

SMAAUW Classics --- list of authors and works read to date

2002

1. *The Pearl* by John Steinbeck
2. *Love in the Time of Cholera* by Gabriel García Márquez
3. *Seize the Day* by Saul Bellow
4. *Ironweed* by William Kennedy
5. *Anna Karenina* by Leo Tolstoy

2003

1. *Siddhartha* and/or *Steppenwolf* by Hermann Hesse
2. *Kongi's Harvest* by Wole Soyinka or *Things Fall Apart* by Chinua Achebe (Nigerian authors)
3. *Frankenstein* by Mary Shelley *Penguin series
4. Virginia Woolf author study. All read: *The Voyage Out* (Woolf's first novel) and one other choice: *The Waves*, *Mrs Dalloway*, *Orlando*, *A Room of One's Own*, *Roger Fry*, *To the Lighthouse*, *Jacob's Room*
5. *A Doll's House* by Henrik Ibsen. We will read some parts aloud at meeting

2004

1. Poetry -a few American Poets
2. Women's role in Islamic Culture (Joint meeting with Int. Rel. Group) Choice of reading one of the following:
Nine Parts of Desire by Geraldine Brooks (American journalist who spent many years in the Middle East); *Leap of Faith* by Queen Noor (wife of King Hussein of Jordan);
Reading Lolita in Tehran by Azar Nafisi (Iranian professor presently teaching at Johns Hopkins.)
3. *When the Elephants Dance* by Tess Holthe. *Great Books Foundation/Penguin series
4. Ernest Hemingway author study. A biographical video is being circulated among members.
The Sun Also Rises – everyone read. Then choose one of the following: *Men Without Women*, *To Have and Have Not*, *The Old Man and the Sea*, *For Whom the Bell Tolls*, *Islands in the Stream*, *The Garden of Eden*, *A Farewell to Arms*, *Green Hills of Africa*, *The Snows of Kilimanjaro*, *The Short Happy Life of Frances Macomber*, *A Moveable Feast*, *Winner Take Nothing*, *The Nick Adams Stories*
5. *Huck Finn* by Mark Twain

2005

1. *The Prince* by Machiavelli * Part of the Great Books Penguin book series.
2. *Twelfth Night* by William Shakespeare** We will read the play and attend the Blackfriars production in April
3. *The Old Curiosity Shop* by Charles Dickens
4. *Death Comes for the Archbishop* by Willa Cather
5. Author study: Pearl S. Buck. All read "The Good Earth" and each member make another selection

2006

1. *Ethan Frome* by Edith Wharton
2. *Kim* by Rudyard Kipling
3. *The Odyssey* by Homer *Great Books/ Penguin Series with on-line question
4. *Emma* by Jane Austen
5. Somerset Maugham author study. All read *Of Human Bondage* and one other title
6. *The Cherry Orchard* by Anton Chekov. A play; discussion and oral reading

2007

1. The Love Poems of Elizabeth Barrett Browning & Robert Browning
2. *So Big* by Edna Ferber
3. *Angle of Repose* by Wallace Stegner
4. *Alice in Wonderland* by Lewis Carroll
5. Eudora Welty author study. All read *The Optimist's Daughter* and one other title
6. *Brave New World* by Aldous Huxley

2008

1. *Catcher in the Rye* by J.D. Salinger
2. *Uncle Tom's Cabin* by Harriet Beecher Stowe
3. *Cousin Bette* by Honoré de Balzac
4. *The Hounds of the Baskervilles* by Sir Arthur Conan Doyle
5. John Steinbeck author study. All read *The Grapes of Wrath* and one other title
6. *Our Town* by Thornton Wilder

2009

1. Poetry (American): Robert Frost
2. *Washington Square* by Henry James
3. *Don Quixote* by Miguel Cervantes
4. *Narrative of the Life of Frederick Douglass, an American Slave* by Frederick Douglass
5. George Eliot author study. All read *Middlemarch* and one other title
6. *Call of the Wild* or *White Fang* by Jack London

2010

1. *The Crucible* by Arthur Miller
2. *The Red Badge of Courage* by Stephen Crane
3. *All the Kings Men* by Robert Penn Warren
4. *Animal Farm* by George Orwell & *One Day in the Life of Ivan Denisovich* by Alexander Solzhenitsyn
5. Works of E. M. Forster author study. All read *Howards End* and one other title
6. *Advise and Consent* by Allen Drury

