



Epsilon Sigma Omicron Reading List

ESO Reading List for GFWC's Reading Groups

The following is the suggested national ESO reading list. If your state compiles its own reading list, you should first consult it. The books are divided into 23 subject categories. The list will be updated quarterly based on selected best sellers lists, American Library Association lists, Pulitzer and other prize lists, and GFWC related topics. State Education Community Service Program chairmen may adapt, alter, and/or update this list as desired.

- American History
- The Arts
- Biography and Memoir
- Business and Finance
- Conservation and Ecology
- Drama
- Education
- Fiction, Classic
- Fiction, General
- Fiction, Genre
 - Mystery, Thriller
 - Science Fiction
- Health and Medicine
- Home and Garden
- Parenting and Families
- Poetry
- Reading to Children
 - Picture Books and Story Books
 - Chapter Books and Books for Youth
- Religion and Inspirational
- Science
- Social Science
- Sports and Recreation
- Travel and Geography
- Volunteerism
- Women's Studies
- World History
- Addendum

AMERICAN HISTORY

- Ambrose, Stephen. *Undaunted Courage: Merriwether Lewis, Thomas Jefferson and the Opening of the American West.*
- Balmer, Randall. *Mine Eyes Have Seen the Glory.*
- Brokaw, Tom. *The Greatest Generation.*
- Dallek, Robert. *Nixon and Kissinger: Partners in Power.*
- Dolan, Jay P. *The Irish Americans: The History*
- Faulkner, Carol. *Women in American History to 1880: A Document Reader.*
- Gates, Henry Louis Jr. *Life Upon these Shores: Looking at African American History, 1513-2008.*
- Goodwin, Doris Kearns. *Team of Rivals: The Political Genius of Abraham Lincoln.*
- Gwynne, S. C. *Empire of the Summer Moon: Quanah Parker and the Rise and Fall of the Comanche, the Most Powerful Tribe in American History.*
- Hamilton Waxman, Laura. *Who Were the Accused Witches of Salem?*
- Howe, David Walker. *What Hath God Wrought: the Transformation of America, 1815-1848.*
- Jasanoff, Maya. *Liberty's Exiles: American Loyalists in the Revolutionary World.*
- Kean, Thomas K. and Lee H. Hamilton. *Without Precedent: The Inside Story of the 911 Commission.*
- Kessner, Thomas. *The Flight of the Century: Charles Lindbergh and the Rise of American Aviation.*
- Labunski, Richard. *James Madison and the Struggle for the Bill of Rights.*
- Lears, Jackson. *Rebirth of a Nation: The Making of Modern American, 1877-1920.*
- Loewen, James. *Lies My Teachers Told Me: Everything Your American History Textbook Got Wrong.*
- McCullough, David. *The Path between the Seas: The Creation of the Panama Canal 1870-1914.*
- Menand, Louis. *The Metaphysical Club: A Story of Ideas in America.*
- Ngai, Mae A. *Impossible Subjects: Illegal Aliens and the Making of Modern America.*
- Philbrick, Nathaniel. *Mayflower: A Story of Courage, Community and War.*
- Ricks, Thomas E. *Fiasco: The American Military Adventure in Iraq.*
- Symonds, Craig L. *The Battle of Midway.*
- West, Elliott. *The Last Indian War: The Nez Perce Story.*
- Wood, Gordon S. *The Radicalism of the American Revolution.*

THE ARTS

- Alberti, John. *Leaving Springfield: The Simpsons and the Possibility of Oppositional Culture.*
- Atkins, Robert. *Artspeak.*
- Bergstein, Rachele. *Women from the Ankle Down: The Story of Shoes and How They Define Us.*
- Bowles, Hamish and Dodie Kazanjian. *Vogue: The Covers.*
- Buhler Lynes, Barbara. *Georgia O'Keefe Museum.*

- Cameron, Julia. *The Artist's Way*.
- Chadwich, Whitney. *Women, Art and Society*
- Clarke, Michael. *The Concise Dictionary of Art Terms*.
- Cohen, Ari Seth, Maira Kalman, and Dita Von Teese. *Advanced Style*
- Dali, Salvador. *The Secret Life of Salvador Dali*.
- Fletcher, Alan. *The Art of Looking Sideways*
- Ganz, Nicholas. *Graffiti World: Street Art from Five Continents*.
- Harr, Jonathan. *The Lost Painting*.
- Hatch, Peter J. "A Rich Spot on Earth": *Thomas Jefferson's Revolutionary Garden at Monticello*.
- Jackman, Ian. *The Artist's Mentor: Inspiration: Inspiration from the World's Most Creative Minds*.
- Kimmelman, Michael. *The Accidental Masterpiece: On the Art of Life and Vice Versa*.
- King, Ross. *Brunelleschi's Dome: How a Renaissance Genius Reinvented Architecture*.
- Naifeh, Steven and Gregory White Smith. *Van Gogh: The Life*.
- Reynolds, Nancy and Malcolm McCormick. *No Fixed Points: Dance in the Twentieth Century*.
- Strickland, Carol, John Boswell, and Patty Brown Ed. *The Annotated Mona Lisa: A Crash Course in Art History from Prehistoric to Post-Modern*.
- Sullivan, John Jeremiah. *Pulphead*.
- Swarkowski, John, et. al. *Ansel Adams at 100*.
- Tobin, Jacqueline L. and Raymond G. Dobard. *In Plain View: A Secret Story of Quilts and the Underground Railroad*.
- Wynne, Frank. *I was Vermeer: The Rise and Fall of the Twentieth Century's Greatest Forger*.
- Zwonitzer, M. and C. Hirshberg. *Will You Miss Me When I'm Gone*.

BIOGRAPHY AND MEMOIR

- Baker, Deborah. *The Convert: A Tale of Exile and Extremism*.
- Banner, Lois. *Elizabeth Cady Stanton: A Radical for Women's Rights*.
- Bird, Kai and Martin J. Sherwin. *American Prometheus: The Triumph and Tragedy of J. Robert Oppenheimer*.
- Burroughs, Augusten. *Running with Scissors*.
- Cody, Joshua. *[sic]: A Memoir*.
- Ephron, Nora. *I Feel Bad About My Neck and Other Thoughts About Being a Woman*.
- Ferrer, Sean Hepburn. *Audrey Hepburn, An Elegant Spirit: A Son Remembers*.
- Fey, Tina. *Bossypants*.
- Gabriel, Mary. *Love and Capital: Karl and Jenny Marx and the Rebirth of a Revolution*.
- Gandhi, Mohandas Karamchand. *Gandhi An Autobiography: The Story of My Experiments with Truth*.

