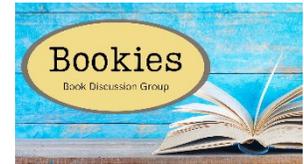


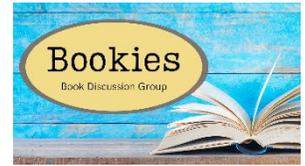
2023 Bookies Book Discussion Group



Bookies is held the third Wednesday of the month at 9:30am. in the Ames Room. Books available at the Circulation Desk for checkout. Each title also available through CLPL digital catalogs.

- January 18 ***The Paris Library*** by Janet Skeslien Charles
Based on the true World War II story of heroic librarians at the American Library in Paris, this is a moving novel of romance, family and the power of literature to bring us together. Available on Libby and eReadIllinois.
- February 15 ***Wish You Were Here*** by Jodi Picoult
NY art specialist Diana is off on a romantic getaway to the Galapagos when the Pandemic hits. Diana's world turns upside down in the chaos that follows in this thought-provoking story of our time. Available on Libby and eReadIllinois.
- March 15 ***This is Happiness*** by Niall Williams
The heart-expanding extremes of life—first love and last rites—are experienced by an unsettled young Dubliner spending one exceptional spring in a small Irish village, abuzz with the coming of electricity. Available on hoopla and Libby.
- April 19 ***Such a Fun Age*** by Kiley Reid
A big-hearted story of race and privilege centering on an African American babysitter, her well-meaning employer, and a confrontation that changes their lives and relationship. Available on Libby and eReadIllinois.
- May 17 ***The Brilliant Life of Eudora Honeysett*** by Annie Lyons
Eudora is 85 and wants the privilege of dying on her own terms. As she deals with declining health, she is confronted by a 10-year-old neighbor bringing annoyance, caring and hope. Available on hoopla and Libby.
- June 21 ***Lessons in Chemistry*** by Bonnie Garmus
Two chemists with major chemistry, a dog with a big vocabulary and a popular cooking show fuel this funny and original story of love and developing feminist power in the 1960s. Available on Libby and eReadIllinois.

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- July 20 ***The Nest*** by Cynthia D'Aprix Sweeney
What happens when a family shares a trust fund and one member endangers it with reckless behavior? Four quirky and endearing siblings grapple with money's grip on their family ties, loyalty and love. Available on hoopla, Libby and eReadIllinois.
- August 16 ***The Maid*** by Nita Prose
In this classic whodunit, Molly Gray is an eccentric young maid who loves her job at the Regency Grand Hotel. But her life begins to lose its long-held balance when a big-wig is found murdered there. Available on Libby and eReadIllinois.
- September 20 ***Black Cake*** by Charmaine Wilkerson
Two estranged siblings must unlock a hidden past when they receive a surprising inheritance from their Caribbean-born mother. A complex story of betrayal, secrets and family. Available on Libby and eReadIllinois.
- October 18 ***The Kitchen Front*** by Jennifer Ryan
It's 1942, and Winston Churchill has a directive for England's cooks: Keep a stiff upper lip and do your part for the war effort. A BBC cooking contest will test four women's ability to make a lot of very little. Available on Libby and eReadIllinois.
- November 15 ***Come Fly the World: The Jet-Age Story of the Women of Pan Am*** by Julia Cooke
A breezy account of Pan Am in its glory days told through the entertaining stories of longtime flight attendants. Available on hoopla and Libby.
- December 20 ***The Sweeney Sisters*** by Lian Dolan
A warmhearted portrait of love and forgiveness. The Sweeney sisters gather for their father's funeral, and are confronted with a dramatic revelation that transforms their world. Available on hoopla and Libby.