>

<https://www.deliaowens.com/book-clubs>

### **Tues., June 30, 2020 9:00 a.m.**

Book: **Wild Things - The Joy of Reading Children's Literature as an Adult by Bruce Handy** OR a young adult book of your choice

Discussant: Karen Lehmann (she has books she would share if you need one)

**Children's Lit Resources:** [**AAUW Book Club Children's Lit - Karen Lehmann Resources**](https://waverly-ia.aauw.net/files/2021/02/AAUW-Book-Club-Childrens-Lit-Karen-Lehmann-Resources.docx)

### **Tues., July 14, 2020 9:00 a.m.**

Book: Medical or Legal Mystery/Thriller book of your choice (author examples - Grisham, Child, Turow, Cook, Crichton, Reichs, Cornwell) - Discussant: Ann Henninger (she has many copies of books like this she would share)

Ann particularly recommends reading a book by Scott Turow.  Several of his books have been made into movies - The Burden of Proof, Presumed Innocent.  She doesn't recommend The Laws of Our Fathers.  Here's a link to more info on Turow:

<https://www.scottturow.com/#books>

### Optional - Mon., July 20, 2020 6:00 p.m. CST - Free online seminar:

[How To Be An Anti-racist Online Seminar - 6:00 p.m., July 20, 2020 - Ibram Kendi - click here for free registration](https://www.eventbrite.com/e/ibram-x-kendi-on-how-to-be-an-antiracist-tickets-110866502694?fbclid=IwAR2N36HKenUcqlXUci2vAUv2HgAys6KwpqiSLbjEikkZwc24SfAV2-JdS-0)

### **Tues., July 28, 2020 9:00 a.m.**

Book or reading of your choice related to White Privilege; Anti-Racism - see many resources below.

Discussants:  Ann Henninger, Kim Folkers, and all in attendance

**Click here:** [Resources on Racism, White Privilege, Equity, Inclusion](https://waverly-ia.aauw.net/files/2021/02/AAUW-Book-Club-Resources-on-Racism-White-Privilege-Equity-Inclusion.docx)

### **Tues., August 11, 2020 9:00 a.m.**

Book: Apeirogon by Colum McCann

Discussant: Kate Koob

### **Thurs., August 27, 2020 7:00 p.m.**

Book: Why We’re Polarized by Ezra Klein

Discussant: Ann Henninger

[**SPECIAL OPTION:**](https://vimeo.com/359837338)

[**A Gentleman in Moscow - video of author Amor Towles' presentation in North Liberty, IA (video of the session in Fall 2019)**](https://vimeo.com/359837338) - we read this book last summer.

### **Thurs., Sept. 10, 2020 7:00 p.m.**

Book: **How to be an Anti-Racist by Ibram Kendi OR Caste: The Origins of Our Discontent by Isabel Wilkerson**

Discussants:  All participants will share their insights.

(There are quite a few copies of Kendi's book around right now due to a St. Paul's study of the book.  Check with Kim or Karen L.  Also Waverly Library has the ebook, audiobook, and a hard copy. Caste may be a little harder to come by.)

### **Thurs., Oct. 8, 2020 7:00 p.m.**

Book:  **The Secrets We Kept by Lara Prescott**

Discussant:  Kate Koob

(Waverly Library has the ebook, audiobook, and a hard copy)

### **Thurs., Nov. 12, 2020 7:00 p.m.**

Book: **The Mothers by Brit Bennett - this is the All Iowa Reads Book for 2020**

Discussant:  Marsha Koenig

<https://britbennett.com/essays>

[I Don't Know What to Do With Good White People essay](https://jezebel.com/i-dont-know-what-to-do-with-good-white-people-1671201391)

(Waverly Library has the ebook, audiobook, and a hard copy)

### **Thurs., Dec. 10, 2020 7:00 p.m.**

Book: **Rodham by Curtis Sittenfeld**

Discussant: Karen Lehmann

(Waverly Library has the ebook, audiobook, and a hard copy)

