

Buffalo and Erie County Public Library

BISTRO BOOKERS

Below is a list of books reviewed at previous Bistro Bookers events. An asterisk (*) denoted that the reviewer was also the author of the title presented. Go to the most current Bistro Bookers review...

- 1. **Means of Ascent -** Max McCarthy
- 2. **New Realities -** Ray Hunt
- 3. **Parting with Illusions Philip Santamaria**
- 4. **Head First** Tom Frantz
- 5. **Politics of Rich & Poor** Bruce Fisher
- 6. **You Just Don't Understand Joseph Kolasny**
- 7. **The World is Burning -** R. Warren Flint
- 8. **The Last Fine Time -** Verlyn Klinkenborg*
- 9. **Search for Meaning -** Robert Rossberg
- 10. **Joshua -** Fr. Anthony Rigoli
- 11. Miracle in Buffalo Anthony Violanti*
- 12. **The Next Century Marilyn Hoskin**
- 13. **Fire in the Belly -** Donald Sabo
- 14. **Endangered Minds -** Samuel Alessi Jr.
- 15. **All-Bright Court Connie Porter***
- 16. **Backlash** Dolores Denman
- 17. **Parliament of Whores** Sal Martoche
- 18. **America: What Went Wrong -** David Elias
- 19. **Race** James Pitts
- 20. **Fragile Species -** Robert Horvath
- 21. **Revolution from Within -** Rose Ciotta
- 22. Who Will Tell the People Agnes Palazetti
- 23. **Disorderly Conduct** Bruce Jackson*
- 24. **Earth in the Balance -** Alexandra Cukan
- 25. **Making the Mummies Dance** Elizabeth Licata
- 26. **Truman** Doug Turner
- 27. First and Ten Doug Anderson*
- 28. See, I Told You So Emanuel Fried
- 29. **The Fifties** Joseph Grande
- 30. **Tyranny of Kindness** Ellen Kennedy
- 31. **Common Sense** Michael Mahanev
- 32. **Certain Trumpets** Steve Banko
- 33. **Boots of Leather, Slippers of Gold -** Elizabeth Kennedy / Madeline Davis*
- 34. **The Agenda -** Joseph Crangle
- 35. **Don't Stand Too Close to a Naked Man...** Kevin O'Connell
- 36. A Nation Under Lawyers Les Foschio
- 37. Some Days You Get the Bear Lawrence Block*

- 38. **In Retrospect** James Mang
- 39. **Crazy Bosses -** The B.L.O.O.M. Group
- 40. **Betrayal** Joseph Wolfinger
- 41. **Spontaneous Healing -** Sanford Levy, M.D.
- 42. **Inside Talk Radio -** Gary McNamara
- 43. **The Right to Privacy** Penny Wolfgang
- 44. **Buying of the President -** James Griffin
- 45. **A Better Place to Live -** Bruno Freschi
- 46. **Undaunted Courage** Daniel Walters
- 47. **Events Leading Up to My Death Kathleen Rizzo Young**
- 48. **Americans No More** Marcheta Birch
- 49. **Mad as Hell** John Murphy
- 50. Gilda's Disease M. Steven Piver*
- 51. All-American Monster Brandon Stickney*
- 52. **Angela's Ashes** Vincent O'Neill
- 53. **Home from Nowhere** Henry Louis Taylor
- 54. **Into Thin Air** Robert Gurn
- 55. **The Gift of Fear -** Gil Kerlikowske
- 56. **Profits of Death** Ralph Klicker
- 57. Conquering Your Financial Stress Bruce Eaton*
- 58. **Spin Cycle -** Lee Coppola
- 59. Flesh Wounds Mick Cochrane*
- 60. **From the Mississippi Delta -** Lorna Hill
- 61. **Drug Crazy** Ed Powell
- 62. **Tuesdays with Morrie** Robert Milch, M.D.
- 63. **John D. Larkin** Jack Quinan
- 64. **Down the Tube -** Donald Boswell
- 65. **The Millennium Bug** Diane Dillon
- 66. **The Old Neighborhood** Kevin Collison
- 67. **Corrosion of Character -** Gerry Murak
- 68. **Nail Em -** Brian Meyer
- 69. **A Clearing in the Distance -** Gretchen Toles
- 70. **High Tech Heretic -** Angelo Conorozzo
- 71. **City of Light** Lauren Belfer*
- 72. **Outlaw Machine Brock Yates***
- 73. **The Tipping Point** Kevin Gaughan
- 74. Castros Curveball Tim Wendel*
- 75. **Change in the Weather -** Eric Wilson
- 76. **Newjack: Guarding Sing Sing -** Charles Culhane
- 77. **Nothing Like It In The World -** Fr. Edward Dunn
- 78. **Persian Mirrors** Elaine Sciolino*
- 79. **Fast Food Nation** Don Spasiano
- 80. I Watched A Wild Hog Eat My Baby Jamie Moses
- 81. **Nickel and Dimed Michael Niman**
- 82. **Aging with Grace** Bruce Naughton, M.D.
- 83. **Living a Life that Matters -** Rabbi Harry Rosenfeld
- 84. **Vulgarians at the Gate** Drew Kahn
- 85. **John Adams** James Keane
- 86. **Family Estrangements** Robert Perelli
- 87. The Right Words at the Right Time Rev. Geri Lyon