- Grogan, John. *Marley and Me*.
- Isaacson, Walter. *Steve Jobs*.
- Leaning, Barbara. *Jack Kennedy: The Education of a Statesman*.
- Lemmon, Chris. *A Twist of Lemmon: A Tribute to My Father*.
- Lewis Gaddis, John. *George F. Kennan*.
- Madigan, Tim. *Proud of You: My Friendship with Fred Rodgers*.
- Mandela, Nelson. *Long Walk to Freedom*.
- Matterson, John. *Eden's Outcast: The Story of Louisa May Alcott and Her Father*.
- McCourt, Frank. *Teacher Man*.
- McCullough, David. *John Adams*.
- McCullough, David. *Truman*.
- Powers, Ron. *Mark Twain: A Life*.
- Rehak, Melanie. *Girl Sleuth: Nancy Drew and the Women Who Created Her*.
- Sedaris, David. *Me Talk Pretty One Day*.
- Shields, Charles J. *Mockingbird: A Portrait of Harper Lee*.
- Thomas, Abigail. *A Three Dog Life*.
- Van Gogh, Vincent. *Dear Theo: The Autobiography of Vincent Van Gogh*.
- Wells, Jeannette. *Glass Castle*.
- Woods, Randal. *LBJ: Architect of American Ambition*.

BUSINESS AND FINANCE

- Anderson, Chris. *The Long Tail: Why the Future of Business is Selling Less of More*.
- Clason, George. *Richest Man in Babylon*.
- Duhigg, Charles. *The Power of Habit: Why We Do What We Do in Life and Business*.
- El-Erian, Mohamed A. *When Markets Collide: Investment Strategies for the Age of Global Economic Change*.
- Friedan, Jeffrey A. and David A. Lake. *The International Political Economy: Perspectives on Global Power and Wealth*.
- Friedman, Thomas. *The World is Flat*.
- Gladwell, Malcolm. *The Tipping Point*.
- Johnson, Spencer, Ken Blanchard, Kenneth H. Blanchard, and Tony Roberts. *Who Moved My Cheese: An Amazing Way to Deal with Change in Your Work and in Your Life*.
- Kahneman, Daniel. *Thinking, Fast and Slow*.
- Keyes, John Maynard. *The General Theory of Employment, Interests, and Money*.
- Krugman, Paul. *The Return to Depression Economics*.
- Levitt, Steven D and Stephen Dubner. *Freakonomics*.

- Levy, Steven. *In The Plex: How Google Thinks, Works, and Shapes Our Lives*.
- Lewis, Michael. *Boomerang: Travels in the New Third World*.
- Malkiel, Burton. *A Random Walk Down Wall Street*.
- Morris, Charles R. *Trillion Dollar Meltdown*.
- Presser, Harriet B. *Working in a 24/7 Economy: Challenges for American Families*.
- Ramsey, Dave. *Total Money Makeover*.
- Schultz, Howard. *Onward: How Starbucks Fought for Its Life without Losing Its Soul*.
- Smith, Adam. *The Wealth of Nations*.

CONSERVATION AND ECOLOGY

- Adams, Douglas. *Last Chance to See...*
- Carson, Rachel. *Silent Spring*.
- Conca, Ken and Geoffrey Dabelko. *Green Planet Blues: Environmental Politics from Stockholm to Johannesburg*.
- Conon, William. *Uncommon Ground: Rethinking the Human Place in Nature*.
- Darwin, Charles. *On the Origin of Species*.
- Diamond, Jared. *Collapse*.
- Dillard, Annie. *Pilgrim at Thinkers Creek*.
- Flannery, Tim. *The Weather Makers: How Man is Changing the Climate and What It Means for Life on Earth*.
- Gore, Al. *An Inconvenient Truth*.
- Hay, John. *The Way to the Salt Marsh: A John Hay Reader*.
- Leopold, Aldo. *A Sand County Almanac*.
- Martenson, Chris. *The Crash Course: The Unsustainable Future of Our Economy, Energy, And Environment*.
- Oliver, Mary. *New and Selected Poems*.
- Reisner, Marc. *Cadillac Desert*.
- Singer, Peter and Jim Mason. *The Way We Eat: Why Our Food Choices Matter*.
- Thoreau, Henry David. *Walden or Life in the Woods*.
- Weiner, Jonathan. *The Beak of the Finch: A Story of Evolution in Our Time*.
- Weisman, Alan. *The World Without Us*.

DRAMA

- Beckett, Samuel. *Waiting for Godot*.
- Ibsen, Henrik. *A Doll's House*.
- Marlowe, Christopher. *The Tragical History of Doctor Faustus*.

- Miller, Arthur. *Death of a Salesman*.
- Pinter, Harold. *The Homecoming*.
- Shakespeare, William. *Othello*.
- Shaw, Bernard. *Pygmalion*.
- Wilde, Oscar. *The Importance of Being Earnest*.
- Williams, Tennessee. *The Glass Menagerie*.

EDUCATION

- Clark, Ron. *The Excellent 11: Qualities Teachers and Parents Use to Motivate, Inspire, and Educate Children*.
- Dewey, John. *Democracy and Education*.
- Gurian, Michael and Kathryn Stevens. *The Mind of Boys*.
- Guriain, Michael. *Boys and Girls Learn Differently*.
- Johnson, Lou Anne. *Teaching Outside the Box*.
- Johnson, Lou Anne. *The Queen of Education: Rules for Making Schools Work*.
- Karabel, Jerome. *The Chosen: The Hidden History of Admission and Exclusion at Harvard, Yale, and Princeton*.
- Kludge, P.F. *Alma Mater*.
- Postman, Neil. *The End of Education: Redefining the Value of School*.
- Robbins, Alexandra. *The Over Achievers: The Secret Lives of Driven Kids*.
- Tock, Thomas. *High School on a Human Scale*.
- Williams, Joe. *Cheating Our Kids: How Politics and Greed Ruin Education*.

FICTION, CLASSIC

- Albee, Edward. *Who's Afraid of Virginia Woolf?*
- Alighieri, Dante. *The Inferno*
- Alighieri, Dante. *Purgatorio*.
- Austen, Jane. *Pride and Prejudice*.
- Bronte, Charlotte. *Jane Eyre*.
- Camus, Albert. *The Stranger*.
- Conrad, Joseph. *Heart of Darkness*
- Cooper, James Fenimore. *The Last of the Mohicans*.
- Dickens, Charles. *Great Expectations*.
- Ellison, Ralph. *Invisible Man*.
- Faulkner, William. *The Sound and the Fury*.
- Fitzgerald, F. Scott. *The Great Gatsby*.

- Hawthorne, Nathaniel. *The Scarlet Letter*.
- Golding, William. *Lord of the Flies*.
- Heller, Joseph. *Catch-22*
- Homer. *The Odyssey*.
- Kerouac, Jack. *On the Road*.
- Kesey, Ken. *One Flew Over the Cuckoo's Nest*.
- Lee, Harper. *To Kill a Mockingbird*.
- Melville, Herman. *Moby Dick*.
- Morrison, Toni. *Beloved*.
- Orwell, George. *1984*.
- Plato. *The Republic*.
- Salinger, J.D. *The Catcher in the Rye*.
- Vonnegut, Kurt. *Slaughterhouse Five*.
- Walker, Alice. *The Color Purple*.
- Woolf, Virginia. *Mrs. Dalloway*.

