

Books and Bagels

Meets on the 1st Thursday of the month at 9:30 a.m. For further information, please call Readers' Advisory at (847) 259-6050 ext. 111



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September 1, 2011 The Secret History by Donna Tartt

Richard Papen, a relatively impoverished student at a New England college, falls in with an exclusive clique of rich, worldly Greek scholars and soon learns the dreadful secret that keeps them together.

October 6, 2011 The Size of the World by Joan Silber

In this series of linked stories, an engineer in Vietnam is shaken when he discovers why his company's planes are getting lost, a marriage between a Thai Muslim and an American woman sparks a terrible family fight, and a young woman in 1920s Siam experiences her brother's colonial stance.

November 3, 2011 Girl in Translation by Jean Kwok

Emigrating with her mother from Hong Kong to Brooklyn, Kimberly begins a secret double life as an exceptional student during the day and sweatshop worker at night, an existence also marked by a first crush and the pressure to save her family from poverty.

December 1, 2011 *Homer & Langley* by E.L. Doctorow

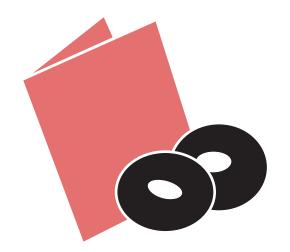
A tale inspired by a true story finds the blind Homer Collyer closeted within a once-grand Fifth Avenue mansion with his damaged brother and remembering a life marked by colorful characters, political events, and technological achievements.

January 5, 2012 Tomato Red by Daniel Woodrell

Daniel Woodrell presents this Ozarks noir, featuring down-and-out Sammy Barlach, one of life's losers who sings the blues with acid sweetness and fated violence.

February 2, 2012 Crossing California by Adam Langer

Three close families living in the middleclass and upper-middle-class areas of Chicago's West Rogers Park neighborhood find their lives and friendships impacted by world events from 1979 to 1981, including the Iran hostage crisis, Reagan's election, and the deaths of famous musicians.



March 1, 2012 Unbroken: A WWII Story of Survival, Resilience and Redemption by Laura Hillenbrand

Unbroken relates the story of a U.S. airman who survived when his bomber crashed into the sea during World War II, spent forty-seven days adrift in the ocean before being rescued by the Japanese Navy, and was held as a prisoner until the end of the war.

April 5, 2012 The Free World by David Bezmozgis

Refusing the Kremlin's order to relocate to Israel, the Jewish Krasnansky family of 1978 Russia makes their way across Italy at the sides of thousands of other immigrants over the course of a culturally rich six months.

May 3, 2012 The Paris Wife by Paula McClain

The Paris Wife follows the life of Ernest Hemingway's first wife, Hadley, as she navigates 1920s Paris.

June 7, 2012 The Sun Also Rises by Ernest Hemingway

In the socially dislocated period after World War I, an American expatriate and a British peeress conduct a hopeless love affair.