- 88. **No Free Lunch Gary Karton***
- 89. **WITSEC** Sal Martoche
- 90. **Snobbery** Ron Stewart
- 91. **Leadership** Arlene Kaukas
- 92. **Bush At War** John LaFalce
- 93. As Sick As It Gets Rudolph Mueller, M.D.*
- 94. **Beginner's Luck** Laura Pederson*
- 95. **Luck Factor** Joseph Kelly
- 96. **Braving Home** Jake Halpern
- 97. **Frankenstein -** Gary Nickard / Patty Wallace
- 98. **Murdering McKinley** David Franczyk
- 99. Shameless Expoitation in Pursuit of the Common Good Susan McCartney
- 100. **From Butler to Buffett** Murray Light*
- 101. **The Two-Income Trap** Jeffrey M. Freedman
- 102. **Moyers on america -** Dr. Muriel A. Howard
- 103. **Marv Levy** Ed Kilgore
- 104. **Bad News -** Susan Banks
- 105. Gods of Aberdeen Micah Nathan *
- 106. **Blink** John Hurley
- 107. **Wedding of the Waters** Tim Tielman
- 108. The First Desire Nancy Reisman *
- 109. **The Year of Magical Thinking** Janet Kaye
- 110. **Healthy Aging -** Sandford H. Levy
- 111. **Cheating Our Kids** James A. Williams
- 112. **The World is Flat** Kathryn Byrk Friedman
- 113. **Teacher Man** Vincent O'Neill
- 114. **Power Failure** Stephen Bell
- 115. The Great Lakes Water Wars Peter Annin
- 116. **The Innocent Man -** Paul J. Cambria, Jr.
- 117. Scatter Mv Ashes Over Havana Dr. Olga E. Karman *
- 118. **Born on a Blue Day -** Dr. Anthony Graziano
- 119. **The Real Toy Story Mary Travers Murphy**
- 120. **Team of Rivals -** Joseph A. Grande, PhD.
- 121. **City on the Edge Mark Goldman ***
- 122. **How Doctor's Think** Andrew Symons MD, MS
- 123. Come On, People: On The Path From Victims to Victors Rev. Daris Dixon-Clark
- 124. **The Zookeeper's Wife -** Dr. Ruth Kelly
- 125. The Nine: Inside the Secret World of the Supreme Court Judge E. Jeannette Ogden
- 126. THE TEN-CENT PLAGUE: The Great Comic-Book Scare and How it Changed America Emil Nova
- 127. Our Daily Meds: How the Pharmaceutical Companies Transformed Themselves into Slick Marketing Machines and Hooked the Nation on Prescription Drugs Dennis C. Galluzzo, R.Ph.D.
- 128. **The Last Lecture** Rabbi Ilana Schwartzman
- 129. The World is Curved: Hidden Dangers to the Global Economy William T. Ganley, Ph.D.
- 130. Three Cups of Tea: One Man's Mission to Promote Peace ... One School at a Time Faisan Haq
- 131. Founding Brothers: The Revolutionary Generation Dr. Terriane K. Schulte
- 132. The Outliers: The Story of Success Clotilde Perez-Bode Dedecker
- 133. **Buffalo Gal: A Memoir -** Laura Pedersen
- 134. Fugitive Denim: a Moving Story of People and Pants in the Borderless World of

