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Greetings!

It's already July. Summer is finally here. If you have been in the area lately you understand the paradox. Whether you're on the lake, the trails, or the golf course we love the fact that you take time to stop in to say hello and make us your independent bookstore.

We are also thrilled when we see new faces in the store. Recently, we were excited to compare notes with a special visitor. Metta (on the right in the photo) is a bookstore owner from Rena, Norway, the start of the Norwegian Birkebeiner. She was in town for the Worldloppet Annual Meeting. And what's in her bag? The Race of the Birkebeiner by Lise Lunge-Larsen, of course.

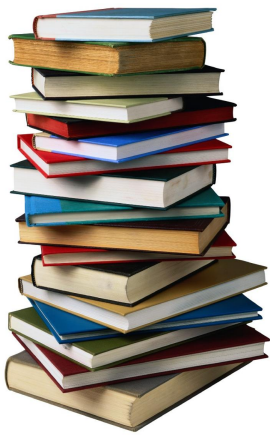
We hope reading is on your list of summer activities. We can help you with your selections whether they go in your beach tote, backpack, or diaper bag.



Author Event: Laurie Hertzelt & Traci Brimhall



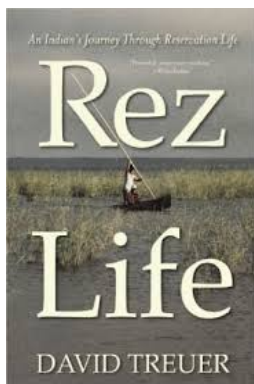
Laurie Hertzelt, author of *News to Me: Adventures of an Accidental Journalist*, is coming to Cable on July 12 to do a writing workshop and a book signing.



What did the men's discussion group think of the book? Read it in:

[TedG's Blog](#)

REVIEW: *Rez Life: An Indian's Journey Through Reservation Life* by David Truer



Centered on Ojibwe reservation communities of northern Minnesota and Wisconsin, *Rez Life* is the first book written by an insider about what Indian reservations are, why they exist, and where they are going.

[Read TedG's review](#)

Writing Workshop: "Writing Your Life, Finding Your Story"

3:00 - 5:00

The Rookery

Cost: \$40.00

(includes workshop, her book *News to Me*, and a \$2.00 donation to Agate Woods Education, a non-profit organization that supports literacy programs in the area.

Space is limited. Sign up early!

[click here to sign up](#)



Traci Brimhall is the author of two volumes of poetry, *Our Lady of the Ruins* and *Rookery*, both of which have won multiple awards. She will be in Cable on July 12th to do a poetry workshop and book signing.

Poetry Workshop: "The Four Temperments: A Generative Poetry Workshop"

12:30 - 2:30

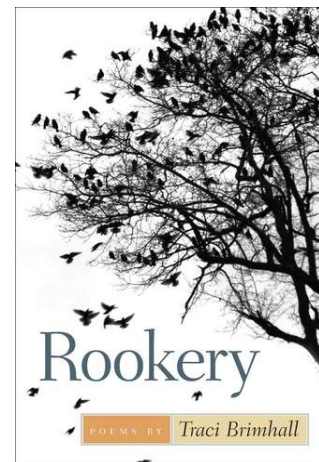
The Rookery

Cost: \$25

Participants will have an opportunity to share work during the workshop and may also email the instructor one of the workshop poems for further feedback.

Advanced purchased tickets are required and space is limited to 12 people. Please sign up by July 10th to reserve your spot.

[click here](#)

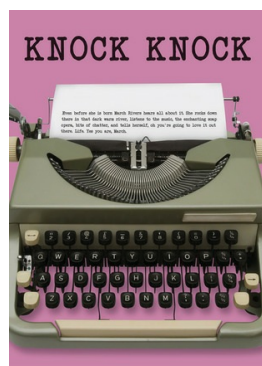


Don't be disappointed. Sign up early. Both classes have a minimum and a maximum number of participants.

**Joint Signing and Reception
6:00 - 7:30**

Redbery Books

Book signing is free and everyone is welcome!



Suzanne McNear

Summer resident Suzanne McNear's new book, *Knock Knock: A Life*, came out in January to great reviews. This is a literary gem of a memoir told, interestingly, through a pseudonym.

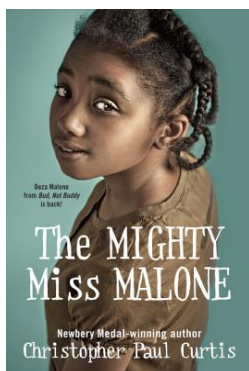
Congratulations, Suzanne! We hope to see her in the store soon.

Book Buzz for Kids

Who says kids can't write? Read this amazing review from 11 year-old Hayden Hayes. Hayden is the granddaughter of Trish Hemming.

