Book Club #1 2023

January 26 Bloomsbury Girls by Natalie Jenner

Three women in post-war England working in a rare book store interact with literary figures including Daphne Du Maurier and Samuel Beckett as they each try to find their way in a changing world. Women Booksellers, Historical Fiction

February 23 Three Things about Elsie by Joanna Cannon

There are three things you should know about Elsie. The first thing is that she's my best friend. The second is that she always knows what to say to make me feel better. And the third thing might take a bit more explaining. Cozy Mystery, Psychological Fiction, Nursing Home

March 23 We Are the Brennans by Tracey Lange

Returning to the east coast to recover from a drunk driving accident she caused, 29-year-old Sunday Brennan must protect her family from a man from her past who brings her family's pub business to the brink of financial ruin. Family Life, Family Secrets

April 27 Remarkably Bright Creatures by Shelby Van Pelt

After her husband dies a woman begins working the night shift at an aquarium where she discovers the truth to her son's disappearance 30 years ago. Family Life Jenna Bush Hager's May 2022 Pick

May 25 South of the Buttonwood Tree by Heather Webber

Blue Bishop has a knack for finding lost things. No one is more surprised than Blue, however, when she comes across an abandoned newborn baby in the woods, just south of a very special buttonwood tree. Magical Realism

June 22 Ellie and the Harpmaker by Hazel Prior

Woman takes her daily walk and stumbles on a barn where a man living a solitary life carves exquisite Celtic harps.

July 27 The Overnight Guest by Heather Gudenkauf

A woman receives an unexpected visitor during a deadly snowstorm. Iowa author.

Women's Domestic Suspense

August 24 The Unsinkable Greta James by Jennifer E. Smith

After the death of her beloved mother, failed indie singer-songwriter Greta James joins her father on a week-long Alaskan cruise, which becomes a journey of discovery for them both as they work to heal old wounds Family Life

September 28 The Lions of Fifth Avenue by Fiona Davis

A series of book thefts roils the iconic New York Public Library, leaving two generations of strongwilled women to pick up the pieces Historical Fiction

October 26 Long Way Home by Lynn Austin

Jimmy returns returns from the war much different from the Jimmy who left, changed so drastically by his experience as a medic in Europe that he can barely function. His best friend starts by trying to identify the mysterious woman in the photo they find in Jimmy's belongings.

WWII, Christian Fiction

November 16 The One Hundred Years of Lenni and Margot by Marianne Cronin

Determined to leave a mark on the world even though they are in the hospital and their days are dwindling, unlikely friends, seventeen-year-old Lenni and eighty-three-year-old Margot, devise a plan to create one hundred paintings showcasing the stories of the century they have lived.

Intergenerational Friendship

December 14 Winter Solstice by Rosamunde Pilcher

Story of five unforgettable characters, lonely and haunted strangers who find love and loyalty as a reborn family of friends during the Christmas holidays. Fiction Women, Loss