2011

1. Various Short Stories by Edgar Allan Poe
2. *Madame Bovary* by Gustave Flaubert
3. *The Picture of Dorian Gray* by Oscar Wilde * Penguin series
4. *The Caine Mutiny* by Herman Wouk
5. Bronte Sisters author study. Half will read *Wuthering Heights* and other half *Jane Eyre*
6. Poems by Henry Wadsworth Longfellow

2012

1. *The Wind in the Willows* by Kenneth Grahame
2. *Heart of Darkness* by Joseph Conrad
3. *The Awakening* Kate Chopin
4. *The Autobiography of Benjamin Franklin* by Ben Franklin
5. Thomas Hardy author study. All read *Tess of the d'Urbervilles* plus one other title
6. *Inherit the Wind* a play Jerome Lawrence and Robert E. Lee

2013

1. *20,000 Leagues Under the Sea* by Jules Verne
2. *The Birds Fall Down* by Rebecca West
3. *Fathers and Sons* by Ivan Turgenev
4. *The House of the Seven Gables* by Nathaniel Hawthorne
5. Jane Austen author study. All read *Pride and Prejudice* and one other title
6. Poems of Emily Dickinson

2014

1. *Their Eyes Were Watching God* by Zora Neale Hurston
2. *The Age of Innocence* by Edith Wharton
3. *The Beautiful and the Damned* by F. Scott Fitzgerald
4. *Crossing to Safety* by Wallace Stegner
5. George Bernard Shaw author study. All read *Pygmalion* and one other play

2015

1. Grimm's and Andersen's Fairy Tales
2. *Kristin Lavransdatter* by Sigrid Undset
3. *Watership Down* by Richard Adams
4. *Breakfast at Tiffany's* by Truman Capote
5. Mark Twain author study. All read *Innocents Abroad* and one other title

2016 - Science Fiction Genre

1. *The Last Man* by Mary Shelley
2. *Journey to the Center of the Earth* by Jules Verne
3. *I, Robot* by Isaac Asimov
4. *Stranger in a Strange Land* by Robert Heinlein
5. Ray Bradbury author study. All read *Fahrenheit 451* and one other title

2017

1. *Anna Karenina* by Leo Tolstoy
2. *Wives and Daughters* by Elizabeth Gaskell
3. *Rebecca* by Daphne du Maurier
4. *A Midsummer Night's Dream* by William Shakespeare

2018

1. *Silas Marner* by George Elliot
2. *East of Eden* by John Steinbeck
3. *Mrs Dalloway* by Virginia Wolff
4. *Cancer Ward* by A Solzhenitsyn
5. Louisa M. Alcott author study. All read *Little Women* and one other title

2019 – Mystery Genre

1. *The Murders in the Rue Morgue* by Edgar A. Poe
2. *The Moonstone* by Wilkie Collins
3. *The Valley of Fear* by Arthur C. Doyle
4. *The Maltese Falcon* by Dashiell Hammett
5. Agatha Christie author study. All read *Death on the Nile* and one other title

2020

1. *Nineteen Eighty-Four* by George Orwell
2. *Day in the Life of Ivan Ilyich* by Leo Tolstoy – Postponed
3. *Up From Slavery* by Booker T. Washington - Postponed
4. *Silent Spring* by Rachel Carson
5. George Elliot author study. All read *Middlemarch*

2021 - 20th c Classics

1. *The Joy Luck Club* by Amy Tan
2. *A Tree Grows in Brooklyn* by Betty Smith
3. *Invisible Man* by Ralph Ellison
4. *One Flew Over the Cuckoo's Nest* by Ken Kesey
5. Vikram Seth author study. All read *A Suitable Boy*

2022 - Biographies

1. *The Professor and the Madman* by Simon Winchester
2. *The Immortal Life of Henrietta Lacks* by Rebecca Skloot
3. *Up From Slavery* by Booker T. Washington
4. *Travels With Charley* by John Steinbeck
5. *Cleopatra: A Life* by Stacy Schiff

2023 - Banned Books

1. Books dealing with religious censorship
2. Books dealing with racism
3. Books dealing with political censorship
4. Books challenged and banned in school and public libraries
5. Books dealing with sexuality

2024 - Children's Literature

1. *Alice in Wonderland* by Lewis Carroll
2. Golden Age of Children's Literature 1865-1932
3. Caldecott Award Books
4. Newbery Award Books
5. Field Trip to Hollins University Children's Literature Dept

2025 - Famous People Who Never Lived

1. *Nancy Drew Mysteries* by Carolyn Keene
2. *Lilith: A Novel* by Nikki Marmery
3. *The Scarlet Letter* by Nathaniel Hawthorne
4. *Casino Royale* by Ian Fleming
5. *Sherlock Holmes: A Study in Scarlet* by Arthur C. Doyle