The Mighty Miss Malone

by Christopher Paul Curtis



The Mighty Miss Malone is a great novel. I think that the book was very realistic. It showed what life was only a short time period after the slavery law was passed.

To learn more about Laurie Hertzelt, please visit her website at www.lauriehertzelt.com

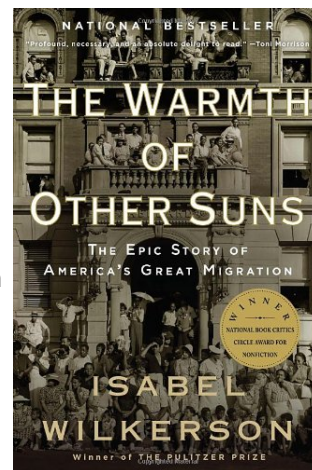
To learn more about Traci Brimhall, please visit her website at www.tracibrimhall.com

Book Buzz for Adults

Bev Recommends...

The Warmth of Other Suns by Isabel Wilkerson

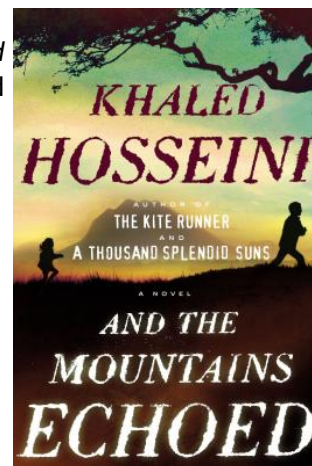
This book wasn't on my to read list although customers were giving it rave reviews. I should have listened. *It wasn't until visiting friends on two separate occasions and from two entirely different circles came "best book I ever read." So, I was convinced. I added it to my list. Now, I hate to think that I almost missed a brilliant, previously untold story of this part of our history. The award winning Wilkerson frames her story around three southern African Americans from different decades and from different parts of the South who gave up life as they knew it to be part of the 6 million people who migrated to the North between World War I and the 1970s looking for a better life and the American dream. Humanizing an experience fraught with injustices and misunderstandings of who the migrants really were, this very readable book moved me to a new understanding of our history and what is still a part of our culture today. Buy it [here](#).



Two great reviews from Jane...

And The Mountains Echoed by Khaled Hosseini

This book is a satisfying new novel by the writer of *The Kite Runner* and *A Thousand Splendid Suns*. This is truly a novel, informed by his rearing in Afghanistan, but not autobiographical. Hosseini has been haunted for a while by the same image: an old man walking across the Afghan desert, pulling a red wagon with 2 children in it. Hosseini decided that it was time to put a story to the image. What a fabulous imagination he has. He creates memorable characters who surprise us, delight us and break our hearts. Buy it [here](#).



Benediction by Kent Haruf

The book kept you on the edge of your seat. I could hardly put it down, all the surprises, the tragedies, the good and the bad things that happened. It's my favorite book of all time. I loved it!

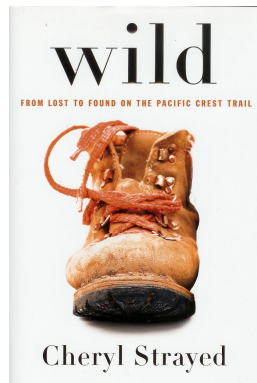
[To read the complete review, click here.](#)

(This is one of Bev's favorites too).

Word of Mouth Book Club

JUNE:

Wild: From Lost to Found on The Pacific Crest Trail by Cheryl Strayed



A campfire and s'mores set the stage for this book discussion. Mosquitoes came uninvited but that didn't stop the fun.



Next up in
JULY:

A Good American by Alex George

Fans of Kent Haruf's *Plainsong* and *Eventide* will be glad to know that he has finished his trilogy with newly released *Benediction*.

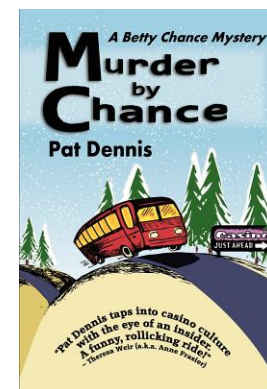
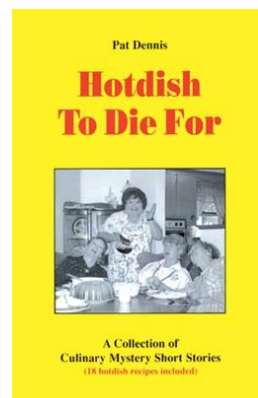
This is a quiet novel. From the first page we know that Dad Lewis is dying. What follows is a paen to his families celebration of the "precious ordinary". With characters ranging from nine-year-old Alice to her aging grandmother, death is experienced from everyone's varying perspective. But in between are amazing scenes of life well lived. A hot afternoon scene where all the exhausted caregiving women relish a surreptitious dip into the cool water of a cattle trough is an image that will stay with me always. Beautiful in its simplicity; overwhelming in its humanity. If the topic of death is in your current purview, this is a rich read. Buy it [here](#).



