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Dear (Contact name)

Expressions of **love** are always in the air and available on the shelf at your local book store. Whether it's choosing a story to read with a child, selecting a book for an ailing friend, or just sharing reading time in front of the fire, books bring us together. Isn't that part of what love is all about? (The other part is about chocolate.)



More about this issue. . .

What Men Want
What Women Want
Wendy's Easy Chair
Read on...



February Hours

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**PEACE.
LOVE.
BOOKS.**

**We asked a few men and women readers
what they look for in a good book.
*Are we really so different?***

Members of the Men's discussion group answered, "I like a book that"...

And an expert
opinion . . .

*Fictional tales must
engage the minds of
those who read
them, and by
restraining
exaggeration and*

*--catches my eye as well as my mind. Not that I judge a book by its cover, but the cover of a book does play a role in catching my interest. The title and imagery that accompanies it draws me in, causes me to look at the back cover, liner notes, table of contents. I may flip through a couple of pages, but I'm equally attracted to the visual presence of a book as I am to the words that a writer uses.
(Ted)*

*--has some connection to history. Historical fiction or non-fiction, but well written.
(Scott)*

--tells a good story. When I consider the books that have really stuck with me - To

moderating
impossibility
they enthrall the
spirit and thereby
astonish, captivate,
delight, and
entertain, allowing
wonder and joy to
move together at the
same pace; none of
these things can be
accomplished by
fleeing verisimilitude
and mimesis, which
together constitute
perfection in writing.

Cervantes from *Don Quixote*

Kill A Mockingbird, A Fine Balance, The Emerald Mile, Angle of Repose, Seabiscuit, and on and on. - they're all great stories. The authors are all great storytellers. (Ed)

-- has good character development, an interesting story line, and poses a subject that catches my interest. (Monte)

--is well written and either informs me, inspires me, or pulls me into a different world that delights me. (Jack)

Women readers answered, "I like a book that"...

--won't let me put it down. (Marge)

--1)has a great cover, 2)touches my heart, 3) encourages to see things differently. (Kathi)

--I learn something valuable (Monica)

--is character driven. I don't need to like the characters but they need to be semi-realistic and I need to believe in their motivation. (Jennifer)

--I can't put down. One that makes me forego everything else. . . Don't care what the book is all about the skill and brilliance of the author. (Susan)

--helps me escape the present, get moved to another time and/or place, and makes me feel a bit sad when the last page is turned. (Sarah)

From Wendy's Easy Chair

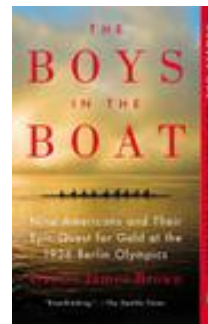


Hop on this train of Greer Macallister's

The Magician's Lie

and find a novel that will almost remind you of Erin Morgenstern's *Night Circus*. Deep, rich characters from start to finish and a storyline that will keep you guessing. Delicious way to spend a winter weekend.

Drum roll for the Men's Discussion Group **BOOK OF THE YEAR.** [Read more about the pick here](#)



Click to order [Boys in the Boat](#)

Books to Film

Academy Awards nominations went to movies based on books or other writings. Here are just a few:



The Theory of Everything

American Sniper

The Grand Budapest Hotel

To read Wendy's review in its entirety, [click here](#).
To order, click on the book.

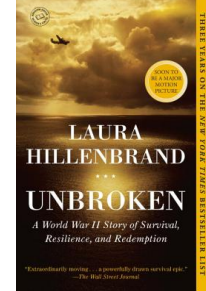
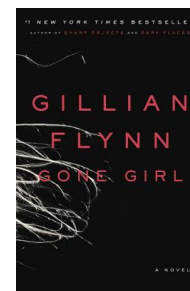
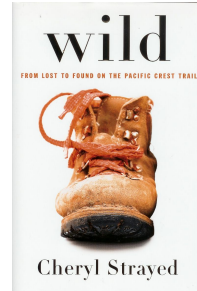
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2015 Winners

Announced earlier this week by the American Library Association:



Newbery Medal awarded to the author of the most distinguished contribution to American literature for children.



How about a new spot for your book club?
Redbery would be happy to host your group.
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Caldecott Medal awarded to the artist of the most distinguished picture book for children.



Fun with the Read Book Society of Hayward

Front and center in Indie Next this month . . .

Read this review submitted by Redbery Books Customer, Marnie Mamma. Marnie is also the author of Return to Wake Robin.





Printz Award

awarded to the book that exemplifies literary excellence in young adult literature.



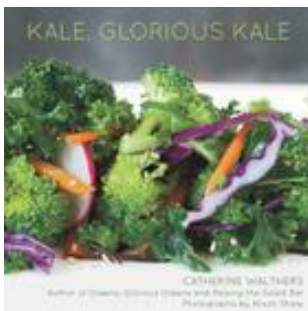
For details of each title or to order, click on the book image above.

For a complete list of the ALA awards, along with the Honor Awards winners, click [here](#).

To hear or participate in a discussion of these books, come to Chapter and Verse Discussion at Redbery, Wednesday, Feb. 25, 4:30



Get a headstart on Kale Love



Filled with sacrifice, betrayal, suspense, courage, and ultimately, forgiveness, *The Nightingale* by Kristen Hannah offers a haunting glimpse of what it was like for women to survive during WWII. Set in a small town in France, *The Nightingale* tells the alternating stories of two sisters, their father, and the friends and enemies that occupy their lives during this tragic period of history. Based on a true story, *The Nightingale* weaves a riveting tale around the heroism of Isabelle, a young woman who serves as a key player in the underground resistance and her sister Viann who struggles back home with German occupation, near starvation, and saving Jewish children left behind. In the end, however, perhaps this novel is more about the sisterly bonds of love that although stretched to the limit still endure. *The Nightingale's* song is one you will not soon forget.

Review by *Marnie O. Mammaing*, author of *Return to Wake Robin*

Kale, Kale - The Gang's All Here!

You too can be featured here. Send us your review of the free book with purchase you picked up from the red bin.

The gang *will* be here for a tasty and nutritious introduction to Kale, the superfood that you can grow in your own garden.

Cable Community Farm, Redbery Books, the Rivers Eatery and Namakagon Grocer will offer a sampling of treats demonstrating kale's great flavor and versatility. Farm Director, Katie Hancock, will be on hand with free kale seed packets and growing tips to honor their 2015 Vegetable of the Year.

Catherine Walther's cookbook, *Kale, Glorious Kale* will be available for purchase. Mick & Beth will serve their special "All Hail Kale" pizza. Alyssa will have some special treats for sampling. Kale chips? Kale smoothies? See what surprises are in store.

Who knew something so healthy could be so delicious?

Please join us



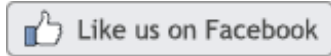
KALE TASTING
Thursday, March 12
4-6pm
Rivers Eatery from 5:00



In our informal, small sample we found that when it comes to reading and books, it isn't about men are from Mars and women are from Venus. Male or female, we love a good story.

The recipes in this cookbook are very approachable and offer lots of new and inventive ways to incorporate kale in your diet. We will be sampling some of these recipes on Thursday, March 12, 4 - 6. To order *Kale, Glorious Kale*, click on the image.

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