FICTION, GENERAL

- Atwood, Margaret. *Edible Woman*.
- Banville, John. *Sea*.
- Brooks, Geraldine. *March*.
- Chevalier, Tracy. *Girl with the Pearl Earring*.
- Coelho, Paulo. *The Alchemist*.
- Diaz, Junot. *The Brief Wondrous Life of Oscar Wao*.
- Delillo, Don. *Underworld*.
- Doctorow, E.L. *The March*.
- Edwards, Kim. *The Memory Keeper's Daughter*.
- Franzen, Jonathan. *The Corrections*.
- Gabaldon, Diana. *The Outlander*.
- Gruen, Sara. *Water for Elephants*.
- Hosseini, Khaled. *Kite Runner*.
- Irving, John. *A Prayer for Owen Meany*.
- James, E.L. *Fifty Shades of Grey*.
- Jude, Morgan. *Passion*.
- Kidd, Sue Monk. *The Secret Life of Bees*.
- Krauss, Nicole. *The History of Love*.
- Martel, Yann. *Life of Pi*.

- McEwan, Ian. *Saturday*.
- O’Nan, Stewart. *The Good Wife*.
- Roth, Phillip. *The Plot Against America*.
- Shalvis, Jill. *Simply Irresistible*.
- Shute, Neville. *On the Beach*.
- Thomas, Jodi. *Welcome to Harmony*.
- Updike, John. *Rabbit, Run*.
- Ward, Jesmyn. *Salvage the Bones*.
- Warner, Kaki. *Pieces of Sky*.
- Willig, Lauren. *The Mischief of Mistletoe*.

FICTION, GENRE

- **Mystery Thriller**
 - Barre, Richard. *The Innocents*.
 - Bell, Ted. *Spy*.
 - Brockman, Suzanne. *Into the Storm*.
 - Brown, Sandra. *Ricochet*.
 - Christie, Agatha. *And Then There Were None*.
 - Connelly, Michael. *The Lincoln Lawyer*.
 - Cook, Robin. *Crisis*.
 - Doyle, Arthur Conan and Leslie S. Klinger, ed. *The New Annotated Sherlock Holmes*.
 - Ellroy, James. *The Black Dahlia*.
 - Grisham, John. *The Broker*.
 - Hannon, Irene. *In Harm’s Way*.
 - Harwin, Patricia. *Arson and Old Lace: A Far Wychwood Mystery*.
 - Kellerman, Faye. *Stone Kiss*.
 - Patterson, James. *Cross*.
 - Patterson, James and Andrew Gross. *Judge and Jury*.
 - Roberts, Nora. *Angels Fall*.
 - Rose, Karen. *Silent Scream*.
 - Silva, Daniel. *The Messenger*.
 - Smith, Alexander McCall. *The Full Cupboard of Life: More from the No. 1 Ladie’s Detective Agency*.
 - Thomas, Sherry. *His at Night*.
- **Science Fiction**
 - Adams, Douglas. *The Hitchhiker’s Guide to the Galaxy*.

- Ashwood, Sharon. *Unchained*.
- Asimov, Isaac. *I, Robot*.
- Atwood, Margaret. *The Handmaid's Tale*.
- Bradbury, Ray. *Fahrenheit 451*.
- Brooks, Max. *World War Z*.
- Brooks, Terry. *Armageddon's Children*.
- Card, Orson Scott. *Ender's Game*.
- Clarke, Arthur C. *Rendezvous with Rama*.
- Collins, Suzanne. *The Hunger Games*.
- Crichton, Michael. *Jurassic Park*.
- Dick, Philip K. *Do Androids Dream of Electric Sheep?*
- Gaiman, Neil. *Anansi Boys*.
- Gibson, William. *Neuromancer*.
- Hearn, Lian. *Across the Nightingale Floor*.
- Herbert, Frank. *Dune*.
- Jordan, Robert. *The Eye of the World*.
- Le Guin, Ursula K. *The Left Hand of Darkness*.
- Lethem, Jonathan. *Gun, with Occasional Music*.
- Lewis, C.S. *Space Trilogy*.
- McCarthy, Cormac. *The Road*.
- Mieville, China. *Perdido Street Station*.
- Morgan, Richard K. *Altered Carbon*.
- Niffenegger, Audrey. *The Time Traveler's Wife*.
- Powers, Tim. *Anubis Gates*.
- Pullman, Phillip. *His Dark Materials* trilogy.
- Stephenson, Neal. *Cryptonomicon*.
- Tolkien, J.R.R. *Lord of the Rings*.
- Vonnegut, Kurt. *The Sirens of Titan*.
- White, T.H. *The Once Future King*.
- Wolfe, Gene. *The Shadow of the Crew*.

HEALTH AND MEDICINE

- Amen, Daniel G. *Change Your Brain, Change Your Life*.
- Boston Women's Health Book Collective. *Our Bodies, Ourselves: A New Edition for a New Era*.
- Condon, Marian C. *Women's Health: Body, Mind, Spirit: An Integrated Approach to Wellness and Illness*.

- Crowley, Chris, Gail Sheehy, and Henry S. Lodge. *Younger Next Year for Women*.
- Delinsky, Barbara. *Uplift: Secrets from the Sisterhood of Breast Cancer Survivors*.
- Gladwell, Malcolm. *Blink: The Power of Thinking without Thinking*.
- Nielsen, Jerri. *A Doctor's Incredible Battle for Survival at the South Pole*.
- Northup, Christine. *Women's Bodies, Women's Wisdom*.
- Perlmutter, Dr. David and Carol Colman. *The Better Brain Book*.
- Pollan, Michael. *The Omnivore's Dilemma*.
- Roizen, Michael and Melmet Oz. *You: The Smart Patient*.
- Schlosser, Eric. *Fast Food Nation: The Dark Side of the All-American Meal*.
- Sparrowe, Linda and Patricia Walden. *The Woman's Book of Yoga and Health: A Lifelong Guide to Wellness*.
- Zerbe, Kathryn J. *The Body Betrayed: A Deeper Understanding of Women, Eating Disorders, and Treatment*.