### **Thurs., Jan. 14, 2021 7:00 p.m.**

Book: **Bear Town by Fredrik Backman**

Discussant: Kim Folkers

**Thurs., Feb. 11, 2021 7:00 p.m.**

**Book: Poetry by female poets - your choice**

[Louise Gluck, poet - 2020 Nobel Prize  - NY Times article Oct. 8, 2020](https://www.nytimes.com/2020/10/08/books/louise-gluck-nobel-prize-literature.html?action=click&module=Editors%20Picks&pgtype=Homepage)

[Louise Gluck - A Nobel Winner Whose Poems Have Abundant Intellect and Deep Feeling - NY Times, Oct. 8, 2020](https://www.nytimes.com/2020/10/08/books/louise-gluck-nobel-winner-appraisal.html?action=click&block=more_in_recirc&impression_id=728e2600-09d3-11eb-bcf5-e3d8ae1fcb72&index=0&pgtype=Article&region=footer)

Discussant: All attendees will share poems, background on poet(s)

### **Thurs., Mar. 11, 2021, 7:00 p.m.**

Book: **THE BAD-ASS LIBRARIANS OF TIMBUKTU**  
**And Their Race to Save the World’s Most Precious Manuscripts**  
By Joshua Hammer (idea from Kate Koob)

**OR** read any book about libraries or librarians - The Book Wanderers; The Library Book; The Book Woman of Troublesome Creek, The Giver of Stars (JoJo Moyes), Mr. Penumbra's 24-hour  Bookstore, etc.

More ideas from this link - [15 Favorite Books About Libraries and Librarians](https://bookpage.com/the-book-case/16445-15-our-favorite-books-about-libraries-librarians#.X1rH3i01ggo)

Discussant: All attendees will be invited to share about the book they read.

### **Thurs., Apr. 8, 2021, 7:00 p.m.**

Book: **Convenience Store Woman by Sayaka Murata**

Discussant: Sarah Quin

### **Thurs., May 13, 2021, 7:00 p.m.**

Book: Read a book of your choosing on Abraham Lincoln:

Ideas - Lincoln on the Verge (Kate highly recommends - 600 pgs., but 400+ is the core of the book); Blood on the Moon; OR click here for a list of possibilities: <https://www.abebooks.com/books/features/abraham-lincoln.shtml>

Discussant: All attendees are welcome to share the book they read or any reflections they have on President Lincoln and related issues.

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**June 8, 2021 9:00 a.m. - Zoom -** [**https://wartburg.zoom.us/j/91783897470**](https://wartburg.zoom.us/j/91783897470)**; Meeting ID: 917 8389 7470**

Book: **Read a book of your choosing by Ernest Hemingway**

Discussant: All attendees are welcome to share the book they read or any reflections they have on Ernest Hemingway, including the recent IPTV Hemingway special.

**June 22, 2021 10:30 a.m. - In-Person at Redeemer Lutheran Church, Waverly - Church Library Lounge area - park on north or south side of church and come in main entrances.**

**Book: This Tender Land by William Kent Krueger**

Discussant: Kate Koob

**Tues., July 13, 2021 - 9:00 a.m. - Redeemer Lutheran Church** - **Multipurpose Room - Enter through SW door of church building.  (Note - This is NOT the library lounge area where we met last time.)**

Read a book focusing on Asian-Americans and their experiences in the U.S. -  Focus tied to the current discrimination and violence Asian Americans are experiencing in the U.S. Consider books by authors Lisa See, Amy Tan, Pearl Buck, Kevin Kwan (Crazy Rich Asians - comedy; etc.)

Also highly recommended if you have access to the book  - *The Making of Asian America*by Erika Lee (Dr. Joyce Boss, Wartburg).

