

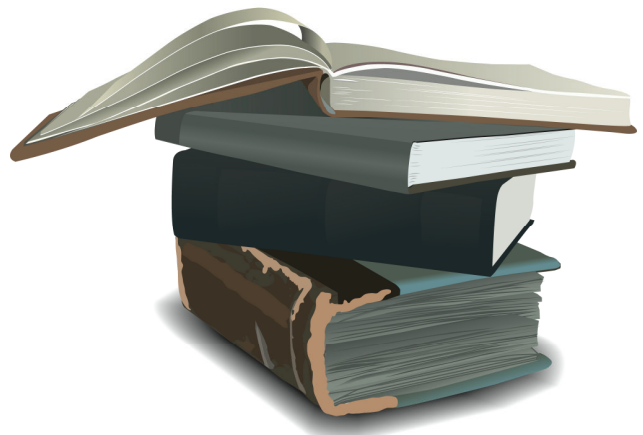


Bookenders Discussion Group

at the Pleasant Grove Library

*"Some books are to be tasted, others to be
swallowed, and some few to be chewed
and digested."*

—Francis Bacon



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2008-2009 Schedule

Thursday, September 25, 2008—*Peace Like a River* by Leif Enger

Along with his sister and father, eleven-year-old Reuben finds himself on a cross-country search for his outlaw older brother who has been charged with murder.

Thursday, October 30, 2008—*Founding Sisters and the 19th Amendment* by Eleanor Clift

This book chronicles the many thrilling twists and turns of the suffrage struggle and shows how the issues and arguments that surrounded the movement still reverberate today.

Thursday, November 20, 2008—*Wednesday Wars* by Gary Schmidt

During the 1967 school year, on Wednesday afternoons when all his classmates go to either Catechism or Hebrew school, seventh-grader Holling Hoodhood stays in Mrs. Baker's classroom where they read the plays of William Shakespeare and Holling learns much of value about the world he lives in.

Thursday, January 29, 2009—*East of Eden* by John Steinbeck

This sprawling novel, set in the rich farmlands of California's Salinas Valley, follows the intertwined destinies of two families—the Trasks and the Hamiltons—whose generations helplessly reenact the fall of Adam and Eve and the poisonous rivalry of Cain and Abel.

Thursday, February 26, 2009—*A Severe Mercy* by Sheldon Vanauken

Beloved, profoundly moving account of the author's marriage, the couple's search for faith and friendship with C. S. Lewis, and a spiritual strength that sustained Vanauken after his wife's untimely death.

Thursday, March 26, 2009—*Book Thief* by Marcus Zusak

Trying to make sense of the horrors of World War II, Death relates the story of Liesel, a young German girl whose book-stealing and story-telling talents help sustain her family and the Jewish man they are hiding, as well as their neighbors.

Thursday, April 30, 2009—*The Last Lecture* by Randy Pausch

Reflections of a Carnegie Mellon computer science professor who lectured on "Really achieving your childhood dreams," shortly after having been diagnosed with terminal cancer. His advice concerned seizing the moment while living, rather than dying.

Thursday, May 28, 2009—*Pope Joan* by Donna Cross

When her older brother dies in a Viking attack, the brilliant young Joan assumes his identity and enters a Benedictine monastery where, as Brother John Anglicus, she distinguishes herself as a scholar and healer. Eventually drawn to Rome, she soon becomes enmeshed in a dangerous mix of passion and politics that threatens her life even as it elevates her to the highest throne in the western world.

All meetings will be held in the library basement at 7 p.m.