HOME AND GARDEN

- Alexander, William. *The \$64 Tomato*.
- Angelou, Maya. *Hallelujah! The Welcome Table: A Lifetime of Memories and Recipes*.
- Burch, Mary. *Volunteering with Your Pet*.
- Ciezadlo, Annia. *Day of Honey: A Memoir of Food, Love, and War*.
- Craven, Jackie. *The Healthy Home*.
- Day, David and Albert Jackson. *Popular Mechanics Complete Home How To*.
- Dragonwagon Crescent. *Passionate Vegetarian*.
- Garten, Ina. *Barefoot Contessa at Home: Everyday Recipes You'll Make Over and Over Again*.
- Goodall, Jane, Gail Hudson, and Gary McAvoy. *Harvest for Hope*.
- Kamp, David. *The United State of Arugula: How We Became a Gourmet Nation*.
- Melina, Vesanto and Brenda Davis. *New Becoming Vegetarian: The Essential Guide to a Healthy Vegetarian Diet*.
- Millan, Caesar and Meliss Jo Peltier. *Caesar's Way*.
- Pleasant, Barbara. *Complete Houseplant Survival Manual: Essential Gardening Know-How for Keeping (Not Killing) More than 160 Indoor Plants*.
- Powell, Julie. *Julie and Julia: 365 Days, 524 Recipes, 1 Tiny Apartment Kitchen*.
- Ray, Rachel. *Rachel ray 365: No Repeats: A Year of Deliciously Different Dinners*.
- Rybczynski, Witold. *Home: A Shot History of an Idea*.
- Smith, Edward C. and John Storey. *The Vegetable Gardener's Bible*.
- Solomon, Steve. *Gardening When It Counts: Growing Food in Hard Times*.

- Witherspoon, Kimberly and Andrew Friedman. *Don't Try This at Home: Culinary Catastrophes from the World's Greatest Chefs.*

PARENTING AND FAMILIES

- Buchman, Dana. *A Special Education: One Family's Journey Through the Maze of Learning Disabilities.*
- Cline, Forster and Jim Fay. *Parenting with Love and Logic.*
- Druckerman, Pamela. *Bringing Up Bebe: One American Mother Discovers the Wisdom of French Parenting.*
- Gottman, John, Joan Declaire, and Daniel Goleman. *Raising an Emotional Intelligent Child.*
- Guthrie, Elisabeth and Kathy Matthews. *No More Push Parenting: How to Find Success and Balance in a Hyper-Competitive World.*
- Kindlon, Dan and Michael Thompson. *Raising Cain.*
- Lawlis, Frank. *The ADD Answer.*
- Mace, Nancy L. and Peter Rabins. *The 36-Hour Day: Caring for Persons with Alzheimer, Relating Dementia Illness...*
- Murkoff, Heidi. *What to Expect When You're Expecting.*
- Papolo, Demitri and Janie Papolos. *The Bipolar Child: The Definitive for Reassuring Guide to Childhood's Most Misunderstood Disorder.*
- Pelzer, David. *A Child Called It.*
- Siegel, Daniel J.M.D. and Mary Hartzell, M.D. *Parenting from the Inside Out.*
- Simmons, Rachel. *Odd Girl Out: The Hidden Culture of Aggression in Girls.*
- Thayer, Elizabeth, Ph.D. and Jeffrey Zimmerman, Ph.D. *The Co-Parenting Survival Guide: Letting Go of Conflict After a Difficult Divorce.*
- Wiseman, Roseland. *Queen Bees and Wannabes.*

POETRY

- Angelou, Maya. *Mother, A Cradle to Hold Me.*
- Collins, Billy. *The Trouble with Poetry: And Other Poems.*
- Cullen, Countee. *My Soul's High Song.*
- Cummings, E.E. *100 Selected Poems.*
- Dickinson, Emily. *The Collected Poems of Emily Dickinson.*
- Dove, Rita. *Mother Love.*
- Eliot, T.S. *The Wasteland and Other Poems.*
- Emerson, Claudia. *Late Wife.*
- Finney, Nikky. *Head Off and Split.*

- Gibran, Kahil. *The Prophet*.
- Ginsberg, Allen. *Howl and Other Poems*.
- Gluck, Louise. *Wild Iris*.
- Heaney, Seamus. *The Spirit Level*.
- Hughes, Langston. *The Weary Blues*.
- Merwin, W.S. *Migration: New and Selected Poems*.
- Neruda, Pablo. *Twenty Love Poems and a Song of Despair*.
- Paz, Octavio. *Luna Silvestre*.
- Poe, Edgar Allan. *The Essential Tales and Poems of Edgar Allan Poe*.
- Sandburg, Robert. *Carl Sandburg: Selected Poems*.
- Sidman, Joyce. *Song of the Water Boatman and Other Pond Poems*.
- Smith, Tracy K. *Life on Mars*.
- Whitman, Walt. *Leaves of Grass*.
- Williams, William Carlos. *Pictures from Brueghel and Other Poems*.

READING TO CHILDREN

- **Picture Books and Story Books:** Many clubwomen are involved in volunteer programs reading to children, and many more read to their own children/grandchildren. If you are using this category for ESO credit, please include to whom you are reading and if they enjoyed the book. The following titles are current bestsellers and literary award winners, but you may read and report on any children's book.
 - Couric, Katie. *The Brand New Kid*.
 - Duskey Rinker, Sherri and Tom Lichtenheld. *Goodnight, Goodnight, Construction Site*.
 - Freeman, Don. *Corduroy*.
 - Klassen, Jon. *I Want My Hat Back*.
 - Litwin, Eric. *Pete the Cat: Rocking in My School Shoes*.
 - McBratney, Sam. *Guess How Much I Love You*.
 - Muth, Jon J. *Zen Shorts*.
 - O'Conner, Jane. *Fancy Nancy*.
 - Priceman, Marjorie. *Hot Air: The (Mostly) True Story of the First Hot-Air Balloon Ride*.
 - Scieszka, Jon and Lane Smith. *The Stinky Cheese Man and Other Stupid Tales*.
 - Sendak, Maurice. *Where the Wild Things Are*.
 - Seuss, Dr. *Oh, The Places You'll Go!*
 - Tullet, Hervé. *Press Here*.
 - Van Allsburg, Chris. *The Polar Express*.
- **Chapter Books and Books for Youth**

- Babbitt, Natalie. *Tuck Everlasting*.
- Blume, Judy. *Tales of a Fourth Grade Nothing*.
- Brashares, Ann. *The Sisterhood of the Traveling Pants*.
- Cabot, Meg. *How to be Popular*.
- Cleary, Beverly. *Ramona Forever*.
- Colfer, Eoin. *Artemis Fowl*.
- Dahl, Ronald. *Charlie and the Chocolate Factory*.
- Green, John. *The Fault in Our Stars*.
- Henry, Marguerite. *King of the Wind: The Story of the Godolphin Arabian*.
- Howe, James. *Bunnicula Meets Edgar Allan Crow*.
- Kinney, Jeff. *Diary of a Wimpy Kid*.
- Lai, Thannha. *Inside Out and Back Again*.
- Riggs, Ransom. *Miss Peregrine's Home for Peculiar Children*.
- Riordan, Rick. *Percy Jackson & the Olympians*.
- Rowling, J.K. *Harry Potter*.
- Snicketts, Lemony. *A Series of Unfortunate Events*.
- White, E.B. *Charlotte's Web*.

