

RedberyReads: A Newsletter From Redbery Books

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April Hours

Wednesday 10 - 4 Thursday 10 - 7 Friday 10 - 7 Saturday 10 - 7

Updated hours and always open: www.redberybooks.com

(See story to the right)
The Reluctant
Matador will be released
June 2. We invite you to
preorder a copy for
yourself, which Michael
says is as good as all the
rest. When you do,
Redbery will donate the
profit of the sale
to Sandra Wing Healing
Therapies in Pleasanton,
CA in honor of a couple
of

Greetings!

We love how books connect us to the world, and each other. How words can create magic and tease a smile as a story is shared. Sarah's family story below is one of those stories that will give you a big warm feeling.

Come visit us. We'll help you find just the right book with all the right words, right here.

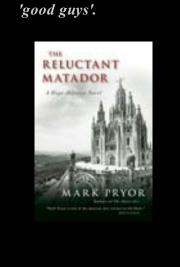


Book connections worthy of sharing What a heartwarming story!



Sarah, who helps keep Redbery humming with her warm, capable manner and passion for books, shares her dad, Michael's, story. He, also an avid reader, has been fighting cancer for the past couple of years. Now his battle continues from hospice in California, where Sarah recently connected her dad with one of his favorite mystery writers, Mark Pryor.

Michael had read a number of Mark Pryor's novels and calls him one of his favorite mystery writers. "They are all engrossing, the kind you can't put down." When he learned Pryor's next book, *The Reluctant Matador*, would be published in June, his reaction was, "Oh crap. I won't be around



If you have a story of how books have connected you, please share them with us at read@redberybooks.com

Poetry is ordinary language raised to the nth power.
Poetry is boned with ideas, nerved and blooded with emotions, all held together by

the delicate, tough skin of words.

Paul Engle

April is National Poetry Month



click on image to order
Best selling poet for 10 years:
Mary Oliver

Best selling local poets:
Diana Randolph,
Beacons of Earth and Sky

Beverly Rollwagon, <u>She Just Wants</u>

John Leighton,
Paradise View

to read that one".

To Michael's surprise an autographed copy of the prereleased book arrived at his doorstep, arranged by the ever-resourceful S arah. In addition, "Mark has offered to make me a character in his next book! I can be a 'good guy,' or a 'bad guy,' or someone who gets poisoned! Being a bit unconventional, I told him I decided on being a 'bad guy'. No matter how minor a mention it is, just having your name in a book is a thrill and an honor." Now, Michael and Mark are more than just facebook friends.

We keep Sarah, her dad and their family in our thoughts, and thank Mark Pryor for his kindness.

10 Years! Where did the time go?



It feels (almost) like yesterday that Redbery opened its doors for the first time. Plans are underway for our Anniversary celebration May 2, but we thought it would be fun to look back at the last 10 years' top selling books.

Top selling books - How many have you read?

2005 *Harry Potter and the Half-Blood Prince* J.K. Rowling.

2006 Race of the Birkebeiners, Lise-Lunge Larsen

2007 Fall to Grace, Kerry Casey

2008 Keeping the House, Ellen Baker

2009 Olive Kitteridge, Elizabeth Strout

2010 *Girl With The DragonTattoo*, Stieg Larsson

2011 Story of the Birkebeiner, Jeff Foltz

2012 Language of Flowers, Vanessa

Diffenbaugh

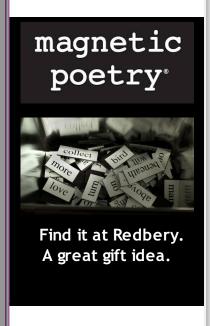
2013 *Flight Behavior*, Barbara Kingsolver

2014 Looking Back at Lake Owen, Lake Owen Lake Assn

Coming Up. . .

The Annual Novel Book Dinner
Brickhouse Cafe,
Wednesday, May 13.
Mark your calendar. Details to follow soon.

Thank you for your beautiful words.



We feel lucky to have been your bookseller for the past 10 years.

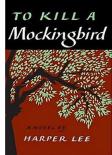


Redbery's 10th
Anniversary Celebration
and Sale
Saturday, May 2nd.
Watch for details in
upcoming email.

Spring Cleaning?

Get ready for the release of Harper Lee's new book by rereading *To Kill A*Mockingbird. This book has won a Pulitzer Prize, been made into an Academy Award movie and has never gone out of print. Has this book influenced you? We'll be discussing this and more along with a delicious





Southern-style meal prepared by Chef Heather.

"Originally written in the mid-1950s, Go Set a Watchman was the novel Harper Lee first submitted to her publishers before To Kill a Mockingbird. Assumed to have been lost, the manuscript was discovered in late 2014. Go Set a Watchman features many of the characters from To Kill a Mockingbird some twenty years later. Returning home to Maycomb to visit her father, Jean Louise Finch-Scout-struggles with issues both personal and political, involving Atticus, society, and the small Alabama town that shaped her. Exploring how the characters from To Kill a Mockingbird are adjusting to the turbulent events transforming mid-1950s America, Go Set a Watchman casts a fascinating new light on Harper Lee's enduring

classic. Moving, funny and compelling, it stands as a magnificent novel in its

Pre-order *Go Set A Watchman* by clicking on the cover image.

We are excited to host this annual event. Show your support by purchasing these books at Redbery.

Atticus would say, Shop Local!

own right."

Susan' recommends ...

The Dream Lover by Elizabeth Berg

Nineteenth century writer, George Sand, is richly created in this historical novel that left me thinking, "Can this be true? I want to know more about this fascinating woman."

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ELIZABETH

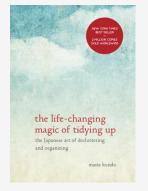
BERG

Born in the French countryside as Aurore Dupin, she leaves her loveless marriage to start a new life in Paris. Once there, she adopts a man's name and wears men's clothes to get a better seat in the theater from which to write her reviews. She lives a scandalous lifestyle while emerging as one of the most famous writers of her time.

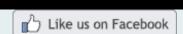
George's quest for lasting love eludes her despite numerous, passionate liaisons and efforts to build bonds

with her mother and children. While she strives for equality and fights to overcome prejudice and heartbreak, she also lives a life of privilege as a willful genius who exudes warmth and generosity as well as stubborn adherence to her ideals.

These complex ities make for an engrossing story and enjoyable read. Now, off to research more about the remarkable George Sand!



This book is moving to the top of Bev's stack as she prepares for retirement in June. Click on the image to read more.



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Connections abound in our lives as Bev and Bill get ready for saying good-bye to life as bookstore owners and turning the reins over to Maureen and Brad Palmer mid-June. You, the customer, have made it possible for the best little bookstore in Cable to continue to the next chapter. Stay connected for new journeys.

Sincerely and with gratitude,



Bev and the rest of the staff

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