Girls Night Out

**Thursday, July 18th
6:00pm**

Come join Pat Dennis, author of *Hotdish To Die For* and her newest novel, *Murder By Chance*, at this year's Cable Block Party.

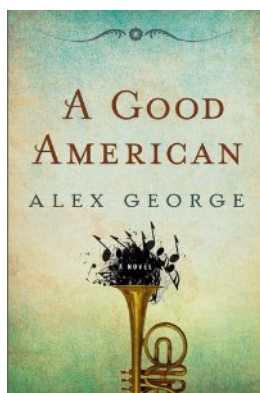


Murder By Chance is a story of a woman whose husband leaves her for an older, fatter woman. As you might guess, her books have some humor in them. She is also a stand-up comedian. In addition to signing her books at GNO, she will also be doing the drawing for door prizes at 7:30 pm that night. I'm guessing there will be lots of laughing.

Participating businesses: Cable Chiropractic, Move True Massage, Candle Cottage, Whispering Pines, Redbery Books, Namkagon Grocer, King Realty, Sweet Exchange, The Rivers Eatery

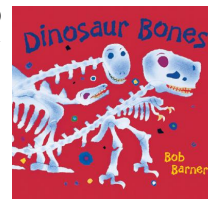
Redbery Storytime

Redbery Storytime
at the
Cable Natural History Museum
Thursdays 10:00 am



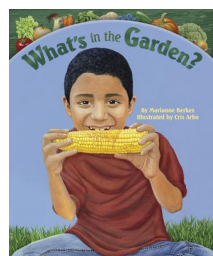
July 11: Storytime in the Kitchen

Join Chef Heather, as she cooks up some stories and maybe a treat or two.



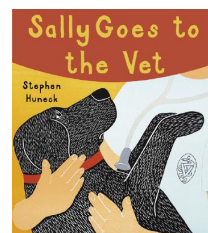
July 18: Bones!

with Naturalist Katie Connolly.



July 25: We Love Our Pets

with veterinarian Dr. Mundahl



August 1: Storytime at the Farm

with community farmer Katie Hancock

From Wendy's Easy Chair

Mark Your Calendar

Thursday 7/11

Storytime: In The Kitchen

Friday 7/12

Traci Brimhall Poetry Workshop and Book Signing

Laurie Hertzler Writing Workshop and Book Signing

Thursday 7/18

Storytime: Bones!

Girls' Night Out: Downtown Cable Block Party

Thursday 7/25

Storytime: We Love Our Pets

Friday 7/26 4 - 6pm

Meet The Author: Sara Balbin at Sawmill Saloon sponsored by Weiss Community Library in Hayward. Details to come.

Thursday 8/1

Storytime: At The Farm

Story times will be followed by table games at Rivers Eatery. 11:00 - 11:30

Book Expo America 2013

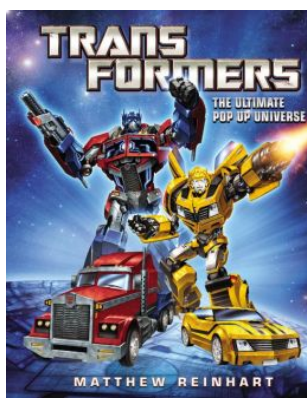


The illustrator's studio tour kicked off a whirlwind of activity at Book Expo America 2013 and will stand out as one of the memorable events for Bev. Four booksellers, three Manhattan addresses, a subway card, and we are on our way.

First stop, Matthew Reinhart. You will recognize him from the masterful pop-ups he has done. All are impressive but his new book due out late fall tops them all.



Do you remember Transformers and Gobots when you were a kid? Or like Bev, when you're kids were young? Matthew Reinhart was an avid fan and a collector from a young age. Now he is working on his dream book project, *Transformers*, and his passion is obvious on every pop-up and there are more than a few pop-ups on every page. Words cannot convey the engineering and magnificence of the nearly-finished project but let's just say this will make your holiday shopping



easy for all ages. Email Redbery to preorder this book!

We are often asked a variation of the question, "How is the bookstore doing?" or, as William Kent Krueger put it during a recent visit, "How long did you have to think about it before you opened a bookstore in Cable?" We are all well aware of the challenges independent books have faced in recent years. Through all of this, bookstores seem to be finding their niches. The mood at Book Expo in early June was upbeat and optimistic.

We thank you for embracing the independent businesses, not just the bookstore but all of our unique shops and businesses in our area. We were told recently, "If you can't find it in Cable, you don't need it." With Art Gallery 63 now open, we agree.

Sincerely,



Bev and the rest of the staff