RELIGION AND INSPIRATION

- Ali, Ayaan Hirsi. *Infidel*.
- Burpo, Todd and Lynn Vincent. *Heaven is for Real: A Little Boy's Astounding Story of His Trip to Heaven and Back*.
- Confucius. *The Analects*.
- Dalai Lama, (His Holiness). *Ethics for the New Millennium*.
- Didion, Joan. *The Year of Magical Thinking*.
- Hesse, Herman. *Siddharta*.
- Hoff, Benjamin. *The Tao of Pooh*.
- Kushner, Harold S. *Overcoming Disappointments*.
- Lewis, C.S. *The Screwtape Letters*.
- Lucado, Max. *The Inspirational Study Bible*.
- Merton, Thomas. *New Seeds of Contemplation*.
- Norris, Kathleen. *The Cloister Walk*.
- Peck, Scott. *The Road Less Traveled*.
- Piper, Don. *90 Minutes in Heaven*.
- Pirsig, Robert. *The Zen and Art of Motorcycle Maintenance*.
- Singer, Michael A. *The Untethered Soul: The Journey Beyond Yourself*.

- Spangler, Ann. *Women of the Bible*.
- Tolle, Eckhart. *A New Earth*.

SCIENCE

- Cox, Lynne. *Grayson*.
- Diamond, Jared M. *Guns, Germs, and Steel: The Fates of Human Societies*.
- Ehrlich, Paul R. *The Dominant Animal: Human Evolution and the Environment*.
- Gleick, James. *The Information: A History, a Theory, a Flood*.
- Gosnell, Mariana. *Ice*.
- Hawking, Stephen. *A Brief History of Time*.
- Humes, Edward. *Monkey Girl: Evolution, Education, Religion, and the Battle for America's Soul*.
- Kakalios, James. *The Physics of Superheroes*.
- Redniss, Lauren. *Radioactive: Marie and Pierre Curie – A Tale of Love and Fallout*.
- Roach, Mary. *Bonk: The Curious Coupling of Science and Sex*.
- Sobel, Dava. *Galileo's Daughter: A Historical Memoir of Science, Faith, and Love*.
- Stewart, Ian. *Why Beauty Is Truth: The History of Symmetry*.

SOCIAL SCIENCE

- Alexander, Michelle. *The New Jim Crow*.
- Blakeslee, Nate. *Tulia*.
- Brigham, Robert. *Is Iraq Another Vietnam?*
- Ehrenreich, Barbara. *Nickel and Dimed: On (Not) Getting By in America*.
- Griffin, John Howard. *Black Like Me*.
- Grisham, John. *The Innocent Man*.
- Iacocca, Lee. *Where Have All the Leaders Gone?*
- Johnson, William. *A Time to Embrace: Same Gender Relationships in Religion, Law and Politics*.
- Johnston, David Cay. *Free Lunch: How the Wealthiest Americans Enrich Themselves at Government Expense*.
- Sachs, Jeffery D. *The End of Poverty: Economic Possibilities for Our Time*.
- Schwartz, Barry. *The Paradox of Choice: Why More is Less*.
- Skloot, Rebecca. *The Immortal Life of Henrietta Lacks*.
- Switzer, Jacqueline Vaughn. *Disabled Rights: American Disability Policy and the Fight for Equality*.
- Taliaferro, John. *In a Far Country*.
- Ung, Loung. *First They Killed My Father: A Daughter of Cambodia Remembers*.

- West, Cornel. *Race Matters*.
- Wright, Lawrence. *The Looming Tower*.

SPORTS AND RECREATION

- Armstrong, Lance. *It's Not about the Bike: My Journey Back to Life*.
- Bissinger, H.G. *Friday Night Lights*.
- Blais, Madeleine. *In These Girls, Hope is a Muscle*.
- Dyer, Danny and Katherine. *ChiRunning*.
- Holtz, Lou. *Wins, Losses, and Lessons: An Autobiography*.
- Karnazes, Dean. *Ultramarathon Man: Confessions of an All-Night Runner*.
- Kilmeade, Brian. *The Games Do Count*.
- Kowalchik, Claire. *The Complete Book of Running for Women*.
- Krakauer, Jon. *Into Thin Air*.
- Lamster, Mark. *Spalding's World Tour*.
- Lewis, Mark. *The Blind Side: Evolution of a Game*.
- Marx, Jeffrey. *Season of Life: A Football Star, a Boy, a Journey to Manhood*.
- McDougall, Christopher. *Born to Run*.
- Posnanski, Joe. *Paterno*.
- Prager, Joshua. *The Echoing Green: The Untold Story of Bobby Thomson, Ralph Branca, and the Shot Heard Around the World*.
- Smith, Lisa et.al. *Nike is a Goddess: the History of Women in Sports*.
- Solo, Hope. *A Memoir of Hope*.

TRAVEL AND GEOGRAPHY

- Bissell, Tom. *Chasing the Sea*.
- Bryson, Bill. *A Walk in the Woods: Rediscovering America on the Appalachian Trail*.
- Bryson, Bill. *The Lost Continent: Travels in Small-Town America*.
- Dalrymple, William. *City of Djinns*.
- Fussell, Paul. *The Norton Book of Travel*.
- Gilbert, Elizabeth. *Eat, Pray, Love: One Woman's Search for Everything Across Italy, India, and Indonesia*.
- Jennings, Ken. *Maphead: Charting the Wide, Weird World of Geography Wonks*.
- Krakauer, John. *Into the Wild*.
- Levy, Michael. *Kosher Chinese: Living, Teaching, and Eating with China's Other Billion*.
- Lindqvist, Sven. *"Exterminate All the Brutes."*

- Nooteboom, Cees. *Roads to Santiago*.
- Leonard, Mike. *The Ride of Our Lives: Roadside Lessons of an American Family*.
- Mehta, Suketu. *Maximum City: Bombay Lost and Found*.
- Pamuk, Orhan. *Istanbul: Memories and the City*.
- Schultz, Patricia. *1,000 Places to See Before You Die: A Traveler's Life List*.
- Severgnini Beppe. *La Bella Figura, a Field Guide to the Italian Mind*.
- Stewart, Roy. *The Places in Between*.
- Strayed, Cheryl. *Wild (From Lost to Found on the Pacific Coast Trail)*.