- Global Trade Patrick J. Whalen
- 135. In Defense of Food: An Eater's Manifesto Michael Pollan
- 136. **The Survivors Club** Michael Bornstein
- 137. **Still Alice -** Lisa Genova
- 138. Googled: the End of the World as We Know it Ken Auletta
- 139. The Poisoner's Handbook: Murder and the Birth of Forensic Medicine in Jazz Age New York Deborah Blum
- 140. Last Call: the Rise and Fall of Prohibition Daniel Okrent
- 141. Marriage on the Street
- 142. Empire of the Summer Moon: Quanah Parker and the Rise and Fall of the Comanches, the Most Powerful Indian Tribe in American History S.C. Gwynne
- 143. **Broke USA: From Pawnshop to Poverty Inc.** Gary Rivlin
- 144. **Decision Points** George W. Bush
- 145. **The Emperor of all Maladies** Siddhartha Mukherjee
- 146. **How We Decide** Jonah Lehrer
- 147. WILD BILL DONOVAN Douglas Waller
- 148. **THE LONGEVITY PROJECT** Friedman, Howard S.
- 149. THE GREATER JOURNEY: AMERICANS IN PARIS David McCullough
- 150. Counter Strike
- 151. The Death and Life of The Great American School System Dianne Ravitch
- 152. THE WARMTH OF OTHER SUNS Isabel Wilkerson
- 153. **Capitol Punishment** Jack Abramoff
- 154. America Walks into a Bar, a Spirited History of Taverns, Saloons, Speakeasies, and Grog Shops Christine Sismondo
- 155. Quiet: The Power of Introverts in a World That Can't Stop Talking Susan Cain
- We're with Nobody: two insiders reveal the dark side of American politics
 Alan Huffman and Michael Rejebian
- 157. **Fooling Houdini**
- 158. In the Garden of Beasts; Love, Terror and an American Family in Hitler's Berlin Erik Larson
- 159. How Children Succeed
- 160. The Great Inversion and the Future of the American City Alan Ehrenhalt.
- 161. Scribblin' for a Living: Mark Twain's Pivotal Period in Buffalo Thomas J. Reigstad
- 162. Mafia Summit: J. Edgar Hoover, the Kennedy Brothers, and the Meeting That Unmasked the Mob Gil Reavill
- 163. Pound Foolish: Exposing the Dark Side of the Personal Finance Industry Helaine Olen
- 164. **Against the Grain**
- 165. Thank You for Your Service David Finkel
- 166. The Best Planned City in the World: Olmsted, Vaux and the Buffalo Parks System Professor Francis R. Kowsky
- 167. **Brothers; on His Brothers and Brothers in History** George Howe Colt
- 168. The Everything Store: Jeff Bezos and the age of Amazon Brad Stone
- 169. **Duty: Memoirs of a Secretary at War** Robert M. Gates
- 170. The Most Dangerous Man in America: the making of Douglas MacArthur Mark Perry
- 171. Going Clear: Scientology, Hollywood and the prison of belief Lawrence Wright
- 172. Class Warfare: Class, Race, and College Admissions in Top-Tier Secondary Schools Lois Weis
- 173. **My Two Italies -** Joseph Luzzi
- 174. **The News Sorority -** Sheila Weller
- 175. When Books Went to War: Stories That Helped Us Win World War II Molly Guptill Manning

