

Berthoud Public Library Book Club, September 2006-May 2007.

The Library Book Club meets at these times: 1:30pm to 3:00pm and 6:30pm to 8:00pm. The same book is discussed at both sessions.

September 26, 2006 *The Persian Pickle Club* by Sandra Dallas.

Loyalty and friendship within *The Persian Pickle Club*, a Depression-era farm town women's quilting and gossip club, is put to the test when a city girl joins.

October 24, 2006 *The Meadow* by James Galvin.

Tells the hundred-year story of a meadow in the mountains of the Colorado/Wyoming border and the people who are possessed by this terrain.

November 28, 2006 *The No. 1 Ladies' Detective Agency* by Alexander McCall Smith.

The cunning and engaging Precious Ramotswe sets up shop in a small storefront in Gaborone, hoping to become a private detective, and she soon has more business than she expected, including a disturbing case involving a missing child.

December 12, 2006 *Winter Wheat* by Mildred Walker.

Ellen Webb, a young woman in Montana in the early 1940s, has an unbelievably eventful year and a half, going to college, falling in love, taking a teaching job, experiencing loss, and learning lessons about love from her parents and the people who come into her life.

January 23, 2007 *Three weeks with My Brother* by Nicholas Sparks and Micah Sparks.

Novelist Nicholas Sparks provides an account of his adventures traveling around the world with his brother Micah on the trip of a lifetime, and shares the personal story of their childhood and the family tragedies they have endured, and how those experiences have made them closer.

February 27, 2007 *Night* by Elie Wiesel.

A terrifying account of the Nazi death camp horror that turns a young Jewish boy into an agonized witness to the death of his family...the death of his innocence...and the death of his God. Penetrating and powerful, as personal as *The Diary Of Anne Frank*, *Night* awakens the shocking memory of evil at its absolute and carries with it the unforgettable message that this horror must never be allowed to happen again.

March 27, 2007 *A Thread of Grace* by Mary Doria Russell.

Presents an historical fiction surrounding the family of fourteen-year-old Claudette Blum, Jewish refugees hoping to find safety in Italy in 1943 after the country broke with Germany, but who find that it is anything but peaceful.

April 24, 2007 *Teacher Man : A Memoir* by Frank McCourt.

Celebrated American author Frank McCourt recounts his thirty-year teaching career, and describes some of his unconventional teaching methods that have left an impact of his students.

May 22, 2007 *Ahab's Wife* by Sena Jeter Naslund.

Sena Jeter Naslund tells the unlikely adventures of *Ahab's Wife*, the woman who is referred to in *Moby Dick* only as a 'sweet, resigned girl' and otherwise barely mentioned. Una tumbles from one precarious situation to another - escaping a Christian fundamentalist father to live on a lighthouse, then running away to join a ship as cabin boy, she gets through shipwreck, atrocities, two marriages (*Ahab* is her second husband) and a good deal more before the book is done.