VOLUNTEERISM

- Day, Dorothy. *Loaves and Fishes*.
- Canfield, Jack, Mark Victor Hansen, Arline Oberst, John Boal, and Tom Lagana. *Chicken Soup for the Volunteer's Soul: Stories to Celebrate the Spirit of Courage, Caring and Community*.
- Clinton, Bill. *Giving: How Each of Us Can Change the World*.
- Fader, Sunny. *365 Ideas for Recruiting, Retaining, Motivating and Rewarding Your Volunteers: A Complete Guide for Non-Profit Organizations*.
- Hickman, Crystal. *The Volunteer*.
- Hunter, Zach. *Be the Change: Your Guide to Freeing Slaves and Changing the World*.
- Hybels, Bill. *The Volunteer Revolution: Unleashing the Power of Everybody*.
- Gould, Meredith. *Deliberate Acts of Kindness*.
- Lynch, Peter. *Wildlife & Conservation Volunteering, 2nd: The Complete Guide*.
- Metzler, Barbara. *Passionaries: Turning Compassion into Action*.
- Miller, Scott C. *Until It's Gone: Ending Poverty in Our Nation, in Our Lifetime*.
- Webber, Jeffrey. *Volunteering and Your Retirement Lifestyle*.

WOMEN'S STUDIES

- Albright, Madeline. *Madame Secretary*.
- Allgor, Catherine. *A Perfect Union: Dolley Madison and the Creation of the American Nation*.
- Bolen, Jean Shinoda. *Goddess in Older Women: Archetypes in Women over Fifty*.
- Brown, Victoria Bissell. *The Education of Jane Addams*.
- De Beauvoir, Simone. *The Second Sex*.
- Ensler, Eve. *The Vagina Monologues*.
- Friedan, Betty. *The Feminine Mystique*.
- Gehrke-White, Donna. *The Face Behind the Veil*.

- Grunwald, Lisa. *Women's Letters: America for the Revolutionary War to the Present*.
- Helm, Sarah. *A Life of Secrets: Vera Atkins and the Missing Agents of WWII*.
- Jessop, Carolyn. *Escape*.
- Kristof, Nicholas D. and Sheryl WuDunn. *Half the Sky: Turning Oppression into Opportunity for Women Worldwide*.
- Levy, Ariel. *Female Chauvinist Pigs: Women and the Rise of Raunch Culture*.
- Mam, Somaly. *Road of Lost Innocence*.
- Quindlen, Anna. *Lots of Candles, Plenty of Cake*.
- Roberts, Cokie. *Ladies of Liberty: The Women Who Shaped Our Nation*.
- Schiff, Karenna Gore. *Lighting the Way: Nine Women Who Changed Modern America*.
- Spencer, Irene. *Shattered Dreams: My Life as a Polygamist's Wife*.

WORLD HISTORY

- Baker, Peter and Susan Glasser. *Kremlin Rising: Vladimir Putin's Russia and the End of Revolution*.
- Beah, Ishmael. *A Long Way Gone*.
- Bernstein, Judy. *They Poured Fire on Us from the Sky: The True Story of Three Lost Boys from Sudan*.
- Delaney, Frank. *Ireland*.
- Diamond, Jared. *Guns, Germs, and Steel*.
- Erickson, Carolly. *Our Tempestuous Day: A History of Regency England*.
- Greenblatt, Stephen. *The Swerve: How the World Became Modern*.
- Hanson, Victor. *A War Like No Other: How the Athenians and Spartans Fought the Peloponnesian War*.
- Judt, Tony. *Postwar: A History of Europe Since 1945*.
- Korda, Michael. *Journey to a Revolution*.
- Mann, Charles. *1491: New Revelations of the Americas Before Columbus*.
- Marable, Manning. *Malcolm X: A Life of Reinvention*.
- Massie, Robert K. *The Romanovs: The Final Chapter*.
- Mortenson, Greg and David Oliver Relin. *Three Cups of Tea*.
- Paz, Octavio. *The Labyrinth of Solitude*.
- Remnick, David. *Lenin's Tomb: The Last Days of the Soviet Empire*.
- Reston, James. *Warriors of God*.

ADDENDUM

The following books were removed from the ESO booklist because there have become difficult to find and/or are out of print.

- Alonso, Harriet Hyman. *Growing Up Abolitionist: The Story of the Garrison Children.*
- Altman, Daniel. *Neoeconomy.*
- Applebaum, Eileen with Annette Bernhardt and Richard Murnane eds. *Low-Wage America: How Employers are Reshaping Opportunities in the Workplace.*
- Armstrong, Karen. *The Great Transformation: The Beginning of Our Religious Traditions.*
- Ayittey, George. *Africa in Chaos.*
- Banish, Roslyn. *Focus on Living: Portraits of Americans with HIV and AIDS.*
- Barbach, Lonnie Garfield. *The Pause.*
- Behan, Mona and Jeannine Davis-Kimball. *Warrior Women: An Archaeologist's Search for Hidden Heroines.*
- Bell, Gavin. *In Search of Tusitala.*
- Beder, Sharon. *Global Spin: The Corporate Assault on Environmentalism.*
- Berry, Wendell. *Unsettling of America: Culture and Agriculture.*
- Bracey, Gerald. *A Consumer's Guide to the War Against Public Schools.*
- Breitweiser, Kristen. *Wake Up Call: The Political Education of a 911 Widow.*
- Brown, Joseph Epes and Emily Cousins. *Teaching Spirits: Understanding Native American Religious Traditions.*
- Bryant, Ralph C. *Turbulent Waters: Cross-Border Finance and International Governance.*
- Buchanan, Patrick J. *State of Emergency.*
- Buehrens, John A. *Understanding the Bible.*
- Burnett, John. *Uncivilized Beast and Shameless Hellions: Travel s with an NPR Correspondent.*
- Capek, Michael. *Murals: Cave, Cathedral, to Street (Art Beyond Borders).*
- Cassiday, John. *Dot.con: How America Lost Its Mind and Money in the Internet Era.*
- Chamberlain, Sam. *My Confession: Recollection of a Rogue.*
- Clinton, Bill. *My Life.*
- Cochran-Smith. *Walking the Road: Race, Diversity, and Social Justice in Teacher Education.*
- Cohen, Greta L. *Women in Sports: Issues and Controversies.*
- Cohen, Lawrence J. *Playful Parenting.*
- Cohn, Nick. *The Heart of the World.*
- Cooke, Alistair. *The American Hope Front: 1941-1942.*
- Conney, Robert. *Winning the Vote: the Triumph of the Woman Suffrage Movement.*
- Coontz, Stephanie, May Parson, and Gabriel Raley. *American Families: A Multicultural Reader.*
- Cooper, Patricia. *The Quilters: Women and Domestic Art.*