- 176. The Thing with Feathers
- 177. Heretic: why Islam needs a reformation now Ayaan Hirsi Ali
- 178. **Missoula: rape and the justice system in a college town -** Jon Krakauer
- 179. The Wright Brothers David McCullough
- 180. Elon Musk: Tesla, SpaceX, and the Quest for a Fantastic Future Ashlee Vance
- 181. **Jack Kemp: The Bleeding-Heart Conservative Who Changed America -** Morton Kondracke and Fred Barnes
- 182. **Being Mortal: Medicine and What Matters in the End** Atul Gawande
- 183. Consider the Fork: A History of How We Cook and Eat Bee Wilson
- 184. **League of Denial** John J. Leddy, MD
- 185. **Republic of Spin** Randolph Hohle, PhD
- 186. The Garden of Unfortunate Souls Eddie Mark*
- 187. Hillbilly Elegy: a memoir of a family and culture in crisis J.D. Vance
- 188. His Final Battle: the last months of Franklin Delano Roosevelt Joseph Lelvveld
- 189. **Fail U: the false promise of higher education Charles J. Sykes**
- 190. The Boys in the Boat: Nine Americans and Their Epic Quest for Gold at the 1936 Berlin Olympics Daniel James Brown
- 191. Bellevue: three centuries of medicine and mayhem at America's most storied hospital David Oshinsky
- 192. Rise of the Rocket Girls: The Women Who Propelled Us, from Missiles to the Moon to Mars –Nathalia Holt
- 193. **And After the Fire** Lauren Belfer
- 194. An American Sickness Elisabeth Rosenthal
- 195. Move Fast and Break Things Jonathan Taplin
- 196. The Electrifying Fall of Rainbow City: Spectacle and Assassination at the 1901 World's Fair Margaret Creighton
- 197. Teeth: The story of beauty, inequality and the struggle for oral health in America by Mary Otto
- 198. American Mirror: The Life & Art of Norman Rockwell by Deborah Solomon
- 199. A Cold Day in Hell by Lissa Redmond
- 200. Unleashing Human Energy: From a Toxic Culture to a High Energy, High Performance Organization by Donald L. Rust & Alan G. Weinstein
- 201. Dopesick: Dealers, Doctors and the Drug Company that Addicted America by Beth Macy
- 202. **Grocery** by Michael Ruhlman
- 203. Our Damaged Democracy: we the people must act by Joseph Califano, Jr.
- 204. **The Library Book** by Susan Orlean
- 205. Andrew Jackson and the Miracle of New Orleans by Brian Kilmeade and Don Yaeger
- 206. Killers of the Flower Moon: The Osage Murders and the Birth of the FBI by David Grann
- 207. The Hundred-Year Marathon by Michael Pillsbury
- 208. The moment of lift: how empowering women changes the world by Melinda Gates
- 209. A Mind's Eye Witness by Rosanne L. Higgins
- 210. Mosquito: A Human History of Our Deadliest Predator by Timothy C. Winegard
- 211. Talking to Strangers: What We Should Know about the People We Don't Know by Malcolm Gladwell
- 212. **Empire of Pain: The Secret History of the Sackler Family** by Patrick Radden Keefe
- 213. Splendid and the Vile: A Saga of Churchill, Family and Defiance During the Blitz by Erik Larson
- 214. **Taste: My Life Through Food** by Stanley Tucci
- 215. City of My Heart by Mark Goldman*
- 216. Atlas of the Heart: Mapping Meaningful Connection and the Language of Human Experience by Brené Brown
- 217. **Exploring Science & Art: Discovering Connections** by Mary Kirsch Boehm*
- 218. "Newsroom Confidential-Lessons (and Worries) From an Ink Stained Life" by Margaret Sullivan*
- 219. "Political Tribalism in America: How Hyper-Partisanship Dumbs Down Democracy and How To Fix It"by Timothy J. Redmond*

- 220. "And There Was Light: Abraham Lincoln and the American Struggle" by Jon Meacham
- 221. "Chasing History: A Kid in the Newsroom" by Carl Bernstein
- 222. "Scatter My Ashes Over Havana" by Olga Karman
- 223. "Under the White Sky: The Nature of the Future" by Elizabeth Kilbert