

Caribou Book Discussion Schedule 2010

Discussions will take place approximately every sixth Monday at 7 p.m.

The group meets at Caribou Coffee, 90 East Northwest Highway, in downtown Mount Prospect and will be led by Readers' Advisor Donna Culhane and other MPPL staff.

No registration is required -- just drop by.

For more information contact the Fiction/AV/Teen Desk at Mount Prospect Public Library at 847/253-5675.

Limited copies of titles will be available at the Library.

January 11, 2010

***Luncheon of the Boating Party* by Susan Vreeland**

Renoir is inspired to paint "Luncheon of the Boating Party" when his other work is criticized by Emile Zola, and while doing so is drawn into lives of the thirteen people featured in it as they enjoy a Parisian summer during the late 1800s.

February 22, 2010

***Three Junes* by Julia Glass**

Told in three parts, each set in the month of June, this moving first novel traces the lives of a Scottish family over a decade as they confront the joys and longings, fulfillments and betrayals of love in all its guises.

April 5, 2010

***The Fountainhead* by Ayn Rand**

The story of an uncompromising young architect, his violent battle against conventional standards, and his explosive love affair with a beautiful woman who worships him yet struggles to defeat him.

May 17, 2010

***Olive Kitteridge: Fiction* by Elizabeth Strout**

Thirteen linked tales present a heart-wrenching, penetrating portrait of ordinary coastal Mainers living lives of quiet grief intermingled with flashes of human connection. Winner of the 2009 Pulitzer Prize for Fiction.

June 28, 2010

***Little Bee* by Chris Cleave**

A couple in crisis accept a junket to a Nigerian beach resort as a last-ditch attempt to reconcile. When they stray outside the resort walls they are confronted by machete-wielding soldiers who force them to determine the fate of two African girls, irrevocably changing their lives forever.

August 9, 2010

***The Shack* by William P. Young**

Four years after his daughter is abducted and evidence of her murder is found in an abandoned shack, Mackenzie Allen Philips returns to the shack in response to a note claiming to be from God and has a life-changing experience.

September 20, 2010

***A Confederacy of Dunces* by John Kennedy Toole**

This wildly inventive comic masterpiece features one of the most unforgettable characters in modern fiction: Ignatius Reilly, a mammoth misfit Medievalist hilariously at odds with the 20th-century world. Winner of the 1981 Pulitzer Prize for Fiction.

November 1, 2010

***The Help* by Kathryn Stockett**

Limited and persecuted by racial divides in 1962 Jackson, Mississippi, three women, including an African-American maid, her sassy and chronically unemployed friend, and a recently graduated white woman, team up for a clandestine project.

December 6, 2010

***Man and Boy* by Tony Parsons**

Facing his thirtieth birthday with trepidation, Harry Silver watches his perfect life crumble around him when his wife leaves him and he must adjust to raising his son alone.