- Craig, Mary. *Tears of Blood: A Cry for Tibet*.
- Crane, Nicholas. *Clear Waters Rising*.
- Crawford, James. *Bilingual Education: History, Politics, Theory, and Practice*.
- Creekmore, Marion. *A Moment of Crisis: Jimmy Carter, the Power of a Peacemaker, and North Korea's Nuclear Ambitions*.
- Delamotte, Eugenia et al. *Women Imagine Change: A Global Anthology of Women's Resistance from 600 BCE to the Present*.
- Felt, Mark. *A G-Man's Life*.
- Fish, Joel. *101 Ways to Be a Terrific Sports Parent*.
- Foote, Shelby. *The Civil War: A Narrative Fredericksburg to Meridian*.
- Frey, James. *A Million Little Pieces*.
- Gallaher, Carolyn. *On the Fault Line: Race, Class, and the American Patriot Movement*.
- Gimlette, John. *Theatre of Fish: Travels Through Newfoundland and Labrador*.
- Good Housekeeping Institute. *The Complete Household Book: The Best Way to Clean, Maintain and Organize Your Home*.
- Gordon, Randall. *Vindication: A Life of Mary Wollstonecraft*.
- Guha, Ramachandra. *How Much Should a Person Consume? Environmentalism in India and the United States*.
- Hall, Adrienne. *Backpacking: A Woman's Game*.
- Hannon, Kerry. *Suddenly Single: Money Skills for Divorcees and Widows*.
- Hassrick, Peter H. *Georgia O'Keefe Museum*.
- Hatzfeld, Jean. *Machete Season: The Killers in Rwanda Speak*.
- Hayner, Priscilla B. *Unspeakable Truths: Facing the Challenge of Truth Commissions*.
- Hensel, Jana. *After the Wall*.
- Hobman, J. and Jeffrey Shoulder. *Entertaining America: Jews, Movies, and Broadcasting*.
- Hopkins, Thomas J. *Hindu Religious Tradition*.
- Horn, Jane. *Golf is a Woman's Game*.
- Horton, Myles. Dale Jacobs eds. *The Myles Horton Reader: Education for Social Change*.
- James, Williams. *The Variety of Religious Experience*.
- Johnston, Carolyn Ross. *Cherokee Women in Crisis: Trail of Tears, Civil War, and Allotment, 1838-1907*.

- Kaldor, Mary. *New & Old Wars*.
- Kaplan, Marion A. *Between Dignity and Despair: Jewish Life in Nazi Germany*.
- Karade, Baba Ifa. *The Handbook of Yoruba Religious Concepts*.
- Kazik. *Memoirs of a Warsaw Ghetto Fighter*.
- Kazin, Michael. *Populist Persuasion: An American History*.
- Keyssar, Alexander. *The Right to Vote: The Contested History of Democracy in the United States*.
- Kirk, Robin. *More Terrible Than Death: Massacres, Drugs, and America's War in Columbia*.
- Kurth, Peter. *Tsar: The Lost World of Nicholas and Alexandra*.
- LaSalle, Mick. *Complicated Women: Sex and Power in Pre-Code Hollywood*.
- Latham, Glenn I. *The Power of Positive Parenting*.
- Ludwig, Jens and Philip J. Cook. *Evaluating Gun Policy: Effects on Crime and Violence*.
- Mackintosh-Smith, Tim. *Yemen: Travels in Dictionary Land*.
- Marcel, Jacqueline. *Elder Rage or Take My Dad, Please: How to Survive Caring for Aging Parents*.
- Mazurek, Kas. *Education in a Global Society: A Comparative Perspective*.
- McDougall, Walter A. *Freedom Just Around the Corner: A New American History: 1585-1828*.
- McKhann, Guy M. MD. *Keep Your Brain Young*.
- Mertus, Julie A. *Kosovo: How Myths and Truths Started a War*.
- Mintz, Steven. *Domestic Revolutions: A Social History of American Family Life*.
- Moran, Theodore H. *Foreign Direct Investment and Development*.
- Moser, Carolyn and Fiona C. Clark. *Victims, Perpetrators or Actors? Gender, Armed Conflict and Political Violence*.
- Mossberger, Karen et al. *Virtual Inequality: Beyond the Digital Divide*.
- Mulholland, Marc. *The Longest War: Northern Ireland's Troubled History*.
- Muscatine, Doris. *The Vinegar of Spilamberto and Other Italian Adventures with Food, Places, and People*.
- Noddings, Nel. *Happiness and Education*.
- Notarius, Clifford. *We Can Work It Out*.
- O'Mara, Kathleen. *Vaccination: The Issue of Our Times*.
- Piver, Steven. *Gilda's Disease*.
- Pottruck, David S. and Terry Pearce. *Clicks and Mortar: Passion Driven Growth in an Internet-Driven World*.

- Povich, Shirley. *All Those Mornings...at the Post*.
- Raban, Jonathan. *Hunting Mister Heartbreak*.
- Raymo, Chet. *The Soul of the Night: An Astronomical Pilgrimage*.
- Reese, Anne. *Athletries: The Untold History of Ancient Greek Women Athletes*.
- Redoute, Pierre-Joseph. *Les Roses*.
- Robinson, David. *From Peep Show to Palace: The Birth of American Film*.
- Ross, S.B. *Pitching In*.
- Schwartz, Bonnie Nelson and the Educational Film Center. *Voices from the Federal Theater*.
- Severin, Tim. *The Sinbad Voyage*.
- Shor, Ira. *Empowering Education: Critical Teaching for Social Change*.
- Stanton, Elizabeth Cady. *The Woman's Bible*.
- Steinberg, Theodore. *Done to Earth: Nature's Role in American History*.
- Stewart, Roy. *The Prince of the Marshes: And Other Occupational Hazards of a Year in Iraq*.
- Thompson, Scott W. *The Baobab and the Mango Tree: Lessons About Development: Asian and African Contrasts*.
- Todd, Kim. *Maria Sibylla Merian and the Secrets of Metamorphosis*.
- Took, Roger. *Running with Reindeer*.
- Tovani, Chris and Ellin Oliver Keene. *I Read It, But I Don't Get It: Comprehension Strategies for Adolescent Readers*.
- Truman, Margaret. *First Ladies: An Intimate Group Portrait of White House Wives*.
- Tyldesley, Joyce. *Daughters of Isis: Women of Ancient Egypt*.
- Van Sweden, James. *Gardening with Nature*.
- Wais Brooker, Lois. *A Sex Revolution*.
- Williams, Terry Tempest. *Refuge*.
- Wisdom, Susan and Jennifer Green. *Stepcoupling: Creating and Sustaining a Strong Marriage in Today's Blended Family*.
- Witte, John. *Religious Human Rights in Global Perspective*.
- Woodward, Bob. *Plan of Attack*.
- Yalom, Marilyn. *A History of the Wife*.
- Young, Gavin. *In Search of Conrad*.
- Zimmerman, Jean. *Raising Our Athletic Daughters*.

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Fiction

Miriam Toews, *All My Puny Sorrows*

Elf and Yoli are sisters raised in a Mennonite household and sharing the hardship of Elf's desire to end her own life.

