

Selbyville ALA Notable Books Discussions 2019 - 2020

1:00 p.m. Third Tuesday of the Month

Selbyville Public Library

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2019

Sept. 17 “The House of Broken Angels: A Novel” by Luis Alberto Urrea.

In this vivid and heartwarming portrait, a Mexican-American family celebrates the lives of their patriarch and his mother over a weekend in their San Diego home.

Oct. 15 “Educated: A Memoir” by Tara Westover

A girl raised by Mormon survivalists in rural Idaho must choose between higher education and family ties.

Nov. 19 “Warlight” by Michael Ondaatje.

A man seeks to understand why he and his sister were left in the care of a mysterious figure they call the Moth in post World War II England.

Dec. 17 Luncheon Meeting, Doyle’s Restaurant, Selbyville at 1:00 p.m.

2020

Jan. 21 “Don’t Skip out on Me” by Willy Vlautin.

A ranch hand who yearns to be a boxer, the people who love him and the land that holds them.

Feb. 18 “Call Me American: A Memoir” by Abdi Nor Iftin.

A Somali man recounts a childhood marked by constant violence and hunger, and his adjustment to life as a refugee in the United States.

Mar. 17 “High-Risers: Cabrini-Green and the Fate of American Public Housing”

by Ben Austen.

An insightful and robust history of the politics, policies and personal stories of city planning and urban renewal.

Apr. 21 “The Overstory” by Richard Powers.

A profound meditation on the connection between humankind and trees and the often invisible impact each has on the other.

May 19 “The Tangled Tree: A Radical New History of Life” by David Quammen.

A chronicle of recent discoveries that changed our understanding of evolution, the scientists who made them and the implications for the future.

June 16 “There There” by Tommy Orange.

A gritty depiction of the lives of urban Native Americans that converge at a Powwow in Oakland, California.

July 21 “Rush: Revolution, Madness, and the Visionary Doctor Who Became a Founding Father” by Stephen Fried.

The comprehensive biography of a lesser known statesman and his contributions to medicine and politics in the newly formed United States.

Aug. 18 “Rising: Dispatches from the New American Shore” by Elizabeth Rush.

An evocative account of how changing sea levels impact coastal communities.