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Book Club Selections for 2025

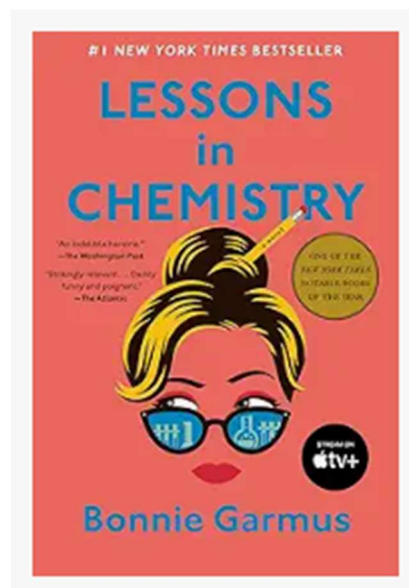
Welcome to the BBC BOOK CLUB. Everyone is welcome to join with us for these meetings. Barbara Dress and Marian Zimmerman are the organizers and look forward to seeing all of you.

The Book Club meets the second Tuesday in January and in March. In February and in April we will meet the second Wednesday. If there are enough around in May, we may also schedule a meeting then.

The gathering is held in the BBC Meeting Room (building D) at 9:30 am for breakfast and the book discussion.

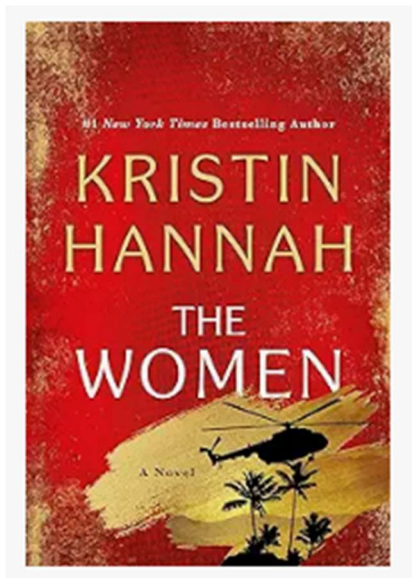
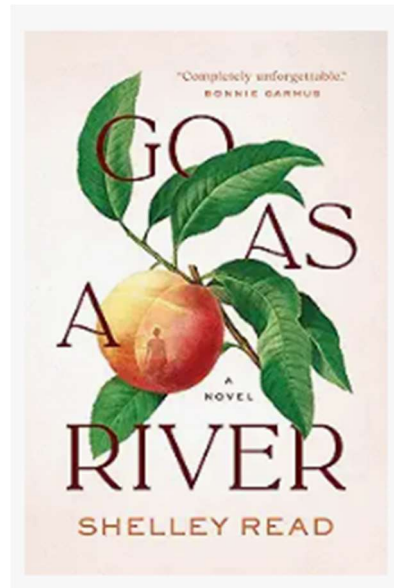
We try to have 3 hostesses for each meeting. If you would like to offer to be a hostess one of the months, or if you need further information, email Marian Zimmerman at mjkzimmerman@gmail.com or call her at 260-403-5665.

JANUARY 14 (Tuesday) —
Lessons in Chemistry by Bonnie Garmus—Meet Elizabeth Zott, a gifted research chemist, absurdly self-assured, immune to social conventions. Meet Elizabeth Zott, the unlikely star of a beloved TV cooking show. Are these two the same person? Read to find out!! A GMA book club pick listed as irresistible, satisfying and full of fun—considered by many as “the best book of the year”.



FEBRUARY 12 (Wednesday)—

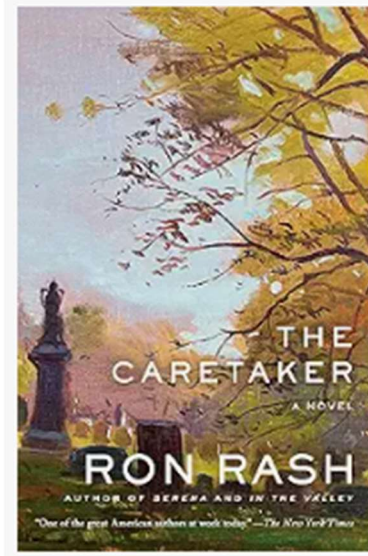
Go as a River by Shelley Read—The book is set mid Colorado’s wild beauty, a heartbreaking coming-of-age story of a resilient young woman whose life is changed forever by one chance encounter. It is a tragic but uplifting novel of love, loss, family, survival and hope. Read is a gifted writer whose characters you will long remember.



MARCH 11 (Tuesday)— *The Women* by Kristin Hannah—What is a hero? I think women can be heroes. Do You?? Meet Frances McGrath, a young girl sheltered by conservative parents, raised in the idyllic world of southern California, never knowing the dark side of life. In 1965 the world is changing. Frances’s brother ships to Vietnam and “Frankie” McGrath joins the Army Nurse Corps.

The Women is a story of one woman gone to war, but it shines light on all women who put themselves in harm’s way every day and their sacrifice and commitment has too often been forgotten. This is a novel about deep friendships and bold patriotism. Can a woman be a hero?

APRIL 9 (Wednesday) — *The Caretaker* by Ron Rash—Where were you in 1951? Well, our main character, Blackburn Grant, was the sole caretaker of *the hilltop cemetery in Blowing Rock, N.C.* So begins the breathtaking love story and a searing examination of the acts we seek to justify in the name of duty, family, honor and love. The Korean War sets the time and the backdrop for this tender look at male friendship and rivalry as well as a riveting page turning novel of familial devotion.



Possibly - MAY 13 (Tuesday) – *The River We Remember* by William Kent Krueger—I always try to end the season with a mystery. This one begins at a Memorial Day celebration in Jewel, Minnesota when the body of wealthy landowner Jimmy Quinn is found floating in the Alabaster River dead from a shotgun blast. This book was nominated for best mystery of 2023—read to find out why!! The investigation falls to Sheriff Brody Dern, a highly decorated war hero who still carries the emotional scars from his military service. Vicious rumors begin to circulate that the killer was Noah Bluestone, a Native American WWII veteran who has recently returned to Jewel with a

Japanese wife. Caught in the torment of anger that sweeps through Jewel are a war widow, her adolescent son, the intrepid publisher of the local newspaper, an aging deputy, and a crusading female lawyer, all of whom struggle with their own tragic histories. WHODUNIT??