If you want to learn more about Amy Tan, a Netflix documentary called [Amy Tan: Unintended Memoir](http://emclick.imodules.com/ls/click?upn=COIcp01t4l8TnGj9VaETzY69-2BpdX2dOxK-2BeJHQJ46mherrDZBoVHCCdEy-2F2wx5fJJQkqbgnv9QwPrAG6-2ByFm-2Brx0b-2FGsD33laowRq1P9incoropdRqDUEzYIep5GaAyeNkRc_X-2BtC6GRtNSDwLXTB6q9PBgh7zvFwNdpNXvvocWVau5rH8wL5-2Fz0dOiyXU9sVffYDSxVcO9rx8j8g6s0K-2Fk1z63pzIPL4Gw4-2BFEjoBF4d3hAXUkOgH-2FhriXdxBdnhkjFWrixNAnLrgvy92GpUa4jM8kK5WMs4BpgExx8uPnpxq3E31haLQcxMazb6Qe3doJzNTGrCIG2n3kqqXFvGlyIiMy4hqPOjhDecklQQ32JZY82UPLtw7mo4hJXvnqUglM4Vk9wEa-2FSnvpU5HTegbIs3NSc84-2BNs30spL7cV-2Bl0TdzxOwyg-2F8qsDfYVmxCNHkb0nCEM-2Bnl5rcUNNa6HiNJbB8trkAoBiI-2ByK4jIiiEhl-2BR3SNIgyGbNWKitW-2BOReII4TGbpp3934ubPSoPT7Z5s5TueXPvB6kcOnDZ6Zb31UvhetJ-2FKvP5RFNLRE-2BXI7SyQu7dp3eYX-2F-2FVDC71ct8C6t3oeYAPVNrYz5u-2BXMqQ7GzZPsPBK6YOJ8rRpe6Bu82RcG8vLGk3QgXORpfn3uoTYolw-3D-3D) was recently released about her life. You can also find her biography by visiting [Tan's website](http://emclick.imodules.com/ls/click?upn=COIcp01t4l8TnGj9VaETzY69-2BpdX2dOxK-2BeJHQJ46mherrDZBoVHCCdEy-2F2wx5fJpfLG-2BGcEzZlM8aRCZeaqsHv2h6O0-2FefvewJRVx-2BjMT0XxEVsl-2BDB5UtLbBx-2Fvvud--_M_X-2BtC6GRtNSDwLXTB6q9PBgh7zvFwNdpNXvvocWVau5rH8wL5-2Fz0dOiyXU9sVffYDSxVcO9rx8j8g6s0K-2Fk1z63pzIPL4Gw4-2BFEjoBF4d3hAXUkOgH-2FhriXdxBdnhkjFWrixNAnLrgvy92GpUa4jM8kK5WMs4BpgExx8uPnpxq3E31haLQcxMazb6Qe3doJzNTGrCIG2n3kqqXFvGlyIiMy4hqPOjhDecklQQ32JZY82UPLtw7mo4hJXvnqUglM4Vk9wEa-2FSnvpU5HTegbIs3NSc84-2BNs30spL7cV-2Bl0TdzxOwyg-2F8qsDfYVmxCNHkb0nCEM-2Bnl5rcUNNa6HiNJbB8trkAoBiI-2ByK4jIiiEhl-2BR3SNIgyGbNWKitW-2BOReII4Tcp7rLr1r4BAxIWnKYx-2BH5xIetm7-2FUH4sTpqXEBrWBieUlo2AWwrUQAh2ebkv4c0vemhwt7svBPOpHlnVHzl2zsxjrY6BHmEyVuCzxXxcSxgkmXS4pk92mWOe6ad2AGR53q2NlvLosM8YGf87CyWECw-3D-3D).

**Tues., July 27, 2021** - **The Barbizon: The Hotel That Set Women Free by Paulina Bren, 9:00 a.m. Redeemer Lutheran Church, Waverly - Library Lounge area**

**Tues., Aug. 10, 2021** - **The Animals in That Country** - Redeemer Lutheran Church - meeting room just inside the NW door.  (Evelyn Aubrey's Australian friend's niece is the author) - Laura Jean McKay OR any book that has an "animal-related" theme.

**"TRIP POSTPONED DUE TO COVID" Tues., Aug. 24, 2021, 9:45 a.m.-1:30 p.m.** - Outing to downtown Waterloo - 10:30 a.m. Visit [Soul Book Nook](https://www.soulbooknook.com/) - newer bookstore in downtown Waterloo.  15 minute presentation by Amber.  Lunch at Rodney's Kitchen at 11:30 a.m.  Meet in Waverly HyVee parking lot by garden center at 9:45 a.m. to carpool to Waterloo.  Kim and Evelyn will each drive a van.  Plan to be back in Waverly by 1:30 p.m.  Call Kim at 319-231-1983 if questions.