Anthony Doerr, *All the Light We Cannot See*

Navigating the dark of World War II a German boy and a French girl survive using senses other than sight.

S.M. Hulse *Black River: A Novel*

This modern literary Western explores a man's redemptive journey and the possibility (and cost) of forgiveness.

Viet Thanh Nguyen, *The Sympathizer: A Novel*

A half-French, half-Vietnamese man serves as a double agent after the war, and struggles with the contradictions of his identity and loyalties.

Juliann Garey *Too Bright to Hear Too Loud to See*

The fragmented and unsettling perspective of a man grappling with mental illness.

Tartt, Donna *The Goldfinch*

A terrorist bomb blows apart a 13-year-old boy's world.

Eggers, Dave. *A Hologram for the King*.

An American salesman is in Saudi Arabia to close a deal which may salvage his way of life.

Erdrich, Louise. *The Round House*

On the Ojibwe reservation, Oop hunts for his mother's attacker and learns that law does not always provide justice.

Joyce, Rachel *The Unlikely Pilgrimage of Harold Fry*

Delivering a letter to a dying friend becomes a 500 mile journey of reflection and redemption.

Tropper, Jonathan. *One Last Thing Before I Go*

No one can understand how Silver has made such a mess of his life. Can he fix it before the clock runs out?

M.I. Stedman. *The Light Between the Oceans*

After four harrowing years on the Western Front, Tom Sherbourne returns to Australia and takes a job as the lighthouse keeper on Janus Rock. To this isolated island, where the supply boat comes once a season, Tom brings a young, bold, and loving wife,

Isabel. Years later, after two miscarriages and one stillbirth, the grieving Isabel hears a baby's cries on the wind. A boat has washed up onshore carrying a dead man and a living baby.

Tom, who keeps meticulous records and whose moral principles have withstood a horrific war, wants to report the man and infant immediately. But Isabel insists the baby is a "gift from God," and against Tom's judgment, they claim her as their own and name her Lucy. When she is two, Tom and Isabel return to the mainland and are reminded that there are other people in the world.

Beauman, Sally. *The Visitors*.

Set in 1923 and featuring clever English schoolgirls; boorish, self-involved men; pitiable orphans; and the good-hearted types you find in Dickens.

Hannah, Kristen. *The Nightingale*

The stories of two sisters, separated by years and experience, by ideals, passion and circumstance, each embarking on her own dangerous path toward survival, love, and freedom in German-occupied, war-torn France--a heartbreakingly beautiful novel that celebrates the resilience of the human spirit and the durability of women.

Lee, Harper. *Go Set a Watchman*

Featuring many of the iconic characters from *To Kill a Mockingbird*, this story captures a young woman, and a world, in painful, yet necessary, transition out of the illusions of the past—a journey that can only be guided by one's own conscience.

Chiaverini, Jennifer. *Christmas Bells*

A novel inspired by the classic poem "Christmas Bells," by Henry Wadsworth Longfellow.

Doerr, Anthony. *All the Light We Cannot See*

Doerr's magnificently drawn novel rests, historically, during the occupation of France during WWII.

Acevedo, Chantel. *The Distant Marvels*

The elderly Maria Sirena has lived through and, as a young girl, participated in the Cuban war for independence; now, in 1963, at the dawn of Castro's new Cuba, with Hurricane Flora on the way, she is evacuated with other women to a historic mansion for shelter, where she entertains her fellow refugees with personal and richly imagined stories.

Landau, Alexis. *The Empire of the Senses*.

Explores the complex questions of loyalty and ethnic identity in its depiction of a mixed-faith family living through social change during WWI and 1920s Berlin.

Clegg, Bill. *Did You Ever Have a Family: A Novel*.

The aftermath of a tragedy and its rippling effects in a small Connecticut town.

Alcott, Kate. *A Touch of Stardust*.

Historical novel, which follows fictional Indiana native Julie Crawford after she moves to Los Angeles in 1938 to become a screenwriter and gets pulled into the activity surrounding the filming of *Gone with the Wind*.

Nonfiction

Blum, Howard. *Dark Invasion: 1915 Germany's Secret War and the Hunt for the First Terrorist Cell in America*

German spies collaborate to unleash a campaign of terror in the United States at the start of World War I.

Berman, Ali. *Give Us the Ballot: The Modern Struggle for Voting Rights in America*
History of the fight for universal suffrage in the United States.

McCullough, David. *The Wright Brothers*

Sullivan, Rosemary. *Stalin's Daughter: The Extraordinary and Tumultuous Life of Svetlana Alliluyeva*.

Brown, Daniel James *The Boys in the Boat: Nine Americans and Their Quest for Gold at the 1936 Berlin Olympics*

Allen, Jeffery Renard. *Song of the Shank*.

Now a fairly obscure historical figure, Tom Wiggins, born a slave, became an international sensation as a pianist.

Fink, Sheri *Five Days at Memorial: Life and Death in a Storm-Ravaged Hospital*
After Hurricane Katrina, systematic failures lead to morally ambiguous decisions.

Chiaverini, Jennifer *Mrs. Lincoln's Dressmaker*

Historical novel unveils the private lives of Abraham and Mary Lincoln through the perspective of the First Lady's most trusted confidante and friend, her dressmaker, Elizabeth Keckley.

Northrup, Solomon. *Twelve Years A Slave*

True story of Solomon Northrup, who was born and raised as a freeman in New York.

Menache, David. *The Priority List*

In this inspiring memoir, a beloved high school English teacher with terminal brain cancer undertakes a cross-country journey to reunite with his former students in order to find out if he made a difference in their lives, discovering along the way what is truly important in life.

Kors, Eva. *Surviving the Angel of Death*

Eva Mozes Kor was just ten years old when she arrived in Auschwitz. While her parents and two older sisters were taken to the gas chambers, she and her twin, Miriam, were herded into the care of the man known as the Angel of Death, Dr. Josef Mengele. Subjected to sadistic medical experiments, she was forced to fight daily for her and her twin's survival. In this incredible true story written for young adults, readers learn of a child's endurance and survival in the face of truly extraordinary evil.

Stewart, Amy. *Girl Waits with Gun*

An enthralling novel based on the forgotten true story of one of the nation's first female deputy sheriffs.

Parker, John P. *His Promised Land: The Autobiography of John P. Parker, Former Slave and Conductor on the Underground Railroad Paperback*

John P. Parker is one of the few African Americans whose battle against slavery we can now turn to in his own words. He recounts dramatically how he helped fugitive slaves to cross the Ohio River from Kentucky and go north to freedom. He risked his life—hiding in coffins, diving off a steamboat with bounty hunters on his trail—and his freedom to fight for the freedom of his people.

Elizabeth A. Fenn. *Encounters at the Heart of the World: A History of the Mandan People*

An original narrative showing the Mandans, a Native American tribe in the Dakotas, as a people with a history.