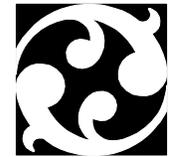


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IT'S READERS' CHOICE TIME at CAMELOT

Our meetings have a different slant when each of us reviews a book of her own choice instead of discussing one book selection for the month. We use this alternate format in January and July of each year.

Anne Simms is reading *Texas* by James Michener. He writes so well and it's an interesting book. It's long - she said she'd probably still be reading it in July

Barbara Walton read *Cutting for Stone* by Abraham Verghese. It was a little hard to get into, but a wonderful story of twins, and how they responded to each other even tho' they're so different. The title represents a symbol and means you stick to your area of expertise.

Alamo Traces: New Evidence and New Conclusions by Thomas Ricks Lindley was **Karen O'Shea's** choice. She got caught up with the history of the Alamo and liked this book which gives a different look at what went on at the Alamo. The author came up with whole lot of disparities in what we know about this historical event. Sam Houston and Fannin are seen in new and different ways.

Dotty Miller enjoyed reading *The Night Circus* by Erin Morgenstern. It is unique - a story about a couple, whose relationship is in the arena of a circus – they became competitors. The book has a great beginning.

Ann Seher, who couldn't be in attendance at the meeting, sent word that she had read a couple of books by Anne Lamott.

Gwen Nelson loved reading *The Magic Room* by Jeffrey Zaslow, a story about daughters. Each chapter is about a bride. These are true, touching stories about real people.

Sue Ward, who could not attend this meeting, enjoyed reading *Wesley the Owl*. It's the remarkable Love Story of an Owl and His Girl.

Your Scribe, **Margaret Oesch**, read *Bird by Bird* by Anne Lamott. In it, this quirky, sometimes irreverent author wrote some instructions on Writing and Life. A most enjoyable read, and your Scribe recommends this and all the other books that this talented author has written.

NEXT MEETING

When? Friday, February 18, 2012, 1:30 p.m.

Where? At Gwen Nelson's house

Why? To have fun, and to discuss

The Magic Room

A story about the love we wish for our daughters

By Jeffrey Zaslow

What else? Gwen requests that we bring our own wedding pictures to the meeting.

MEETING NOTES

It was a lovely sunny day on Dotty's porch, as we sat and talked about current events and neighborhood news.

Your Scribe told about the new kittens at their house, Shadow and Pepper, and how their newest trick is unrolling the toilet tissue all the way down to the tube. They work on it together.

Barbara Walton told us about her Karen's dog Woody, who is sick with cancer. We were amused that they made a "bucket list" for Woody to do before he dies.

Somehow we got on the subject of cremation, and all but one said it was her choice and that of her husband. Well, Dotty said Troy had changed his mind about it, but that he won't know. Gene said OK, if it doesn't hurt.

Anne Simms brought up the idea of the ladies of Camelot donating books to the Mt. Vernon School District, and we all thought it was a good idea.

When Dotty brought out the timer, we all thought maybe our time was up, but it turned out she was just timing the dessert in the oven. The dessert was a special something with a rich, crusty topping over red velvet something. What a winner!

We adopted a new adage: "What happens at Camelot stays at Camelot".



Recommendations for More Books to Read

The Poet a mystery novel about a serial killer, by Michael Connelly

The Last Child by John Hart, a story of twins Johnny and Alyssa and what happens when Alyssa goes missing.

Thought for the Day

Blessed are they who can laugh at themselves, for they shall never cease to be amused.

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